



The Catholic Center

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ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5PM - Camie Sacco †	Wednesday 5:30PM - Lori Levin †
Sunday 8AM - Addie Graham † 10:30AM - Eva & Ramona Herrera †	Thursday 5:30PM - Amanda Frankson
Monday 5:30PM - Bob Henry	Friday 8AM - Mary Ellen Wier †
Tuesday 5:30PM - Peter Bryan	

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Blood Drive This Tuesday!

The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive at the Catholic Center on **Tuesday, August 30, from 2:00PM to 7:00PM**. Every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood and platelets. One donation can help save more than one life. 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 the Catholic Center at 706-543-2293.



Liturgical Schedule

Mass: Saturday: 5PM Sunday: 8 & 10:30AM, 5PM Mon-Thurs: 5:30PM Friday: 8AM	Holy Hours: Mon-Thurs 9-10AM Friday 8:30-10AM
Confession: Wednesday: 4-5PM Saturday: 3:30-4:30PM	

Weekly Calendar

Saturday 8/27
2PM Proctor/Hurst Wedding
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass
6PM Korean Mass & Dinner

Sunday 8/28
8AM Mass
10:30AM Mass
5PM Mass Resumes
6PM Student Dinner

Monday 8/29
9AM Holy Hour
5:30PM Mass

Tuesday 8/30
9AM Holy Hour
2PM Red Cross Blood Drive
5:30PM Mass

Wednesday 8/31
9AM Holy Hour
4PM Reconciliation
5:30PM Mass
8PM CSA Freshmen Ignite

Thursday 9/1
9AM Holy Hour
5:30PM Mass
7PM First RCIA Class

Friday 9/2
8:30AM Holy Hour
8AM Mass

Saturday 9/3
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass & Dooley Classic
Raffle Sales

Mark Your Calendars
Wednesday 9/7 Creative
Hands Crafting Group
Thursday 9/8 Women's
Dinner
Saturday 9/10 First UGA
Home Football Game

A Message from Fr. Michael

Dear Catholic Center Community,

Rather, when you are invited, go and take the lowest place so that when the host comes to you he may say, 'my friend, move up to a higher place.' Then you will enjoy the esteem of your companions at the table. -Lk 14:10

Perhaps this is a relatable experience: expecting to do something, receive something, and that exact thing not happening. Jesus tells a parable about being invited to a banquet. In the parable there's a juxtaposition between the humiliation that someone experiences being told to move down and the joy someone experiences in someone moving up.

There's a lot to be said about the lesson this parable teaches, but I realize an even deeper invitation than sitting in the lowest. In reaction to this necessary lesson, I recognize in my own heart an exasperation - "fine, I might not even go," a kind of despair. At face value, this parable teaches me to expect nothing, and my own heart recoils at that. I realize there's something else here.

In GK Chesterton's book about St. Francis of Assisi, he compares two people; they both begin saying the exact same thing, "Blessed is the one who expects nothing..." But he observes that they can go in two completely different directions. The first person, the cynic, starts off saying that phrase but finishes, "...for they shall not be disappointed." The other person, the one whose heart is open, begins saying that phrase but finishes, "...for they shall receive everything."

The invitation from Jesus is not simply to move to the lowest place; it's not to expect nothing. There begins to be a wonder and an awe, especially in light of the last part of the Gospel: I'm invited and I cannot repay God back - God knows this and invites me anyways. Here, I receive everything.

In Christ,
Fr. Michael

Watch With Us For The Month of August

The Catholic Center offers a free subscription to all of our members on FORMED, a Catholic media streaming service that has everything from movies and documentaries to audio books and bible studies. Sign up for your account by going to www.formed.org/signup, type in "Catholic Center at UGA" for your parish, and access catholic programs, books, movies, etc. today! Check back for monthly recommendations from us. Follow along as we watch, listen to and read a curated list of Catholic content. This month, tune in for *St. Francis of Assisi: His Life and Miracles*, a new docu-drama on the life of St. Francis that was filmed on location in Assisi and other villages where he served the poor and the outcast. Let us know what you think! Is there a particular movie or program that you enjoyed and want to share with our community? Email us your recommendations!

