#### The Week at a Glance...

	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
December	20 8am Mass 10am Mass	21 8am Mass 12-2pm Office closed for staff luncheon 7pm Scripture Grp	<b>22</b> 5pm Mass	23 8am Mass 12pm Office closes for holidays	24 CHRISTMAS EVE 4pm Mass 6pm Mass 9:30pm Singing of Carols 10pm Mass OFFICE CLOSED	25 CHRISTMAS DAY 10am Mass 2pm Korean Reconciliation 3pm Korean Mass 4pm Korean Dinner	<b>26</b> 5pm Mass

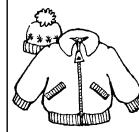
GRADUATE STUDENT/YOUNG PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP BIBLE STUDY is on break for the holidays and will resume meeting in the new year. For more information, contact Christy Sinksen at 706-613-0921 or csinksen@uga.edu.



# **CHRISTMAS BASKETS** FOR THE HOMEBOUND

THANK YOU to our ministry coordinator, Linda Dube, and to everyone who donated treats. arranged the baskets, and made deliveries of the

Christmas Baskets for the Homebound. Thanks to your generosity many people were remembered with a bit of Christmas cheer!



#### **COAT DRIVE — BEST YET!**

The Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone who supported our annual Coats for Kids drive this vear. Thanks to you we had our best year ever and were able to provide over 400 new and used coats to kids this winter. We raised over \$4000 to purchase 292 new coats. We had over

32 new coats and close to 100 used coats donated. We had 120 hand-knitted hats and scarves donated. All the coats were given to local kids through the Oasis Catolico of St. Raphael, the NE GA Food Bank, and the Oconee Food Bank. Your generosity and love will keep many children from being cold this winter. Thank you so much!

#### IT'S THAT TIME AGAIN: WE NEED YOUR HELP TO UPDATE OUR RECORDS!

Beginning on January 4th we will begin a project to get our membership records up to date. We will request that every active household to register or to renew your membership. Registration forms will be available in the Chapel, the office, and online. We appreciate everyone's help to get our records up to date!

# Women's Bible Study Holiday Schedule

The Women's Bible Study group will resume regular meetings on Thursday, January 14 at 10:00am in the library. Merry Christmas to all!



# Christmas Choir

Volunteers needed for the Choir for Midnight Mass (10:00 pm Christmas Eve). Music will consist of familiar carols. Meet in the chapel at 8:15pm to practice. Carol singing will begin

at 9:30, followed by Mass at 10:00. This is a wonderful way to participate in this special service!

Contact: Ellen Ritchey 706-549-3532

#### **COUPLES BIBLE STUDY GROUP FORMING NOW**

If you and your spouse would like to participate in a couples' group, please contact the office. Our vision is to meet weekly or biweekly to discuss the bible and



our Christian faith in the context of married relationships. We hope to begin sometime in January. Contact the office if you are interested.

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

We will NOT HAVE

**Wednesday 4PM Confessions and Adoration** during the Christmas break.

**Wednesday 4PM Reconciliation and Adoration** will resume on Wednesday, January 13th.

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

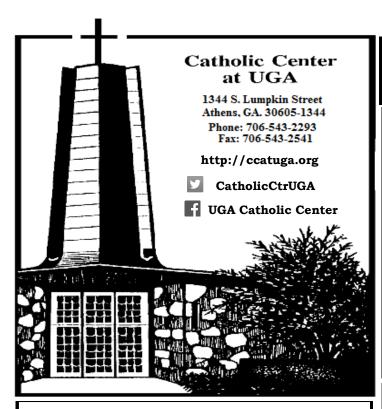
Religious Education classes are on break for the Christmas holidays. The regular RE class schedule will resume on Sunday, Jan. 17th, and Wednesday, Jan. 20th.

> **David Briones** Director of Religious Education brionesda@gmail.com

#### **CRISIS HOTLINES**

GA CRISIS AND ACCESS LINE- (24 hour crisis hotline) 800-715-4225 **SUICIDE HOTLINE 800-784-2433** THE COTTAGE- crisis line 877-363-1912

Bulletin Announcements: Send to ccuga.emily@gmail.com. All announcements must received by the Tuesday prior to publication and approved by the Director.



