



The Catholic Center

Serving the Athens and University of Georgia
Communities Since 1952.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions

Saturday
5PM - No Mass

Sunday
8AM - Brent Goodman†
10:30AM - Carmen
Sansone de Osquiguil †
12:30PM - Ray Clark
5PM— Diva & Angelo
Maisto †

Monday
5:30PM— Charles
Brazie †

Tuesday
5:30PM—Vigil Mass
Choir

Wednesday
5:30PM - Earl Pederson †

Thursday
5:30PM - Mary Vui †

Friday
8AM - Eileen Krause †

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 at 706-543-2293.

Office

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Liturgical Schedule

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| Mass: Saturday: 5PM Mass Sunday: 8AM, 10:30AM, 12:30PM, 5:00PM | Adoration: Monday & Thursday 9AM - 5PM Tuesday & Wednesday 9AM—10AM Friday 8:30AM - 9:30AM |
| Monday -Thursday 5:30 PM | Confession: Wednesday: 4:00PM-5:00PM |
| Friday 8AM Mass | |
| *No Vigil Mass on Home Football Game Days | *Confession will be in the Center Office |

Weekly Calendar

Saturday 10/4
Home Football Game
CC Office Closed

Sunday 10/5
8:00AM Mass
9:00AM KoC Doughnuts
10:30AM Mass
11:30AM KoC Doughnuts
10:30AM Religious Education
12:30PM Mass
2:00PM Social Justice Meeting
3:00PM OCIA
5:00PM Mass
6:00PM Sunday Supper
7:00PM CSA Board Meeting

Monday 10/6
10:00AM Men's Bible Study
5:30PM Mass

Tuesday 10/7
10:00AM Women's Bible Study
12:00PM Staff Meeting
5:30PM Mass
8:00PM Ablaze

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

Thursday 10/9
5:30PM Mass
6:00PM Women's Dinner
6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday 10/10
8:00AM Mass
11:00AM Funeral/Reception
for John Casey

Saturday 10/11
3:30PM Reconciliation
5:00PM Mass
5:00PM Taylor Family Baptism

A Message from Rachel Lichtenwalner

Dear Catholic Center Community,

Six years ago on this very day, I stood in front of Bishop Konzen — my uncle's hand on my shoulder and a St. Cecilia nametag on my chest — and he made a small cross on my forehead with a heavy, fragrant dosage of chrism. In this moment, I was sealed with the gift of the Holy Spirit.

At 16 years old, I do not think I knew what that meant. I probably did not have a grasp on who the Holy Spirit was. As a matter of fact, I likely did not know the Holy Spirit was a person. And to be honest, I am still learning about the Holy Spirit.

Today's Responsorial Psalm reminds me of Him. "If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts." In a joking way, when I saw this was the response of the congregation, I internally rolled my eyes. Here we go again, I thought — it comes up in the Liturgy several times throughout the year.

Yet every time I say it during Mass, it feels like it is exactly the reminder I needed, because I need it every day.

What is His voice? How does the Holy Spirit speak to us? Do I need to listen out for some loud, booming voice in the atmosphere to tell me what to do? Nope. As I have matured in my faith over the years, I have realized lots of little ways the Holy Spirit can talk to us: through "promptings" or movements of our hearts, through gut feelings, through the words of others, and yes, even a quiet, spoken word to the soul. He is able to communicate with us in numerous ways.

We can open ourselves up to having a relationship with the Holy Spirit through prayer, reading the Bible and texts from the saints, engaging in the sacraments, having holy friendships, and seeing each moment as an opportunity to practice virtue.

So, if today — if any day — you hear His voice, harden not your hearts. Whether He comes with consolation or conviction, the Holy Spirit is always loving, so be not afraid. He is always guiding, protecting, and forming us. He cares about your salvation, and He wants to see you to Heaven. May you run the race alongside Him.

Peace,

Rachel Lichtenwalner



October 5, 2025 • Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Announcements

Social Graces Dinner on October 9

The Social Graces Women’s Dinner will be on Thursday, October 9. It will be wonderful to catch up with old and new friends. Please rsvp by Monday at 5PM. For more information, contact the CC office.

Silver Angels, October 14

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.

Adult Faith Formation

Adult faith formation is in full swing for those desiring to enter the Catholic Church, whether baptized or unbaptized, and also those Catholics completing their sacraments of initiation, whether that be Confirmation or also First Eucharist. Please inquire to Suzie Blaydes at sacraments@ccatuga.org if you are interested.

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.

Important Parking Reminder

We recognize that parking at the center is quite difficult for masses. If you are able to, please carpool to save the number of cars in the lot. 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.

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.

Traffic Alert for AthHalf on October 12

The annual AthHalf Marathon will be Sunday, October 12. The course will not pass the Catholic Center but does go on many of the crossroads around the Center. Be sure to allow extra time to get to the Sunday morning Masses.

Annual Artist & Craft Fair 11/8

Calling all artists and crafters. 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.

Tot Time Wednesdays at 10AM

All caregivers are invited to Tot-Time. There is no specific age limit for children, but most are under 5. We meet on Wednesdays from 10 -11:30 AM.

Deo Gratias Society

The Catholic Foundation of North Georgia gratefully recognized many new members to the Deo Gratias Society last month at a special Mass and luncheon for legacy donors. If you have already included our parish in your will or estate plans, please contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation (404.497.9440 or jgreco@cfnga.org) so that you can be recognized at future events.

Pope Leo XIV Corner

“The word of the Lord, in fact, does not set men against each other in rival classes, but rather inspires each one to an interior revolution, a conversion that begins in the heart. Then our hands will be open: to give, not to grasp. Then our minds will be open: to conceive of a better society, not to find bargains at the best price.” *(From the Homily of Pope Leo XIV on September 21, 2025)*

To view the entire message, go to The Holy See website at www.vatican.va.

We Lift Up in Prayer

Charlotte & Joel Alesi
Timothy A. Almy
Kathy Allison
Judy Balcomb
Megan Barton
Erin Benbry
Peter Bryan
Grace Burger
Grace Byrne
Joanne Cabrera
Jeanette Campbell
Lucille Carberry
Elizabeth Bertrand Carlson
Mollie Carow
Lora Bernstein Cooley
Elizabeth Cromer

Patti D’Avella
Barton Elizabeth Dooling
Terry Doyle
Sylvia Floyd
Pam Forker
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Daniel Inman

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Victor Kalla
Dan Lackey
Lynn Langston
Patti Law
Elena Lyons
Rick Madera
Gina Maherka
Carol Mazurek
Dorothy Moore
Wes Newcomb
Rebecca Norris
Michael Olmert
Ed Powell
David & Maura Randol

Annette Richt
Sophia Rodriguez
Aeriel Ross
Suzette Scobey
Deborah Scott
Christopher Shade
Cindy Shapland
Alyssa Thomas
Nile Thomson
Natalie Vaughn
James Waring
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 Emily Duran Brown, John Casey, Clio Friedewald and Anita Picas.

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 21, 2025

\$13,466.49 - Offertory
\$195.00 - Donation
\$297.00 - Alms

September 28, 2025

\$10,533.76 - Offertory
\$5,688.00 - Donation
\$224.74 - Alms

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