

EASTER SUNDAY HE IS RISEN



The Catholic Center

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Communities Since 1952

ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions

Saturday 8PM - RCIA Candidates & Catechumens	Wednesday 5:30PM - Judy Croissant †
Sunday 8AM - CC Members 10:30AM - CC Members	Thursday 5:30PM - John Moore †
Monday 5:30PM - Wayne Smith †	Friday 8AM - Sondra Autro †
Tuesday 5:30PM - Vince Dooley †	

Happy Easter

"He is not here, but he has been raised. Remember what he said to you while he was still in Galilee, that the Son of Man must be handed over to sinners and be crucified, and rise on the third day. And they remembered his words. Then they returned to the tomb and announced all these things to the eleven and to all the others." Lk. 24:6-9

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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 3/30
11AM RCIA Rehearsal
12PM Blessing of the Baskets
3PM Easter Vigil Rehearsal
8PM Easter Vigil
10PM RCIA Reception

Sunday 3/31
Easter Sunday
8AM Mass
10:30AM Mass

Monday 4/1
Center Office Closed
4PM Care for Creation
5:30PM Mass

Tuesday 4/2
5:30PM Mass
6PM Wellspring Rehearsal
6:15PM Thomistic Institute
8PM CSA Ablaze

Wednesday 4/3
10AM Easter Egg Stuffing
1PM Creative Hands
4PM Reconciliation
5:30PM Mass
8PM CSA Ignite

Thursday 4/4
10AM Women's Bible Study
11AM Bruce Evans Funeral
5:30 PM Mass
6:30PM Choir Rehearsal
7PM RCIA

Friday 4/5
8AM Mass
5PM CSA Diversity & Inclusion Interfaith Field Day

Saturday 4/6
10AM Apologetics Course
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass

A Message from Fr. Brian

Dear Catholic Center Community,

On behalf of the staff here at the Catholic Center, I want to wish you a happy Easter!

Easter speaks directly to the core of our existence, addressing the deepest desires of our hearts for love, meaning, redemption, and belonging. Here's how Easter responds to these universal yearnings:

1. **Desire for Unconditional Love:** At the heart of Easter is the story of a Love so vast and deep that it overcomes the grave. Jesus' Resurrection assures us that we are loved beyond our understanding, beyond our failures, and beyond our fears. This love invites us to return to our true home in God, where we are fully known and loved.
2. **Search for Meaning:** In Easter, we find the ultimate answer to our quest for meaning. Jesus' victory over death gives purpose to our joys and sufferings, showing us that every moment of our lives is woven into a larger tapestry of divine love and redemption. We are part of a story that ends not in despair, but in glory.
3. **Redemption:** Easter speaks to our yearning for healing and renewal. In the Resurrection, we see that no pain is too deep, no loss too great, and no mistake too final for God's redeeming love. Easter invites us to let go of our past and step into a new identity as beloved children of God, redeemed and set free.
4. **Need for Belonging:** The Easter story redefines our sense of belonging. We are not isolated individuals adrift in a cold world, but members of a vast, spiritual family united in Christ. Easter calls us into deep communion with God and with one another, reminding us that we are never alone.
5. **Eternal Life:** Easter addresses our longing for eternity, for life that transcends the limitations of this world. The Resurrection opens the horizon of hope, showing us that death is not the end, but a doorway to a life with God that fulfills our deepest longings for peace, joy, and everlasting love.
6. **Transformation:** Easter is not just an event we remember; it's an experience that changes us. It invites us to die to our smaller selves and rise to new life in Christ—a life marked by freedom, courage, and a love that seeks the good of the other.

Easter, therefore, is not just a historical fact; it's a personal encounter with the Risen Christ who meets the deepest desires of our hearts. It calls us to live more fully, love more deeply, and hope more fiercely, anchored in the promise of eternal life and the reality of God's unending love for us.

Praise God!

Fr Brian

Easter Flowers

Thank you to everyone who made a donation to decorate our chapel with Easter flowers.