# **CATHOLIC CENTER** MISSION STATEMENT

The Catholic Center at the University of Georgia is a Eucharistic Community that seeks to live the gospel of Jesus Christ in the tradition of our Roman Catholic faith and the spirit of St. Francis. As Christian disciples we are charged to answer Christ's call for compassion by becoming instruments of peace, charity and justice. We seek to stand in solidarity with the poor, the stranger, the alienated and to collaborate with those who serve them in local and global communities. We endeavor to respect a universe created by God in Love.

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# For the week of December 20th, 2015



# **Holiday Weekend Mass Schedule**

(in effect the weekends of Dec 26-27 & Jan 2-3)

Saturday 5pm Vigil Sunday 8am & 10am

#### **Holiday Weekday Mass Schedule** (in effect December 21 through January 8)

Monday 8am Tuesday 5pm Wednesday 8am Thursday 5pm Friday 8am

Morning Prayer: Monday, Wednesday, Friday before the 8am Mass

Evening Prayer: Tuesday, Thursday before the 5pm Mass Reconciliation: Saturday 4pm-4:45pm or by appointment

The regular Mass, Adoration & Reconciliation schedule will resume on Sunday, January 10<sup>th</sup>.

Sunday Night Student Dinner resumes on January 17th

# Our Faith Community Prayer List

We lift up in prayer all of our faith family members who suffer physically, emotionally, or spiritually, especially:

Raul Alvarez, Dianne Ambrose, Teresa Angle, Bill Ball, Margaret Bell, George Bertioli, Peggy Brookbank, Megan Burton, Grace Byrne, Joe Castro, Ray Cochran, Dan Colley, Lynn Cruickshank, Steve Dawson, Charo Garcia-Pozo, Mendi Geist, Mitch Hamby, Jo Keane, Larry Kelly, Riley Landry, Nick Lanza, Meredith Lind, Gail Lopes, Cassidee Rose McCartney, Mona Ortez, Myra Pawlowski, Rose Ann Presley, Jackie Rains, Calhoun Raley, Trenia Reynolds, Willie Rice, Michael & William Rose, Marge Saar, Justin Sheffield, Rashmi Shroff, Bella Smith, Nancy Thomas, John Toutkoushian, & Bob Wilson

# In Memory

With deepest sympathy our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially:

Regina Bertsch, Truman Claudius Bledsoe & John Rives Through the mercy of God may they rest in peace.

Please see page 2 for the complete Christmas Season Mass Schedule.

# Fourth Sunday of Advent

## **READINGS & MASS INTENTIONS**

(+) indicates In Memory

SUNDAY: Mt 5:1-4a Heb 10:5-10 Lk 1:39-45

Saturday, 12/19 5:00 pm - James Gallo (+)
Sunday, 12/20 8:00 am - Gloria Vacchio (+)
10:00 am - Edward Muszynski (L)

#### MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday, 12/21 Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a & Luke 1:39-45

8:00 am - Regina Bertsch (+)

Tuesday, 12/22 1 Sm 1:24-28 & Lk 1:46-56

5:00 pm -

Wednesday, 12/23 Mal 3:1-4, 23-24 & Lk 1:57-66

8:00 am -

Thursday, 12/24 Christmas Eve

Is 62:1-5 Acts 13:16-17, 22-25 Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

4:00 pm - Portella Family (L) 6:00 pm - Don Desmond (+)

10:00 pm - Josefina Triebwasser & Family (L)

Friday, 12/25 Christmas Day - The Nativity of the Lord

Is 52:7-10 Heb 1:1-6 Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

10 am -

NEXT SUNDAY: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28

Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or 1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24 Lk 2:41-52

# The Jubilee Year of Mercy:

"Dear brothers and sisters, I have often thought about how the Church might make clear its mission of being a witness to mercy. It is a journey that begins with a spiritual conversion. For this reason, I have decided to call an extraordinary Jubilee that is to have the mercy of God at its center. It shall be a Holy Year of Mercy. We want to live this Year in the light of the Lord's words: 'Be merciful, just as your Father is merciful' (cf Lk. 6:36)."

- Pope Francis

# **SACRAMENTAL OPPORTUNITIES**

**Baptism:** Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Class. Classes are held every month. Please contact the office to enroll.

