

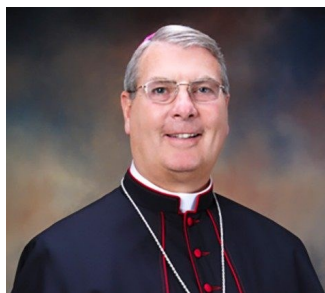
The Catholic Center

LENTEN MISSION WEEKEND

Join us for our Lenten Mission Weekend, a two day retreat led by Fr. Casey Cole and James Perkins featuring Dana Catherine, speaker and worship leader. Friday's events will include a soup dinner, Stations of the Cross and Praise and Worship evening in the Chapel. On Saturday, we will begin the day with the "Joy of the Gospel: Day of Reflection," Mass, dinner, and more Praise and Worship. We encourage you to join us for all or part of this wonderful Lenten weekend on March 20 and 21. There is no cost to attend but we need to know how much food to prepare. Please contact the Catholic Center office for more information and to RSVP.



WELCOME OUR NEW ARCHBISHOP!



As of Thursday, March 5th the Pope has announced Archbishop Gregory John Hartmayer, OFM, Conv. as the 7th Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Archbishop Hartmayer, currently serves as the Bishop of Savannah and succeeds Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory. We are so excited to welcome him to our region and please keep praying for him, our region, and the Catholic Community as a whole!

THIS WEEK IN LENT

Lenten Collection: Athens Nursing Clinic

The Athens Nurses Clinic was founded thirty years ago to provide health care at no cost to uninsured indigent patients. All services- visits, medications, laboratory testing, patient education and materials- are free to the patients. In 2019, the Clinic saw over 1,200 unique patients in over 5,000 visits. They provided over \$4M in medications. The Clinic provides dental care, Hepatitis C Evaluation and Treatment, Screening mammograms as well as primary care. The Athens Nurses Clinic is asking for a Personal Care Kit. **A well stocked Personal Care Kit will have shampoo, conditioner, lotion, toothbrush, toothpaste, soap, deodorant, nail clippers and if possible washcloth and socks placed in a gallon sized ziplock bag.** Thank you so much for considering the needs of the less fortunate in our community.

24- Hour Adoration, Potluck Lunch and Reflection and Stations of the Cross and Soup Supper will not take place this coming week.

Weekly Calendar

Sunday 3/8

****Daylight Savings Begins**

Monday 3/9 - Friday 3/13

****UGA Spring Break**

Thursday 3/12

9:00 AM Kitchen Cleaning (K)

6:00 PM Women's Dinner (H)

Sunday 3/15

10:00 AM RCIA 1st Scrutiny

LOOKING FORWARD

Monday 3/16

7:00 PM GSYPF Meeting (TV)

7:00 PM CSA Men's/Women's Ministry

7:00 PM Confirmation (H)

Tuesday 3/17

9:30 AM Catholic Mama's Group (TV)

3:30 PM Campus Kitchen (K)

6:30 PM Tuesday Night Bible Study (L)

7:00 PM RCIA (TV)

Wednesday 3/18

6:00 PM RE 1st - 8th (H)

8:00 PM Ignite (H)

Thursday 3/19

7:00 AM 24 Hour Adoration Begins

7:00 AM Men's Spirituality Group (TV)

10:00 AM Women's Bible Study (L)

12:00 PM Potluck Lunch & Reflection

6:30 PM Adult Confirmation

Friday 3/20

8:00 AM Breakfast Club (H)

5:00 PM Wedding Rehearsal (CH)

6:00 PM CSA Leap Event (H)

6:00 PM Stations of the Cross & Soup Supper (CH/H)

ALTERNATIVE SPRING BREAK

Please keep our Students and Chaperones in your prayers as they travel this week to Jamaica, El Salvador, the Pine Ridge Reservation in South Dakota and Appalachia, Virginia.

