



# The Catholic Center

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## ALL ARE WELCOME

### Mass Intentions

- Sunday 8AM**– Shirley Teofilo †
- 10:30AM** - Joseph Lovell Barr †
- 12:30PM** - Adrienne Bottomley †
- 5PM** - All Catholic Center Members
- Monday 5:30PM** - Charlotte Paluck †
- Tuesday 5:30PM** - Tom and Norah Risher †
- Wednesday 5:30PM** - Mary Vui Tran †
- Thursday 5:30PM** - Eileen Krause †
- Friday 8:00AM** - Patrick Dempsy †

### Silver Angels Meets October 8

Our next Silver Angels luncheon of the school year will be on Tuesday, October 8 at noon. All those 60 and older (and young at heart) are invited for an afternoon of bingo, fellowship and lunch. The Silver Angels will meet on the second Tuesday every month.



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### Liturgical Schedule

**Mass:**  
 Saturday: 5PM  
 Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM, 12:30PM, 5PM  
 Mon-Thurs: 5:30PM  
 Fri: 8AM

**Adoration:**  
 Mon-Thurs: 9AM  
 Fri: 8:30AM

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

\*\*No Saturday Vigil Mass or Confession on Home Football Games

October 6th, 2024 • Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Weekly Calendar

**Saturday 10/5**  
No Mass-Home Football Game

**Sunday 10/6**  
 8AM Mass  
 9AM KOC Donut Ministry  
 9:30AM Baptism Prep Class  
 10:30AM Mass  
 10:30AM RE Pre-K and K  
 11:30AM KOC Donut Ministry  
 12:30PM Mass  
 2PM Blessing of the Animals  
 3:40PM Wellspring Music Rehearsal  
 5PM Mass  
 6PM Student Dinner

**Monday 10/7**  
 10AM Men’s Bible Study  
 5:30PM Communion Service  
 7PM Confirmation

**Tuesday 10/8**  
 12PM Silver Angels  
 5:30PM Mass  
 6PM Wellspring Music Rehearsal  
 6:15PM Focus Freshmen Bible Study  
 8PM Ablaze

**Wednesday 10/9**  
 10AM Moms & Tots  
 4PM Reconciliation  
 5:30PM Mass  
 6:15PM Religious Education Grades 1-8  
 8PM Ignite

**Thursday 10/10**  
 10AM Women’s Bible Study  
 5:30PM Mass  
 6PM Women’s Dinner  
 6:15PM Focus Phi Kap Bible Study  
 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal  
 7PM OCIA

**Friday 10/11**  
8AM Mass

**Saturday 10/12**  
No Mass-Home Football Game

**Sunday 10/13**  
 8AM Mass + Gustafson Baptism  
 10:30AM Mass +Edwards Family Baptism  
 12:30PM Mass  
 3:40PM Wellspring Music Rehearsal  
 5PM Mass  
 6PM Student Dinner  
 7PM CSA Board Meeting

## A Message from Fr. Brian

### 1. The Entrance

The idea of processions dates back to ancient Jewish worship, where priests would process into the Temple in Jerusalem. For early Christians, this act symbolized a journey toward God. The hymn or chant sung during this part originally came from the Psalms and was meant to draw everyone’s heart and mind to God. This reflects the pilgrim journey of the Israelites moving towards the Promised Land (Exodus 3:8) and mirrors how Jesus entered Jerusalem (Matthew 21:9), which was a moment of gathering and celebration. This entrance marks the beginning of the Church community’s gathering as one body, the Body of Christ.

