



The Catholic Center

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ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions



Saturday 5PM - Diva Maisto †	Tuesday 5:30PM - Patti D’Avella
Sunday 8AM - Frederick G. Dietzler † 10:30AM - Sr. Angela Cordero 12:30PM - Chrissie McGrath † 5:00PM - Christian Frazier	Wednesday 5:30PM - CSA Ignite Thursday 5:30PM - Rory McKinney Friday 8AM - Michael Grey †
Monday 5:30PM - Rachel Carlsen †	

Prison Clothing Drive on Palm Sunday Weekend

Each year, on Palm Sunday weekend, the Catholic Center hosts a clothing drive for people in prison in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Drop off your donations for the prison clothing drive on Saturday, April 12, after the Vigil Mass, and Sunday, April 13, after the 8AM, 10:30AM, and 12:30PM Masses. We are asking for donations of gently used clothes for prisoners in our Archdiocese. Please put women's clothes in white plastic bags and men's clothes in black plastic bags. This makes it easier to sort! Thank you for your support and thank you to Tommy Smith for collecting and delivering the clothing donations!

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Liturgical Schedule

Mass: Saturday: 5PM Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM, 12:30PM, 5PM Monday-Thursday 5:30 PM Friday 8AM	Adoration: Monday 9 am - 5 pm Thursday 9 am - 5 pm Confession: Wednesday: 4:00PM-5:00PM Saturday: 3:30PM-4:30PM
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April 6, 2025 • The Fifth Sunday of Lent

Weekly Calendar

Sunday 4/6
8AM Mass
9AM KOC Donut Ministry
10:30AM Mass
10:30AM Pre-K + Kindergarten RE
11:30AM KOC Donut Ministry
12:30PM Mass
3PM Adult Confirmation
5PM Mass
5PM OCIA 3rd Scrutiny
6PM Student Dinner

Monday 4/7
10AM Men’s Bible Study
5:30PM Mass
6PM Virtus Class

Tuesday 4/8
12PM Silver Angels
5:30PM Mass
8PM Ablaze

Wednesday 4/9
10AM Moms and Tots
4PM Reconciliation
5:30PM Mass
8PM Ignite

Thursday 4/10
5:30PM Mass
5:30PM OCIA Handing on of the Lord’s Prayer
6PM Women’s Dinner
6:30PM Choir Rehearsal
7PM OCIA

Friday 4/11
8AM Mass
5PM Senioritis
5-7PM Knights of Columbus Fish Fry

Saturday 4/12
3:30PM Reconciliation
5PM Mass

A Message from Fr. Michael

See, I am doing something new. - Is 43

Then Jesus said, “Neither do I condemn you. Go, and from now on do not sin anymore.” - Jn 8

I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Jesus Christ my Lord. - Phil 3

The core invitation and consideration of Lent is “who is God?” As I give things up or add things on, the hope is that I see and hear a little bit more and get to know who this God is. When I get to know this God more and more, the things in my life begin to change.

For example, knowing who God is changes dry prayer into communion. We know about this God, that He walks with people in the desert both in Exodus as well as Jesus Himself entering into the desert. When He does, I’m not alone in my wandering nor my thirst. In fact, the reason for what leads Him into the desert is a thirst that He Himself has to find us where we are - here is where dryness turns to communion.

Today’s Gospel can be a tough one to receive. There’s a person and they’re caught in the very act of sin; furthermore, there’s about to be punishment for it.

It is so important to know who God is. Today’s first reading softens our hearts: *“See, I am doing something new.” There’s a proposal that something will be different. And indeed there is: we want to pay attention to Jesus’ response to sin, this is a revelation of who God is. When Jesus is confronted with what to do with the woman, He asks those to consider what should be done to them.*

In an instant, everything changes. This might be the first time in her life that a man has looked lovingly upon her. Might be the first time in her life that a man has protected her - Jesus was willing to stand in between her and the stones to be thrown. This teaches her who He is. And the very spot of her demise and shame has become a spot of reconciliation.

She is taught that no sin is too big for God, that no sin is unforgivable; furthermore, she finds that it’s only in Him that she finds freedom never to return to darkness when He says to her, *“Neither do I condemn you. Go, and sin no more.” How has Lent been teaching you about God and about the relationship you share?*

Announcements

Easter Candy Donations Needed

The Social Graces and the Catholic Center are helping with the annual Easter Egg Hunt at Oasis Catolico. We are asking for donations of Easter candy to put in the eggs. Candy can be dropped off on the stage in the Center Hall. Candy should be dropped off by Wednesday, April 23. Please avoid gum and hard candy. Candy must be able to fit in the eggs.

Silver Angels Meet April 8

The Silver Angels will meet on Tuesday, April 8, at 12PM in the Center Hall. Join us for lunch and fellowship. All those 60 and older (and young at heart) are invited for lunch and fellowship.

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.

1st Annual Sr. Uyen-Chi Ping Pong Tournament

We would like to bid farewell to Sr. Uyen-Chi in classic Catholic Center style with a Ping Pong Tournament on Friday, May 2 at 5PM. All CC members and students are invited to participate as a ping pong player or as a spectator. There will be prizes, refreshments and an opportunity to write a note to Sr. Uyen-Chi. To register, go to <https://forms.gle/MTfnwqVNghsm1RTg8>



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PING PONG TABLES NEEDED

Ping Pong Tables are needed to have a successful tournament. We would like to borrow a few tables just for the evening in order to allow as many players to play as possible. Volunteers can pick up and return the tables. Please contact the CC office at 706-543-2293 if you can help with tables.

Feed My Starving Children MobilePack Event Status:

19 days to go! Current donations: **\$59,007 vs. goal of \$65,000. 978 volunteers registered to pack vs. goal of 1,000.** We still need help with fundraising. We are starting to get some cancellations and expect more so please keep checking our website if you would like to volunteer. Or you can contact Tom Spencer who will notify you when sessions open up.

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

Disciple Maker Index Deadline Sunday 4/6

We are asking our Catholic Center families and students to complete this survey to help us learn to better serve our community and God. The deadline is this weekend by the end of the day on Sunday. Below is the link and QR code. All responses will be confidential, and the Catholic Center will only receive information about the community as a whole. Below is the link to the survey or scan the QR code. **DMI Link:**

<https://portal.catholicleaders.org/dmi/survey/ck4697>



Social Graces Women's Dinner Thursday 4/10

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. It is important to RSVP so that our committee can plan.

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.

Religious Education

All 35 Confirmation Candidates along with 9 of their Catechists will be going to the Monastery of the Holy Spirit this Saturday, for a full day of deepening their spiritual lives, preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation, having opportunities for personal reflection, prayer, and understanding their role as disciples of Christ. They will be back in time to participate in the 5:00 pm Mass. Please keep them in your prayers.

There will be RE Class this Sunday for Pre-K and Kindergarten at 10:30 am in the Center Hall.

Have a Blessed Easter to all RE Families. We will see you back for our last RE Class in 2 weeks.

Save the Date - 23rd Annual Dooley Classic

The 2025 Dooley Classic Golf Tournament will be held on August 29! More information coming soon!



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
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Hersina Gomes
Merrill Greene
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
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 Jim Harris, Dorothy Wasko and Cecilia Yang.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for April

Let us pray that the use of the new technologies will not replace human relationships, will respect the dignity of the person, and will help us face the crises of our times.

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 23, 2025

\$15,640.00 - Offertory
\$4,290.00 - Donation
\$5,537.00 - Alms

March 30, 2025

\$19,835.02 - Offertory
\$11,906.00 - Donation
\$533.00 - Alms

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