# The Catholic Center

Serving the Athens and University of Georgia Communities Since 1952





# ALLARE WELCOME

#### Mass Intentions

Saturday

**4PM** - Catholic Center Members

6PM - Camilla Mims t

10PM - Catholic Center

Members

Sunday

9AM - Don & Anne

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Monday

**9AM** - Margie Sapera O'Halloran † Tuesday

9AM - Mike King †

Wednesday

9AM - Raphael Moore †

Thursday

9AM - Colin Kelley †

Friday

9AM - Debra Brock †

## **Christmas Mass Schedule**

Christmas Eve

Saturday, Dec. 24th 4PM, 6PM, 10PM \*Christmas carols start at 9:30PM

Christmas Day

Sunday, Dec. 25th 9AM

Monday, Dec. 26th - Friday, Dec. 30th 9AM

New Year's Eve

Saturday, Dec. 31st 5PM

New Year's Day

Sunday, Jan. 1st 8AM, 10:30AM Monday, Jan. 2nd - Friday, Jan. 6th No Mass

Liturgical Schedule

### Office

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#### Mass:

Saturday: 4, 6 & 10PM Sunday: 9AM Mon-Fri: 9AM

#### Holy Hours:

Tues : will resume after break

Confession:

Will resume after break

## December 25, 2022 • The Nativity of the Lord

# Weekly Calen-

### Saturday 12/24

Christmas Eve

4PM Mass

6PM Mass 10PM Mass

Sunday 12/25

Christmas Day

9AM Mass

Monday 12/26 9AM Mass

Tuesday 12/27

9AM Mass

9AM Our Daily Bread

Wednesday 12/28

9AM Mass

Thursday 12/29

9AM Mass

Friday 12/30

9AM Mass

Saturday 12/31

New Year's Eve 5PM Mass

The front office will be closed Friday, 12/23 and reopen on Tuesday, 1/3



# A Message from Fr. Brian

Dear Catholic Center Community,

Over We want to welcome all visitors and family members who are with us this Christmas weekend. Thank you for joining us at the Catholic Center to celebrate this most special holiday.

Reflecting on the past year, what are you proud of? I asked this question on my social media account and I received a lot of beautiful answers. I invite you to consider this question, to reflect on it, and to share it with loved ones.

Christmas is here and we celebrate it in many different ways. One of the ways that I celebrate this season is by pondering the Eucharist. As Catholics, we believe that the simply bread and wine that we place on the altar, after a few prayers, turns into the Body and Blood of Jesus. We believe that it is transformed into GOD and then gifted back to us to receive. Its a gift of strength, comfort, nourishment and love.

The Christmas story is a story about God becoming a small infant and laying in a manger with his parents, Mary and Joseph. God entered into the world through this young couple "so that all may have eternal life" (John 3:16). Jesus comes to us with the intention of bringing us true life, joy, safety, hope, and comfort.

God continues to come to us in the Eucharist. He continues to be present to us, coming towards us, both with strength and also with tenderness. Just like the baby Jesus we recall and ponder, we also encounter Jesus coming to us today at Mass. God loves us and desires to come to us.

Lets keep each other in prayer!

Merry Christmas!

Fr Brian, Fr Michael, and the Staff of the Catholic Center



## **Second Collection For Catholic Charities**

This The Christmas Eve and Christmas Day second collection will benefit Catholic Charities Atlanta, a 69-year legacy in Georgia of charity for our most needy brothers and sisters and a mission inspired by our Catholic faith. Many of the clients are members of the working poor who work several jobs and long hours to support their families. Many of these individuals are also facing a life crisis, are alone and frightened. Catholic Charities Atlanta staff help to identify their problems and provide them with the resources to put them on the path to independence. Thank you for your generous support.



