

Happy New Year from the Catholic Center!

Mass Intentions

Saturday
5PM – James Shanni †
Sunday
8AM - Portel, Rebellon
& Galan Family
10:30AM - William
Burden †
Monday
No Mass

Tuesday No Mass Wednesdav No Mass Thursday No Mass Friday No Mass

Upcoming Schedule

Happy New Year! Please see our upcoming schedule below:

January 1-5 No Mass or Reconciliation; Fr. Brian & Fr. Michael at Seek Conference in St. Louis

The Epiphany of the Lord Saturday, January 6: 5PM Sunday, January 7: 8AM, 10:30AM & 5PM The Baptism of the Lord Monday, January 8: 5:30PM

Office

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Liturgical Schedule

Mass: Saturday: 5PM Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM

> No Daily Masses 1/1/24-1/4/24

Adoration: No Adoration

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

Weekly Calendar

Saturday 12/30 3:30PM Reconciliation 5PM Mass Sunday 12/31 New Year's Eve 8AM Mass 10:30AM Mass Monday 1/1 New Years Day Center Office Closed No Mass Tuesday 1/2 No Mass Wednesday 1/3 No Mass Thursday 1/4 No Mass Friday 1/5 No Mass Saturday 1/6 3:30PM Reconciliation 5PM Mass Sunday 1/7 The Epiphany of the Lord 8AM Mass 9AM KoC Donut Ministry 10:30AM Mass 11:30AM KoC Donut Ministry 5PM Mass

Dear Catholic Center Community,

As we ring in the New Year, it is so common to reflect on the past year we've had and what those 365 days held in store for us. Many times, we look back on our year and are able to remember so much good that has happened and the many blessings we have received. Sometimes in reflection of our year, we grieve and remember painful and hard things that we have experienced. There is so much to reflect on, good and bad, that allows us to see God's hand in our lives. It is easy to overlook the idea that everything that has happened in the past year, good and bad, has formed our hearts in a new way to best love others and be loved. God has formed the spirit within us to be ever changing and always beautiful, and every facet of our lives contributes to this. We were created to love and to be loved and every day we grow more into the embodiment of Christ where we have the opportunity to do this.

I used to think the celebration of a new year was silly as all that has changed is the date and the calendars that are hanging above our desk. However, through my own growth and aging, I have gracefully accepted the beauty of the "newness" that each year brings. While we only really need to flip our calendars open, we are invited to do so much more. We are invited to create a new version of ourselves, or rather we are invited to accept the mature and grown spirit the Lord has so beautifully created for us so that we grow ever closer to Him and thus become ever closer to our full self.

"Put on, as God's chosen ones, holy and beloved, heartfelt compassion, kindness, humility, gentleness, and patience, bearing with one another and forgiving one another, if one has a grievance against another; as the Lord has forgiven you, so must you also do. And over all these put on love, that is, the bond of perfection. And let the peace of Christ control your hearts, the peace into which you were also called in one body. And be thankful. Let the word of Christ dwell in you richly, as in all wisdom you teach and admonish one another, singing psalms, hymns, and spiritual songs with gratitude in your hearts to God." Col 3:12-16

God bless and Happy New Year, Anne Frain

December 31, 2023 • The Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

A Message from Anne Frain

Announcements

Register for the 5K Human Race

The Annual 5K Human Race will be at Oconee Veterans Park on Saturday, February 17, 2024. Please register at ccatuga.org/fundraisers. Please contact Sr. Uyen-Chi at admincsa@csaatuga.org with any questions.

Catholic Center Blood Drive

In collaboration with the American Red Cross, we will be hosting a blood drive on Monday, January 22, from 2:30PM to 7PM. To schedule an appointment, please visit redcrossblood.org. Please consider making a life saving donation!

Adopted Seminarian Colin Patrick

Please continue to pray for Colin, who is in his last year at Mundelein Seminary. He would appreciate hearing from everyone at the Catholic Center, especially in the new year. I know he misses being here. You can send care packages or letters of encouragement to him at this address:

> Colin Patrick 1000 East Maple Ave Mundelein Seminary Mundelein, IL 60060

We are Hiring a Kitchen Manager

We are seeking a part-time kitchen manager. This position includes organizing volunteers and assisting with coordination in the timing of events, including stocking the kitchen, cooking, serving, cleaning and more. A full list of responsibilities and qualifications can be found on our website at www.ccatuga.org/job-postings.

Celebrating 50th & 60th Anniversary

The Archdiocese of Atlanta would like to honor couples married in 1974 and 1964 with an invitation to a golden/diamond wedding anniversary Mass on Saturday, Feb. 10, 2024, at 12PM at St. Brigid Catholic Church. A reception will follow for the anniversary couples and their families. Please go to http://tiny.cc/anniversarymass to RSVP for this event and for additional information.

No Daily Mass this Week

Fr. Brian and Fr. Michael will be attending the SEEK Conference in St. Louis, so there will be no daily Mass at the Catholic Center January 1 - 5

Gratitude from Oasis

We want to express our gratitude for your continued support of the families at Oasis Catolico. Thanks to your donations, we were able to provide the Oasis community with hundreds of items during this Advent Season. These include stuffed animals, blankets, clothes, gift cards and more. Thank you!

Silver Angels Meets January 9

The Silver Angels will meet on Tuesday, January 9, at 12PM in the Center Hall. All those 60 and older (and young at heart) are invited for a fun-filled afternoon.

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. Volunteers are needed each month. The sign-up can be found at ccatuga.org/volunteer.

Knights of Columbus Donut Ministry

The Georgia Martyrs Knights of Columbus will be have donuts available after both the 8AM & 10:30AM Masses on January 7, 2024. Donations will be used to support the Knights of Columbus Wheelchair Ministry.

The Way for Women Retreat

The Way for Women is a 3-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse offered by the AoA. It is on March 24 - 26 at Sautee Mountain Retreat in Clarkesville, GA. Contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or sstubbs@archatl.com for more information.

John Paul Abrigo	Sylvia Floyd
Charlotte & Joel Alesi	Pam Forker
Sally Allen	Patty Goodwin
Melani Atmodjo	Jonathan Guerra
Megan Barton	Victoria Guerra
Peter Bryan	Terri Strickland Guy
Cindy Bullist	Bob Henry
Grace Byrne	Tom Higgins
Joanne Cabrera	Margaret Jones
Jeanette Campbell	Sarah Kurtz
Lucille Carberry	Patti Law
Lora Bernstein Cooley	Marcia Lemmon

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Barbara Bankston and Francis Malinowski

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for January: Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

Thank you so 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 17, 2023 \$15,736.52 - Offertory \$10.938.00 - Donations \$425.11 - Alms

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Financial Giving Updates

December 24, 2023

No Update due to Holiday Office Closing

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