Jamaica: Natalie Branand, Caroline Clark, Olivia Fertig, Marta Hudouskova, Madeline Le, Shelia Lorusso, Brenna Mako, Regina Metz, Dionne Mitcham, Cecilia Nilsson, Mark Piendel, Sydeny Sanders, Ozzy Taborda, Liz Quilliams, Fr. Casey Cole

El Salvador: Pippo Boyle, Caroline Croomer, Abby Doorley, Sarah Gries, Juan Martinez, Kathy Nguyen, Grace Powell, Constance Sullivan, Christian Sullivan, Alwin Rejimon, Kevin Ronczkowski, Kat Trejo, Nicholas Zimmer, Sister Uyen-Chi Dang

Pine Ridge: Catherine Arra, Grace Coalson, Kierra Higgins, Darcey Najim, Kathleen Najim, Megan Phelan, Max Pool, James Tierra, Lynn Renna, Jenni Toutkoushian

Virginia: Hannah Caducci, Britney Kazibwe, Caroline Solomon, Annmarie Vallomthail, Amy Thacker,

PRAYER FOR CATHOLIC CENTER TRANSITION

Let us pray. O God, you have bound us together for a time as a Franciscan community to work for the advancement of your kingdom in this place. We give you humble and hearty thanks for the ministry which we have shared. We thank you for your never-failing presence with us through these years, and for the deeper knowledge of you and of each other which we have attained. We look with hope to the future. We thank you for those who have been joined to this part of Christ's family through the sacraments, especially as we gather around your table. We thank you for opening our hearts and minds again and again to your Word, and for feeding us abundantly with the Sacrament of the Body and Blood of your Son. May the God of hope fill us with all joy and peace as we trust in him, so that we may overflow with the gifts of the past, the reality of the present and the hope of the future. We ask this through our loving God the Father who watches over us, the Son who guides us and the power of the Holy Spirit who gives us peace and understanding. Amen.

Thank you to the following Catholic Center members and staff who are serving on the Transition Team:

Fr. Frank Critch, OFM, Fr. Casey Cole, OFM, Jenni Toutkoushian, Sr. Uyen-Chi Dang, ACJ, Cathy Clutter, Greg Weigle, Peter Balsamo, Mim Bourke, Phillip Boyle, Mary Jo Brown, Pat Dwinell, Jean Giannasi, Jackie Ginter, Sarah Gries, Melissa Hopkinson, Milton Lopes, Chandler McDevitt, Monira Silk, Joanne Sinkey, Cassidy Starzec

SILVER ANGELS POTLUCK

Silver Angels potluck meeting will be in the hall on Wednesday, March 18 at 11:30AM. After lunch we will carpool to the Extra Special People facility in Watkinsville. ESP is a non-profit that creates opportunities for people with disabilities and their families to engage, connect, and thrive. ESP runs weekend and after-school programs, family support programs, and events in addition to 8 weeks of summer camp. ESP serves 450 families, 30 counties and 2000 individuals. Some of our members have volunteered for their Big Jump fundraiser at the Monroe airport. We hope you will bring a dish to share for lunch and join us for a trip to this facility which is handicap-friendly.

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass

Monday-Thursday 5:30PM
Friday 7:30AM

Weekend Mass Schedule

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

Reconciliation

Saturday: 3:45PM - 4:30PM

OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday 10AM-4PM

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Readings & Intentions

Saturday - Dt 26:16-19/Mt 5:43-48
5:00PM - Tony Nemetz †

Sunday- Gn 12:1-4a/2 Tm 1:8b-10/
Mt 17:1-9

8:00AM - Rita Wegmann †

10:00AM - Don Morris (int.)

Monday - Dn 9:4b-10/Lk 6:36-38

5:30PM - Armando SJ Castro Jr. †

Tuesday - Is 1:10, 16-20/Mt 23:1-12

5:30PM - ASB Missionaries (int)

Wednesday-Jer 18:18-20/Mt 20:17-28

5:30PM - John Daniels †

Thursday - Jer 17:5-10/Lk 16:19-31

5:30PM - Social Graces Women's
Dinner (int)

Friday - Gn 37:3-4,12-13,17-28/Mt
21:33-43, 45-46

7:30AM - Sr. Sheila Tague (int)

COMMUNITY EVENTS AND MORE

CATHOLIC MAMAS GROUP

The Catholic Mama's group meets every Tuesday from 9:30AM to 11:00AM in the TV room at the Center. This is a wonderful opportunity for moms to connect.

GRADUATE STUDENT/YOUNG PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP (GSYPF) BIBLE STUDY

We will NOT meet on Monday, March 9 due to UGA's spring break. The next discussion will be on the Monday, Mar. 16 at 7:00 p.m. at the Center. For more information, contact Christy Sinksen at 706-613-0921 or csinksen@uga.edu.

HARRAH'S CASINO - SAVE THE DATE

Join us Tuesday, March 31 for our Casino Bus Trip to Harrah's Cherokee Casino in Cherokee, NC. The price is \$20 per person. Fill out one of our sign up sheets at the Catholic Center Office. The maximum capacity is 50. Additional details to come!