We Lift Up in Prayer

Charlotte & Joel Alesi	Joy Davis	James Law	Ashlee Shapland Runyon
Cindy Bullist	Josephine Eckles	Nikki Rae Lucas	David Simmons
Shirley Bundy	Sylvia Floyd	Kevin Noble	Bob Henry
Grace Byrne	Denise Goins	Daniel O'Sullivan	Peter Bryan
Shannon Campbell	Ricardo Guerra	Lou Perno	Jake Wilson
Rick Cook	Charlene Hall	Shirley Puskarz	Huguette Bourgerie
Mike Clutter	Gail Hawkins	Larry Richardson	Dave Sterberg
Colin, Lindsey & Baby Macy Davis	Bob Henry	Lou Richt	
	Victor Kalla	Mo Saiidi	

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

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for August: We pray for small and medium sized businesses; in the midst of economic and social crisis, may they find ways to continue operating, and serving their communities.

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.

August 14, 2022		August 21, 2022	
\$8,844.51 - Offertory	\$376.00 - Alms	\$8,657.00 - Offertory	\$384.46 - Alms

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Announcements

The Way for Women Retreat

The Way for Women is a healing retreat for female survivors of sexual abuse offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta. The Way is a 3-day weekend of guided meditation and prayer September 9-11 at the Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, GA.. The deadline to register is September 1. Please contact Sue Stubbs to sign up at 404-920-7554 or sstubbs@archatl.com.

Raffle Tickets for Sale After Masses

We are raffling off a chance to win signed footballs from Stetson Bennett and Coaches Dooley and Smart as well as signed basketballs from Coaches Abrahamson-Henderson and White. Tickets are \$10 each or 3 for \$25. Raffle tickets will be available to purchase following the 5PM Mass Sept. 3, and the 8AM & 10:30AM Masses Sept. 4 and 11. The drawing will happen at the golf tournament, but you do not need to be present to win. There is still time to register for the 20th Annual Dooley Classic Golf Tournament on Sept. 19th, but spaces are limited. Forms are available on the website or the back of the church to sign up. Call the office for details.

Join Women's Bible Study

Women's Bible Study will resume Thursday, Sept 8! We have two options, in-person at the Catholic Center or via Zoom. Sister Uyen-Chi will be the moderator of the group. We will be studying the Psalms: the School of Prayer from Ascension Press. All are welcome! Please email Kathy McGill at kdm1941@gmail.com if you are interested.

Join the Men's Bible Study

All are welcome to join for Men's Bible study which will resume Monday, Sept. 26 at 10AM! Join them each week as Fr. Brian leads the group. New members are always welcome!

CC Craft Fair Saturday, 11/12

Calling all crafters!!! We will have a Craft Fair on Saturday, November 12 here at the Center. We are looking for crafters in our church community and our local community. Tables can be rented for \$25. For more information contact the CC office.

First RCIA Class Begins Sept. 1!

Are you or someone you know feeling called to consider becoming Catholic? If so, this is a great time to discern participating in RCIA! RCIA is a prayerful process which involves engaging your questions, growing in faith, and deepening in understanding of what it means to live as a disciple of Jesus Christ as a member of the Catholic Church. It culminates in the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation and reception into full communion of the Church. If interested, please fill out the registration form online. The first session for all inquiries will be Thursday, September 1 from 7-8:30pm in the Catholic Center library. Contact Sr. Catherine at sacraments@ccatuga.org with questions.

KofC Donut Sundays Begin Sept 4!

The Knights of Columbus will begin serving donuts the first Sunday of each month at the 8AM and 10:30AM Masses. They ask for a donation, and the funds raised from their donut ministry go to their Wheelchair Program. The Knights have sponsored the delivery of more than 50,000 wheelchairs to those in need since 2003.

Religious Education Begins in Sept.

The 2022-2023 RE Registrations are on the website under the "Religious Education" tab. You will also find the updated RE Schedule, Tuition Costs, Tuition Payments, and the 4 Required Archdiocesan Forms that will need to be fill out and emailed. We currently have 80 kids registered! For questions or if you are interested in being a catechist this year, email Lynn Renna at dre@ccatuga.org. There will be a Virtus training class on Oct. 22nd from 9-12PM. Email dre@ccatuga.org for additional information.



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

