



THE CATHOLIC CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

CATHOLIC CENTER MISSION STATEMENT

The Catholic Center at the University of Georgia is a Eucharistic Community that seeks to live the gospel of Jesus Christ in the tradition of our Roman Catholic faith and the spirit of St. Francis. As Christian disciples we are charged to answer Christ's call for compassion by becoming instruments of peace, charity and justice. We seek to stand in solidarity with the poor, the stranger, the alienated and to collaborate with those who serve them in local and global communities. We endeavor to respect a universe created by God in Love.

MASS TIMES & SACRAMENTS

Holiday Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday ~ 5:00 PM Vigil Mass
Sunday ~ 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Holiday Weekday Mass Schedule

Mon-Wed-Fri ~ 8:00AM
Tues-Thur ~ 5:00PM

****The regular weekday Mass will resume on Monday, January 9th.**

Morning Prayer:

Mon-Wed-Fri before 8:00AM Mass

Adoration:

Wednesday 4:00 PM - 4:45 PM

Reconciliation:

Wednesday & Saturday
4:00 PM - 4:45 PM
or by appointment

THIS WEEK AT THE CENTER DECEMBER 24 - DECEMBER 30

SATURDAY

- 4:00PM - Mass
- 6:00PM - Mass
- 9:30PM - Carol Singing Begins
- 10:00PM - Mass

SUNDAY - THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

- 10:00AM - Mass

MONDAY

- Catholic Center Office Closed
- 8:00AM - Mass

TUESDAY

- Catholic Center Office Closed
- 5:00PM - Mass

WEDNESDAY

- Catholic Center Office Closed
- 8:00AM - Mass

THURSDAY

- Catholic Center Office Closed
- 5:00PM - Mass

FRIDAY - FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY, AND JOSEPH

- Catholic Center Office Closed
- 8:00AM - Mass

FUTURE DATES TO NOTE:

- December 31 - New Year's Eve
 - 4:00PM Reconciliation
 - 5:00PM Vigil Mass
- January 1 (Holy Day of Obligation)
 - New Year's Day Mass at 8:00AM and 10:00AM
 - **Nursery will be closed**
- January 5 - Spring 2017 Semester Begins
- January 7 - 5:00PM Vigil Mass
- January 8 - Epiphany of the Lord
 - 8:00AM, 10:00AM, and 5:00PM Mass
- January 9 - Regular Daily Masses Resume

CATHOLIC TRIVIA

To what creature does the Greek word "Ichthys" refer?

ANSWER TO LAST WEEK'S TRIVIA

In the first century while serving as a missionary to pagan tribes in present day Germany, St. Boniface cut down a tree that the people were worshipping as a god. As a result, the local pagans converted to Christianity, which began the tradition of the Christmas tree.

QUOTE FOR THE WEEK

"When you pray, you only have to ask for two things: You should ask for the light to see the will of God, and you have to ask for the courage to be able to do the will of God."

Venerable Msgr. Aloysius Schwartz

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

The Catholic Center offers Religious Education and sacramental preparation for children. Classes will resume on Wednesday, January 18th and Sunday, January 22nd.

- Wednesday Night (1st - 7th grades) at 6:15PM in the Chapel.
- Sunday Morning (Pre K - K) at 10:00AM in the Hall.
- Confirmation (8th, 9th and 10th grades) 2nd Mondays at 6:00PM.

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MASS READINGS & INTENTIONS

THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

Vigil: Is 62:1-5 / Acts 13:16-17, 22-25
Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Night: Is 9:1-6 / Ti 2:11-14 / Lk2:1-14
Dawn: Is 62: 11-12 / Ti 3:4-7 / Lk 2:15-20
Day: Is 52:7-10 / Heb 1:1-6
Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Saturday, 12/24 4:00PM - JoAnn & John Toutkoushian (+)
6:00PM - Don Desmond (+)
10:00PM - Franciscan Missionary Union

Sunday, 12/25 10:00AM - Deborah Horstmann (+)

Monday, 12/26 Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 / Mt 10:17-22
8:00AM - Franciscan Missionary Union

Tuesday, 12/27 1 Jn 1:1-4 / Jn 20:1a, 2-8
5:00PM - Chet Malanoski

Wednesday, 12/28 1 Jn 1:5-2:2 / Mt 2:13-18

8:00AM - Franciscan Missionary Union

Thursday, 12/29 1 Jn 2:3-11 / Lk 2:22-35

5:00PM - Franciscan Missionary Union

Friday, 12/30 Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 / Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
8:00AM - Franciscan Missionary Union

NEXT SUNDAY: SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD
Nm 6:22-27 / Gal 4:4-7 / Lk 2:16-21

