



# The Catholic Center

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## ALL ARE WELCOME

### Mass Intentions

- Saturday**  
5PM - Mike Clutter †
- Sunday**  
8AM - Bob Elwell †  
10:30AM - Gina Alesi †  
12:30PM - Josh Lee  
5:00PM - Isabelle A. Ellis †
- Monday**  
5:30PM - Mary Ellen Spilattro †
- Tuesday**  
5:30PM - Carlos Alvarez †
- Wednesday**  
5:30PM - Vince Dooley † & Barbara Dooley Anniversary
- Thursday**  
5:30PM - Jeremy Labonte †
- Friday**  
8AM - Mathilda Mirsky †

### Lenten Penance Service

Our Lenten Penance Service is this **Monday, March 17, at 7PM.** There will be a short prayer service and then we invite all those attending to go to the priests in the Chapel and Center Hall for Confession.



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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: 4:00PM-5:00PM  
Saturday: 3:30PM-4:30PM

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### Weekly Calendar

**Sunday 3/16**  
8AM Mass  
10:30AM Mass  
12:30 PM Mass  
1PM Feed My Starving Children  
3PM KOC Meeting  
3PM Adult Confirmation  
5PM Mass  
6PM Student Dinner  
7PM Men's Discernment Group

**Monday 3/17**  
10AM Men's Bible Study  
5:30PM Mass  
5:30PM Priest Dinner  
7PM Lenten Penance Service

**Tuesday 3/18**  
5:30PM Mass  
8PM Seeking Water

**Wednesday 3/19**  
10AM Moms and Tots  
4PM Reconciliation  
5:30PM Mass  
6:15PM Grades 1-8 RE  
8PM Ignite

**Thursday 3/20**  
10AM Women's Bible Study  
4PM Grief & Bereavement Group  
5:30PM Mass  
6:30PM Choir Rehearsal  
7PM OCIA

**Friday 3/21**  
8AM Mass  
5-7PM Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

**Saturday 3/22**  
3:30PM Reconciliation  
5PM Mass  
6:30PM Korean Mass + Potluck

**Sunday 3/23**  
8AM Mass  
10:30AM Mass  
10:30AM Pre-K + Kindergarten RE  
12:30PM Mass  
5PM Mass  
5PM OCIA 1st Scrutiny  
6PM Student Dinner

### A Message from Vincent Toner

For those who know, I am Vincent or pseudo-Mrs. Jenni.

As I pondered a topic, I kept returning to a common theme: our community. My time before UGA was spent at Saint Leo University, where I was involved with the Benedictine Monks Abbey. During spring break, I was fortunate to attend an alumni weekend with fellow students, alumni, and honored guests for Ash Wednesday and the First Sunday of Lent, which made me long for the Catholic Center. The Abbey Church features a vast, vaulted ceiling with a three-tiered altar displaying a large depiction of Christ against a blue and white tiled backdrop and stained-glass windows. I cherished the memories I once held dear, but I felt alone in those recollections, which made me yearn for the Catholic Center.

Our memory as Catholics is more important than we realize, especially during Lent. While I spent much of my time working in the office, worrying about our future, understanding our history has taught me so much. The need to find our purpose—whether as a doctor, lawyer, or PhD in statistics—means we all have a unique calling to excel in our respective fields. This signifies that the light we each carry as Catholics allows us to stand out in the world.

A message I've heard before describes a book author writing in front of a window during a rainstorm. During this time, the writer notices the green and gray colors of the leaves, the grass, and the roads, which all seem to have a different gray-like color. But with the sun reappearing, a new depth of green replaces what was dirt or dust from a different day. The things that make us as Catholics muddy can be washed clean through the season of Lent, and we can find a renewed sense of purpose. "Always begin again, let us rise, then at last for the scripture to steer us, for now the hour is to arise from sleep." – Saint Benedict. I have graciously learned the need to stay active from so many within our small but growing community. From Moms & Tots to Silver Angels, we are a very enriched community, and I greatly appreciate the small moments that have brought me here and now.

