



# The Catholic Center

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## ALL ARE WELCOME

### Mass Intentions

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| <b>Saturday</b><br>5PM - Eileen Saper†  | <b>Tuesday</b><br>5:30PM—Brenda Critch †           |
| <b>Sunday</b><br>8AM - All Mothers, living and deceased<br>10:30AM - All Mothers, living and deceased | <b>Wednesday</b><br>5:30PM - Brendan McCarthy †    |
| <b>Monday</b><br>5:30PM—Noleen Casey † & Dolores Rebellion †  | <b>Thursday</b><br>5:30PM—Deacon Tom Shaver, OFS † |
|   | <b>Friday</b><br>8AM - No Mass                     |

### Endowment Sunday

Today is Endowment Sunday, an archdiocesan-wide day of education and awareness of parish/ministry endowment funds. Endowment funds help to sustain the efforts of our community, providing a permanent means of support and a manner of financial assistance today through annual distributions. The Catholic Center has a few endowment funds with varying intentions. To see which one you might like to give to, please visit our online giving page at [www.ugacatholic.org/online-giving](http://www.ugacatholic.org/online-giving).

### Office

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### Liturgical Schedule

<b>Mass:</b> Saturday: 5PM Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM. Monday-Thursday 5:30 PM Friday No Mass 5/23	<b>Confession:</b> Wednesday: 4:00PM-5:00PM Saturday: 3:30PM-4:30PM
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May 18, 2025 • Fifth Sunday of Easter

### Weekly Calendar

**Saturday 5/17**  
11AM Funeral & Reception for Gilles Allard  
3:30PM Reconciliation  
5PM Mass

**Sunday 5/18**  
8AM Mass  
10:30AM Mass  
1:00PM Spanish Mass at Oasis  
3:30PM Knights of Columbus Hybrid Mass

**Monday 5/19**  
10AM Men’s Bible Study  
11:30AM Golf Tournament Meeting  
5:30PM Mass

**Tuesday 5/20**  
5:30PM Mass

**Wednesday 5/21**  
4PM Reconciliation  
5:30PM Mass

**Thursday 5/22**  
10AM Women’s Bible Study  
5:30PM Mass  
6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

**Friday 5/23**  
8AM NO Mass  
2PM Wedding Rehearsal

**Saturday 5/24**  
2PM Wedding  
3:30PM Reconciliation  
5PM Mass  
6:30PM Korean Mass

**Sunday 5/25**  
8AM Mass  
10:30AM Mass  
**Monday 5/26**  
9AM Memorial Day Mass & Brunch

### A Message from Suzie Blaydes

At the Easter Vigil Mass and at the Confirmation Mass with Bishop Konzen on Divine Mercy Sunday, the Church lovingly welcomed 7 new members through Baptism and full initiation, 19 previously baptized members through reception into full communion and full initiation into the Catholic Church from other Christian traditions, and fully initiated 21 baptized Catholic members through Confirmation (5 of whom received the Eucharist for the first time).

To our newest Catholics and those recently confirmed, I hope that you have been able to reflect on the mystery of our salvation through Jesus’ death and resurrection, especially in the celebration of the Mass in this Easter season. I pray that as the Easter season comes to a close in a few short weeks with the solemnity of Pentecost (June 8), we will all be renewed in our mission to proclaim Christ to the world in word and deed.

I would like to ask the whole community: Did you know that you play a vital role in our community’s OCIA (Christian Initiation) ministry? Before a person approaches a priest or initiation ministry coordinator, that person has been evangelized by someone. God works through all of you to draw people to want to know Him more! This is what we call the “inquiry” period in OCIA. All Catholics are ministers of the inquiry period and are called to proclaim the gospel to those seeking truth. If you know of someone interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, we have inquiry nights once a month throughout the summer (first one is May 22nd at 7 pm in the Center Hall) before we start meeting in September for spiritual formation sessions. If you are interested in being involved in OCIA ministry as a sponsor or volunteer in some capacity, or have any questions about becoming Catholic you can contact Suzie Blaydes at [sacraments@ccatuga.org](mailto:sacraments@ccatuga.org).

