



THE CATHOLIC CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

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.

MASS TIMES & SACRAMENTS

Holiday Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday ~ 5:00 PM Vigil Mass
Sunday ~ 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Holiday Weekday Mass Schedule

Mon-Wed-Fri ~ 8:00AM
Tues-Thur ~ 5:00PM

****The regular weekday Mass will resume on Monday, January 9th.**

Morning Prayer:

Mon-Wed-Fri before 8:00AM Mass

Adoration:

Wednesday 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM

Reconciliation:

Wednesday & Saturday
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
or by appointment

THIS WEEK AT THE CENTER DECEMBER 31 - JANUARY 6

SATURDAY

- 5:00PM - Vigil Mass
- SUNDAY - SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD (Holy Day of Obligation)**

- 8:00am - Mass
- 10:00AM - Mass
- Nursery will be closed

MONDAY

- Catholic Center Office re-opens
- 8:00AM - Mass

TUESDAY

- 5:00PM - Mass

WEDNESDAY

- 8:00AM - Mass
- 2:30PM - Bereavement Ministry

THURSDAY

- UGA Spring 2017 classes begin
- 5:00PM - Mass

FRIDAY

- 8:00AM - Mass

FUTURE DATES TO NOTE:

- January 7 - 5:00PM Vigil Mass
- January 8 - Epiphany of the Lord
 - 8:00AM, 10:00AM, and 5:00PM Mass
- January 8 - Sunday Night Dinner resumes - 6:00PM
- January 9 - Regular Daily Masses Resume
- January 9 - Confirmation - 6:00PM
- January 10 - RCIA - 7:00PM
- January 12 - Social Graces Women's Dinner - 6:00pm
- January 15 - Volunteer Luncheon - 1:00PM
- January 16 - MLK Jr. Day
 - Catholic Center Office Closed
- January 18 - Silver Angels Potluck - 11:00am
- January 18 - Couples' Bible Study Begins - 6:30pm

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Catholic Center offers Religious Education and sacramental preparation for children. Classes will resume on Wednesday, January 18th and Sunday, January 22nd.

- Wednesday Night (1st - 7th grades) at 6:15PM in the Chapel.
- Sunday Morning (Pre K - K) at 10:00AM in the Hall.
- Confirmation (8th, 9th and 10th grades) 2nd Mondays at 6:00PM.

David Briones

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CATHOLIC TRIVIA

Who was the only Catholic to sign the Declaration of Independence and it's last surviving signer?

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA

Fish! The fish has served as a symbol of Christianity for almost two millennia. According to the 1917 Catholic Encyclopedia, the fish may have been chosen because of Jesus' miracle of the multiplication of the fish and loaves of bread.

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"Anyone who seeks truth seeks God, whether or not he realizes it."

Edith Stein

MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS

SUNDAY: Nm 6:22-27 Gal 4:4-7 Lk 2:16-21
Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God

Saturday, 12/31 5:00PM - The Sheffield Family (L)

Sunday, 1/1 8:00AM - Don Desmond (+)
10:00AM - Franciscan Missionary Union

MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK:

Monday, 1/2 1 Jn 2:22-28 & Jn1:19-28
8:00AM - Franciscan Missionary Union

Tuesday, 1/3 1 Jn 2:29-3:6 & Jn 1:29-34
5:00PM - Franciscan Missionary Union

Wednesday, 1/4 1 Jn 3:7-10 & Jn 1:35-42
8:00AM - Franciscan Missionary Union

Thursday, 1/5 1 Jn 3:11-21 & Jn 1:43-51
5:00PM - Franciscan Missionary Union

Friday, 1/6 1 Jn 5:5-13 & Mk 1:7-11
8:00AM - Franciscan Missionary Union

NEXT SUNDAY: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Is 60: 1-6

Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6

Mt 2:1-12

PRAYER LIST

WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER all of our faith family members who suffer physically, emotionally, or spiritually. This week we remember: Samantha Adams, Nicole Adamson, Teresa Angle, Bill Ball, David Bauman, Grace Byrne, Sr. Margaret Carney, OSF, Karen Lynn Carty, Lee Cochran, Ray Cochran, Clare Collica, Lynn Cruickshank, Sr. Barbara Daniels, Elena DeKazos, Frank DiPalma, George Dougherty, Eileen English, Jerry Foley, Anna Maria Gamble, Kurt Gelfand, Ben Greenspan, Tasha Herron, Gerald Isom, Harsh Jain, Margaret Jordan, Jack Kehoe, Mary Kurtz, Jim Law, Meredith Lind, Gail Lopes, Harper McCrary, Deacon Scott Medine, David Miller, Camilla Mims, Tina Montgomery, Karen O'Boyle Pagoda, Mollie Osborne, George Osterkamp, Bill Ozburn, Marlin Panther, Brenda Patrick,, Myra Pawlowski, Mark Pentecost, Janet Pieper, Bob Powallic, Kelly Roten, Baby Luke Rouse, David Salum, Marie Sunseri, Kathy Kelley Syron, & Margaret West

WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones.

