



# The Catholic Center

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## ALL ARE WELCOME

### Mass Intentions

**Saturday**  
5PM - Norah Risher †  
**Sunday**  
8AM - Eileen Sinda †  
10:30AM - Victor &  
Maria Reyes †  
**Monday**  
NO MASS

**Tuesday**  
NO MASS  
**Wednesday**  
NO MASS  
**Thursday**  
NO MASS  
**Friday**  
NO MASS

### UGA Spring Break

Due to UGA's Spring Break, there will be a few changes to our Mass schedule this upcoming week. First, there will be no 5PM Mass on Sunday, March 3. Additionally, there will be no daily Mass or Adoration between Monday, March 4, and Friday, March 8. We will still have Fish Fry Dinner on Friday, March 1 & 8, at 5PM. There will be no formal service, but the Chapel will still be open on Friday, March 1 & 8, at 5PM for private devotions/Stations of the Cross. Please pray for all of our students, faculty and staff to have a restful, enjoyable and safe Spring Break.

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### Liturgical Schedule

**Mass:**

Saturday: 5PM  
Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM &  
5PM  
Mon-Thurs: 5:30PM  
Fri: 8AM

**Adoration:**

Tues & Wed: 9AM-10AM  
Mon & Thurs: 9AM-5PM  
Friday: 8:30AM-9:30AM

**Confession:**

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

### Weekly Calendar

**Saturday 3/2**

3:30PM Reconciliation  
5PM Mass

**Sunday 3/3**

8AM Mass  
9AM KoC Donut Ministry  
9:30AM Baptism Prep  
Class  
10:30AM Mass  
10:30AM RCIA 1st Scrutiny  
11:30AM KoC Donut  
Ministry

**Monday 3/4**

No Mass  
UGA Spring Break Begins

**Tuesday 3/5**

No Mass

**Wednesday 3/6**

No Mass  
1PM Creative Hands

**Thursday 3/7**

No Mass  
6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

**Friday 3/8**

5PM Fish Fry  
5PM Private Devotion  
Stations of the Cross

**Saturday 3/9**

10AM Apologetics Course  
3:30PM Reconciliation  
5PM Mass

**Sunday 3/10**

8AM Mass  
10:30AM Mass  
10:30AM RCIA 2nd Scrutiny  
10:45AM RCIA Breaking  
Open the Word  
1:30PM Feed My Starving  
Children  
7PM Adult Confirmation

### A Message from Fr. Brian

#### Dear Catholic Center Community,

I want to thank everyone from the bottom of my heart for your generosity.

We have had so many improvements (such as our sound system) and a number of developments (such as our counseling scholarship). I want to thank you all for your support in these projects. They serve the community so well. You should be proud.

It's a blessing for me to help lead this community. I am very privileged and thankful for such an opportune location for evangelization, accompanied by so many great leaders.

We have so many volunteers that make this place what it is. Our staff is so good: very positive, healthy, and such an reliable team. They inspire me with their hard work, faith and dedication.

I want to put Holy Week on your radar (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Easter). These liturgies are very special, and our Easter Vigil celebration will be celebrated by one of our auxiliary bishops of Atlanta, Bishop John Tran. We have 25-30 people becoming Catholic this year, and it is truly an inspiring scene.

The Holy Spirit is at work in our community!

May this Lenten season be a season of silence and prayer.

In Christ,  
Fr. Brian

#### Religious Education Updates

UGA Spring Break is here, so the RE schedule is as follows: Pre-K and Kindergarten will return to class on Sunday, March 24. 1<sup>st</sup> - 8<sup>th</sup> grade will return on Wednesday, March 20. Confirmation will only have one class in March on Monday, March 25. Confirmation Candidates, Year 2, remember to turn in your Confirmation Letters to Fr. Brian by that date. Please remember to turn in your \$65 for your Confirmation Retreat and your insurance forms by April 1. Year 2 Confirmation Sponsor forms are due. Confirmation Rehearsal will be on Friday, April 26, from 6-7:30PM in the Chapel. Confirmation Mass will be on Saturday, April 27, at 1PM with Bishop Schlesinger. Thank you to all the Confirmation Students who participated in the 5K Human Race and the Friday Lenten Fish Fries. We appreciate all you are doing at the Catholic Center. A "BIG SHOUT" goes out to all the 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders and Basic Faith Year 2 students who made their 1st Penance last Saturday. We are all so proud of you and your hard work. First Communion Retreat and Rehearsal will be on Saturday, May 4, from 8:30-11:30AM. The First Communion Mass will be on Sunday, May 5, at 1PM.

## Announcements

### Feed My Starving Children Update

We are making progress, but we still need your help to support our FMSC food packing event in April. Current donations: \$24,653 vs. goal of \$55,000. Volunteers: 499 volunteers vs. goal of 900. If you're planning on donating and/or volunteering, you're encouraged to do so as soon as possible. Please visit [give.fmssc.org/Athens](http://give.fmssc.org/Athens) to donate and register. Please contact Tom Spencer at [tspencer44@gmail.com](mailto:tspencer44@gmail.com) or 706-340-3785 with questions.

