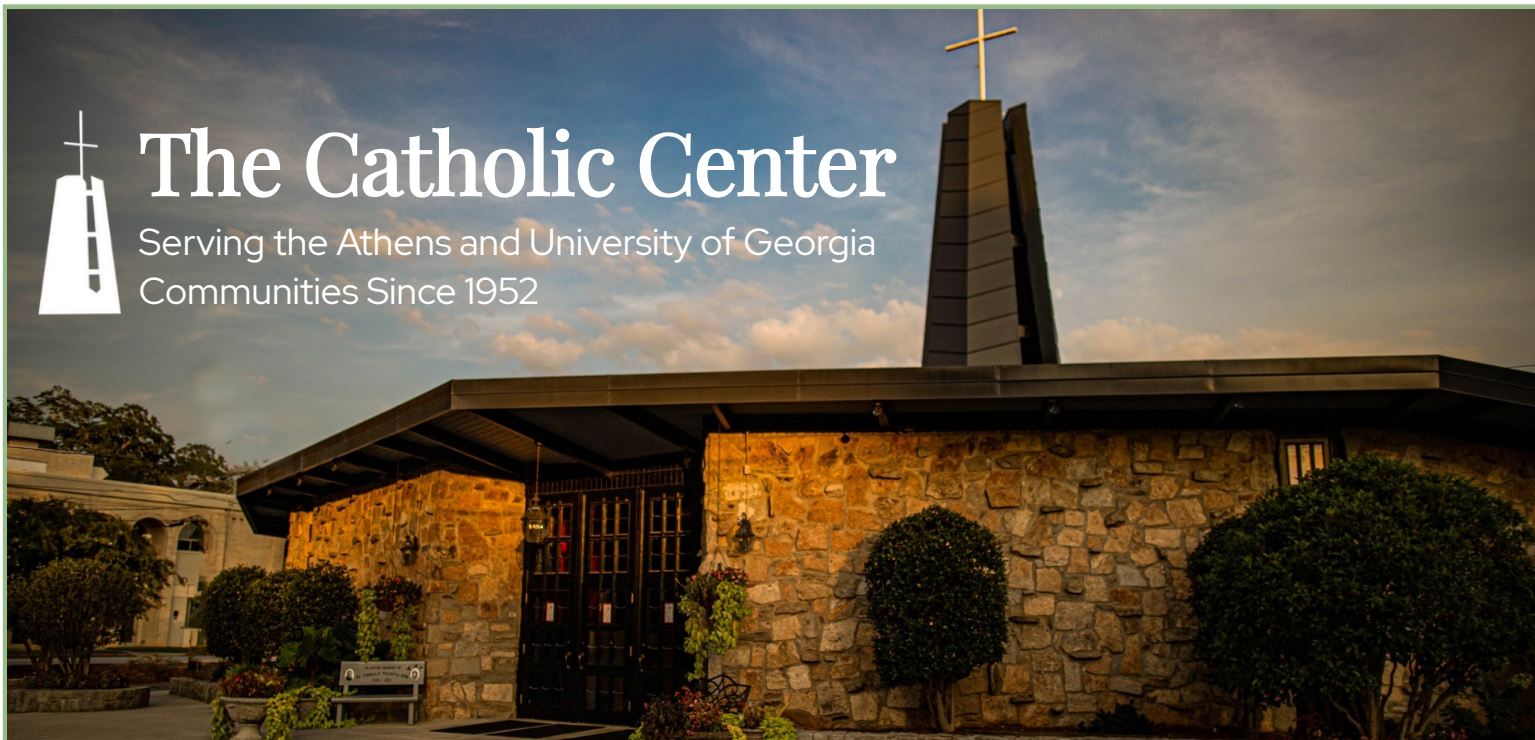




The Catholic Center

Serving the Athens and University of Georgia
Communities Since 1952



ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions

- Saturday**
5PM - Joan Halper †
- Sunday**
8AM - Nathan It Monej †
10:30AM - Ida Page †
5PM - Gregoria Chagalla Faria †
- Monday**
5:30PM - Rosalind Andrews †
- Tuesday**
5:30PM - Sterl Ennis †
- Wednesday**
5:30PM - Cecilia Cassera †
- Thursday**
5:30PM - Edith Bickford
- Friday**
8AM - No Mass

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Sunday Night Dinner Needs Volunteers

Sunday Night Dinner is off to a great start! We are in need of volunteer sign ups to help Kyle, our kitchen manager, cook dinner for our students after the Sunday night mass. If you would like to volunteer to help prepare the meal from 3 to 5 pm, you can sign up using the QR code or following the link on the bottom of the Catholic Centers' home webpage. Desserts donated are always appreciated and can be dropped off for Sunday Night Dinner.