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS JANUARY 2017

Starting in 2017 the Pope will present only one prepared prayer intention per month, rather than the two presented before this year. He plans, however, to add a second prayer intention each month related to current events or urgent needs, like disaster relief.

EVANGELIZATION: Christian Unity

That all Christians may be faithful to the Lord's teaching by striving with prayer and fraternal charity to restore ecclesial communion and by collaborating to meet the challenges facing humanity.



**Happy New Year from
Fr. John, Fr. Scott & the
Catholic Center Staff
and welcome back to our
faculty and students!**



BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT MEETS WEDNESDAY

Grief is a normal, natural, and necessary response to a significant loss. The Catholic Center Bereavement Group Ministry offers comfort and support to individuals who are going through the grieving process. The Group is facilitated by Mary Ellen Quinn. Our next meeting will be on Wednesday, January 4th at 2:30PM in the Catholic Center Library. Please join this group of caring and compassionate members for help and support. All are welcome! For more information, please contact the Center office or Mary Ellen Quinn at mquinn@gru.edu.

GRADUATE STUDENT/YOUNG PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP BIBLE STUDY

is on break for the holidays and will have the first meeting of its winter/spring study on Monday, January 23 at 7:00PM at the Center. Newcomers are always welcome. For more info, contact Christy Sinksen at (706) 613-0921 or csinksen@uga.edu.

NEW COUPLE'S BIBLE STUDY SESSION BEGINS JANUARY 18...NEWCOMERS WELCOME!

January marks one year since the Couple's Bible Study began. The couples who have participated have enjoyed wonderful discussion and fellowship. The new session, beginning on January 18th at 6:30pm at the Catholic Center, will follow Jeff Cavins Acts of the Apostles study series. Please contact the Catholic Center office for more information or to rsvp.



WE  VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION In appreciation of all the volunteer work and the sharing of your time with us, the staff at the Catholic Center would like to prepare and serve lunch for all of our volunteers on January 15, 2017 at 1:00PM. RSVP to Nora Joslyn at ccuga.nora@gmail.com by January 9, 2017.



AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE The UGA Catholic Center will be hosting a blood drive in the Fellowship Hall on Monday, January 23rd from 3:00PM - 7:30PM. To sign up, please call 706-543-2293 or go online to redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: UGACC. Walk-ins are welcome!

SOCIAL GRACES DONATE TO IHN

A huge thank you to the Social Graces Women's Group at the Catholic Center. In 2016 the Women's Group donated approximately \$6,000 worth of household goods and gift cards to Interfaith Hospitality Network of Athens. Special thanks to Sue Brassard for coordinating this wonderful mission.



HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS The Catholic Center office will reopen on Monday, January 2nd at 10:00AM.

IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER

If you are 70 ½ or older and are required to take a minimum distribution from an IRA, a charitable rollover is available for you to donate to your church. You do not have to report the monies as taxable income. Contact Nora Joslyn in the Church office for further information.

2017 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

The Contribution Envelopes will be distributed in the upcoming weeks. Keep on eye on the bulletin and Mass announcements for more information.

ALMS PROGRAM

The Catholic Center will no longer be operating the Assistance Office on the Center premises. Instead, we will be taking all Alms donations and distributing them amongst local charities to better serve the Athens community in need.



CALLING ALL KNITTERS & CRAFTERS - JANUARY 10 AT 1:00PM.

The Catholic Center knitting group meets at 1pm on the second Tuesday of every month in a room just off the Center Hall. If you like to knit (or do any kind of craft) or are interested in learning how, please join us. Everyone is welcome!! If you have questions or would like more information, please contact Teddy Dempsey at teddyandlarry@charter.net.

HOMEBOUND BASKETS DELIVERED CHEER.

Thank you to everyone who donated items and helped fill the baskets. We were able to deliver over 40 baskets and hopefully deliver a holiday smile as well. A special thanks to Linda Dube for coordinating this very important ministry.

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OFFICE HOURS
10AM until 4PM Mon-Thurs
10AM until 3PM Friday