|  |   | In Memo                          | ory of                               |                        |
|--|---|----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|------------------------|
|  | The Alcoreza-Castelli                             | John Geary                       | Michael King                         | The O'Shea Family      |
|  | Family  | Delores Geary                    | Ted Larson                           | The Quattrocchi Family |
|  | Trudy Elliott Amrich                              | Edwina Ginter                    | Bette Lind                           | Lymon Rains            |
|  | Victor & Helen Ashley                             | Earl Ginter                      | Tommy Lyness                         | Victor Reyes           |
|  | Thelma Barzottini                                 | Kay Glenn                        | Chet Malanoski                       | Maria Reyes            |
|  | Jackee Bell                                       | Deidre Pettey Gouer              | Marijo Maloff                        | Norah Risher           |
|  | Hope Brown  | Michael T. Greay                 | Frank Mangano                        | Al Rittle              |
|  | Anne M. Campbell                                  | John Halligan                    | Sam Marra                            | Margaret Smith         |
|  | Francesca Conners                                 | The Halper Family                | Mildred Marra                        | Edward Smith           |
|  | The Darden-Orr Family                             | The Herbert Family               | Matt Marsden                         | Eddie Smith            |
|  | The Dour Family                                   | The Hilario Family               | Luke Marsden                         | Bob Spisak             |
|  | Rev. Mr. Edward J.                                | Jack Horton                      | Neil McAllister                      | Joan Spisak            |
|  | Dietzler Vince Dooley Craig Elliott Mardell Erler | Elsie Horton                     | Doris McAllister                     | Peg Sullivan           |
|  |   | Peter J. Hoy                     | James McNamara                       | Gertrude Thayer        |
|  |   | Marrlyn L. Hoy                   | Wallace Meshad                       | John & JoAnn           |
|  |   | John Hudak                       | Tea Meshad                           | Toutkoushian           |
|  | Laurence Fernald                                  | Eleanor Hudak                    | Camilla Mims                         | Emerita Valentin       |
|  | Mary Fernald                                      | Butch Hudak                      | Frank Morris                         | Annie Watwood          |
|  | Dr. Bill Fetter<br>Michele Flaherty               | Elmer & Emma Jean                | The Mueller Family                   | Mary Ellen Weir        |
|  |   | Hutchins                         | John Mullen                          | Joel Weir Jr.          |
|  |   | In Hon                           | an of                                |                        |
|  |   |                                  | or of                                |                        |
|  | Fr. Michael Bremer                                | The Children &                   | Mitsue Halligan                      | Fr. Brian McNavish     |
|  | The Catholic Center  Community                    | Grandchildren of Ann<br>Shumpert | The Kalla Family Charles & Lois Long | Alyssa Themas          |
|  |   |                                  |                                      |                        |

Thank you to all who donated to help make our Chapel beautiful this Christmas season!

# We Lift Up in Prayer

| Charlotte & Joel Alesi<br>Peter Bryan | Alberta Foster<br>Denise Goins | Ron Makula<br>Kathy McGill | Mo Saiidi<br>David Simmons |
|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Cindy Bullist                         | Ricardo Guerra                 | Kevin Noble                | Dave Sterberg              |
| Grace Byrne                           | Charlene Hall                  | Janna Nugent               | Joan Tillitski             |
| Mike Clutter                          | Bob Henry                      | Daniel O'Sullivan          | Alyssa Thomas              |
| Rick Cook                             | Debbie Huckaby                 | Lou Perno                  | Jake Wilson                |
| Macie Davis                           | George Huban                   | Shirley Puskarz            | Bryan Vaughn               |
| Joy Davis                             | Jeremiah                       | Larry Richardson           | The Wallace Family         |
| Josephine Eckles                      | Victor Kalla                   | Lou Richt                  | Don Young                  |
| Sylvia Floyd                          | James Law                      | Sophia Rodriguez           |                            |
| Jeffery Foster                        | Susan Luthi                    | Ashlee Shapland Runyon     |                            |

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Debra Brock, William Crawley, Robert Harris, Mary McElhannon, Dottie Powell, Margo Schwier, Isaac Tan, and Bob Wallace.

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.

| December 11, 2022       |                 | December 18, 2022      |                 |
|-------------------------|-----------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| \$14,537.34 - Offertory | \$237.00 - Alms | \$9,164.51 - Offertory | \$343.00 - Alms |

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