

Why should you attend a TEC weekend? Here's what former participants have said...

"TEC has become one of the key building blocks in the structure of my inner person. In such a busy world, it is so nice to have TEC friends and values on which to rely. TEC not only allowed me to develop a closer relationship with God, but it also helped me to experience a unique prayerful atmosphere which was accompanied by a unity which is original to TEC."



"I think TEC is a way to get closer to God."

"Since my original TEC, I have found a closer relationship between God, myself, as well as my friends. TEC changed my life in ways that I thought were impossible. I found self-esteem and courage."



"I feel as if my heart has grown to allow others in and I try harder to make people happy when they are feeling down. I care more."

"Since TEC, I have had the courage to take on new challenges."

Sleeping Giant TEC



Teens Encounter Christ



"Unless a grain of wheat falls into the ground and dies, it remains just a single grain. But if it dies, it yields much fruit."

John 12:24

Diocese of Thunder Bay Youth Retreat Program

"To encounter Christ is to encounter a friend. To encounter Christ is to set up a relationship of sharing and trust. To encounter Christ is to know of the deep love that Jesus has for us. I encourage our young people to share in the TEC experience and to encounter a Lord whom they will discover, truly cares for them."

+Fred J. Colli, Bishop of Thunder Bay

An opportunity to encounter Christ and experience His presence.

Moving beyond intellectual understanding of the Catholic Christian faith to an actual encounter with Christ's mercy and love.

An opportunity to make friends in an atmosphere of love and acceptance.

Encouraging involvement with the Church and its community.

A weekend retreat free from the pressures of school and work, where you will experience living with others and with Christ in an environment conducive to that.

For information about TEC, contact Debbie DeBruyne at debdebruyne@tbaytel.net or see....

www.tec-thunderbay.org or www.tecconference.org

What should I expect on the weekend?

You will have opportunities to share your thoughts and ideas, but only what you want to share. No one is forced to do anything. It is important that you attend TEC of your own free will. The TEC weekend lasts 3 days. It is important that you be present for the entire weekend. If you cannot be, please apply for a weekend when you are free to do so.

What should I bring?

Bring casual clothes for most of the weekend. Dress clothes for Mass, bedding (air mattress, cot or sleeping bag), toiletries and other personal effects. If you play a musical instrument, please bring it.

\$ What is the cost? \$

STUDENTS: \$50 ADULTS: \$60

The total cost of the TEC weekend is \$100. NOTES: If you are a member of a *Catholic* parish in the Thunder Bay Diocese, ***your parish will subsidize you.*** For *teens*, \$50 is paid by your parish. For *adults*, \$40 is subsidized by the parish. Non-Catholics and Catholics outside of the Thunder Bay Diocese are encouraged to make this same arrangement with their church or sponsor. If there is any doubt about parish sponsorship in your case, please contact Debbie DeBruyne at 346-1266 or debdebruyne@tbaytel.net. If you live in the Fort Frances area, contact Betty or Deacon Bob Grynol at deaconsden@sympatico.ca.

Who can attend?

The TEC program is open to individuals who are ***at least 16 years of age*** and ***at least in Grade 11.***

NOTE: This program is designed for high school seniors and college/university students. Adults are also welcome to attend particularly if they are parents of children who have attended TEC, or are involved in Youth Ministry, or are interested in assuming leadership positions in TEC. Otherwise, adults should attend Cursillo.

All applications are ***due one (1) week prior*** to the weekend. Late applications will be accepted if there is room.

When is the next TEC?

TEC #76: May 22-24, 2010 - Corpus Christi Parish

TEC #77: Nov. 19-21, 2010 - Corpus Christi Parish

Arrive between 9 and 9:30 a.m.

What is TEC?

A shared experience of mature teens and adults who seek to grow together in faith and understanding.

TEC APPLICATION

I consent to the participation of my child in TEC

YES _____ NO _____

X

(Signature of parent / guardian - required for those under 18)

(Please print name of parent/guardian)

(Address of parent/guardian)

(Phone # of Parent/Guardian)

Emergency Medical Treatment

Health Card #: _____

In the event of an emergency, I give permission to transport my child to a hospital for emergency medical treatment. In the event of any emergency, if you are unable to reach me at the above contact numbers, contact:

(Emergency contact)

(Relationship)

(Address of contact)

(Phone # of Contact)

Date of TEC applied for: _____

Name: _____

Birthdate: _____ Sex: M/F
(Circle one)

Address: _____

(City/Town)

(Postal Code)

Telephone: () _____

E-mail Address: _____

School: _____ Grade/Year: _____

Parish: _____

Please name people you know making this TEC:

Are you making this TEC of your own free will? Y/N

Are there any special health/diet needs? Y/N

If yes: _____

(eg. Vegetarian, Vegan, Diabetic, food allergies, etc.)

Please send completed form to:

TEC - Diocese of Thunder Bay, P.O. Box 10400, Thunder Bay,
ON P7B 6T8 FAX: (807) 343-9114

or give them to Bob and Betty Grynol if you live in the Fort Frances area.

A \$20 non-refundable deposit is required with your application.

(Cheques to "TEC") DEPOSIT: _____

PARENT/LEGAL GUARDIAN PERMISSION FORM

Your son/daughter _____ is eligible to participate on a TEC weekend that requires permission. This activity will take place under the guidance and supervision of volunteers from Sleeping Giant TEC.