



# Catholic Diocese of Evansville

*- The Catholic Church in Southwestern Indiana*

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Dear friends and supporters of Southwestern Indiana Teens Encounter Christ,

I am writing today in support of the Teens Encounter Christ movement in our Diocese and their goal to raise funds to start an endowment with the Catholic Foundation of Southwestern Indiana. This endowment will grow each year, and will allow the TEC movement to have a sustainable method to provide for their retreat needs throughout the year.

The TEC movement has provided young people with the opportunity to encounter Christ in our Diocese for nearly 35 years. This has had an incredible impact on many of our current priests, seminarians, religious, and lay people. I made my first of eight TEC weekends when I was in high school. It was there that for the first time, I encountered Christ in a powerful and personal way, and that encounter has continued to change my life.

By supporting the TEC movement during this time, you will help to ensure that more young people are able to know that Jesus Christ sees and loves them personally, and that He has a plan for their lives. I hope that you will prayerfully consider supporting this important ministry. As each teen or adult receives their TEC cross at the end of the retreat, they hear the words, "Christ is counting on you." They then respond by saying, "And I on Him." Christ is counting on you to help the TEC movement. How is the Holy Spirit asking you to respond? If unable to assist financially, I ask for your prayers for TEC and for everyone that has or will attend this life-changing retreat. Thank you for your time and consideration.

In Christ through Mary,

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