

The Catholic Center

REFLECTION ON THE BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

The Eucharistic table is a table of social non-distinction, a place where the rich and the poor are called to be together beyond all class and status. At the Eucharist there are to be no rich and no poor, only one equal family praying together in a common humanity. In baptism we are all made equal and for that reason there are no separate worship services for the rich and the poor. Moreover, St. Paul warns us strongly that when we gather for the Eucharist the rich should not receive preferential treatment.

Indeed, the gospels invite us in the opposite direction. When you hold any banquet, they tell us, we should give preferential treatment to the poor. This is especially true for the Eucharist. The poor should be welcomed in a special way. Why?

Because, among other things, the Eucharist commemorates Jesus' brokenness, his poverty, his body being broken and his blood being poured out. Pierre Teilhard de Chardin expresses this aptly when he suggests that the wine offered at the Eucharist symbolizes precisely the brokenness of the poor: In a sense the true substance to be consecrated each day is the world's development during that day – the bread symbolizing appropriately what creation succeeds in producing, the wine (blood) what creation causes to be lost in exhaustion and suffering in the course of that effort. The Eucharist offers up the tears and blood of the poor and invites us to help alleviate the conditions that produce tears and blood.

And we do that, as a famous church hymn says, by moving "from worship into service". We don't go to the Eucharist only to worship God by expressing our faith and devotion. The Eucharist is not a private devotional prayer, but is rather a communal act of worship which, among other things, calls us to go forth and live out in the world what we celebrate inside of a church, namely, the non-importance of social distinction, the special place that God gives to the tears and blood of the poor, and non-negotiable challenge from God to each of us to work at changing the conditions that cause tears and blood. The Eucharist calls us to love tenderly, but, just as strongly, it calls us to act in justice.

To say that Eucharist calls us to justice and to social justice is not a statement that takes its origin in political correctness. It takes its origin in Jesus who, drawing upon the great prophets of old, assures us that the validity of all worship will ultimately be judged by how it affects "widows, orphans, and strangers."

Ron Rolheiser, OMI

Community Announcements

SILVER ANGELS TO TOUR THE MORTON THEATER FRIDAY, JUNE 28

All are welcome to join the Silver Angels on a tour of the Morton Theater on Friday, June 28. The group will meet at the Center at 10:30AM to carpool. After the tour, the group will go to lunch at Ted's Most Best. Call Mary Gould at 706-353-3483 if you plan to attend.

WELCOME FR. CASEY COLE

The Catholic Center would like to welcome Fr. Casey Cole to the Catholic Center. Members are invited to fill our "Welcome Basket" with cards, gifts, and gift cards to ease his transition to Athens and the Catholic Center. The basket will be on the stage at the Catholic Center until June 27.

GRADUATE STUDENT AND YOUNG PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP (GSYPF)

The GSYPF Bible study will next meet on Monday, June 24, at 7:00PM at the Catholic Center to discuss Chapter 2 in the study guide "Becoming a Praying Person." Newcomers are always welcome. For more info, contact Christy Sinksen at 706-613-0921 or csinksen@uga.edu.

AN ABUNDANCE OF DISHES AND UMBRELLAS

Many thanks to all who have brought delicious food and treats to the Center. We have been blessed with many extra dishes and pans. Please pick up your dishes by July 15. Any extra dishes will be donated or put to work in the kitchen. In that same vein, don't be left in the rain, remember to pick up your umbrellas.

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Tuesday	5:30 PM
Wednesday	7:30 AM
Thursday	5:30 PM
Friday	7:30 AM

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday:	5:00 PM
Sunday:	8:00 AM, 10:00 AM

Reconciliation

Saturday:	3:45 PM
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Readings & Intentions

Saturday - 2 Cor 12:1-10/Mt 6:24-34

5:00 PM - Armando Rois-Mendez †

Sunday - Gn 14:18-21/1 Cor 11:23-26/Lk 9:11b-17

8:00 AM - Viola Klostermann †

10:00 AM - Catholic Center Members

Monday - Is 49:1-6/Acts 13:22-26/Lk 1:57-66, 80

Tuesday - Gn 13:2, 5-18/Mt 7:6, 12-14

5:30 PM - Disciples of Jesus and Mary (int.)