### Pilgrimage to Italy with Fr. Brian

The deadline to join Fr. Brian on a pilgrimage to Italy from May 13 - 22 is fast approaching. You will have the unique opportunity to deepen your spiritual lives and visit significant spiritual sites in Rome, Assisi, Florence, Orvieto and Ostia Antica. Contact 724-679-7450 or [Belinda@APilgrimsJourney.com](mailto:Belinda@APilgrimsJourney.com) for more information. Registration at [www.bit.ly/MCNAVISH](http://www.bit.ly/MCNAVISH).

### Synod Regional Listening Sessions

The Archdiocese has scheduled five Regional Listening Sessions during Lent for the Interim Stage of the Synod on Synodality. Don't miss this opportunity to engage with our bishops and help shape the future church! Please visit [archatl.com](http://archatl.com) to register and find more information.

### Hearing Assistance

We are pleased to offer hearing assistance during Mass. If you would like to learn more, please see the instructions in the back of the Chapel or visit <https://ugacatholic.org/announcements/>

### St. Joseph's KoC Golf Tournament

The St. Joseph's KoC is having their annual Charity Golf Tournament on Saturday, June 1, at the UGA Golf Course. Please consider joining for a day of fun, prizes, food and fellowship. It costs \$125 per player. Player and sponsor signup forms will be coming soon. This is a great event that raises money for the charitable works of the Knights of Columbus. For more information please contact John Steffl 706-338-5551.

### Creative Hands Meets Wednesday

All are welcome to join the Creative Hands Crafting Group on Wednesday, March 6, at 1PM.

### Fish Fries & Stations of the Cross

The Knights of Columbus are hosting fish fry dinners each Friday from 5PM to 7PM. Student meals will be \$7, individual meals will be \$11 and family meals will be \$30. Dinner will be served on the following Fridays: March 1, March 8, March 15 and March 22. Additionally, the Catholic Center will have Stations of the Cross on the following Fridays at 5PM: March 1 & 8 (private devotion/no formal service), March 15 and March 22.

### Snacks Needed for CSA Retreat

Our college students will be going on their annual retreat, "Infinite Love", March 15-17, at Camp Covecrest. The annual spring retreat offers a weekend of prayer, reflection, and fellowship to 150 of our students. We are in need of snack and drink donations to get our students through the weekend. Please consider dropping off single serving snacks, like chips, apples, granola bars, single bagged baked goods, water bottles, juice boxes, and any other food or drink donations to the stage by Sunday, March 10. Thank you so much, and please also keep our students in your prayers as they prepare to go on this retreat.

### Easter Flower Donations

To make our church beautiful during Lent, we will be decorating with Easter Flowers. If you would like to participate by donating a flower in honor of or in memory of a loved one, please complete a form in the back of the chapel and return it with payment in the offertory basket or to the office by Friday, March 22. Our suggested donation is \$20.

### Volunteer for Sunday Night Dinners!

We are seeking volunteers to help cook Sunday dinners! Any help is greatly appreciated by our students who come for dinner and fellowship after Mass. Thank you for your support of this ministry! The signup can be found at [ccatuga.org/volunteer](http://ccatuga.org/volunteer).

## We Lift Up in Prayer

John Paul Abrigo  
Charlotte & Joel Alesi  
Sally Allen  
Melani Atmodjo  
Megan Barton  
Peter Bryan  
Cindy Bullist  
Shirley Burk  
Grace Byrne  
Joanne Cabrera  
Jeanette Campbell  
Lucille Carberry

Lora Bernstein Cooley  
Mike Deppe  
Sylvia Floyd  
Pam Forker  
Jonathan Guerra  
Victoria Guerra  
Terri Strickland Guy  
Bob Henry  
Tom Higgins  
Dean Johnston  
Margaret Jones  
Sarah Kurtz

Patti Law  
Michelle Linton  
Gina Maherka  
Carol Mazurek  
Nathan Mills  
Emeritea Morales  
Al Mulhair  
Lou Perno  
Lou Richt  
Sophia Rodriguez  
Deborah Scott  
Tom Shuster

David Simmons  
Bridget Teofilo  
Alyssa Thomas  
Gretchen Thomas  
Bryan Vaughn  
Dorothy Wasko  
Amanda Wershing  
Robin Yackley  
Barbara Zanengo

**With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Wyatt Banks, Mike Gill, Mary Ann Golub, Laken Riley, Lauren Stewart and Matthew Schutz.**

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for March:** We pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world inflame the Church with their courage and missionary enthusiasm.

## Financial Giving Updates

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.

### February 18, 2024

\$13,540.96 - Offertory  
\$3,790.00 - Donations  
\$1,709.00 - Alms

### February 25, 2024

\$10,629.29 - Offertory  
\$2,448.00 - Donations  
\$372.36 - Alms

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