



The Catholic Center

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Communities Since 1952.

ALL ARE WELCOME

Mass Intentions

Saturday

5PM - Carina Madsen †

Sunday

8AM— Angel Ascencio

10:30AM - Elsie Horton †

12:30PM— Vincent
Smith †

5PM— Dan Ratcliff †

Monday

8AM— CC Members

12:30PM— CC Members

5:30PM— CC Members

Tuesday

5:30PM— Terry Doyle †

Wednesday

5:30PM - Margaret
Berry †

Thursday

5:30PM - Rev. Mr.
Edward J. Dietzler †

Friday

8AM - Ingrid Rojas

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception is a Catholic holy day of obligation that falls on this Monday, December 8th. The Feast celebrates the belief that the Virgin Mary was conceived without original sin, which prepared her to be the mother of Jesus. It is a beautiful Catholic celebration.

Mass Times on Monday are:

8AM, 12PM (Noon), and 5:30PM

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Mon– Fri: 10AM-4PM

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Liturgical Schedule

Mass:

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

Monday:
8AM, 12:00PM, 5:30PM

Tuesday—Thursday:
5:30 PM

Friday:
8AM Mass

Adoration:

Tuesday—Thursday:
9AM—10AM

Friday:
8:30AM - 9:30AM

Confession:

Wednesday:
4:00PM-5:00PM

*Confession will be in the
Center Office

Weekly Calendar

Saturday 12/6

2:00PM Funeral for Terry Doyle

3:30PM Reconciliation

5:00PM Mass

5:00PM Rubin Family Baptism

Sunday 12/7

Second Sunday of Advent

8:00AM Mass

9:00AM Breakfast with Santa

9:30AM Baptism Prep Class

10:30AM Mass

11:30AM Breakfast with Santa

12:30PM Mass

5:00PM Mass

6:00PM Student Dinner

Monday 12/8

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

CC Office Closed

8:00AM Mass

12:00PM Mass

5:30PM Mass

6:30PM Finals Dinner

Tuesday 12/9

12:00PM Silver Angels

5:30PM Mass

6:30PM Finals Dinner

Wednesday 12/10

4:00PM Reconciliation

5:30PM Mass

6:30PM Finance Committee
Meeting

Thursday 12/11

5:30PM Mass

6:00PM Women's Dinner

6:30PM Choir Rehearsal

Friday 12/12

8:00AM Mass

5:00PM Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday 12/13

2:00PM Langan/Damigella
Wedding

3:30PM Reconciliation

5:00PM Mass

6:30PM Kinsey Wedding

A Message from Fr. Brian

Friends,

This is week two of Advent, and the transition from the semester into the holidays is underway!

It is time to pause, slow down, be grounded, and anchored in the stillness of advent.

Decorations, parties, penance services, concerts, meetings, and holiday shopping fill our schedules. Serving and giving to others this time of year is especially kind and warm, a stark contrast to the cold season.

With everything happening around us, we can remain still with God. Advent is here, and it is a time for us. It is a time to slow down, be present, and receive the warmth of the message of Jesus.

Jesus breaks into this world and pursues the hearts of men and women everywhere. He comes as a vulnerable baby, willing to get dirty and enter the depths of the human experience. He resonates with the vulnerable, the sensitive, the delicate. He resonates with all of us by taking on human flesh.

Advent is a time to come to a halt and recall the “why” of the season. We recall why we give, because we have been given to. We recall why we serve, because we have been served. We recall why we love, because we have first been loved by God. Advent is a time to warm our hearts at the hot coals of the altar of God. Jesus speaks to us a message of hope, warmth, and strength.

Let us keep each other in prayer.

Fr. Brian

Date Change for the 48th Annual 5K Human Race

The 48th Annual 5K Human Race at Oconee Veterans Park has been moved to Saturday, **February 14, 2026**. Make plans to join us for a fun, fast, community event. If you are interested in volunteering at the race or helping us with the planning, please contact Kathy Bryan at adminasst@ccatuga.org.

