



The Catholic Center

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ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5PM - Adalberto Costilla Infante †	Tuesday 7PM - Advent Penance Service
Sunday 8AM - Vince Dooley † 10:30AM - Alyssa Thomas	Wednesday 5:30PM - Elsie Horton †
5PM - Bryan Vaughn	Thursday 8AM - Bob Wallace † 12PM - CC Members
Monday 5:30PM - Peter Shipe	Friday 8AM - Amanda Frankson

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Liturgical Schedule

Mass: Saturday: 5:00PM Sunday: 8 & 10:30AM, 5PM Mon-Weds: 5:30PM Thurs: 8AM, 12PM, & 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

Advent Penance Service on Tuesday

This year's penance service will be on Tues, Dec. 6th, at 7PM. We will gather in the Chapel before heading 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.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, Dec. 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.

Weekly Calendar

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

Sunday 12/4
8AM Mass
10:30AM Mass & RE
5PM Mass
6PM Sunday Night Dinner

Monday 12/5
9AM Holy Hour
10AM Men's Bible Study
5:30PM Mass
7PM Confirmation

Tuesday 12/6
9AM Holy Hour
5:30PM Mass
7PM Advent Penance Service
8PM CSA Ablaze Ministry

Wednesday 12/7
9AM Holy Hour
1PM Creative Hands
4PM Reconciliation
5:30PM Mass & Blessing of the Brains
7PM Late Night Dinner

Thursday 12/8
Office Closed
8AM Mass
9AM Holy Hour
12PM Mass
5:30PM Mass
7PM Late Night Dinner

Friday 12/9
8AM Mass
8:30AM Holy Hour

Saturday 12/10
11AM Funeral
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass

A Message from Sr. Catherine

Dear Catholic Center Community,
Happy 2nd Sunday of Advent! I hope you are well and finding a little time for peace and prayer during these often full days. We hear quite a bit from the prophets these days. This week, Isaiah speaks of a reality we barely dare to hope for. A time when violence, injustice, fear and affliction will utterly cease and peace and kinship will bloom. The Lord will right all wrongs and reveal all truth, and the glory of His dwelling will draw people from all the ends of the earth. It is a state of affairs that the world has not been able to usher in on its own, tangled by pride, greed and fear, distracted by a million shiny objects. The prophets challenge the world, and all of us in it, by insisting that we pay attention, wake up, engage with real life where God and our neighbors await. They insist we have a part to play in enfleshing the Magis or the *more* of the Kingdom (more justice, integrity, kinship, reverence, joy, hope and praise...) by allowing God to do what he wills with and in us. To take up their challenge, we need the hope of Advent and the courage that comes with experiencing God's mercy and power in our own lives. Let us ask for those gifts and open ourselves wide to receive them. God is never outdone in generosity!

As one bright sign of hope, we will celebrate the Rite of Acceptance and Welcome with friends who are journeying in the RCIA process this Sunday at the 5pm mass. Please join me in praying for and with Jim, Emilie, Graham, Matthew, Diego, Laura and David as they take this step toward entering the Church and participating in the sacraments. May their witness of hope and faith bolster our own faith and support them with our friendship and prayers.

Blessings to you and your family!
Sr. Catherine

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 Monday, December 12th. Thank you for your loving support of the families at Oasis.



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!



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.

A Message from Fr. Brian

Our community is very active. Not only our student involvement but also with our permanent members. I want to take a moment to recognize some efforts that were led this past month for our permanent member community. Our Denny Towers thanksgiving dinner was supported by so many of you. Thank you very much. This ministry is a profound witness of faith in our local community. In a special way, thank you to our fearless leaders who coordinated and organized the entire weekend. Our Veterans Day celebration was a success. Thank you to those who came out for Veterans Day mass and breakfast. Our craft fair was a big success. Thank you all of our vendors who came with their crafts and to everyone who came out and participated. Our Advent Evening of Reflection was very powerful. We began the evening with the wreath making and chili dinner, then moved to the church for reflections by five individuals on the theme of Advent. Thanks to our wonderful staff and to our profound speakers in helping us kick off the season of advent. Our monthly coffee and donuts after Sunday masses is hosted by the Knights of Columbus. Thanks to the Knights for offering this service so that we can gather in fellowship. I am very grateful. Thank you to the generous donor in our community who gifted the Holy Moments book as an advent read for our community. There are still copies available for everyone. Thank you to our decorators who decorated the Church white for the Solemnity of Christ the King and now purple the season Advent. Thank you for your labor and dedication! We will soon be returning to white for the Christmas Season. Thanks to our mass coordinators, strategic planning committees, finance committee and our wonderful staff for the hard work that you all are doing on a regular basis. We wouldn't be where we are without you.

Announcements

Creative Hands Craft Group

Join Creative Hands on Weds. 12/7 at 1PM. Bring your own project or start a new one!

Blessing of the Brains

Finals Week begins Weds, December 7th with our annual Blessing of the Brains following daily Mass.

Late Night Finals Week Dinner is Back

Finals season is here! We will have late-night dinners starting Dec. 7th at 8PM for students to power through finals week. We are asking for casseroles to serve to students to be delivered earlier in the week. We will serve 4 meals and pans to make casseroles are available in the parish office. Casseroles do not need to be fully cooked before delivery. Thank you for the support!

Are You Graduating in December?

The Catholic Center would like to celebrate this milestone with you and your family. We will have a Baccalaureate Mass at 11:30AM followed by lunch on Fri, Dec. 16th for graduating seniors and graduate students. Please fill out the google form before Dec. 11th.



Donut Sunday

The Knights of Columbus will have donuts this Sunday after the morning Masses. The funds raised from their donut ministry go to their Wheelchair Program.

Donuts with Santa

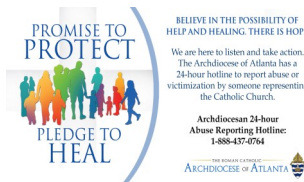
Join us on Sun, Dec. 18th after the 10:30AM Mass in the Center Hall for donuts and a visit with Santa. All are welcome to have a picture taken with Santa and enjoy a bit to eat as we begin the 4th Sun. of Advent

Knights of Columbus Thank You

Thanks to our generous members, the K of C raised over \$1100 for our veterans and close to \$5000 in donations to coats for kids to go with the 3 truckloads of new and used coats they collected!

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 Perno	Jake Wilson
Katie Britton	Charlene Hall	Shirley Puskarz	Cindy Bullist
Debra Brock	Bob Henry	Larry Richardson	Patricia Eldred
Grace Byrne	Victor Kalla	Lou Richt	Jeffery Foster
Rick Cook	James Law	Sophia Rodriguez	Alberta Foster
Macie Davis	Ron Makula	Mo Saiidi	Jeremiah
Joy Davis	Kathy McGill	Ashlee Shapland Runyon	Alyssa Thomas
Josephine Eckles	Kevin Noble	David Simmons	Bryan Vaughn
Sylvia Floyd	Janna Nugent	Bob Henry	The Wallace Family
Denise Goins	Daniel O'Sullivan	Peter Bryan	Dave Sterberg

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Shannon Campbell, Anthony Cushenberry, Bob Wallace, and Frank D'Amato III.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for December: We pray that volunteer non-profit organizations committed to human development find people dedicated to the common good and ceaselessly seek out new paths to international cooperation.

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 20, 2022		November 27, 2022	
\$11,661.00 - Offertory	\$369.01 - Alms	\$7,184.00 - Offertory	\$692.25 - Alms

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