



The Catholic Center

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ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5PM – Eileen Sopera †	Tuesday 5:30PM – Hong & Thuan Nguyen (50th Anniv.)
Sunday 8AM – Sarah Pritchett 10:30AM – Gabriel Sanchez † 5PM – Shirley Bundy †	Wednesday 5:30PM – Stephen Scott St. Amond †
Monday 5:30PM – Elaine Gaudin †	Thursday 9AM – Joan Reitz †
	Friday 9AM – Amanda Frankson

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Donate to #iGIVECATHOLIC

Through #iGiveCatholic Giving Day, we hope to raise \$10,000 to offset the debt incurred from the purchase of a new security system with Safe Dwelling Security LLC. Donations are open now through November 29th. It is important to be and feel secure. Our community can rest assured that we will provide the safest environment possible. By the end of November, the chapel and Center will be under the protection of 24-hour recording surveillance. To donate, scan the QR code or pick up envelopes in the Chapel.



Liturgical Schedule

Mass: Saturday: 5:00PM (except on home football game days) Sunday: 8 & 10:30AM, 5PM Mon–Weds: 5:30PM Thurs & Friday: 9AM	Holy Hours: Mon & Thurs: 9–5PM Tues & Weds: 9–10AM Friday 8:30–10AM Confession: Wednesday: 4–5PM Saturday: 3:30PM (except home football games)
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Weekly Calendar

Saturday 11/19
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass
6:30PM Korean Mass & Dinner

Sunday 11/20
8AM Mass
10:30AM Mass & Religious Ed
11:30AM Costas Baptism
3:30PM RCIA
5PM Mass
6PM Sunday Night Dinner

Monday 11/21
9AM Holy Hour
10AM Men’s Bible Study
5:30PM Mass

Tuesday 11/22
9AM Holy Hour
9AM Our Daily Bread
5:30PM Mass

Wednesday 11/23
UGA Thanksgiving Break
4PM Reconciliation
5:30PM Mass

Thursday 11/24
Thanksgiving Day
Office Closed
9AM Mass

Friday 11/25
UGA Thanksgiving Break
Office Closed
9AM Mass

Saturday 11/26
Home Football Game
No Mass



A Message from Sr. Uyen-Chi

Dear Catholic Center Community,

With Thanksgiving approaching, let us take a moment to ponder the virtue of gratitude. I recently read a reflection from Pope Francis that gave me an additional insight. Reflecting on this virtue, Pope Francis said that Christian gratitude grew out of an encounter with Jesus. The story of the 10 lepers who are healed also suggests this. Naturally, all of them were happy for having recovered their health, allowing them to end that unending forced quarantine that excluded them from the community. However, among them, there was one who experienced an additional joy: in addition to being healed, he rejoiced at meeting Jesus. He is not only freed from the illness, but he now possesses the certainty of being loved. This is something we can miss if we do not take the time to give thanks. When we thank someone, give thanks, we express the certainty that we are loved. This is one of the fundamental needs that we all have as human being, that is, to be known and loved. It is not that we are not known and loved, but perhaps it is because we do not take time to give thanks to God for who we are and all that we have been given.

In this beautiful spirit of thanksgiving, we then become “bearers of gratitude” as Pope Francis called us to be. He even proposed that in this way we give hope to the world when he wrote, “Above all, let us not forget to thank: if we are bearers of gratitude, the world itself will become better, even if only a little bit, but that is enough to transmit a bit of hope.”

As a sister ministering here at the Catholic Center and Oasis, I often feel that I am in a privileged place to witness how generous people, like yourself, are “bearers of gratitude” in sharing the gifts that you have been given with those in needs and in doing so you transmit hope and love to people who are in dire situations. Your generous donation of over \$1,700 to the Ukraine family has made them truly feel welcomed and loved. The Catholic Center’s monthly donation of \$300 to Oasis helps provide more than 10,000 pounds of food and gives hope to over 300 people who experience the stress of inflation and of not making ends meet. Our UGA students giving of their time to tutor our students who are English learners transmit love and make the world a little better for these immigrant children. I have witnessed how grateful these people are for the gifts that you share and how they feel known and loved by you, the people of God.