### 2. The Greeting

The priest begins with, “The Lord be with you,” and we respond, “And with your spirit.” This greeting has ancient roots in both the Old and New Testaments. In the Old Testament, we see it when Boaz greets his workers with “The Lord be with you” (Ruth 2:4). In the New Testament, the angel Gabriel greets Mary with, “The Lord is with you” (Luke 1:28). Early Christians adopted this greeting to emphasize that God’s presence was truly with them. “And with your spirit” isn’t just a polite reply; it’s deep. It acknowledges that the priest is acting *in persona Christi*—in the person of Christ—during the Mass. It became part of the liturgy in the earliest centuries and was confirmed in the Roman liturgy as early as the 4th century. The Catechism states: Christ is present in the liturgy, and this greeting reminds us that we’re not just here on our own; God is truly with us, working through the priest. (CCC #1088)

### 3. The Penitential Act

We take a moment to acknowledge our sins and ask for God’s mercy. The practice of confessing sins has Jewish roots, where people would repent openly as a community. Early Christians recognized the importance of coming clean before God as they gathered for worship, inspired by verses like 1 John 1:9: “If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us.” The *Kyrie eleison*, meaning “Lord, have mercy” in Greek, is one of the oldest parts of the Mass. It was introduced in the 4th century and is one of the few remnants of the Greek language in the Roman Rite. This moment calls us to an interior repentance, where we recognize our need for God’s mercy. It’s about being honest with God, clearing the way for Him to work in us.

### 4. The Gloria

The *Gloria* is an ancient hymn of praise that begins with “Glory to God in the highest,” echoing the song the angels sang at Jesus’ birth (Luke 2:14). The *Gloria* first appeared in the Mass around the 2nd or 3rd century as part of the Christmas liturgy. It started as a private hymn of praise and later became a fixed part of Sunday worship and major feast days. It’s often during Advent and Lent to create a sense of anticipation for the joy of Christmas and Easter. The *Gloria* is an expression of praise, recognizing God’s greatness and our gratitude for His love and mercy. It’s our chance to join with the angels and saints in lifting up God’s name.

### 5. The Collect

The priest invites us to pray silently for a moment, then gathers our prayers into one spoken prayer known as the “Collect.” The word “Collect” comes from the Latin *collecta*, meaning “gathering together.” In the early Church, this prayer developed as a way for the priest to ‘collect’ the intentions of the people and offer them to God. This moment of silence is important—it’s when we pause, focus, and unite our individual prayers. The Collect prayer has been part of the Roman liturgy since at least the 5th century, preparing us for the Liturgy of the Word. The Collect represents the gathered community’s unified prayer. It connects us to the very early Christians who prayed similarly, making our worship an act of unity with the whole Church.

## Announcements

### Home Football Game October 12

There is a home football game on Sat. October 12. The parking lot will be closed on Friday October 11 at 6PM and will reopen on Sunday for 8AM Mass. Additionally, there will be no Vigil mass or confession on Saturday.

### Christian Apologetics Course

Do you have friends or family who have questions about the Christian faith? If you would like to be able to help them answer those questions or just need a faith “booster” yourself, we will be offering a course in Christian Apologetics: Evidence & Arguments for the Existence of God; and Evidence of the Divinity of Jesus.

This course will include four weekly sessions starting Sunday, October 27th from 1:30-3:30pm and will be taught by Tom Spencer, the Athens Chapter Director for Reasonable Faith. William Lane Craig founded Reasonable Faith and has been named the fourth most influential theologian in the past 30 years.

You can sign up at the back of the chapel or contact Tom Spencer at [tspencer44@gmail.com](mailto:tspencer44@gmail.com) or 706-340-3785 to sign up.

### Annual Artist & Craft Fair 11/9

Calling all artists and crafters. We will be holding our annual Artist and Craft Fair on Saturday, November 9, from 9AM-1PM. Pick up a registration form at the CC office or in the back of the Chapel. Tables are \$25 but \$10 for students. Artists and Crafters from the CC community and beyond are welcome.

### Men's & Women's Bible Study

The CC Women's Bible Study has begun meeting on Thursdays at 10AM in the TV Room. This semester we will be studying the Holy Spirit and Spiritual Gifts. The Men's Bible Study will meet every Monday at 10AM in the TV room. Newcomers are welcome to join both groups!

### Moms & Tots

The Moms & Tots group will meet every Wednesday at 10AM in the Center Hall. Come meet other families in the community for fellowship and playtime! All are welcome to join us for a fun morning of play!

