



# The Catholic Center

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## ALL ARE WELCOME

### Mass Intentions

- Saturday**  
5PM - Mary Ellen Spilatro†
- Sunday**  
8AM - Dana Pothier  
10:30AM - Peg + Tim Loyd 50th Anniversary  
12:30PM - Lou Barisano†  
5PM - Luke Frankson
- Monday**  
5:30PM - Carrie & Eleanor Washburn
- Tuesday**  
5:30PM - Emma Banks Walker †
- Wednesday**  
5:30PM - Ginger Blake †
- Thursday**  
5:30PM - Ricard Bourke†
- Friday**  
8AM - Vince Dooley †



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### Liturgical Schedule

**Mass:**  
Saturday: 5PM  
Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM, 12:30PM & 5PM

**Adoration:**  
Monday 9 am - 5 pm  
Thursday 9 am - 5 pm

**Confession:**  
Monday-Thursday 5:30 PM  
Friday 8AM  
Wednesday: 3:30-4:30PM  
Saturday: 3:30-4:30PM

February 9th, 2025 • The Fifth Sunday of Ordinary Time

### Weekly Calendar

**Sunday 2/9**  
8AM Mass  
10:30 AM Mass Pre-K & Kindergarten RE  
12:30 PM Mass  
5PM Mass  
6PM Student Dinner  
7PM CSA Special Meeting

**Monday 2/10**  
10AM Men's Bible Study  
5:30PM Mass  
7PM Confirmation  
8:30PM CSA

**Tuesday 2/11**  
12PM Silver Angels  
5:30PM Mass  
8:00PM Seeking Water

**Wednesday 2/12**  
10AM Moms & Tots  
4:00PM Reconciliation  
5:30PM Mass  
6:15PM Grades 1-8 Religious Education  
8PM Ignite

**Thursday 2/13**  
10AM Women's Bible Study  
5:30PM Mass  
6PM Women's Dinner  
6:15PM Laudato Si Meeting  
6:30PM Choir Rehearsal  
7PM OCIA

**Friday 2/14**  
8AM Mass  
6PM CSA Men Cook for Women

**Saturday 2/15**  
9AM 5K Human Race  
10AM Apologetics Course  
11AM CSA Women's Day of Reflection  
3:30PM Reconciliation  
5PM Mass

**Sunday 2/16**  
8AM Mass  
10:30AM Mass  
12PM CSA Leadership Retreat  
12:30 PM Mass  
1PM Feed My Starving Children  
3PM KOC Meeting  
3PM Adult Confirmation  
5PM Mass  
6PM Student Dinner  
7PM CSA

### A Message from Fr. Michael

*Love bears all things, believes all things, hopes all things, endures all things. - 1 Cor 13:7*

*"Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." -Peter*

*"Do not be afraid." -Jesus - Luke 5*

In every story I read about Peter ... I can't help but see myself - not necessarily "for better" but most likely for worse. In today's Gospel, Peter has been fishing all night and has caught nothing; it turns out that I'm not the only one. At some point Peter walks on water [Mt14] (I can't resonate with that ... yet, lol), but I can certainly resonate with sinking in it, figuratively. Peter is handed the keys of the Church [Mt16] (hopefully I never resonate with that, lol), but I can resonate with bossing Jesus around. Peter denies Jesus [Jn18]; I can resonate with that. Then Peter is invited to have an awkward conversation with Jesus after [Jn21], which I can resonate with as well.

Peter's story is relatable, and here I find I'm not the only one who has struggled in his walk with Jesus, and that can be a bit consoling. But while this gives me company, it doesn't actually solve the issue at hand: something really does need to change in my heart. There's something about my pattern of fishing and catching nothing that God desires something different in my life.

So maybe it's a Wednesday, maybe it's a Thursday, but at some point Jesus enters into my life in order for it to never be the same. But the manner in which He enters changes everything. CS Lewis says, "Friendship is born at the moment when one man says to another, 'what? you too? I thought I was the only one.'" Luke 5, when Jesus gets into Peter's boat is a story of friendship.

Peter is searching desperately for fish, Jesus is searching desperately for Peter. And when they meet and Jesus reveals how committed He is to Peter, Peter realizes that he's actually been searching for Jesus but exclaims, "Depart from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man." And the friendship is verified every single time Jesus does *not* depart from Peter: when Peter is a sinful man, when he's a sinking man, when he's a bossy man, when he's a denying man - in all these things Jesus proves His Love for Peter. And by the end of Peter's life, comes to an undeniable conclusion that they are friends. The invitation is the same for us: simply to be aware how Jesus has not departed for a single moment from us.

