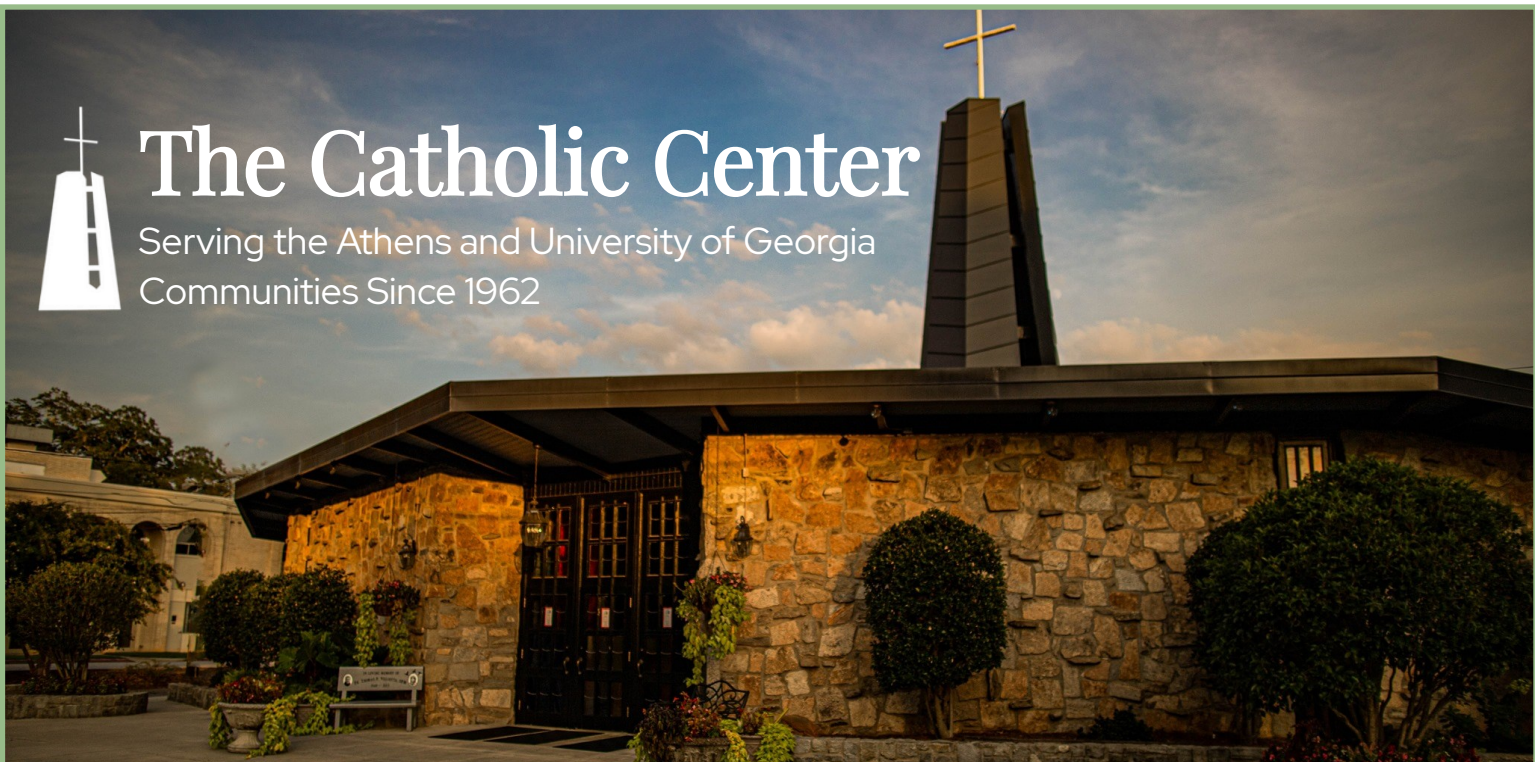




The Catholic Center

Serving the Athens and University of Georgia
Communities Since 1962



ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5PM - James Bleakley †	Tuesday 5:30PM - Ida Penella
Sunday 8AM - Maria & Victor Reyes †	Wednesday 5:30PM - Catholic Center Members
10:30AM - Robert Dube †	Thursday 5:30PM - Rosa Armas
5PM - Tamera Price †	Friday 8AM - Mary East †
Monday 5:30PM - Christopher Moore	