We know that the word “Eucharist” derives from the Greek for “thanksgiving”. May our encounter of Christ in the Eucharist deepen our certainty that we are loved and move us to respond with gratitude in giving thanks to God for all the gifts that we have received. Through this encounter of Christ and in the spirit of thanksgiving, we are given the grace to be bearers of gratitude and hope by sharing with others who we are and all that we have been given.

Blessings,
Sr. Uyen-Chi



Announcements

Pick Up Your Copy of Holy Moments

"Some ideas are so powerful that simply becoming aware of them, changes our lives forever." Catholic Center members and students are welcome to pick up a copy of Matthew Kelly's newest book Holy Moments: A Handbook for the Rest of Your Life thanks to a very generous donor. We are planning on having a time in January to gather and discuss this book and share our Holy Moments. More information will follow. After you finish the book, be sure to pass it along to others. Thank you to our donor for this beautiful gift. We are excited to bring our community together to share these Holy Moments.



Knights of Columbus Coats for Kids

The annual Coats for Kids drive is this weekend, Nov. 19-20 after masses. We will be collecting new and slightly used coats for children and adults. We also will accept monetary donations to buy coats. \$16 will purchase a lightweight jacket with a hood for a boy or a girl who may not otherwise have one this winter. We distribute the coats to Oasis and other charities in the Athens area. Thank you for your generosity.

Volunteer for Sunday Night Dinner

Sunday night dinner is seeking volunteers to help from 3-5PM, no cooking experience is needed. This is a great way to meet and socialize with other volunteers while helping provide a meal for the students. To sign-up for this, see the link at the bottom of the Catholic Center home page or email Kitchen@ccatuga.org.

Consider Our Endowment

All 401Ks and retirement plans have beneficiaries. Leaving these plans to children can result in a large percentage going to taxes. Please consider naming the parish endowment fund as a beneficiary of your retirement plan – even if just a percentage. For information on changing beneficiaries on retirement plans, contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation of North Georgia at jgreco@cfnga.org or (404) 497- 9440. Learn more at www.cfnga.org.

Kick Off Advent with the CC

We will be kicking off the start of Advent with a night of reflection, wreath making, and chili dinner on Monday, November 28th at 6PM. Sunday, November 27th is the first Sunday of Advent. Bring your family and mark the beginning of the Advent season! Reservations are needed to for the Chili dinner and wreathmaking. Contact the CC Office for more information.



2nd Collection for Human Rights

In the United States, more than 11% of the population lives in poverty. With this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% of the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local antipoverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection and support those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

Home Football Game Next Weekend

We want to remind everyone of the procedures on home football weekends. On home game Saturdays: NO MASS. There is no Vigil Mass, Reconciliation, or activities at the Center from Friday until the 8AM Mass on Sunday morning. The Chapel and Center will be closed for use on home football game days. NO PARKING. The Catholic Center parking lots will be locked by Noon on Friday and reopen for the 8AM Mass on Sunday morning. Our lots are used for contract parking, so **towing will be enforced.** during these times.

Religious Education

The Catholic Center has religious education classes for ages pre-kindergarten through Confirmation. Contact the Director of Religious Education, Lynn Renna dre@ccatuga.org for more information!



We Lift Up in Prayer

Charlotte & Joel Alesi	Ricardo Guerra	Lou Richt	Alberta Foster
Grace Byrne	Charlene Hall	Mo Saiidi	Jeremiah
Shannon Campbell	Bob Henry	Ashlee Shapland Runyon	Katie Britton
Rick Cook	Victor Kalla	David Simmons	Alyssa Thomas
Colin, Lindsey & Baby	James Law	Bob Henry	Bryan Vaughn
Macie Davis	Kevin Noble	Peter Bryan	Ron Makula
Joy Davis	Daniel O'Sullivan	Jake Wilson	Dave Sterberg
Josephine Eckles	Lou Perno	Cindy Bullist	
Sylvia Floyd	Shirley Puskarz	Patricia Eldred	
Denise Goins	Larry Richardson	Jeffery Foster	

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Ernie Battinelli, Shirley Bundy, Frank D'Amato III, and Mary Kissel.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for November: We pray for children who are suffering, especially those who are homeless, orphans, and victims of war; may they be guaranteed access to education and the opportunity to experience family affection.

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.

November 6,, 2022		November 13, 2022	
\$11,363.20 - Offertory	\$923.01 - Alms	\$9,745.51 - Offertory	\$244.10 - Alms

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