



# The Catholic Center

Serving the Athens and University of Georgia  
Communities Since 1952



## ALL ARE WELCOME

### Mass Intentions

- Saturday**  
5PM - Daniel O'Sullivan †
- Sunday**  
8AM - Brenda Thomas  
10:30AM - Leah Szczepanski †
- Monday**  
5:30PM - Fatima & Manuel Agra
- Tuesday**  
5:30PM - Members of the Cecchi Family †
- Wednesday**  
5:30PM - Esteban Portel
- Thursday**  
5:30PM - Esteban Portel †
- Friday**  
8AM - All Souls in Purgatory

### Register for the 21st Dooley Classic!

The 21st Annual Dooley Classic Golf Tournament is on **Friday, September 8!** Come out for a great time, and show off your skills on the UGA Golf Course. Proceeds benefit Catholic Student Association activities, including retreats, spring break mission trips, student ministry nights and Sunday dinners. Help serve UGA students in their faith away from home, and register for the Dooley Classic. If interested, pick up a brochure in the back of the chapel or visit [ccatuga.org/golf](http://ccatuga.org/golf). See you on the links!



### Office

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CC at UGA  
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### Liturgical Schedule

**Mass:** Saturday: 5PM  
Sunday: 8AM & 10:30AM  
Mon-Thurs: 5:30PM  
Fri: 8AM  
**Confession:** Wednesday: 4-5PM  
Saturday: 3:30-4:30PM

### Weekly Calendar

- Saturday 7/22**  
9AM Red Cross Training  
3:30PM Reconciliation  
5PM Mass  
Feast Day of St. Mary Magdalene & Reception  
6:30PM Wedding Rehearsal
- Sunday 7/23**  
8AM Mass  
10:30AM Mass & Goetze Baptism  
2PM Wedding
- Monday 7/24**  
5:30 PM Mass
- Tuesday 7/25**  
9AM Our Daily Bread  
5:30PM Mass
- Wednesday 7/26**  
4PM Reconciliation  
5:30PM Mass
- Thursday 7/27**  
5:30PM Mass
- Friday 7/28**  
8AM Mass  
9AM Virtus Training  
Monsignor Donovan HS
- Saturday 7/29**  
11AM Wedding Lunch & Rehearsal  
3:30PM Reconciliation  
5PM Mass  
6:30PM Korean Mass & Potluck

### A Message from Jenni

#### Dear Catholic Center Community,

It is a bit quieter here at the Center Office, so I have time to reminisce. 10 years ago, I asked Fr. Tom Vigliotta if the Catholic Center needed any help. I was a stay at home mom raising 4 children but the youngest was in middle school and I had some time on my hands. Fr. Tom hired me as a receptionist and to help out in the office a few hours a week.

We have experienced a lot of change during my time at the CC. I have worked with at least 10 priests (or more likely, I have trained at least 10 priests). The Franciscan order, which had staffed and supported the CC for nearly 60 years, has been replaced by Diocesan priests. Staff members have come and gone, and for some unknown reason they keep getting younger. I have watched 100's (perhaps 1000's) of students walk through the Catholic Center doors. They arrive as nervous freshmen and leave confident in their faith and the support of the church. As for me, my hair is a bit grayer (well, a lot grayer) and that youngest child has graduated from UGA and has moved on to his next adventure.

Despite these changes and the gray hair, there are many things that remain the same here at the Catholic Center. Our CC members remain joyful, generous, welcoming, and truly committed to caring for the UGA students who come through our door. Just mention a family or student in need and our members race to give whatever help they can. A glimpse into Sr. Uyen-chi's office in December demonstrates the community's generosity as the Giving Tree gifts pour in. Our members put their faith into action and are a blessing to the Center. Our staff remains committed to being good stewards of the Catholic Center resources so that we can better care for our members and students. This care has even been given to our feathered friends. Just this morning, Kyle and Lane, two of our student staff members, reunited a baby bird who had been found by the front door, with its mother. We take care of all of God's creatures.

The positive and spiritual support of students also remains the same. The students cycle through the Center and head off to their adventures knowing that the Catholic Center will always be a home away from home. And the students continue to share their faith with our religious education students and each other. They leap into service projects as well as social events. They pack the Center to watch UGA Football win a National Championship -- and then a second -- as well as to listen to a speaker share a talk on his/her spiritual journey.

As the famous French saying goes: *"The more things change, the more they stay the same."* Change is inevitable. It is our lasting faith and commitment to God, and each other, that keep us together.

In Christ,  
Jenni

## Announcements

### Backpacks for Oasis Católico

The deadline for donating backpacks for Oasis Católico has been extended to July 24. Each year, our generous CC members donate backpacks to help the students at Oasis Católico get their new school year off to a great start. Our goal for this year is 100 backpacks. Help us to reach that goal! Please deliver new backpacks to the Center Hall by July 24.