Our new pope, Leo XIV, spent over a decade of his priesthood in missionary work, and we can take his example as inspiration to be missionaries in our own community- to be missionaries of hope in this time God has created us for!



## Announcements

### Memorial Day Mass and Brunch

The Catholic Center is hosting a Memorial Day Mass and brunch on Monday, May 26 at 9AM to honor all of the veterans in our parish. All are welcome to join us to honor those who lost their lives while defending our country. If you are able, we welcome you to bring a dish to share at the brunch after the Mass. Please join us on this very special day.

### All are invited to Oasis for a Sunday's Spanish Mass on May 18 at 1pm

- Celebrate St. Rafaela Maria, Foundress of the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus
- Give thanks to God for the ministry of Oasis
- Say farewell to Sister Margarita Martin and Sister Uyen-Chi Dang
- Welcome the NEW sisters of Missionaries of the Mission of the Redeemer to Athens and Oasis

### 2025-2026 Religious Education Registration Open

Thank you for a great RE school year! RE Registration for 2025-2026 is live on our website at <https://ugacatholic.org/ministries/religious-education-re/> Have a safe and blessed summer, and we'll see you in a few months!

### Catholicism Inquiry Nights

Are you interested in becoming Catholic or baptized Catholic and desiring to complete your sacraments of Christian initiation? You are invited to the inquiry night on May 22nd at 6:30PM (Center Hall) to learn about the process, meet other people interested, and ask any questions you have. Email Suzie at [sacraments@ccatuga.org](mailto:sacraments@ccatuga.org).

### Moms and Tots Meeting During the Summer

The Moms and Tots group will continue to meet during the summer. Moms and Tots are welcome to join in on Wednesdays at 10AM in the Center Hall.

### Online Giving

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/>

### Saying Farewell to the Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Sr. Uyen-chi's last day at the Catholic Center will be Thursday, May 29. Then Sr. Margarita and Sr. Uyen-chi will head to Philadelphia on June 1. We are so very sad to say good-bye but know that both Sr. Uyen-chi and Sr. Margarita will bless any community with their many gifts and talents. There will be a basket for cards and notes in the Catholic Center office as well as a table with paper and art supplies to make a note for Sr. Uyen-chi to put in a scrapbook.



### May is National Foster Care Awareness Month!

The Catholic Center's Foster & Adoption Ministry is hosting a supply drive for local foster families:

**What?** New socks and underwear for boys and girls up to a children's size XL

**When?** May 10-18

**Where?** Drop off on the stage in the Center Hall

**Questions?** Contact Amanda Wilson - [amandaandkevin@msn.com](mailto:amandaandkevin@msn.com)

Scan the QR code to learn about other ways you can support local foster families [chosenforlifeminisries.org](http://chosenforlifeminisries.org)



### 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  
Timothy A. Almy  
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  
Patti D'Avella  
Jeff Donahue  
Barton Elizabeth Dooling  
Sylvia Floyd  
Luke Frankson  
Hersina Gomes  
Patty Goodwin  
Merrill Greene  
Jean Griffith  
Cheri Griggs

Bob Henry  
Tom Holmes  
Ryan Hughes  
Daniel Inman  
Margaret Jones  
Victor Kalla  
Dan Lackey  
Doug Landrum  
Patti Law  
Elena Lyons  
Rick Madera  
Gina Maherka  
Carol Mazurek  
Nathan Mills

Dorothy Moore  
Harry Perrine  
David & Maura Randol  
Sophia Rodriguez  
Ariel Ross  
Len Sapera  
Deborah Scott  
Cindy Shapland  
Alyssa Thomas  
Nile Thomson  
Bryan Vaughn  
James Waring  
Amanda Wershing  
Fred Young

**With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially and Gilles Allard and C. Thomas Holmes.**

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention for May

Let us pray that through work, each person might find fulfillment, families might be sustained in dignity, and that society must be humanized.

## 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.

#### May 4, 2025

\$12,342.37 - Offertory  
\$2,323.00 - Donation  
\$485.00 - Alms

#### May 11, 2025

\$11,418.49 - Offertory  
\$2,850.00 - Donation  
\$851.00 - Alms

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