In Memory Of:

Trudie Amrich
 Victor & Helen Ashley
 Mary Barkley
 William Barkley
 Julia Bell
 Charles Benitez
 John Bohorfoush
 Susan Bohorfoush
 The Bradshaw Family
 Anne M. Campbell
 Paul R. Campbell
 Shannon Campbell
 The Charron Family
 Joey Costyn
 Robert & Margaret Coppinger
 Joe & Helen Dannenbaum
 Betty DeGuilo
 Rev. Mr. Edward J. Dietzler
 Annette M. Fey
 Paul & Jeanne Flemming
 The Foley Family
 Georgiann Garratt
 John & Dolores Geary
 Earl & Edwina Ginter
 The Hilario Parents
 Jack & Elsie Horton
 Richard J. Howard
 Peter & Marilyn Hoy
 Jim I. Hunt
 Kateri Anne Huper
 Elmer & Emma Jean Hutchins
 Karen Johnson
 Marg J. Johnson
 Fran Jones
 Lawrence P. Kacmar

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 Richard & Mary Kinchnee
 Michael King
 Mary Lauth
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 Theodore Larson
 Thomas Lyness
 Angelo Maisto
 Chet Malanoski
 Kang Mao
 Sam & Mildred Marra
 Neil & Doris McAllister
 Scotty & Tammy McGoldrick
 James McNamara
 Buddy & Bonnie Merritt
 Wallace & Tee Meshad
 Camilla Mims
 Val & Anita Montoya
 Frank Morris
 Fred W. Ossick
 Pedro(Pete) & Maria(Helen) Padilla
 Bernard Paidock
 Sebastian Perez
 Lymon Rains
 Timon & Grace Rains
 Victor & Maria Reyes
 Deceased Members of Richardson
 Family
 William & Marie Richt
 Nathan Scobey
 Jeni Scott
 The Family of Ed & Eleanor Smith
 Eddie Smith
 Edward Smith
 Margaret Smith

Joe & Erma Sublett
 Joe Michael Sublett
 John & JoAnn Toutkoushian
 John Toutkoushian, Jr.
 Alexandra Ulloa
 Joanne Waldron
 Deceased Members of Wallace
 Family
 Katrina Wiegert
 Jenni Williams
 Don Young
 Ralph & Carolyn Zerwas
In Honor Of:
 The Arnest Family
 Claire Barkley
 Joanne Cabrera
 Andrew Dannenbaum
 Lindsay Dannenbaum
 Rebecca Dannenbaum
 Zachary Dannenbaum
 The Dennis Family
 The Ewing Family
 Charlotte Hetrick
 Samantha Hetrick
 Hugh & Alice Jamieson
 The Kalla Family
 Charles & Lois Long
 The Richardson Family
 Alyssa Thomas
 The Wallace Family
 Catholic Center Community



Congratulations RCIA Candidates

Please join us as we welcome our RCIA candidates into the Church. Congratulations to everyone who is receiving the sacraments this Easter season. "Rejoice in the Lord always!" Phil 4:4

Elect Adults:

Abbey Holmes
 Jatin Sunkara
 Keaton Coletti

Nicolas Izaguirre (Saint Francis of Assisi)

Peyton Winters

Rebecca Matthew (Francis of Assisi)

Tim Rowland (Teresa of Avila)

Elect Youth:

Jane Fairman
 Young-Jun Kim
 Julian Diaz
 Nate Diaz
 Aria Diaz
 Christian Ibanez

Confirmation Adults:

Aaron Swindle
 Amos Tift
 Dayna Fairman
 Emma Bethel
 Gabriella Heard
 Jade Paustian
 Josie Ryder

Kennedey Boothe

Kyle Rushing

Leigh Blanchard (Mary Magdalene)

Mason Hill

Michael O'Brien (Ireneus of Lyons)

Pamela Gilchrist

Confirmation Youth:

Rowen Fairman



Announcements

Feed My Starving Children Update

With only three weeks to go, we need your help! Current donations: \$38,979 vs. goal of \$55,000. 688 volunteers registered to pack vs. goal of 900. Please spread the word, and ask your friends and family to join us. Just two hours of your time can feed a child for seven months! Please go to: give.fmssc.org/Athens to donate and register. Please contact Tom Spencer at tspencer44@gmail.com or 706-340-3785 with questions.