Wednesday - Gn 15:1-12, 17-18/Mt 7:15-20

7:30 AM - FMU*

Thursday - Gn 16:1-12, 15-16/Mt 7:21-29

5:30 PM - Leroy Ritmiller (int)

Friday - Acts 12:1-11/2 Tm 4:6-8, 17-18/Mt 16:13-19

7:30 AM - FMU*

*Franciscan Missionary Union

Summer Office Hours

Monday -Thursday
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Friday
Closed

Mark Your Calendar

Monday 6/24

6:00 PM OFS Meeting
7:00 PM GSYPF Meeting

Tuesday 6/25

9:00 AM Golf Committee Meeting
9:30 AM Tailgate Tuesday
6:30 PM Tuesday Night Bible Study

Wednesday, 6/26

Catholic Center Office Closed

Saturday 6/29

2:30 PM Walshe/Moore Wedding
6:00 PM Nunez Baptism

Monday 7/1

7:00 PM GSYPF Meeting

Tuesday 7/2

9:30 AM Tailgate Tuesday
6:00 PM OFS Meeting

Wednesday 7/3

CC Office Closed

Thursday 7/4

INDEPENDENCE DAY

CC Office Closed

Saturday 7/6

10:30 AM Porfirio/Naverro Wedding
2:30 PM Taylor/Lininger Wedding

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS HONORING INDEPENDENCE DAY JUNE 29 AND JUNE 30 BY DISTRIBUTING AMERICAN FLAGS

Our 4th Degree Knights of Columbus will be honoring Independence Day by asking for donations as they pass out American Flags after masses on Saturday, June 29th and Sunday, June 30th. All proceeds go to the Purple Heart Foundation. The 4th Degree of the Knights of Columbus is the Patriotic degree of the Order and teaches a high and noble patriotism, instills a love of country and holds up the Constitution of our Country as the richest and most precious possession of a Knight of the Order. The Purple Heart Foundation is the fundraising engine of the Military Order of the Purple Heart. They raise money to support The Order's programs and services. Through donations, grants and outreach programs, they lend support to and make direct contributions to veterans facing exceptionally difficult financial challenges. Please help us support our Veterans!

FINANCIAL GIVING UPDATES

Thank you for generously sharing your treasures with the Catholic Center and it's ministries. The totals below reflect the in-church giving and online giving.

If you have any questions regarding the financials of the Catholic Center, please do not hesitate to contact our business manager, Jessica Fox at 706-543-2293.

June 2, 2019

Offertory \$ 10,600.16 Alms \$ 390.00

June 9, 2019

Offertory \$9,231.04 Alms \$91.25

*Totals for June 16, 2019 will be posted next week. The money counting was delayed due to our office remodel.

We Lift Up In Prayer

Rosilyn Andrews, Jill Bittle, Bill Burden, Shirley Bundy, Grace Byrne, Katie Beth Carey, Noleen Casey, Brenda Critch, Norma d'Azzo, Betty DeGuilo, Elena Dekazos, George Dougherty, Steve Duncan, Jill Ennis, Michele Flaherty, James Flannigan, Denise Gannon, Carol Garbon, Phyllis Ginn, Gregory Glander, Pat Goggin, Jacklyn Harding, Ann Johnson, Jim Law, Richard Lynch, Kate McCall, Barbara O'Brien, Karen O'Boyle Pagoda, Sharon Perrine, Lee Prendergast, Tate Prezzano, Larry Quattrocchi, Denise Quinn, Melissa Reilly, Tom Risher, Joel Rivera, Raif Sejdi, Marge Smith, Don Stegeman, John Toutkoushian, Martha Tucker, Grant Tyner, Angel and Pearl Wells, Paul Volny, and Don Young

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Sugianto Atmodjo, David Salum, and Michael Torpy

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for June

That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

CATHOLIC CENTER FACILITY UPDATE

Be sure to stop by the Catholic Center to check out the latest changes. The back deck has been replaced and is safe to use. We have also created two new offices.

Removal and clean up of original deck	\$3000
New deck, installed and stained	\$12,000
Remodel of two new offices	\$3,300



Congratulations to Benjamin Robert Martin and Gabriel James Winsor on their Baptisms this weekend!

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SACRAMENTS

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.

INFO

OFFICE HOURS

**Mon. - Thurs. 10-4PM
Friday Closed**

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