PRAYER LIST

WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER all of our faith family members who suffer physically, emotionally, or spiritually. This week we remember: Samantha Adams, Nicole Adamson, Teresa Angle, Bill Ball, David Bauman, Grace Byrne, Sr. Margaret Carney, OSF, Karen Lynn Carty, Lee Cochran, Ray Cochran, Clare Collica, Lynn Cruickshank, Sr. Barbara Daniels, Elena DeKazos, Frank DiPalma, George Dougherty, Eileen English, Jerry Foley, Anna Maria Gamble, Kurt Gelfand, Ben Greenspan, Tosha Herron, Gerald Isom, Harsh Jain, Margaret Jordan, Jack Kehoe, Mary Kurtz, Jim Law, Meredith Lind, Gail Lopes, Harper McCrary, Deacon Scott Medine, David Miller, Camilla Mims, Tina Montgomery, Mollie Osborne, George Osterkamp, Bill Ozburn, Marlin Panther, Brenda Patrick,, Myra Pawlowski, Mark Pentecost, Janet Pieper, Bob Powalio, Leslie Rose, Kelly Roten, Baby Luke Rouse, David Salum, Marie Sunseri, Kathy Kelley Syron, & Margaret West

WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones.
Jack Kehoe and Jerry Michniewicz

POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER INTENTIONS DECEMBER 2016

Universal: *End to Child-Soldiers*

That the scandal of child-soldiers may be eliminated the world over.

Evangelization: *Europe*

That the peoples of Europe may rediscover the beauty, goodness, and truth of the Gospel which gives joy and hope to life.

Fr. John, Fr. Scott & the Catholic Center Staff wish you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!



WE VOLUNTEERS

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION In appreciation of all the volunteer work and the sharing of your time with us, the staff at the Catholic Center would like to prepare and serve lunch for all of our volunteers on January 15, 2017 at 1:00PM. RSVP to Nora Joslyn at ccuga.nora@gmail.com by January 9, 2017.

“CHILDREN PRAYING FOR PEACE” INITIATIVE

For our brothers and sisters suffering in Syria, the Order of the Friars Minor



is encouraging all of us to take part in the “Children Praying for Peace” initiative starting this Advent 2016. All of the communities, parishes and schools entrusted to their pastoral care and all of the organizations close to them are asked to join in the initiative.

AMERICAN RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE The UGA Catholic Center will be hosting a blood drive in the Fellowship Hall on Monday, January 23rd from 3:00PM - 7:30PM. To sign up, please call 706-543-2293 or go online to redcrossblood.org and enter sponsor code: **UGACC**. Walk-ins are welcome!

GRADUATE STUDENT/YOUNG PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP BIBLE STUDY is on break for the holidays and will have the first meeting of its winter/spring study on Monday, January 23 at 7:00PM at the Center. Newcomers are always welcome. For more info, contact Christy Sinksen at (706) 613-0921 or csinksen@uga.edu.

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS The Catholic Center office will be closed the week after Christmas and will reopen on Monday, January 2nd at 10:00AM.

OUR RETURN FOR GOD’S GENEROSITY

December 18, 2016 OFFERTORY IN CHURCH	\$ 13,818.42
ONLINE	\$ 1,548.00
CHILDREN’S	\$ 23.39

ARCHBISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL (as of December 19, 2016)

PAID	\$43,153.00
GOAL	\$50,000.00
TO GO	\$ 6,847.00
ALMS	\$ 157.00

IRA CHARITABLE ROLLOVER

If you are 70 ½ or older and are required to take a minimum distribution from an IRA, a charitable rollover is available for you to donate to your church. You do not have to report the monies as taxable income. Contact Nora Joslyn in the Church office for further information.

ARCHBISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL

Time is running out to close the gap and meet our 2016 goal! If you have not already participated in the 2016 Archbishop’s Annual Appeal, we ask that you prayerfully consider supporting this important initiative. The Catholic Center is currently not on target to meet our goal for the year and any shortfall will have to be paid out of our operating expenses budget. If you have already made a pledge, please be sure to complete your payments by December 31, 2016.

2017 CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES

Due to a manufacturer’s backlog, we have not received our 2017 Contribution Envelopes. We are hoping to have them in by January 1, 2017. Keep checking the bulletin for updates.



SOCIAL GRACES DONATE TO IHN

A huge thank you to the Social Graces Women’s Group at the Catholic Center. In 2016 the Women’s Group donated approximately \$6,000 worth of household goods and gift cards to Interfaith Hospitality Network of Athens. Special thanks to Sue Brassard for coordinating this wonderful mission.

A Thank You From Oasis Catolico for so many gifts that comforted the hearts of so many children! Thank you for helping us out in doing our mission of “healing the hearts of our brothers and sisters”. Boys are playing soccer around the neighborhood warm in their sweat suits; girls, warm in their new outfits, are enchanted with their stuffed animals. They all sleep warm under their new blankets!! Again, THANK YOU! The Sisters of Oasis



UGA Veterinary School students filled the Catholic Center Office with Giving Tree Gifts

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OFFICE HOURS
10AM until 4PM Mon-Thurs
10AM until 3PM Friday