

The Catholic Center

Dear Catholic Community at UGA:

Wow!! We're already into the middle of January. It's great that our collegians have returned to UGA. Please keep them in your prayers for a successful semester. Right now, we're looking ahead to Lent and its activities. Ash Wednesday will be on February 17 and Easter on April 4. Stay tuned for what will be happening. We will livestream many of our Masses. Fr. Brian and I enjoyed Drive Through Confessions during Advent Season. We plan on doing this again on Saturday, January 30 at 10AM. Once again the Archdiocese Annual Appeal will be taking place in February. You've been very generous to this appeal and we not only reached our goal, but exceeded it! Unlike parishes in our Archdiocese, we are very blessed that this is the only appeal we have and we do not pay the other assessments that exist for parishes.

We've now entered the short time between Christmas Season and Lent. As we reflect on the call to follow Jesus and His mission to preach, teach, heal and forgive, perhaps this can also be a time to reflect on how each of us can focus on some area for spiritual growth. Let's also keep in our prayers the success of the vaccine distribution and for those who are dedicating themselves to its dispersal.

Many blessings in this new week. Glad to be with you all on the journey!!

In Christ,

Fr. Fred

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CC at UGA



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Mass Readings

Saturday - Heb 4:12-16/Mk 2:13-17

5:00 pm – CC Members

Sunday - 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

8AM - Lymon Rains † **11AM** - Anita Brady †

4:00PM - CC Members

6:00PM - Philip Atkins †

Monday -Heb 5:1-10/Mk 2:18-22

5:30PM - Charlie Brown†

Tuesday - Heb 6:10-20/Mk 2:23 -28

5:30PM - Don Kraus †

Wednesday - Heb 7:1-3, 15-17/ Mk 3:1-6

5:30 PM - Eileen Sapera †

Thursday - Heb 7:25—8:6/Mk 3:7-12

5:30 PM–Morgan Doorley (int.)

Friday -Heb 8:6-13/Mk 3:13-19 10:00AM - Legal Protection of Unborn Children (int.)

UPCOMING EVENTS

Drive Through Confession January 30 at 10:00AM

We had such a wonderful response to our Drive Through Confession in December, we are doing it again on Saturday, January 20 from 10-11:30AM in the parking lots behind the Center. Fr. Fred and Fr. Brian will be waiting for your car to pull up...just follow the signs.

Virtual 2021 Human Race 5K Week of February 13

This years Human Race 5k will look a little different. Due to Athens and Archdiocese current event standards, we have decided to make our annual 5K a virtual event. Mark your calendars and start preparing to run, walk, or crawl around the Athens area! More details to come.

ATHENS CATHOLICS FOR LIFE

With everything going on in the world, this is not the ideal time to venture to Washington DC to rally together with people from all over the country for the March for Life. However, this issue doesn't deserve any less attention and we cannot let the circumstances of our country overshadow it's importance. We are going to bring the Pro-Life cause to our own Athens Catholic Center student community on January 29 at 7 PM with a Service for Life. Our UGA Students will come together in song, prayer, education, and silence to remember the lives we have lost to abortion and cultivate a true culture of life within our own community.

Leading up to this event, we will be collecting wipes, diapers, and monetary donations for our local Athens Pregnancy Center! Please drop off all items in designated bins or to the center stage.







GSYPF BIBLE STUDY

The Graduate Students & Young Professionals Bible study is currently on break for the holidays and will begin its winter/spring study on Monday, January 25 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Newcomers are always welcome. For more info, contact Christy Sinksen at 706-613-0921 or csinksen@uga.edu.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE

Monday January 25 from 2:30 – 7:00PM

The American Red Cross will hold a Blood Drive at the Catholic Center on Monday, January 25, from 2:30PM to 7:00PM. Healthy individuals who are feeling well are asked to make an appointment to donate. Sign up online at redcrossblood.org using sponsor code: UGACC or call Sister Uyen-Chi or Jenni at 706-543-2293.



POP CULTURE AND RELIGION GROUP

The Pop Culture and Religion Group will start meeting again next Wednesday at 8pm on Zoom. We welcome and encourage all ages to participate. Let's learn from each other! Please email Victoria at wictoriapeachallen@gmail.com to join or if you have any questions.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CORNER

Welcome to the Knights of Columbus Corner at the Catholic Center UGA.

Solemnity of the Epiphany: "The Lord and ruler is coming; kingship is his, and government and power."

If you are a man, 18 years of age or older who are a practicing Catholic and is looking for a meaningful New Year resolution, have we got an invitation for you: **Join the Knights of Columbus!**

You can contact us with all your questions or to join us at: KOFC6514@GMAIL.COM

The Knights of Columbus wish you a Blessed and Happy New Year!



2021 Archishop's Annual Appeal - "Our Joyful Return to the Lord."

The theme for this year's Appeal is "Our Joyful Return to the Lord." While much of the Church's ministry takes place in our parishes, we also come together as an archdiocesan Church to carry out critical services and ministries that have an impact beyond any one parish. Your support for the Appeal helps bring the spiritual and corporal works of mercy to life in our parish as a part of our overall effort to spread and deepen our faith in the Merciful Lord throughout the archdiocese. Through your generous gifts we can continue the work we were called to do as Christians. In the next few weeks you will receive a letter form Archbishop Gregory Hartmayer with more information about the Appeal. Thank you for your generous consideration.

TAX STATEMENTS

Tax Statements will be mailed in the next few weeks. If you have changed your address or contact information, please send the updated information to Jenni at stewardship@ccatuga.org.

FINANCIAL GIVING UPDATES

Thank you for continuing to generously share your treasures with the Catholic Center for its operations, ministries, and outreach programs. For any questions, please contact the Center.

January 3, 2021

January 10, 2021

Offertory \$11,684.40

Alms \$578.00

Offertory \$14,178.22

Alms \$106.00

WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Diane Ambrose, Huguette Bourgery, Mim & Nick Bourke, Shirley Bundy, Bill Burden, Grace Byrne, Brian Carr, Lori Craig, Norma d'Azzo, Betty DeGuilo, Elena Dekazos, MaryAnn Deom, Tom Eaton, Alice Gallagher, Carol Garbon, Mildred George, the Glisson family, Amy Hartwell, Bob Henry, Ann Johnson, Gordan Manning, Jim Miller, Jim Mueller, Mikel Nicolo, Barbara O'Brien, Sharon Perrine, Norah Risher, Tom Risher, Joel Rivera, Caleb Sanders, Ann Schrauth, Carole Seeley, Jimmy Simons, Eileen Sinda, Doug Tigert, and Joan Weiss.

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

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for January: May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

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