### Our Daily Bread

The Catholic Center partners with Downtown Ministries to serve our neighbors through the vehicle of food. Meals are prepared at the Catholic Center and served to guests at First Baptist Church. Volunteers are needed each month. The sign-up can be found at <https://ugacatholic.org/ministries/our-daily-bread/>.

### Knights of Columbus Donut Ministry

The Knights of Columbus will be hosting a donut ministry on October 6 following the 8AM and 10:30AM masses.

### You're Invited: Teaching Mass 10/17 at 5:30PM!

Come learn more about the Mass in the Mass while praying the Mass. Fr. Michael will take a step by step approach to teaching the Mass! The Mass may be a little longer than usual—about an hour or so! Come pray and bring a journal!

### Volunteer to Cook for Sunday Night Dinners!

We are looking for volunteers to help cook Sunday night dinners for our students! Any assistance would be greatly appreciated by our students who attend 5PM Mass and stay for dinner and fellowship. Follow the link below to sign up to help on Sunday(s) from 3-5! <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4FAFA92CA6FDC34-50625657-sunday#/>

### Home Football Game Info

**October 12** - UGA vs. Mississippi State  
**November 16** - UGA vs. Tennessee  
**November 23** - UGA vs. UMass  
**November 29** - UGA vs. Georgia Tech (This game is on Friday night so we will have the Vigil Mass on Saturday)  
**NO MASS:** On Saturdays when there is a UGA home football game, there will be no Vigil Mass, Reconciliation or activities at the center from Friday at 6PM until the Sunday Mass at 8AM.  
**NO PARKING:** The Catholic Center parking lots will be closed on Friday at 6PM and reopen for the Sunday Mass at 8AM. Our lots are used for contract parking, so towing will be enforced during this time.

### Important Parking Reminder

Parking at Campus View Church for the 8AM & 10:30AM Masses is strictly prohibited. Parking is also prohibited at the Cloverhurst Condos. Cars parked in this lot will be towed at owner's expense. On Saturday and Sunday, parking is allowed at the Global Engagement building next to the Center. Parking is also available at the UGA Parking Deck next to the Georgia Center. Please do not park in private driveways, apartments or no parking zones. Leave a bit of extra time to find parking spaces.

### Hearing Assistance

We are pleased to offer hearing assistance during Mass. Please see the instructions in the Chapel or visit <https://ugacatholic.org/announcements/>.

## We Lift Up in Prayer

Charlotte & Joel Alesi Sally Allen Judy Balcomb Megan Barton Greg Bickley Peter Bryan Cindy Bullist Grace Burger Grace Byrne Joanne Cabrera Jeanette Campbell Lucille Carberry Lora Bernstein Cooley Patti D'Avella	Barton Elizabeth Dooling Sylvia Floyd Hersina Gomes Jean Griffith Cheri Griggs Bob Henry Tom Holmes Ryan Hughes Margaret Jones Victor Kalla Sarah Kurtz Dan Lackey Doug Landrum Patti Law	Marcia Lemmon Michelle Linton Gina Maherka Carol Mazurek Nathan Mills Emeritea Morales- Franceschini Christine Morris Al Mulhair Rebecca Norris Harry Perrine David & Maura Randol Josh Reams Lou Richt	Sophia Rodriguez Aerial Ross Deborah Scott Cindy Shapland David Simmons Bridget Teofilo Alyssa Thomas Gretchen Thomas Bryan Vaughn James Waring Amanda Wershing Robin Yackley
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With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, **John Yash and Tom Higgins.**

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for October:

We pray that the Church continue to sustain in all ways a Synodal lifestyle, as a sign of co-responsibility, promoting the participation, the communion and the mission shared among priests, religious and lay people.

## 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.

### September 22, 2024

\$10,320.26 - Offertory  
\$395.00 - Donations  
\$161.50 - Alms

### September 29, 2024

\$10,933.22 - Offertory  
\$10,769.00 - Donations  
\$320.00 - Alms

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