



The Catholic Center

Serving the Athens and University of Georgia
Communities Since 1952



ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions

Saturday No Mass	Tuesday 5:30PM - Huguette Bourgery †
Sunday 8AM - Randy Lorusso † 10:30AM - Richard Laidlaw † 5PM - Nadia Diaz	Wednesday 5:30PM - Amanda Frankson
Monday 5:30PM - Maryann & Chick McDermott (60th Anniversary)	Thursday 5:30PM - Chris Shipe
	Friday 8AM - Shipe Family

Advent Penance Service

This year's penance service will be on Tuesday, December 6th, at 7PM. We will gather in the Chapel before heading over to the Center Hall where Fr. Brian, Fr. Michael, and visiting priests will be to hear your confessions. In this sacrament, we grow closer to God especially as we enter this liturgical season of preparation before the celebration of Christ's birth at Christmas. As we begin the new liturgical year, we invite all to begin anew with souls nourished from the gift of divine mercy and forgiveness from God.



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Liturgical Schedule

Mass: Saturday: 5:00PM (except on home football game days) Sunday: 8 & 10:30AM, 5PM Mon-Thurs: 5:30PM Friday: 8AM	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)

Weekly Calendar

Saturday 11/26
Home Football Game
No Mass or Reconciliation

Sunday 11/27
8AM Mass
10:30AM Mass
5PM Mass

Monday 11/28
9AM Holy Hour
5:30PM Mass
6PM Advent Kickoff
7PM Confirmation

Tuesday 11/29
9AM Holy Hour
5:30PM Mass
8PM CSA Seeking Water

Wednesday 11/30
9AM Holy Hour
4PM Reconciliation
5:30PM Mass
6:15PM 1st-8th Religious Ed
8PM CSA Ignite

Thursday 12/1
9AM Mass
10AM Women's Bible Study
5:30PM Mass
7PM RCIA

Friday 12/2
8AM Mass
8:30AM Holy Hour
5PM Collegiate Advent Mission

Saturday 12/3
SEC Championship Game
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass

A Message from Fr. Brian

Dear Catholic Center Community,

I hope everyone had a great Thanksgiving. I spent it with my family across town. It was a blessed time together. I know many of us have lost loved ones this year and so the holidays may feel different than normal. Be assured of my prayers during this time. The Lord is with us in times of distress.

We have a few more days remaining for our #igivecatholic fundraiser. The Catholic Center is raising money for a new security system. This project improves the safety of our property. For more information, check out our bulletin or our website. Thank you to all who have donated already!

This coming Monday, we begin the season of Advent with a special event! On Monday, November 28th, we will have an event wreath making and dinner (6-7pm) followed by an evening of reflection (7-830pm). We will have five speakers giving short reflections on the theme of Advent. We hope to see you there!

Mark your calendars for our advent penance service on December 6th at 7pm. We will be hosting local priests to hear confessions. We host this event every Advent and Lent. It is a good time to return to the sacrament of penance which offers healing, peace and strength!

Go dawgs!
Fr Brian

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.



Kick Off Advent with the Catholic Center

We will be kicking off the start of Advent with a night of wreath making, chili dinner, and reflection 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 attend the Chili dinner and wreathmaking, but all are welcome to attend the night of reflection (no reservation required). Contact the office for more info.



Save the Date for the Annual Human Race 5K!

Mark your calendars for the 45th Annual Catholic Center 5K on February 18th at Oconee Veterans Park. Look out for more info on sign ups.

Announcements

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.



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.



Be Wary of Fraud

Due to the holiday season, there has been an increase in fraudulent emails asking members to personally contact our priests or to purchase gift cards for them. Fr. Michael and Fr. Brian will **never** ask you for money over email. If you have any doubt, please contact the Catholic Center front office.

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.

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 in the back of the Chapel or in the front office and return payment to the offertory basket or the office by Monday, December 19th. A suggested donation is \$20. Thank you!



Blessing of the Brains

Finals Week begins Wednesday, December 7th with our annual Blessing of the Brains following daily Mass. This kicks off our late night finals dinner to fuel our students through exams. Volunteers are needed to prepare a yummy casseroles to feed our students as they study for finals. Be on the lookout in the coming week for more information.



Home Football Game This Weekend

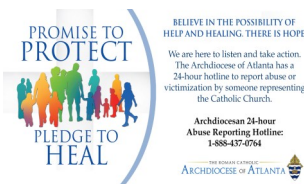
The last home football game is here! The Dawgs will be kicking off between the hedges this Saturday, November 26th against Georgia Tech. As a reminder, our parking lot will close Friday at **noon**. Our parking lots are used for contract parkin, so **towing will be** enforced during these times. Also as a reminder, on home game Saturdays there will also be no Vigil Mass or Reconciliation.

K of C Annual Christmas Sale

The Knights will be selling Christmas cards and ornaments after the morning Masses this weekend and all Masses next weekend to support their missions.

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 13, 2022		November 20, 2022	
\$9,745.51 - Offertory	\$244.10 - Alms	\$11,661.00 - Offertory	\$369.01 - Alms

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