

#### **Mass Intentions**

**Saturday 5PM** - John & Chris Halligan & Eileen Sapera †

**Sunday 8AM** - Maurice Edward Childers

**10:30AM** - Lou Richt † **12:30PM** - Robert

Hufford † **5PM**– David Williams † &

All Catholic Center Members

## **Monday 5:30PM**— George Gazda†

**Tuesday 5:30PM**—Ascencio Lara

Wednesday **5:30PM** - Kim Ha Le †

**Thursday 5:30PM** - All Souls in Purgatory

Friday **8AM -** Kevin Gleason †

## Silver Angels

Our October Silver Angels luncheon will be Tuesday, October 14 at noon. The Silver Angels meet each month on the second Tuesday. All those 60 and older (and young at heart) are welcome to attend for an afternoon of good food, fellowship and a bit of entertainment. There is no cost to attend and reservations are not needed. For more information, contact the Catholic Center office at 706-543-2293.

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# Liturgical Schedule

Mass: Saturday: 5PM Mass Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM, 12:30PM, 5:00PM

Monday -Thursday 5:30 PM Friday

\*No Vigil Mass on Home **Football Game Days** 

8AM Mass

#### **Adoration:** Monday & Thursday 9ÅM - 5PM

Tuesday & Wednesday 9AM-10AM Friday 8:30AM - 9:30AM **Confession:** 

Wednesday: 4:00PM-5:00PM

\*Confession will be in the Center Office

October 12, 2025 • Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

## Weekly Calendar

#### Saturday 10/11

3:30PM Reconciliation 5:00PM Mass 5:00PM Taylor Family Baptism

#### **Sunday 10/12 AthHalf Half Marathon**

8:00AM Mass 10:30AM Mass 10:30AM Serrano Baptism 12:30PM Mass 3:00PM OCIA 5:00PM Mass 6:00PM Sunday Supper

#### **Monday 10/13**

10:00AM Men's Bible Study 5:30PM Mass

#### Tuesday 10/14

10:00AM Women's Bible Study 12:00PM Silver Angels 5:30PM Mass 8:00PM Seeking Water

#### Wednesday 10/15

10:00AM Tot Time 4:00PM Reconciliation 5:30PM Mass 6:00PM Religious Education 8:00PM Ignite

#### Thursday 10/16

5:30PM Mass 6:30PM Choir Rehearsal 7:00PM Full Initiation Meeting

#### Friday 10/17

8:00AM Mass 8:00PM CSA Semi-Formal

#### Saturday 10/18 **Home Football Game CC Office Closed**



# A Message from Fr. Michael

"Ten were cleansed, were they not?...

Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?"

#### - Luke 17

The best compliment a chef can receive from someone who eats their food is not "I am satisfied." As good as the food can be, as satisfying as it might make a person's stomach and soul, it is still not the best compliment a chef can receive. Rather, "more" might be the best compliment a chef can receive. 'More' moves past the limit called satisfaction. Think of your favorite thanksgiving food; asking for more is a sign of gratitude. Asking for a second date is a sign of gratitude that the first went very well. The greatest compliment the beloved can give to the lover is "more." In this movement is revealed the sincerest form of gratitude: asking for more.

Gratitude has the possibility of bringing the recipient of a gift into a deeper relationship with the gift-giver. Where it is understood and realized that the greatest gift is the bond of love that unites one person to another, not necessarily anything the person can do or have. Today's Gospel passage takes on this climactic realization when the Samaritan leper doesn't simply receive healing, as if he can say to God, "thanks, I am satisfied, good bye!" But he comes back to Jesus wanting a relationship. More important than the healing is the friendship that is received in this encounter. And gratitude is the catalyst, the conduit for not just receiving a thing, but receiving a person.

What is overcome is not simply a fatal physical disease, but the immaterial hurt of loneliness. And this is the key, the leper might have been healed but there is still a million possibilities and variables in life that could leave him lonely. Healing is the remedy to sickness and pain, but friendship is the remedy to loneliness. And Jesus is impressed that the leper realized that. Today, every single one of us will leave Mass, leave the place where God heals us: "Lord, I am not worthy that You should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be ... healed."