### Drum Set Up for Grabs

The Catholic Center is looking to give away a complete drum set for free. It is still in good condition, and we want to get rid of it ASAP. It is first come first serve. If interested, please contact Sonny Fincher at 706-296-6578.

### Phishing Warning

If you receive a suspicious text or email from an unfamiliar contact posing as Fr. Brian, it is likely a phishing scam. Please block the email or number.

### Visiting Priests for Daily Masses

We will have visiting priests for a few daily Masses this summer. The dates that we will have a visiting priest at Daily Mass are as follows: 8/3 & 8/4

### A/V Volunteers

We are so thankful for our group of A/V volunteers, but they deserve a break every now and then. Running the slides at mass is easier than you might think! If you are interested in serving the Catholic Center community in this capacity, please contact Jayne Edwards at music@ccatuga.org

### Knights Assembly 2148 Chooses Sir Knight of the Year

We are thrilled to announce that our very own Sir Knight John M. Steffl has been chosen as the prestigious Sir Knight of the Year for 2023/2024. This remarkable honor is a testament to Sir John's unwavering dedication and selflessness in serving not just one, but four parishes. If you would like to join the Knights of Columbus, go to [tinyurl.com/join-k-of-c](http://tinyurl.com/join-k-of-c).

### Volunteer Hospitality Coordinator

The Catholic Center is looking for a volunteer hospitality coordinator to plan and organize several events throughout the year. We are especially looking for someone to help coordinate the receptions after the Memorial Day and Veteran's Day Masses and an annual Volunteer appreciation celebration. Contact Jenni in the Center Office.

### Religious Ed Sign Ups for 2023-2024

RE Registration is available online at [ccatuga.org](http://ccatuga.org) under Religious Education. Presently, we have 34 families registered with 53 students enrolled. Please consider registering your child/children soon. If you have any questions about the RE Program, please feel free to contact Lynn Rena at [re@ccatuga.org](mailto:re@ccatuga.org).

### Our Daily Bread Sign ups

The Catholic Center partners with Downtown Ministries to serve our neighbors the love of God through the vehicle of food. We provide a nutritious meal for 150 guests with gracious hospitality. The meals are prepared at the Catholic Center kitchen and delivered and served to guests at First Baptist Church on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of each month. Volunteers are needed each month. The Sign-up Genius can be found at [ccatuga.org/volunteer](http://ccatuga.org/volunteer).

### Join Fr. Brian on Pilgrimage

Journey to Ireland for a 10 day pilgrimage with Fr. Brian (Oct 28-Nov 6, 2023). The cost of the trip is \$4,299 per person and includes round trip airfare, hotels, daily breakfast and select meals. Stop by the front office to get more information about the trip!



### Monsignor Donovan Catholic High School

Donovan is accepting applications for the 2023-2024 school year. Space is limited in some classes. Set up a tour to check out the Donovan Difference.



- Safe Environment
- Strong Academics
- Faith Infused Curriculum
- Opportunities for Athletics, Arts, and Service

## We Lift Up in Prayer

John Paul Abrigo  
Charlotte & Joel Alesi  
Sally Allen  
Tory Bowles  
Peter Bryan  
Cindy Bullist  
Grace Byrne  
Joanne Cabrera  
Jeanette Campbell  
Lora Bernstein Cooley  
Mia Corte  
Tony DiPietro

John Doyle  
Henry Eckles  
Sylvia Floyd  
Alberta Foster  
Elia Fuentes  
Denise Goins  
Jonathan Guerra  
Victoria Guerra  
Bob Henry  
Geraldine Higgins  
George Huban  
Margaret Jones

James Law  
Michelle Linton  
Ginny Lynch  
Gina Maherka  
Carol Mazurek  
Emeritea Morales  
Kevin Noble  
Margaretta O'Shea  
Amor Mendoza Perez  
Lou Perno  
Lou Richt  
Sophia Rodriguez

Ann Schrauth  
David Simmons  
Dave Sterberg  
Alyssa Thomas  
Brenda Thomas  
Frank Trocino  
Bryan Vaughn  
Joanne Waldron  
Paul Waring  
Amanda Wershing  
Edwin Valido

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Leah Szczepanski, Don Young, Geraldine Higgins, Beatrice Tollu and John Vickers.

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for July:** We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.

## 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.

### July 9, 2023

\$14,320.17 - Offertory  
\$50.00 - Donations  
\$317.00 - Alms

### July 16, 2023

\$11,189.68 - Offertory  
\$2,740.00 - Donations  
\$270.00 - Alms

## Clergy & Staff

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