Office Hours Update

The Center Office will be closed on Easter Monday, April 1, but we will reopen on Tuesday, April 2.

Creative Hands Meets Wednesday

All are welcome to join the Creative Hands Crafting Group on Wednesday, April 3, at 1PM in the Catholic Center Hall.

Rice Bowls

Thank you to everyone who has filled their Rice Bowls this Lent. We will collect Rice Bowls until Sunday, March 31. You can return Rice Bowls to the Center Office, or count the money collected and write a check for the amount. Make checks payable to the Catholic Center at UGA and put Rice Bowl in the memo. Place the check in an envelope and write Rice Bowl on the envelope. You can put the envelope in the offertory basket or mail it. Thanks again for your generosity.

Easter Sunday Parking

Please allow extra time for traffic and parking this Easter. If you can arrive a few minutes earlier and walk a few steps farther, you can leave the spaces open for those who need to park close to the CC. No parking is allowed at Campus View Church or Cloverhurst Condos. Do not park in fire lanes, residential driveways, yards, or no parking zones. Towing will be enforced. You may park at the Catholic Center, Global Engagement Center, Barrow Elementary School or the UGA South Campus Parking Lot. Limited street parking is available around the Catholic Center.

Annual Appeal Update

Fr. Brian, Fr. Michael and the Catholic Center staff thank you for your generous participation in the 2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. This year, mail-in gift volume has tripled, and the online gifts increased 28% for the entire Archdiocese. The processing center has added more personnel to handle this increased volume and should be caught up during the week after Easter.

Family Promise Donation Drive

The Catholic Center is hosting a donation drive for Family Promise of Athens until April 14. Items are needed for the Athens family shelter and for local families who need help with household expenses. Donations can be brought to the stage in the Center Hall. Label items for Family Promise. We need the following: All-Purpose, Cleaner or Wipes, Body Wash (family size), Deodorant, Dish Soap, Paper Towels, Shampoo/Conditioner, Sponges, Toilet Paper, Toothbrushes, Toothpaste, Trash Bags (13 gal/tall kitchen). For more information, contact Linda DiPietro, Family Promise of Athens Coordinator for the Catholic Center, at tandldptro@aol.com

March for Moms

March for Moms is a 1.6 mile sponsored walk starting at the Catholic Center at UGA. Our mission is to raise awareness to moms in need at UGA that there is help, where they can get it and how to reach out. March for Moms will take place on Saturday, April 13, with a gathering at 7AM and the march beginning at 8AM. Sponsor forms and T-Shirts will be available after Masses on April 6 & 7. Please contact Julia Maher at 727-543-3630 or wmnathens@gmail.com with any questions.

Religious Education

Classes for our Confirmation Candidates will start back on April 8th and 22nd. Wednesday remaining classes for 1st grade-8th grade are on the 8th and 22nd. Pre-K and Kindergarten will resume classes on Sunday, April 14th and 21st. Our Confirmation Retreat will be Saturday, April 13th.

We Lift Up in Prayer

John Paul Abrigo
Charlotte & Joel Alesi
Sally Allen
Melani Atmodjo
Megan Barton
Peter Bryan
Cindy Bullist
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
Margaret Jones
Sarah Kurtz
Patti Law
Michelle Linton

Gina Maherka
Carol Mazurek
Nathan Mills
Emeritea Morales
Al Mulhair
Rebecca Norris
Lou Perno
Many Po
Josh Reams
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 Bruce Evans.

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.

March 17, 2024

\$11,983.00 - Offertory
\$9,172.00 - Donations
\$225.85 - Alms

March 24, 2024

\$20,834.58 - Offertory
\$8,378.17 - Donations
\$1,095.49 - Alms

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