Liturgical Schedule

Mass:
Saturday: 5PM
Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM & 5PM
Mon-Thurs: 5:30PM
Fr: No Mass

Holy Hours:
Mon & Thurs: 9-5PM
Tues & Weds: 9-10AM
Fri: 8:30-10AM

Confession:
Wednesday: 4-5PM
Saturday: 3:30-4:30PM

Weekly Calendar

- Saturday 2/4**
CSA Spring Retreat
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass
- Sunday 2/5**
CSA Spring Retreat
8AM Mass & donuts
10:30AM Mass & RE & donuts
1:30PM Feed My Starving Children Meeting
3:30PM RCIA
5PM Mass
6PM Student Dinner
- Monday 2/6**
10AM Men's Bible Study
5:30PM Mass
7PM Confirmation
7PM RCIA meeting
- Tuesday 2/7**
5:30PM Mass
8PM Seeking Water
- Wednesday 2/8**
4PM Reconciliation
5:30PM Mass
6:15PM Religious Ed
8PM CSA Freshman Ignite Ministry
- Thursday 2/9**
10AM Women's Bible Study
5:30PM Mass & Baptism
6PM Woman's Dinner
7PM RCIA
8PM Care for Creation
- Friday 2/10**
8AM No Mass
CSA Formal
- Saturday 2/11**
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass

A Message from Fr. Brian

Dear Catholic Center Community,

I'd like to share a bit of my experience this week on retreat. The week was probably one of the most powerful weeks I've experienced.

I woke up, had coffee and breakfast, prayed for an hour, exercised, celebrated mass, ate lunch, prayed for another hour, rested or read in the afternoons, reflected for an hour, ate dinner, prayed for an hour, then prayed for another hour after that. I did this for eight days total in silence.

Once I entered into the silence, I realized very quickly that I haven't been doing well the past couple months. This wasn't a total surprise because I have been feeling it, but it was a challenge to acknowledge and confront the things that have been weighing me down. I realized that I've been off-balance, sad, overwhelmed, tired, out of control, lacking motivation, and a bit unhealthy mentally, emotionally and spiritually.

The time on retreat was prayerful and restful. I was able to work through what was on my shoulders and heart. I found it to be healing, powerful and freeing. I was able to listen to what was happening within me.

While I did eight full days of silent prayer, 30 of those hours were intentional meditations with scripture. I found this particularly powerful. I would pray with passages of God's love, mercy, and unconditional parental care.

I learned more about God the Father, God the Son and God the Spirit. This wasn't head knowledge, but intimate heart knowledge. I also learned more about who I am. I was able to see that I was listening and believing many lies about myself and my life. Many of these were self-defeating lies and discouraging narratives that I've been telling myself subconsciously.

The silence, scriptural meditation, and an emphasis on what's happening within myself ultimately made the week feel as if my heart was operated on and a new heart was given to me. I felt a sense of healing and a new sense of freedom.

When I returned from retreat, I received a ton of letters and notes from people showering me with appreciation. This was a really humbling gesture of love. It moved me to tears.

Thank you for your prayers! I prayed for you all throughout the week in the silent oasis that was my retreat. I gave thanks to God for this community!

This weekend Fr. Michael and I are in North Georgia with over 130 students leading a weekend retreat for them. Fr Joseph, who was my priest while I was in college, will be covering the masses. He was a big influence for me to become a priest. Lets keep each other in prayer!

Ezekiel 36:26 "I will give you a new heart, and a new spirit. I will remove the heart of stone and give you a heart of flesh."

