



THE CATHOLIC CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF GEORGIA

Approaching a New Liturgical Year

Luke is responsible for the Gospel of Luke and for the Acts of the Apostles. Throughout Luke's two-volume work there are certain themes that keep recurring. The first of these is universal salvation. Jesus' great mercy and forgiveness is the second theme especially in his concern for the poor, the marginalized, and the outcast. The third theme concerns the role of women. Women were often seen as second-class citizens in the world of the Gospels. Luke's Gospel is sympathetic to women and provides more passages concerning women than any other Gospel. Luke consistently portrays the women present in the stories as true examples of faith in spite of a culture that minimized women.

Our fourth theme focuses on the Holy Spirit and this continues in the Acts of the Apostles. Actions taken by the characters are frequently influenced by the direction of the Holy Spirit. Closely associated with this theme is prayer and throughout the Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles, people are often seen at prayer. When important events take place, the characters turn to God in prayer. When important decisions need to be made, the guidance of God is sought through prayer.

This year let us pray Luke together in our words and our actions. It is the most Franciscan of all the Gospels as we are presented with this Gospel of social concern and of inclusivity. *(Catholic Australia)*.

THE GIVING TREE IS UP!

The Giving Tree at the Catholic Center benefits Oasis Catolico Santa Rafaela, a Catholic Ministry located in the Pinewood Estates North mobile home park in Athens. Tags can be found in the back of the chapel.

Please return **unwrapped gifts** to the stage in the Catholic Center hall by Sunday, December 9.

Be sure to include the gift tag so your gift will be distributed properly. Thank you for your generosity,



ACTIVITIES THIS WEEK AT THE CENTER

THIS WEEK'S MASS TIMES

Weekend Mass Schedule

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

Weekday Mass Schedule

Tuesday & Thursday 5:00 PM
 Wednesday & Friday 8:00 AM

Adoration

Tuesday 7:00 PM - 7:45 PM

Confessions

Wednesday 3:30PM - 4:30 PM

Sunday 11/25

3:00PM - Korean Mass & Potluck (Chapel, Hall)

Monday 11/26

6:00PM - Confirmation Class (Hall)

Tuesday 11/27

7:00PM - RCIA (TV, Hall)
 7:00PM - Adoration (Chapel)
 8:00PM - Seeking Water (Chapel)

Wednesday 11/28

6:00PM - EM/Lector Training (Chapel)
 6:15PM - Religious Education (Hall)
 8:00PM - Ignite (Hall)

Thursday 11/29

7:00AM - Men's Bible Study (TV)
 10:00AM - Women's Bible Study (TV)
 6:00PM - EM/Lector Training (chapel)

Friday 11/30

8:30AM - Breakfast Club (Hall)

Saturday 12/1

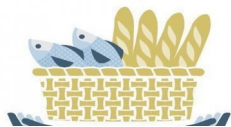
6:00PM - GSYPF Christmas Party (Hall)

LOOKING AHEAD

***Advent Begins
 Sunday, December 2**

***Finals Week Begins
 Wed. December 5**

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SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC CENTER ON GIVING TUESDAY

This Giving Tuesday, November 27th, consider donating to campus ministry at the Catholic Center. Giving Tuesday is national day of donating to a favorite charity! Consider making a monetary gift to the Catholic Center, and the money will go towards campus ministry outreach and activities. Some of this year's funds have gone towards feeding those experiencing homelessness at Bigger Vision, our freshmen retreat, and Sunday Night Dinner. From now until November 27th, you can make an online donation at:

<https://atlanta.igivecatholic.org/organizations/ccatuga>.

PREPARING OUR CHAPEL FOR ADVENT

There will be a general cleaning of the Chapel on December 4th beginning at 9:00AM. This will be a great time to prepare our place of worship for the holidays. The more hands we have the lighter the work! Jackie Raines and Alayne Makula will coordinate the clean-up.

ADVENT LUNCH & REFLECTION BEGINS DECEMBER 6

Each Thursday at noon during Advent, we will have a reflection from a member of our community in the Center Hall. Lunch will be provided. If you would like to bring a food creation of your own, it would be most appreciated. All are welcome.



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE TUESDAY, DECEMBER 11

Mark your calendars for our Advent Penance Service on Tuesday, December 11th at 7:00PM. The St. Joseph's Penance Service is on Monday, December 3rd at 7:00PM

SPANISH MASS AT THE CATHOLIC CENTER BEGINS MONDAY, DECEMBER 10 AT 7:30PM

There will be a Spanish Mass in the Catholic Center Chapel every Monday except December 24 and 31st. All are welcome.