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ASH WEDNESDAY

MARCH 2, 2022



Ashes Service with Liturgy of the Word
6:30am & 7:00 pm

Mass & Distribution of Ashes
8:00am, 12:15pm & 5:30 pm

Ashes will be distributed throughout the day in the
Catholic Center Chapel

Parking is limited, please carpool if possible

Liturgical Schedule

Mass: Saturday: 5PM Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM & 5PM Monday-Thursday: 5:30PM Friday: 8AM	Confession: Wednesday 4-5PM Saturday: 3:30-4:30PM Weekly Adoration: Monday from 6PM through Tuesday 5:30PM (except on UGA breaks)
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Weekly Calendar

Saturday 2/26
10AM First Reconciliation
2PM Espinoza Wedding
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass
6:30PM Korean Mass & Dinner

Sunday 2/27
8AM Mass
10:30AM Youth Mass & RE
3:30PM Collegiate RCIA
5PM Mass
6PM Sunday Night Dinner

Monday 2/28
5:30PM Mass
6PM KofC Meeting
7PM Adult Confirmation
7PM Religious Education

Tuesday 3/1
9AM Virtus Training
5:30PM Mass
8PM Seeking Water

Wednesday 3/2
Ash Wednesday
1PM Creative Hands Crafting
Group
4PM Reconciliation
5:30PM Mass
8PM Ignite

Thursday 3/3
10AM Women's Bible Study
10AM Men's Bible Study
5:30PM Mass & Rite of Sending
7PM RCIA
8PM Arch Ministry

Friday 3/4
8AM Mass
4PM KofC Fish Fry
6PM Stations of the Cross
8PM Grad Student Game Night

Saturday 3/5
10AM RCIA Rite of Election
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass

A Message from Sr. Catherine

Dear Catholic Center Community,

The daffodils are popping up everywhere and it feels like Spring is around the corner!

In this Sunday's readings, we hear a lot about trees and fruit and we receive wonderful council. Jesus' message, delivered in the parable of the splinter and the beam, is deceptively simple and yet so profound in practice because it requires us to go against the grain of what comes most naturally. Diagnosing problems in others is easy but inner work is hard. Wishing that God would transform someone who bugs me is almost automatic, but allowing and collaborating in the transformation that God seeks to bring about in me can be terribly humbling and downright daunting!

So Jesus reminds us, with little room for misunderstanding, that our work begins (and returns over and over) to our insides. The fruit that we bear comes forth from within. This doesn't eliminate external labor, fraternal correction or speaking up in the face of injustice, rather it affects "from where" those things arise. Our efforts to improve the world around us, if we are to follow Christ's directive, are to be rooted in the rich soil of humility. Humility purifies our zeal and protects against hypocrisy and it has to be continuously renewed.

Through God's generous creativity, the stuff that stinks becomes excellent fertilizer when it is recognized for what it is in the light of God's mercy!

The second reading ends with some immensely consoling lines: "Therefore, my beloved brothers and sisters, be firm, steadfast, always fully devoted to the work of the Lord, knowing that in the Lord your labor is not in vain." Whatever our particular daily labor- the internal and the external- we can seek to do it "in the Lord," trusting Him to teach us to love, even and especially those who rankle us, and to sink our roots deep in the soil of His Life within us.

Blessings to you!

Sr. Catherine

Archbishop's Annual Appeal

We are grateful to all of our members who have joined together in pledging their gift to the 2022 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. If you have not yet made a gift, there is still time! There are pledge cards in the back of the Church and in the office, or you can easily donate online at www.archatl.com/appeal. Once completed, please place your pledge envelope in the offertory basket in the back of the Chapel or return to the office. The campaign goal is \$8,500,000 and our individual goal is \$57,800. Every penny collected above our goal will be returned to the parish! Every gift to the Annual Appeal is vitally important to assure the continued support of many important programs that help thousands in our archdiocese each year; education of our children and seminary students, evangelization and Christian Initiation, on-going formation for our priests and more!



Announcements

Synod 2021-2023

Pope Francis has opened a two-year synodal process inviting the Church to reflect and renew our common journey forward emphasizing communion, participation, and mission as we enter in to the third millennium. The Synod is a call to pray, listen, and discern together what the Holy Spirit is saying to the Church today—all for the sake of the Church's evangelizing mission. Pope Francis is asking us to pray this traditional prayer, **Prayer to the Holy Spirit**, during this time of Eucharistic Renewal. Be sure to follow the Archdiocese of Atlanta for more resources and calls to action <https://archatl.com/synod/>. This weekend after Mass, you watched our video on the Synod introducing the prayer-centered listening sessions we will be hosting. Join us on 3/19 from 10-12PM over zoom, and 3/20 from 12-2PM in-person, lunch will be provided. Join the regional listening session with Archbishop Hartmeyer on 3/31 from 7-9PM at St. Joseph's Catholic Church. Look for the video and more information about the Synod on the Catholic Center's website: <https://ccatuga.org/synod>

Prayer to the Holy Spirit

We stand before You, Holy Spirit, as we gather together in Your name.