In Christ,
Fr. Brian

Announcements

There is Still Time to Sign Up for the 5K

Sign up today for our 45th annual 5K! The deadline to receive a t-shirt has been extended to February 6th. All proceeds benefit campus ministry outreach and activities. Other ways to support the race:

- Be a Phantom Runner! Phantom runners can donate a registration fee for a student to run in their place.
- Be a Sponsor! Sponsors will be recognized on race day. The deadline for sponsors is Fri, Jan 27th. Sponsorship forms are in the chapel.
- Volunteer! Email Sr. Uyen-Chi at admincsa@ccatuga



Archbishop's Annual Appeal

A letter from Archbishop Gregory Hartmayer was mailed this past week to all previous donors to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. He is asking for the continued support of the many important programs that help thousands in our archdiocese each year. The goal for the 2023 appeal is \$8,400,000 and the goal for our parish is \$44,800. For more information, and to donate online, visit the appeal website at www.archatl.com/appeal.

Feed My Starving Children MobilePack

Donations and volunteers sign ups are still needed for the MobilePack event. Current donations: \$11,070 vs. goal of \$35,000. So far we have 88



volunteers vs. our goal of 500. Go to: give.fmcs.org/athens to donate and register. Please contact Tom Spencer at tspenceer44@gmail.com; 706-340-3785 with questions.

Join Fr. Brian on Pilgrimage to Ireland

Journey to the Emerald Isle in Honor of Our Lady of Knock for a 10 day pilgrimage (Oct 28-Nov 6, 2023). The cost of the trip is \$4299 per person and includes round trip airfare, hotels, daily breakfast and select meals. Pick up a flyer in the front office to learn more.

Donuts After Morning Masses

The Knights of Columbus are providing donuts after the morning masses on Sunday. They ask for donations to support their wheelchair ministry.

Women's Dinner is This Thursday

The February Social graces dinner is getting together on Thursday at 6pm. Be sure to RSVP by Monday at 5pm.

2nd Collection this Weekend

This weekend's 2nd collection goes to support the Black and Indian Mission Collection which exists to help local African American and Native American Diocesan Communities throughout the US.

Silver Angels

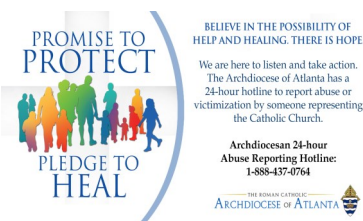
The Silver Angels are getting together on February 14th, Valentine's Day, for lunch and bingo. Mark your calendars and bring your friends. Lunch will be provided. We can't wait to see you!

Call for Wedding Coordinators

Do you love the magic of weddings? 2023 is filling up with weddings here at the Catholic Center and we are so excited! We are looking to add more wedding coordinators to our ministry to guide our couples through the marriage process. Wedding Coordinators would initiate contact with the couple to plan their ceremony and ensure it goes as planned. Coordinators will work in teams of two so you will never be by yourself as well as coordinating the rehearsal and day-of ceremony. If this interests you, please contact Jenni by calling the front office or emailing stewardship@ccatuga.org.

Religious Education

RE is off to a great start for this 2023 New Year. Our Confirmation Retreat will be Saturday, February 11-12, register by Jan. 30th. Contact the Director of Religious Education, Lynn Renna dre@ccatuga.org for more information!



We Lift Up in Prayer

Charlotte & Joel Alesi	Jeffery Foster	Ginny Lynch	Ashlee Shapland Runyon
Sally Allen	Alberta Foster	Ron Makula	Mo Saiidi
Tory Bowles	Denise Goins	Warren McClendon	David Simmons
Peter Bryan	Charlene Hall	Kevin Noble	Dave Sterberg
Cindy Bullist	Bob Henry	Janna Nugent	Alyssa Thomas
Grace Byrne	Geraldine Higgins	Daniel O'Sullivan	Frank Trocino
Joanne Cabrera	Debbie Huckaby	Lou Perno	Jake Wilson
Rick Cook	George Huban	Shirley Puskarz	Bryan Vaughn
Joy Davis	Victor Kalla	Lou Richt	The Wallace Family
Tony DiPietro	James Law	Sophia Rodriguez	Don Young
Josephine Eckles	Tom Lauth	Aurora Saquing	
Sylvia Floyd	Susan Luthi	Sherwin Saquing	

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Thomas Macko, Salvatore Richard Pipitone, Clarys Marie Souter, Larry Teofilo and Joan Tillitski.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for February: We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

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.

January 22, 2022	January 29, 2023
\$7,832.16 - Offertory	\$8,348.00- Offertory
\$5,155.00 - Donations	\$6,515.00 - Donations
\$142.20 - Alms	\$254.05- Alms

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