IN THE SPIRIT OF THANKSGIVING...

Thank you to everyone who helped make our annual Denny Towers Thanksgiving meal a success. The residents of Denny Towers appreciated this wonderful feast. A special thanks to Mike and Cathy Clutter for coordinating this wonderful event and to the RE program for their support.

SILVER ANGELS PET FOOD DRIVE

Please join the Silver Angels, Wills Pet Pantry and the Catholic Center in collecting pet food. It will be distributed to clients of the Meals on Wheels program who have pets and don't always have enough food for them.

PRIORITIES ARE: 12-25 lbs of dry dog food for medium/large dogs and 10-15 lbs of dry cat food. Also on the wish list are toys and medium/large dog collars.

COLLECTION DATES: December 2-9.. You can leave your donations on the stage of the Center Hall. Any questions, please email Sue Foley at sbfoley@uga.edu.

LOUIE SAYS "Thank you for helping my furry friends."



DELIVER CHRISTMAS JOY TO THE HOMEBOUND



We will be preparing Christmas gift baskets for the members of the Catholic Center Faith Community who receive Communion at home. Please donate Christmas/seasonal hand or dish towels, individually wrapped healthy snacks (raisins, crackers, mints) or a small unbreakable Christmas ornament. Donations will be accepted

on the stage at the Center Hall until Tuesday, December 18, 2018. Thank you for your kindness and generosity.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS AND NOTES

CALENDAR NOTES

- Confirmation students meet November 26th & Dec. 3rd
- 1st-8th grade classes meet November 28th
- Pre-K and K classes meet December 2th

YOUTH MASS

Sunday, December 2 at the 10:00AM Mass Our Confirmation students will be responsible for the readings and music. All RE families are encouraged to attend.



ADVENT WREATH-MAKING AND CHILI/HOTDOG LUNCH

on Sunday, December 2 at 11:00am (after 10:00am Mass). Students in our RE classes will be receiving more information and an order form.

NURSERY COORDINATOR NEEDED

If you are interested in helping coordinate the Catholic Center's Nursery during the Sunday 10:00AM Mass, please contact Lynn Renna at dre@ccatuga.org for more details.

Blessing of the Brains

December 5th at
8pm in the Chapel

Receive extra spiritual strength to
get through exam week



Late Night Breakfast

December 5th at 9pm
December 6th, 9th, 10th, 11th
8pm in the gathering space



Baccalaureate Mass

In honor of our graduates we will celebrate
our Baccalaureate Mass
Sunday, Dec. 9 at 5pm.
Please email Angie if you are graduating.
Congratulations and best wishes!

Sanctify Retreat

February 15th-17th
Camp Hidden Lake
\$50 for UGA students
\$60 for non students
Register on the website



ACTIVITIES, ANNOUNCEMENTS, FAITH FORMATION & OUTREACH (continued)

FR. FRANK IS SEEKING CREATIVE, ENTHUSIASTIC, FUN CATHOLIC CENTER MEMBERS FOR OUR FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE.

The time commitment will be minimal. The committee will oversee and coordinate our fundraising efforts. Contact Fr. Frank at frankofm@ccatuga.org.



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS NEEDED FOR ST. MARY'S

Volunteers are needed on Sunday afternoons throughout the year to visit with Catholic patients at St. Mary's Hospital and offer Communion. This is a wonderful opportunity to serve our community and bring a bit of comfort. Please contact Jessica Chicken at JChicken@stmarysathens.org

THE HOLIDAYS CAN BE A DIFFICULT TIME IF YOU ARE GRIEVING. The Bereavement group can help. The Catholic Center Bereavements group meets on an as-needed basis. No matter where you are in your journey (anticipatory grief, acute grief or long-standing grief) or if you feel you can contribute, please join us in our healing process. All are invited to attend! For more information please contact Mary Ellen Quinn at mquinn@augusta.edu or 706-546-1870.

WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY MEETING REMINDERS

Just a reminder that the last Women's Bible Study of the semester will be Thursday, November 29. We will resume meeting on Thursday, January 17, 2019.

GRADUATE STUDENT/YOUNG PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP BIBLE STUDY is on break for the holidays and will resume in the New Year. For more info, contact Christy Sinksen at (706) 613-0921 or csinksen@uga.edu.



Centering Prayer is a simple method of prayer, rooted in ancient Christian tradition. "... not so much the absence of thoughts as the detachment from them. It is the opening of mind and heart, body and emotions – the whole body - to God ...beyond words, thoughts, and emotions." by Thomas Keating in *Open Mind, Open Heart*.