- Fr. Michael

## Announcements

### 5K Raffle Ticket Winners Week 2

- 6958240
- 6958258
- 6958131

Congratulations! Stop by the CC to get your prize!

### There is Still Time to Register for the Human Race 5K!

Join us for our 47th Annual Human Race on Saturday, February 15 at Oconee Veterans Park. Registration is \$25 with proceeds benefiting campus ministry outreach and activities. In addition to racing, you can also be a phantom runner sponsor, a sponsor or a volunteer! Register Online at: <https://runsignup.com> or scan this QR code



### We are Still Selling Raffle Tickets!

One Grand Prize winner will win an Ice Cream Social at Jeni's Ice Cream with our priest(s) for up to 10 people. The Grand Prize will be drawn on February 15 at the 5K Human Race. Tickets are \$1 each and can be purchased at the CC office Monday–Friday 10AM– 4PM or at the race!

### 2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

This year the theme of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is ***We are One Body in Christ***. The theme of this year's annual appeal was chosen to remind us that we, as members of the Church, are called to work together for the common good, each of us playing a vital role in the mission of Christ. Our Archdiocese is a living example of this unity— one body made up of many faithful members, each essential to the vitality of the whole. Through your generous gifts, we can continue the work we were called to do as Christians: educate our seminarians, support our retired priests, provide catechesis to our children and protect the rights of the unborn. Please be generous in your response.

To donate online: [lifeofthechurch.com/donate](http://lifeofthechurch.com/donate)

### Online Giving

Forgot your checkbook or cash? As a reminder, for your convenience, online giving is available. This can be used for regular tithes and offerings or one-time donations. Visit our website at <https://ugacatholic.org/online-giving/>

### Second Collection this Weekend for Black & Indiana Missions

This weekend's second collection supports the Black & Indian Mission, which seeks to help local African American and Native American Diocesan Communities throughout the United States spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and respond to real and pressing needs on the ground.

### Silver Angels Meet February 11

The Silver Angels will meet on Tuesday, February 11, at 12PM in the Center Hall. Warm up with good friends and fellowship. All those 60 and older (and young at heart) are invited for lunch, fellowship and fun.

### Social Graces Women's Dinner Thursday 2/13

The Social Graces, the Catholic Center women's dinner group, meets this Thursday at 6PM. Please RSVP by 5PM on Monday at the very latest by contacting the office at 706-543-2293 or [stewardship@ccatuga.org](mailto:stewardship@ccatuga.org). So that our cook and committees can plan!

### Update on Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack Event

Currently, there is a donation total of \$21,286 and a volunteer total of 464 registered to pack. We have goals of \$65,000 in donations and 1,000 volunteers. If you're planning on donating and/or volunteering, you're encouraged to do it as soon as possible so you get the packing shift you prefer and so the event team knows where they stand with fundraising. Go to [give.fmsc.org/Athens](http://give.fmsc.org/Athens) to donate and register. Please contact Tom Spencer at [tspencer44@gmail.com](mailto:tspencer44@gmail.com) ; 706-340-3785 with questions.

### 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!

### 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  
Kathy Allison  
Judy Balcomb  
Megan Barton  
Greg Bickley  
Peter Bryan  
Cindy Bullist  
Grace Burger  
Grace Byrne  
Joanne Cabrera  
Jeanette Campbell  
Lucille Carberry  
Mollie Carow  
Lora Bernstein Cooley

Jack Daniels  
Patti D'Avella  
Jeff Donahue  
Barton Elizabeth Dooling  
Marge Finnerty  
Sylvia Floyd  
Hersina Gomes  
Jean Griffith  
Cheri Griggs  
Bob Henry  
Tom Holmes  
Ryan Hughes  
Daniel Inman  
Margaret Jones  
Victor Kalla

Sarah Kurtz  
Dan Lackey  
Doug Landrum  
Patti Law  
Rick Madera  
Gina Maherka  
Carol Mazurek  
Nathan Mills  
Al Mulhair  
Rebecca Norris  
Harry Perrine  
David & Maura Randol  
Josh Reams  
Chris Reynolds  
Lou Richt

Sophia Rodriguez  
Aeriel Ross  
Deborah Scott  
Cindy Shapland  
Alyssa Thomas  
Nile Thomson  
Bryan Vaughn  
James Waring  
Carrie Washburn  
Eleanor Washburn  
Amanda Wershing  
Fred Young

**With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Gilles Allard, Lee Drake, James Littwin, and Patricia Noles.**

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for February

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

## 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.

### January 26, 2025

\$15,855.98 - Offertory  
\$1,288.00 - Donations  
\$427.00 - Alms

### February 2, 2025

\$16,051.12 - Offertory  
\$6,290.00 - Donations  
\$517.00 - Alms

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