

#### Mass Intentions

Tuesday

Saturday **5PM - Randy Lorusso** Sunday 8AM - Michael Grey † 10:30AM Shirley Teofilo † **5PM -** Viana Garcia de Cadenas † Monday

5:30PM - Dorothy

McKelvey †

5:30PM - Lea Bouhakkou Wednesday 5:30PM - Brenda Padilla Thursday 5:30PM - Students & Alumni of UGA Friday 8AM - Special Intention

of the Handmaids

### **Oasis Giving Tree**

During this Advent season, we are supporting

Liturgical Schedule

Oasis Catolico with our Giving Tree. Each tag has an item that will go to the children and families at Oasis. Please return all gifts unwrapped to the office by Friday, December 17th. Thank you for your loving support of the families at Oasis.



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CC at UGA



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#### Mass:

Saturday: 5PM Except on Home Football Games

Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM, 5PM

Monday—Thursday: 5:30PM

Friday: 8AM

#### Confession:

Wednesday 4-5PM

Saturday: 3:30-4:30

Except on Home Football Games

Weekly Adoration:

Monday from 6PM through Tuesday 5:30PM

November 28, 2021 • First Sunday of Advent

## Weekly Calendar

#### Saturday 11/27

Coats for Kids Collection after

5PM Mass

3:30PM - Reconciliation

6:30PM - Korean Mass & Potluck

**Sunday 11/28** 

First Sunday in Advent

Coats for Kids Collection after

Monday 11/29

6PM - KOC Meeting

Tuesday 11/30

8PM - Seeking Water

Wednesday 12/1

6:45AM - Graduate Women's Bible Study (TV)

IPM - Creative Hands Crafting Group

4PM - Reconciliation

4PM - Freshmen Men's Bible

Study (TV)

6:15PM - 1st-8th grade RE 8PM - Ignite Freshmen Ministry

#### Thursday 12/2

OAM - Women's Bible Study 4PM—1st & 2nd Year Undergrad

Women's Bible Study

6PM - Confirmation Holiday

Gathering 7PM - RCIA

8PM - Arch

Friday 12/3

8AM Mass

Saturday 11/27 5PM Mass

3:30PM - Reconciliation

# A Message From Sr. Catherine

Dear Catholic Center Community,

Can you believe that today marks the start of Advent? So begins what is often a full and bustling season. As a counterbalance to the tendency to be swept up in the whirlwind of external activity, good as that activity may be, the readings during these next weeks remind us over and over to ready ourselves for what is to come- "be vigilant," "pray," allow the Spirit to "lift up" our souls in preparation for welcoming the Savior. We prepare to make joyful memory of Jesus' birth among us and of what it means in our lives.

The tone of today's readings ranges from expectant longing to encouragement to urgency. We are reminded that this faith of ours both comforts and stretches us. Even though we are junior partners in this project of salvation and God always takes the initiative, our response is essential and God dignifies us by counting on us to step in with our whole hearts, minds, souls and strength. So how do we welcome the Savior? How do we really prepare a space for God who chooses to be "God with us," Emmanuel?

For one, as Jesus exhorts his friends - pray. Make it a daily Advent gift to yourself and to God. Pray for ourselves and pray for others. Pray for open and attentive hearts. Pray for docility to the Spirit. Pray for love, and for whatever we need to pour it out in forgiveness and in just and compassionate speech and action. Pray that our best offering to God and neighbor might become a source of hope for others and an authentic sign of our friendship with God.

So "May the Lord make (us) increase and abound in love for one another and for all." May the Lord "strengthen (our) hearts, to be blameless in holiness before our God and Father at the coming of our Lord Jesus." We can pray for that and allow it to take shape within us.

Advent blessings to you and your family!

Sr. Catherine

## iGive Tuesday

This year Giving Tuesday will be November 30th, the first Tuesday after Thanksgiving. The Catholic Center is asking the community to prayerfully consider donating towards the purchase of liturgical vestments and goods. iGive Tuesday will go from 11/15-11/30. Fr. Fred, Fr. Brian, and Colin thank you for your support!

#### Save the Date...The CC 5K Human Race is Back!

Mark your calendars for Saturday, February 19 for the 44th Annual Catholic Center 5K Human Race. We are looking for runners, walkers, sponsors and planning committee members. Please contact Sr. Uyen-chi at admincsa@ccatuga.org.