With You alone to guide us, make Yourself at home in our hearts; teach us the way we must go and how we are to pursue it.

We are weak and sinful; do not let us promote disorder.

Do not let ignorance lead us down the wrong path nor partiality influence our actions.

Let us find in You our unity so that we may journey together to eternal life and not stray from the way of truth and what is right.

All this we ask of You, who are at work in every place and time, in the communion of the Father and the Son, forever and ever.

Amen.



Men's Bible Study this Thursday

Fr. Fred is leading the Catholic Center Men's Bible Study at 10AM on Thursday, 3/3 in the Center. Mark your calendars for the next meetings: 3/17, 3/24, 3/31. All Catholic Center men including students are welcome as they study the Gospel of Luke.

Creative Hands Crafting Group

Creative Hands crafting, knitting, and crocheting group will meet in the library on Wednesday, March 2nd, from 1-3PM. Learners are always welcome. Bring your own project to work on or start something new!

Grad Student and Young Professional Game Night

Join the Graduate students and the young professionals of the Catholic Center for a game night in the Library on Friday, March 4th at 8PM. Games will be provided, but feel free to bring your favorite game along with you! To join in on the Grad student and young professional fun, use the link to get added to the groupme: <https://tinyurl.com/GradsandProfs>



Announcements

Silver Angels Lunch & Bingo Bonanza

After a 2 year hiatus, we are getting the Silver Angels back together. The Catholic Center Silver Angel group is a fellowship group open to all Catholic Center members aged 50 and above. To celebrate the Silver Angels' return we are opening with an afternoon of lunch and Bingo. All are welcome to join us.

When: March 16, 2022 11:30AM

What: Join us for lunch at the Catholic Center followed by Bingo

Who: All Catholic Center members aged 50 and above are invited to join us.

Where: The Catholic Center Hall

Cost: No cost for the lunch; Bingo cards will be \$5 for one, \$7 for two, \$10 for 3

RSVP: Jenni at stewardships@ccatuga.org or 706-543-2293

SEEK Conference

All college students, families, and parishioners at the Catholic center to join us for our annual **SEEK conference, March 25-27th at the UGA Conference center/hotel**. SEEK is a national Catholic conference hosted by FOCUS every year. It features speakers from around the country who talk about many aspects of the faith. There are some "keynote" talks that everyone will watch together, and some "impact" session talks that you can pick from depending on your walk in life or interests. Additionally there will be opportunity for small groups, fellowship, and the sacraments including confession and Eucharistic adoration on Saturday evening.

Some speakers include: Fr. Josh Johnson, Sr. Bethany Madonna, Jason Evert, Dr. Edward Sri, Sr. Miriam James, Matt Fradd, and Emily Wilson. **The topics range from:** dating in today's culture, the urgency of mission, the fight for life (how to change minds and save lives), discipleship in parish life, spiritual warfare, raising faith-filled children in today's culture, joyful ever after (getting the marriage you want), conversion in RCIA, Christ in the poor, and how to actually trust God in real life. **You will receive access to all the talks after the conference, to watch or rewatch anything that you missed! The cost of the conference is \$150**, which includes conference materials/registration, t-shirt, meals, and entertainment (We are having an in house Jervis and Nancy Campbell concert Friday night!). Hotel would be an additional fee if needed, as most of our attendants are local and will commute from their home in Athens.

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Here are the hours of the conference for your planning purposes:

- Friday March 25th: 5 pm-10 pm (Mass will be at 6:15 pm)
- Saturday March 26th: 7:30 am- 9:30 pm (Mass will be at 11:15 am)
- Sunday March 27th: 7:30 am- 12 pm (no mass is apart of the conference Sunday morning, we are asking attendants to attend the 5 pm mass at the Catholic center with the Bishop in the evening)

Here is the link to register: <https://tinyurl.com/ccugaseek22> if you are a parishioner (married, single, or family) please put that in the "other" section so we know to place you in a small group with people in your same walk of life.