In addition, for this years 5K Human race we are asking our talented and younger members to design our Tee-Shirt! We encourage all children to design a tee shirt for our race. More information on the Tee-Shirt designs can be found on our website: <https://ugacatholic.org/ministries/5k-human-race-committee/>

December 7, 2025 • Second Sunday of Advent

Announcements

Social Graces Dinner on 12/11

The Social Graces Women’s Dinner will be on Thursday, December 11. 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

Our December Silver Angels luncheon will be Tuesday, December 9 at noon. All those 60 and older are welcome to attend for an afternoon of good food, and fellowship. We will be putting together baskets for the homebound. There is no cost to attend and reservations are not needed. For more information, contact the Catholic Center office at 706-543-2293.

2025 Archbishop’s Annual Appeal Update

Fr. Brian, Fr. Michael and the Catholic Center staff thank you for your generous participation in the 2025 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: \$72,700

Amount Pledged: \$78,020

Amount Paid: \$74,077

Remaining Balance of Pledges: \$3,943

Please visit the Archbishop's Annual Appeal website at archatl.com/appeal for more information or to donate on-line. Appeal envelopes can be picked up in the back of the Catholic Center Chapel or in the Center office.

iGiveCatholic 2025

This is the final week of our iGiveCatholic campaign. This year, the Catholic Center is raising funds for our Need Based Food

Scholarship, to help those students who are in need.

<https://www.igivecatholic.org/organization/ccatuga> using the QR code, or by using the iGiveCatholic envelopes in the back of the church. Thank you for your loving support!



Second Collection for Retirement Fund for the Religious

This weekend’s second collection is for the Retirement Fund for the Religious. Many religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for aging members who are frail and need assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for the Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care and more. Please give generously to today’s second collection. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. For more information, visit lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

Mass Changes

After this Sunday, 12/7 we will be pausing our 12:30PM and 5PM Sunday Masses. They will resume again on Sunday, January 11th.

Grief & Bereavement Group

The Grief and Bereavement Group will meet Tuesday, December 16 at 4PM. Everyone, including students and resident members, are welcome. No matter where you are in your journey or if you feel you can contribute, you are invited to join us.

Poinsettia Donations

To make our church beautiful during this holiday season, we will be decorating with poinsettias. If you would like to participate by donating a poinsettia in honor of or in memory of someone, please complete the form in the back of the Chapel or the Center Office, by December 17th. The suggested donation amount is \$20. We will recognize all those being honored or remembered in the bulletin.

Catholic Center Job Opening

The Catholic Center at UGA is seeking a full-time Business Manager. The Business Manager is the financial administrator in support of the Director and his team. You can find more information by going to our website: <https://ugacatholic.org/job-openings/>

Oasis Giving Tree

During this Advent season, we are supporting Oasis Catolico with our Giving Tree. Each tag has an item that will go to the children and families at Oasis. Please return all gifts unwrapped to the office by Monday, December 15. Thank you for your loving support of the families at Oasis.

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 Deana Dietzler Chiusano Lora Bernstein Cooley Elizabeth Cromer Patti D’Avella	Barton Elizabeth Dooling Claire Fetch Sylvia Floyd Pam Forker Luke Frankson Hersina Gomes Patty Goodwin Jean Griffith Cheri Griggs Bob Henry Albert Hromalik, Sr. Ryan Hughes Ann Hunt Daniel Inman Al Johnson Kelly Jordan Milton Jordan Peter Kalla	Victor Kalla Sarah Kurtz Dan Lackey Gene Larkin Lynn Langston Patti Law Debbie Long Elena Lyons Rick Madera Gina Maherka Carol Mazurek Amy McConnell Marlynne McCullough Scott Melina Bénédicte Milward Dorothy Moore Wes Newcomb Rebecca Norris	Michael Olmert Ed Powell David & Maura Randol Lynn Renna Annette Richt Bryan Rieken Sophia Rodriguez Aeriel Ross Suzette Scobey Deborah Scott Christopher Shade Cindy Shapland Alyssa Thomas Nile Thomson Natalie Vaughn Patsy Vickery James Waring Mike Wasko
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With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially, Terry Doyle, Sue Gunning and Shelly Hoddeson.

The Pope’s Prayer Intention for December

For Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation, and hope.

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.

November 23, 2025	November 30, 2025
\$14,012.45 - Offertory	\$12,489.82 - Offertory
\$6,321.15 - Donation	\$838.00 - Donation
\$216.00 - Alms	\$1,369.44 - Alms

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