In closing, I will leave the scripture note for our Fr. Brian and Fr. Michael, but I am very grateful to everyone for the small acts of kindness that I have witnessed and those that are unnoticed. It is very challenging to build such a giving community, but just as easy to break. Thank you for being a light in the darkness & remember, "Idleness is the enemy of the soul." – Saint Benedict.

## Announcements

### Grief & Bereavement Group

The Grief and Bereavement Group will meet on Thursday, March 20 at 4 PM. No matter where you are in your journey (anticipatory, acute, or long standing grief), or if you feel you can contribute, you are invited to join us.

### Easter Flower Donations

Help make our Catholic Center chapel beautiful with Easter Flowers. You can pick up a form in the Center Office or Chapel to donate a flower in honor or memory of a loved one. Please return the form by Friday, April 11. The suggested donation is \$20.

### Feed My Starving Children MobilePack Event Status:

Current donations: **\$42,881 vs. goal of \$65,000. 902 volunteers registered to pack vs. goal of 1,000.** We still have a ways to go with fundraising. If you're planning on volunteering, you're encouraged to do it as soon as possible as several sessions have filled up. If the session you prefer is full, check back in early April since we expect some large groups may have some cancellations.

Go to: [give.fmssc.org/athens](https://give.fmssc.org/athens) to donate and register. Please contact Tom Spencer at [tspencer44@gmail.com](mailto:tspencer44@gmail.com); 706-340-3785 with questions.

### Hearing Assistance

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

### 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.

### 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/>

### 2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal Final Result

Fr. Brian, Fr. Michael and the Catholic Center staff thank you for your generous participation in the 2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. We are so very grateful for your generosity. Every gift is important and appreciated. Remember, once the pledge payments have surpassed our goal, all additional funds are returned to our church for use in our ministries and our endowment fund.

Church Goal: \$65,300  
Amount Received: \$79,402  
Amount Received Over Goal: \$14,102

The \$14,102 has been returned to our church to use where needed.

### CRS RICE BOWLS

CRS Rice Bowl is celebrating 50 years of helping Catholic faith communities bring Lent to life and encounter God through our global family. During the 40 days of Lent, let us journey together through CRS Rice Bowl to meet people in Nigeria, Guatemala and Bangladesh who are rising above the challenges of hunger and malnutrition. Rice Bowls are available in the Chapel. Visit [crsricebowl.org/join](https://crsricebowl.org/join) to share your Lenten prayer intentions.

### Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

The GA Martyrs Knights of Columbus are hosting fish fry dinners each Friday of Lent from 5PM to 7PM. Light meals will be \$7, individual meals will be \$11 and family meals will be \$30. Reservations are not needed. Cash, checks and credit cards are accepted.



## We Lift Up in Prayer

Charlotte & Joel Alesi  
Sally Allen  
Kathy Allison  
Judy Balcomb  
Megan Barton  
Erin Benbry  
Greg Bickley  
Peter Bryan  
Cindy Bullist  
Grace Burger  
Grace Byrne  
Joanne Cabrera  
Jeanette Campbell  
Lucille Carberry  
Mollie Carow

Lora Bernstein Cooley  
Jack Daniels  
Francesca Dattilio  
Isabella Dattilio  
John Dattilio  
Paola Dattilio  
Patti D'Avella  
Jeff Donahue  
Barton Elizabeth Dooling  
Sylvia Floyd  
Hersina Gomes  
Jean Griffith  
Cheri Griggs  
Bob Henry  
Tom Holmes

Ryan Hughes  
Daniel Inman  
Margaret Jones  
Victor Kalla  
Pamela Keane  
Sarah Kurtz  
Dan Lackey  
Doug Landrum  
Patti Law  
Rick Madera  
Gina Maherka  
Carol Mazurek  
Nathan Mills  
Dorothy Moore  
Harry Perrine

David & Maura Randol  
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 Carlos Alvarez and Raymond Kopaniasz.**

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for March

For families in crisis. Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

## 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 2, 2025

\$17,527.29 - Offertory  
\$7,601.82 - Donation  
\$634.00 - Alms

#### March 9, 2025

\$12,556.83 - Offertory  
\$2,285.00 - Donation  
\$1,894.36 - Alms

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