**Marriage:** Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance. Contact the office for an appointment.

**RCIA:** RCIA is program for those who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith with a possible interest in joining the Church. **Sick/shut-in:** Please contact the office to make arrangements for a visit by the Eucharistic Ministers.

**Funeral Arrangements:** Arrangements can be made by contacting the office.

For more information, please contact

Sr. Barbara Daniels, msc Sacramental Coordinator

706-543-2293 or ccuga.srbarbara@gmail.com



Joy to the World!

#### 2015 Christmas Season Mass Schedule

#### Christmas Eve (all are Vigil Masses)

Thursday, December 24 4:00 pm, 6:00 pm & 10:00 pm Mass

(with Singing of Carols at 9:30 pm)

**Christmas Day (Holy Day of Obligation)** 

Friday, December 25 10:00 am Mass

# Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Saturday, December 26 5:00 pm Vigil Mass Sunday, December 27 8:00 am & 10:00 am Mass

New Year's Eve

Thursday, December 31 5:30 pm Vigil Mass

# New Year's Day ~ The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God (Holy Day of Obligation)

Friday, January 1 10:00 am Mass

#### Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord

Saturday, January 2 5:00 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 3 8:00 am and 10:00 am Mass

# **IMPORTANT NOTICE:**

We will NOT HAVE

Wednesday 4PM Confessions and Adoration during the Christmas break.
Wednesday 4PM Reconciliation and Adoration

will resume on Wednesday, January 13th.

## Regular Mass Schedule resumes on Saturday, January 9th

Weekend Masses: Saturday 5pm

Sunday 8am, 10am & 5pm

Weekday Masses: Monday 8am

Tuesday 8am & 5pm Wednesday 8am & 5pm Thursday 8am & 5pm

Friday 8am

Reconciliation: Wednesday & Saturday at 4pm or by appointment

Tuesday 8pm & Wednesday 4pm

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#### **Catholic Center Holiday Office Schedule**



The office will be closed from noon on Wednesday, December 23rd through New Year's Day, January 1st.

Regular office hours, 10AM-4PM
Monday through Friday, will resume on Monday, January 3rd.

The Catholic Center Staff would like to wish you and your loved ones a joyful and blessed Christmas season.

# THE 2015 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL "ALL THIS I DO FOR THE SAKE OF THE GOSPEL"

If you would like to participate in the 2015 Archbishop's Annual Appeal, you have until December 31st to complete your pledges and make donations.

If we exceed our goal of \$49,700, the Archdiocese of Atlanta will return 100% of the funds collected in excess of our goal to the Catholic Center. Excess funds will be used for our Frances Wallis Student Scholarship program.

Thank you for supporting the Archbishop's Annual Appeal.



For your convenience, online giving is available for regular tithes and offerings or one-time donations.

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# FINANCIAL UPDATE

#### **December 13, 2015**

Weekly Collection	\$ 2	22,146.33
Children's Collection	\$	43.57
Online Giving	\$	4,192.00
Number of Online Givers		38
Second Collection	\$	968.00
Alms	\$	438.00
Alms Disbursed	\$	475.00

#### Goodsearch & Goodshop.com

Total "FREE MONEY" Raised \$ 407.89 Supporters 182

## 2016 ENVELOPES - PICK UP DEC 26TH - JAN 31ST

The 2016 offertory envelopes have arrived. They will be set out in the back of the Chapel from December 26<sup>th</sup> through January 31<sup>st</sup>. Please pick them up at your earliest convenience! If you do not want to use your envelopes, please let Victoria know. Unused envelopes will be recycled for others who may want to use them, along with any that are not picked up by January 31<sup>st</sup>.



#### KROGER COMMUNITY REWARDS

The Catholic Center at UGA is enrolled in the Kroger Community Rewards Program. If you shop at Kroger, please consider registering your Kroger Rewards card to benefit The Catholic Center at UGA. It will not affect your personal account, but will help the Center.

# UGA Students' Corner



# MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!

Exams are over and graduation ceremonies are complete. We hope everyone enjoyed the late night breakfasts and did well on your exams!! We look forward to seeing you back at the Center in January. Have a safe and joyful Christmas season!





**CONGRATULATIONS, UGA GRADUATES!** 