Contemplative Outreach of Atlanta will present an Introduction to Centering Prayer Workshop, hosted by Saint Thomas More Catholic Church on Saturday, December 8, 2018, from 9:00 AM -3:00 PM. The registration fee is \$35 that includes a light breakfast and a box lunch. You may register online under **Upcoming Programs** at

<https://www.contemplativeoutreachatlanta.com/>

TAX STATEMENTS: In order to be sure end-of-year tax statements reach all of our members, we must ensure your contact information is up-to-date. You may check and update your information in the lobby of the Center Hall.

Sunday: Dn 7:13-14; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37
8AM - Robert Martin †
10AM - Franciscan Missionary Union
5PM - Members of the Catholic Center (int.)
 Monday: Rv 14:1-3, 4b-5; Lk 21:1-4
 Tuesday: Rv 14:14-19; Lk 21:5-11
5PM - Nadia Diaz (int.)
 Wednesday: Rv 15:1-4; Lk 21:12-19
8AM - Franciscan Missionary Union
 Thursday: Rv 18:1-2, 21-23, 19:1-3, 9a; Lk 21:20-28
5PM - Franciscan Missionary Union
 Friday: Rom 10:9-18; Mt 4:18-22
8AM - Margaret Bell †
 Saturday: **5PM - Maury Maher †**

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for
 November 2018: That the language of love and dialogue
 may always prevail over the language of conflict.**

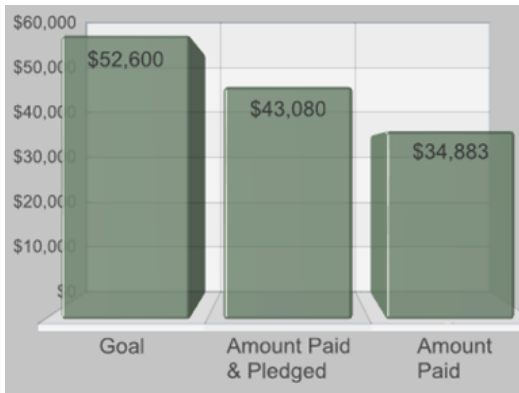
WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Rosilyn Andrews, Jill Bittle, Andrew Paul Blanton, Shirley Bundy, Vickie Burroughs, Grace Byrne, Tracy Dempsey Capizzi, Katie Beth Carey, Brenda Critch, Betty DeGuilo, Norma d'Azzo, Elena Dekazos, Steve Duncan, Jill Ennis, Valerie Fagan, Michele Flaherty, James Flannigan, Elizabeth Fox, Denise Gannon, Carol Garbon, Roxanne Gil, Phyllis Ginn, Gregory Glander, Pat Goggin, Ann Johnson, Richard Lynch, Adam Martin, Kate McCall, Camilla Mims, Barbara O'Brien, Bill Ozburn, Karen O'Boyle Pagoda, Myra Pawlowski, Lee Prendergast, Denise Quinn, Sharon Perrine, Melissa Reilly, Tom Risher, Joel Rivera, David Salum, Marge Smith, Martha Tucker, Grant Tyner, Larry Quattrocchi, Mary Lou Zeitler, Agnes and Dennis Adrian

WITH DEEPEST SYMPATHY our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones especially Rodger Carroll and Elizabeth DePaolo

FINANCIAL & BUSINESS

Archbishop Annual Appeal: Status as of 11/16/2018
 Goal: \$52,600.00
 Total Pledged & Received: \$43,080.00
 Over/(Under) Goal: (\$9,520.00)
 Percent of Goal Pledged: 81.9%
 Amount Received: \$34,882.76
 Percent of Goal Received: 66.32%



Average Gift Amount: \$224.38

Number of 2018 Donors: 192

Number of 2017 Donors: 259

Offertory November 18, 2018

Offertory \$6,617.41 Alms \$37.00

October, 2018 Monthly Re-Cap

Offertory	\$34,049.95	Alms	\$943.00
Donations	\$2,195.00	Parent Fund	\$410.88
Building Fund	\$50.00	Football Parking	\$240.00
Mr. Catholic	\$60.00	Rentals	\$1,000.00

Second Collections October 2018

Latin Am./E. Eur./World Missions	\$453.00
St. Vincent	\$300
Catholic Relief	\$21.00

Thank you for your generous donations to the Catholic Center. Financial information is now uploaded to the our website. If you have question, contact our office.

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BAPTISM: Parents are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Class (Godparents welcomed). Classes are held every month.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements must be made at least six months in advance for preparation.

RCIA: A program for those who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith

To schedule all Sacraments, please contact the office.

OFFICE HOURS
 Mon. - Thurs. 10-4PM
 Friday 10-2PM

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