



The Catholic Center

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ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5PM - Eileen Sopera †	Tuesday 5:30PM - Elsie Horton †
Sunday 8AM - Marguerite "Peggy" Jackson † 10:30AM - Julie Cashin † 5PM - Jacob Larrazabel †	Wednesday 5:30PM - Franciscans of Our Lady of the Angels Province, living & dead, †
Monday 5:30PM-Communion Serv. Priests of Archdiocese of Atlanta †	Thursday 5:30PM - Larry Dempsey
	Friday 8AM - Jim Carow †

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Welcome Archbishop Hartmeyer

The Catholic Center at UGA extends a warm welcome to Archbishop Hartmeyer at our 5PM student Mass on Sunday, December 5th!



Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, December 8th is a Holy Day of Obligation for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. We will celebrate Mass at 8AM & 12PM, with Blessing of the Brains to follow the 5:30PM Mass.

Liturgical Schedule

Mass: Saturday: 5PM Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM, 5PM Monday-Thursday: 5:30PM Friday: 8AM	Confession: Wednesday 4-5PM Saturday: 3:30-4:30 Weekly Adoration: Monday from 6PM through Tuesday 5:30PM
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Weekly Calendar

Saturday 12/4
3:30PM - Reconciliation
5PM Mass

Sunday 12/5
Second Sunday in Advent
10:30AM - Pre-K & Kind. RE
3:30PM - Collegiate RCIA
6PM - Sunday Night Dinner

Monday 12/6
5:30PM Communion Service
7PM - Advent Penance Service

Tuesday 12/7
12PM - Conversations with Fr. Fred
5:30PM Mass

Wednesday 12/8
Feast of the Immaculate Conception
UGA Reading Day
6:45AM - Graduate Women's Bible Study (TV)
8AM Mass
12PM Mass
4PM - Reconciliation
4PM - Freshmen Men's Bible Study (TV)
5:30PM Mass and Blessing of the Brains
8PM - Late Night Breakfast

Thursday 12/9
UGA Finals Begin
5:30PM Mass
6PM - Social Graces (C)
8PM - Late Night Breakfast

Friday 12/10
8AM Mass

Saturday 12/11
9AM - Morning of Reflection for Mass Volunteers
3:30PM - Reconciliation
5PM Mass

A Message From Fr. Fred

Dear Catholic Center Community,
This is a wonderful time of the year. We all have family traditions and memories recent and distant that we celebrate every year. As the years have passed, one of the things I miss most is my mom's Christmas cookies. I can see her in the kitchen baking and the smells were awesome. I really liked the almond cookies and the green Christmas trees with sprinkles on top. Even now, when I see those cookies, I smile because it brings back so many wonderful memories of my time with my parents.

For some, this can be a painful time of the year because of memories. Sadness in missing loved ones and also painful disappointments can create a different kind of mood. There are those who can't wait to get through the holidays. I've met individuals who, in a sense, close themselves off from others, because they don't want people to see their sadness.

There's nothing wrong with celebrating and enjoying these upcoming days, but let's also be aware of those around us who may be struggling in some way. A smile, a kind word, taking time to be present to someone hurting can make a difference. In these coming days we prepare to again welcome Jesus, our Savior. He came into the world to transform our sadness. He came to bring a joy and peace the world does not give. Again, I pray, that amidst the business of life, we take time to pray and to honor the "reason for the season". COME, LORD JESUS!

Blessings on the journey,
Fr. Fred

Re-Stock Our Student Pantry For Finals

Our student pantry is running dangerously low and our students are in need of food to get them through finals week. Please consider donating non-perishable items like individually wrapped packages of chips, crackers, single-servings of microwaveable mac and cheese and soup, granola bars, other snack foods, and individual drinks like juice boxes and Gatorade. Thank you so much for feeding the bodies and souls of our students. Along with food, please consider offering up prayers for our students as they head into finals week.

Sunday Night Dinner Volunteers

We are looking for volunteers who like to cook and prepare food for our students for Sunday Night Dinners. The team will work from 3-5PM. Please sign-up on our website or call the office. We are also looking for some baked goodies for desserts! Please drop them off during the week in the office. Thank you for your loving support of this ministry!



Announcements

Finals Week

Pray for our students as they take their final exams December 9-15.

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.



Oasis Giving Tree

During this Advent season, we are supporting 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.



Save the Date...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.

Knights of Columbus Corner

Reenacting the Christmas story, collecting clothes and food, simply praying and lighting a candle with the family. These activities are ways the Knights promote Advent and the Keep Christ in Christmas program. Keeping Christ in Christmas is an opportunity Knights revel in because it allows shifting peoples' preoccupation of day-to-day activities to spreading the light of Christ and the spirit of giving within the family, council, parish and community. Throughout his ministry, Jesus preached that secret, unrequited giving is an obligation. Such giving reveals the underlying truth: that faith with works is alive. Have a wonderful Advent."

A Conversation with Fr. Fred

Join us on Tuesday, December 7 in the Center Hall at noon for Conversations with Fr. Fred. This is an opportunity for discussion on any faith subject and to ask questions. All are welcome to join us and bring a bag lunch. We will continue these conversations each month with Fr. Fred or Fr. Brian. If you would like to submit your questions ahead of time, email frfred@ccatuga.org

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.



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!

Late Night Breakfast Volunteers Needed

Finals Week begins Weds, 12/8 with our annual Blessing of the Brains and first of four "Not so Late Night" Breakfasts. Volunteers are needed to prepare a yummy breakfast casserole for to help our students study for finals. We are asking for volunteers to deliver a breakfast casserole to the Center on Mon 12/13. We have disposable trays in the CC office for our volunteers to fill with their delicious recipes.

Late Night Breakfast Schedule

12/8, 12/9, 12/13, 12/14

For more information or to volunteer, please contact the Center office at stewardship@ccatuga.org

We Lift Up in Prayer

Charlotte Alesi, Joel Alesi, Dianne Ambrose, Robert Ballard, Hugette Bourgerly, Bill Burden, Grace Byrne, Shannon Campbell, 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, Hudson Masters, 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 James Carow, George Raymond Hunt, and Lawrence Ptaschek

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for December: Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

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 21, 2021
\$7,716.10- Offertory \$186.00 - Alms

November 28, 2021
\$8,234.91- Offertory \$111.00 - Alms

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