ST. FRANCIS INN

The St. Francis Inn trip scheduled for April 25-May 1 has been cancelled. We apologize for any inconvenience. We hope to schedule the trip in the near future.

EASTER FLOWERS

To make our church beautiful during the Easter season, we will be decorating with Easter Flowers. If you would like to participate by making a donation in honor of or in memory of someone, please pick up a form and return it with payment in the offertory basket or to the office by Monday, April 6. The suggested donation is \$20.

CATHOLIC CENTER AT LA TABLE



Catholic Center members and Father Frank represented the Catholic Center at La Table 2020 in support of Family Promise.



Congratulations to our RCIA Members, Ashlie Basham, Sarah Flatt, Patty Guerra, Austin Sandwich, Kate Lane, Daniel Leach, Sujay Screenivasan, and Blake Ventura who participated in the Rite of Election & Call to Conversion at St. Lawrence Church in Lawrenceville.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RE WEDNESDAY CLASSES

There will be NO RE Wednesday Class on March 11, due to the UGA Spring Break. Classes will resume on Wednesday, March 18th.

PRE-K, KINDERGARTEN AND NURSERY

Sunday Classes will resume on March 22nd, 10:00-11:00AM. There will be no classes on Sunday, March 8th and 16th.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES FOR MARCH

Our last Monday evening Confirmation Class will meet on March 16th from 7:00-8:45PM. Light refreshments will be prepared for the last of this year. Letters to Father Frank are due for this class. We look forward to seeing Taylor Muir and Camille Davenport make their Confirmation on May 3rd. "Creator Spirit, strengthen these children with your gifts of grace, to love and serve as a disciple of Christ."

SUMMER BIBLE CAMP

Save the date: June 1-5 for our annual Summer Bible Camp. This summer we will focus on "Celebrating the Lives of the Saints". Each day, we will learn about the life of a Saint and how the church recognizes them as heroes and heroines worthy to be held up for our inspiration. Registrations are in the Church Office, ages 5-14, cost \$50 (T-Shirt is included). We hope to have you join us for a fun week at Bible Camp! For more information, contact Lynn Renna at dre@ccatuga.org.

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MARCH 8, 2020

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

CATHOLIC QUESTIONS

What did Pope Francis say about the Amazon?

Recently, the Church met for what is called a "synod," a meeting of bishops to advise the Pope on a pastoral issue, in this case, the Church's role in the Amazon. Much was made by the media about the possibility of allowing some married men to marry, but Francis did not accept this proposal, and the document he promulgated dealt with much more than this.



Called Querida Amazonia ("The Beloved Amazon"), the document seeks to call attention to the needs of the people of that region, social, cultural, ecological, and ecclesial. Francis calls the Church to love all life and to integrate it into the mission of the Church. "Humanity... must be increasingly conscious of the links between natural ecology and human ecology," he writes, caring for the poor and the world.

Pope Francis also responds to concerns from some in the Church worried about idolatry in the region, encouraging ministers of the Church to remember that "Christianity does not have simply one cultural expression" and that "It is possible to take up an indigenous symbol in some way, without necessarily considering it idolatry. A myth charged with spiritual meaning can be used to advantage and not always considered a pagan error."

If you are interested in reading this beautiful document, you can find it on the Vatican's website.

FINANCIAL GIVING UPDATES

Thank you for generously sharing your treasures with the Catholic Center for its operations, ministries, and outreach programs. If you have questions or concerns, please contact the Center.

February 16, 2020

Offertory \$13,660.06 Alms \$709.75

February 23, 2020

Offertory \$13,658.57 Alms \$429.05

We Lift Up In Prayer

Edward Adrian, Rosilyn Andrews, Bob Brownlie, Bill Burden, Brian Carr, Grace Byrne, Brenda Critch, Norma d'Azzo, Betty DeGuilo, Elena Dekazos, Pilar Delaplaine, George Dougherty, Carol Garbon, Rachel Gauna, Mildred George, Noleen Casey, Pat Goggin, Pilar Delaplaine, Amy Hartwell, Kurt Huberty, Ann Johnson, Meth McElhannon, Barbara O'Brien, Dorothy Peltier, Sharon Perrine, Tom Risher, Joel Rivera, Carole Seeley, Jimmy Simons, Doug Tigert, Martha Tucker and Joan Weiss

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones, especially Bern Allard.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for March:

We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

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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.

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PRAYER LIST

Please help keep our prayer list current by emailing updates and new requests.



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