### **Announcements**

### **Creative Hands Crafting Group**

Creative Hands craft group, knitting and crocheting will meet at the Catholic Center on Wednesday, December 1st, from 1-3PM (notice the date change). Learners are always welcome.

#### Mr. CC Thank You

Thank you to those who watched this year's Mr. Catholic Center Pageant both in person and on the livestream. This year's Mr. Catholic Center is none other than Sophomore Sam Brewster. Because of your generous support, we raised over \$6,000 for the students! We are so excited for next year!



### **Religious Education News**

Happy Thanksgiving Break to all! RE Classes will resume on Wednesday, December 1. Be sure to check the calendar and emails for other updates.

### **Knights of Columbus Corner**

State Deputy Jim Clifford presented Deacon William P Lakin Council 6514 of Athens, the Star Council Award for Fraternal Year 2020/2021. Star Council is the highest award earned by a Council. It demonstrates the Council's dedication of being, as Pope St John Paul II rightfully stated, the "Strong arm of the Church". Council 6514 was able to successfully provide service to Church, Community, Life, and Family. Fr. Fred's guidance as Council Chaplain is sincerely appreciated. To all Brother Knights, "Vivat Jesus!"



### **Are You Graduating This December?**

The Catholic Center would like to celebrate this milestone with you. We are planning to have a Baccalaureate Mass at 5:30PM followed by dinner on Thursday, December 16, for graduating seniors and graduate students. Please fill out the Google Form here https:// forms.gle/TBSuC9SuApUk6dj89 or scan the QR code.

## **Introducing the Elijah Cup**

Beginning this Advent season, the Catholic Center is introducing the Elijah Cup following weekend Masses. The Elijah Cup is an effort to pray for an increase of vocations to the priesthood, diaconate and religious life. Members will bring the Elijah Cup home to pray over as a family. Use the link on the website or the QR code to sign up.



#### **Poinsettia Donations**

To make our church beautiful during this holiday season, we will be decorating with poinsettias. If you would like to participate by donating a poinsettia in honor of or in memory of someone, please complete the form located at the entrance to the chapel and return with payment in the offertory basket or to the office by Friday, December 17th. A suggested donation is \$20. Thank you!



### Come and See with the Handmaids

Ever wonder what it would be like to be a sister? This virtual "Come and See" event will include prayer, sharing with other young women, and a chance to learn more about the spirituality, ministry and charism of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Be bold- explore! Friday, Dec 3 (5-6pm PST/8-9pm EST) & Saturday, Dec 4 (9am-12pm PST/12-3pm EST). To register, visit: https:// tinyurl.com/c2skjkct

## We Lift Up in Prayer

Charlotte Alesi, Joel Alesi, Dianne Ambrose, Robert Ballard, Hugette Bourgery, Bill Burden, Grace Byrne, Shannon Campbell, Jim Carow, Brian Carr, Grace Cleary, Danny Clements, Lori Craig, Norma d'Azzo, Peter Dang, Elena Dekazos, Tom Eaton, Ella Ewing, Amy Froschauer, Carol Garbon, Mildred George, Judy Hayes, Ann Johnson, Pats Laniak, Jill Liberatore, Susan Luthi, Angela Mancinelli, Jim Miller, Joyce Milner, Susan Moore, Barbara O'Brien, Heather Owens, Lou & Betty Perno, Sharon Perrine, Richard Pfundstein, Lee Prendergast, Larry Ptaczeck, Lou Richt, Tom Risher, Joel Rivera, Lisa Siciliano, Jimmy Simons, Eileen Sinda, Dave Sternberg, Chandler Thompson, Doug Tigert, Juan Tristan, Raquel Tristan, Yolanda Tristan, Frank Trocino, and John Weiss.

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Clifton West Delk, Jacob Larrazabel and Kelli McConnell,

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for November: We pray that people who suffer from depression or burn-out will find support and a light that opens them up to life.

# 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.

November 14, 2021

\$9,932.00 - Offertory \$558.00 - Alms

November 21, 2021

\$7,716.10- Offertory \$186.00 - Alms



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