Yes, to be aware of how satisfying it is to receive God, but what Jesus invites us beyond the limit of satisfaction, and to return asking Him for more, or put another way, to remain with Him. This might be the sincerest form of gratitude, to become friends with God.

#### **Announcements**

## **In Memory of Our Loved Ones**

We will remember and honor our deceased with a Novena beginning on November 1 for All Souls Day. Pick up an envelope in the back of the Chapel. You may add the names of your deceased loved ones and return it in the offertory basket or in the Center office by Nov. 1. Please take the All Souls Day prayer card out of the envelope before you return it. The suggested donation is \$10.

## **Catholic Center Food Scholarship**

Thanks to the generosity of our members, the UGA Catholic Center is offering Need-Based Food Scholarships specifically for Catholic students at UGA. The application can be found on our website. For more information, please contact our Ministry Assistant to the Director, Julie Thompson at JulieThompson@ccatuga.org. All communication is strictly confidential.

## **Call for Casseroles**

We are seeking volunteers to make casseroles for our students on Sunday, October 19th for our student dinner. Trays and lids are available in the CC lobby along with flyers with more information.

## **Dooley Classic Polos**

The Catholic Center is selling our Dooley Classic Golf Tournament shirts from our 23rd tournament this past year. Shirts are \$50 each, if you are interested contact John Purks at 404 295-5110 or jlpurks@comcast.net.

### **Annual RE Carnival**

The annual RE Carnival is coming up on October 29th at 6:15pm. We look forward to seeing all of the children in their best costumes, ready to eat lots of sweets for a spooky fun night! All families are welcome to attend.

## **Christian Apologetics Course**

We will be offering a course in Christian Apologetics: Evidence & Arguments for the Existence of God; and Evidence of the Divinity of Jesus. The course will include four weekly sessions starting Sunday, October 19th from 12:45 pm – 2:45 pm and will be taught by Tom Spencer, Catholic Center member and Athens Chapter Director for Reasonable Faith. You can sign up at the back of the chapel or contact Tom Spencer at tspencer44@gmail.com or 706-340-3785.

## **Home Football Game Updates**

This Saturday, 10/18 there will be no Vigil Mass, Reconciliation or activities at the center and Chapel due to the home football game. The Catholic Center parking lots will close on Friday at 5PM and reopen for the Sunday Mass at 8AM. Our lots are used for contract parking, so towing will be enforced during this time.

#### **Next Week's Second Collection**

Next week's second collection is a combination of three second collections: World Missions, the Church in Latin America and the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. Our offerings will support the work and witness of those who selflessly give up all for the sake of our Lord and his Gospel — the local priests, religious and lay catechists who daily provide loving service to the poor and suffering.

## **UGA Faculty & Staff Happy Hour**

UGA Faculty & Staff are invited to join us at the Catholic Center for Happy Hour on Friday, October 24, 5-7PM. Come enjoy delicious catering from Marti's at Midday and get to know your fellow CC members over a glass of beer or wine or soft drink. RSVP here: https://tinyurl.com/

RSVPCCHappyHour

For more information contact Jenni at stewardship@ccatuga.org or call the CC office.

## **Annual Artist & Craft Fair 11/8**

We will be holding our annual Artist and Craft Fair on Saturday, November 8, 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.

## **Pope Leo XIV Corner**

"Therefore, there is life, a new possibility of life and salvation that comes from faith, because it not only helps us to resist evil and to persevere in doing good, but it transforms our lives so as to make of them an instrument of the salvation that even today God wishes to bring about in the world. And, as Jesus says in the Gospel, this is about a lowly strength, for faith does not impose itself by means of power and in extraordinary ways." (From the Homily of Pope Leo XIV on October 5, 2025)

To view the entire message, go to The Holy See website at <a href="https://www.vatican.va">www.vatican.va</a>.

# We Lift Up in Prayer

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Mike Wasko
Julie Williams
Lillian Yeatts

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially John Casey, Jerry Fincher, Maria Gimenez, and Trevor Sellers.

#### The Pope's Prayer Intention for October

For collaboration between different religious traditions: Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice, and human fraternity.

# 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 28, 2025** 

\$10,533.76 - Offertory \$5,688.00 - Donation \$224.74 - Alms **October 5, 2025** \$25,474.60 - Offertory \$5,165.00 - Donation

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