Announcements

Knights of Columbus Corner

Lenten Fish Fry Dinners are back! Join us **THIS FRIDAY**, March 4th, for the kickoff of the annual Knights of Columbus Council 6514 Fish Fry Dinners. We are excited to offer sit-down dinner or a to-go dinner from 5:30PM to 7:30PM. Accepting orders on our brand-new website:

<http://www.kofc6514.com/>

Cost: Sit Down or To Go!

Adult Meal	\$12.00
Student Meal	\$7.00
Child's Meal	\$6.00 (12yrs and under)
Family Meal	\$32.00

Meals include Fried or Baked Fish, French Fries, Hush Puppies, Mac-N-Cheese, and Coleslaw. All proceeds will go to local Athens and surrounding area charities. Please come out to support the Knights and bring all your friends!



Adult Confirmation

Are you looking to complete your sacraments of initiation? Adult confirmation classes begin Monday 2/28. Classes will be held on Mondays from 7-8pm in the Catholic Center. Adult Confirmation prep is for baptized Catholic adults who have received their First Communion. The registration form is available on the website and you can contact Sr. Catherine with questions.

Knights of Columbus Golf Tournament

The Knights of Columbus will be having our 20th annual golf tournament on Saturday April 30th at the UGA golf course. Cost is \$125 per player which includes 18 holes of golf, breakfast and lunch, beverages, cash prizes for winners, door prizes, hole in one and more. All proceeds go to benefit the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus. The format is 4 player team scramble with a shotgun start at 8:30. Come out for a great day of golf and fun. Sign up on the website www.kofc6514.com/ For more information contact John Steffl 706-338-5551.

Save the Date for the Dooley Classic

Mark your calendar for the 20th Annual Dooley Classic Golf Tournament on September 19th at the University of Georgia Golf Course. We hope that you will be able to join us this year either as a player, a sponsor, or both! Look out for sponsor and player registration in the future!

Sunday Night Dinner Casseroles

We are in need of casserole dishes for Sunday Night Dinner on March 27th. We will have casserole pans available for pickup in the front office. Please return before Sunday, 3/27, at 3PM. We are also in need of desserts that can be dropped off in the office as well. Thank you for all of your help with feeding our students!

Religious Education

RE students took home their own Lenten Rice Bowl. The Rice Bowls will need to be returned when Lent is over. We will see everyone back at RE on Wednesday, March 16th. Congratulations to all of our RE students who completed their First Reconciliation: Leo Bernt, Brooks Giametta, Noah Gowdie, Elisabeth Harris, Claire Hopkinson, James "JC" Jones, Isla MacDougald, Henry Pace, Kyle Pasternak, Benjamin Watkin, Whitley Whitworth, Finley Wilson, Sadie Wassel, Jonathan Moody, Natalie Guzman, Perla Martinez, Isabella Russell, James Williams, and Hector Guzman. Also, thank you to the many Confirmation Candidates who came to help out with the 5K RACE. Please continue to help us on Fridays during Lent for the Friday Fish Fries. There is a sign-up genius for you to fill out. Many hands are needed!



BELIEVE IN THE POSSIBILITY OF HELP AND HEALING. THERE IS HOPE.

We are here to listen and take action. The Archdiocese of Atlanta has a 24-hour hotline to report abuse or victimization by someone representing the Catholic Church.

Archdiocesan 24-hour Abuse Reporting Hotline: 1-888-437-0764



We Lift Up in Prayer

Charlotte & Joel Alesi Bill Burden Grace Byrne Shannon Campbell Joan Cleary	Rick Cook Denise Goins Ricardo Guerra Charlene Hall Victor Kalla David Lauth	Nikki Rae Lucas Bruce Norton James Valido George Valido James Law Hudson Masters	Daniel O'Sullivan Josephine Eckles Tams Nicholson Lou Perno Larry Davis	*To add to our prayer intentions, please email stewardship@ccatuga.org
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With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Walker Phillips and Don Perno.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for March: We pray for Christians facing new bioethical challenges; may they continue to defend the dignity of all human life with prayer and action

Financial Giving Updates

Thank you so very much for your generous contributions to our offertory throughout the year. Your support of the Catholic Center and our ministries is heartwarming. Thank you for sharing your time, treasure and talent.

January 13, 2022	February 20, 2022
\$9,118.00 - Offertory \$221.00 - Alms	\$10,713.27 - Offertory \$354.00 - Alms

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