



The Catholic Center

PHASE ONE REOPENING

We are reopening Mass and Confessions beginning **May 30, 2020**. The reopening is subject to change based on guidelines from the CDC and the Archdiocese.

The obligation to attend Mass remains suspended through June 28, 2020.
Based on Archdiocesan and CDC guidelines, we recommend the following not attend Mass at the Catholic Center in person right now:

Anyone elderly and therefore vulnerable

Anyone who cannot or should not wear a face mask

Anyone who is immunocompromised or has underlying health conditions

Anyone who has been exposed to COVID-19

Anyone feeling ill or exhibiting any symptoms of Covid-19

Anyone who has traveled to a location identified as a hot spot for Covid-19 within the last 14 days.

A new weekend Mass schedule will allow for safe entry/exit before and after Mass, as well as sanitizing pews and other surfaces between Masses.

Our new Weekend Mass schedule will be:

Saturday at 5:00PM

Sunday at 8:00AM and 11:00AM

(please note this is a change from our regular schedule)

You must have a reservation to attend the weekend Masses. Attendance is limited to 100 people. Noone will be admitted into the Chapel without a face mask.

Our 11:00AM Mass will be live streamed on Facebook.

Our Daily Mass schedule will be:

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday at 5:30PM

Wednesday at 8:00AM

Friday - no Mass so we can sanitize the Chapel for the weekend.

Reconciliation: We will continue to have confessions by appointment only.

This is part of Phase I of the Catholic Center reopening and will have many updated protocols that all members must follow to attend Mass. These procedures will be reevaluated weekly.

The guidelines will be posted on our Facebook page and website. Be sure to read all of the procedures prior to attending Mass. In addition, instructions for making a reservation to attend Mass will be posted on these sites on Monday.

WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

Edward Adrian, Vicky Allen, Rosilyn Andrews, Bob Brownlie, Shirley Bundy, Bill Burden, Grace Byrne, Brian Carr, Marty Connell, Norma d'Azzo, Betty DeGuilo, Elena Dekazos, Pilar Delaplaine, George Dougherty, Julie Evans, Carlos Figueroa, Carol Garbon, Mildred George, Milton Mills, Mikey Goodwin, Kurt Huberty, Ann Johnson, Mikel Nicolo, Barbara O'Brien, Dorothy Peltier, Sharon Perrine, Tom Risher, Joel Rivera, Eileen Saper, Carole Seeley, Jimmy Simons, Peggy Sudruth, 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 Noleen Casey, Brenda Critch, Mary Darden, Pat Goggin and Therese Ramsey

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for May:

We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church.

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Mass Readings

Sunday - Acts 1:1-11/Eph
1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20

**Int. - Don Desmond†
Michael Cifrino †**

Monday - Acts 19:1-8/Jn
16:29-33

Tuesday - Acts 20:17-27/Jn 1
7:1-11

Wednesday - Acts 20:28-38/
Jn 17:11-19

Thursday - Acts 22:30; 23:6-
11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday - Acts 25:13b-21/Jn
21:15-19

Saturday - Acts 28:16-20, 30

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Welcome Father Fred Wendel and Father Brian McNavish!



Father Fred Wendel

Fr. Fred Wendel was born in Seattle, Washington and adopted by Al and Vera Wendel while his father was stationed at Fort Lewis, Washington. Fr. Fred is an only child. His father was a career Army officer and they moved to numerous locations during his dad's career. In the summer of 1955 the family was sent to Fort McPherson in southwest Atlanta. Fr. Fred grew up in both southwest Atlanta and Stone Mountain. He graduated from Clarkston High School in Stone Mountain in June of 1967. For college, Fr. Fred attended both the University of Georgia and Georgia State University. He graduated with a degree in Administration and Urban Studies.

In his early 20s he also served in the US Army and was stationed in Germany. Having decided to "young man" go west, Fr. Fred having made a vocational decision to pursue the priesthood, was accepted by the Diocese of Cheyenne, Wyoming and attended St. Thomas Seminary in Denver, Colorado. At St. Thomas, he received a Masters in Theology. He was ordained to the priesthood at St. Mary's Cathedral in Cheyenne on June 9, 1978. Fr. Fred served in numerous parishes in Wyoming during the 19 years that he lived in

Wyoming. During this time, his father having retired from the US Army and Civil Service, along with his mom, moved to Cheyenne, WY in May of 1982 to be closer to him. His dad died in June of 1989 and his mom in November of 1996.

In 1997, Fr. Fred pursued returning to Atlanta and the Archdiocese. He was accepted by now deceased Archbishop Donoghue and in August of 1997 was made pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church and school in NE Atlanta. He served there from August of 1997 until August of 2002. In 2002 he became pastor of Prince of Peace Catholic Church in Buford. During that time the parish bought new property and built a new facility in Flowery Branch. Fr. Fred served at POP from August of 2002 until June of 2008. While in Wyoming, Fr. Fred was accepted in the Wyoming Army National Guard as a Chaplain beginning in 1989. When he returned to Georgia, he transferred to the Georgia National Guard. In June of 2008, Fr. Fred went on active duty with the Army and retired from the Army in July of 2014. He continued as Retiree Recall from July of 2014 to July of 2017 serving as Garrison Catholic Chaplain at Joint Base Myer-Henderson Hall in Arlington, Virginia. In July of 2017, Fr. Fred returned to Atlanta and served as a Parochial Vicar at Transfiguration Catholic Church in Marietta. When Fr. Brian was ordained in June of 2018, they both served together at Transfiguration.

Fr. Fred retired in July of 2019. Bishop Ned told Fr. Fred that he would consider this a sabbatical because he believed I was "too young with too much energy to retire". HE WAS CORRECT!!! So, loving ministry and the opportunity to serve, Fr. Fred looks forward to his time with you at the Catholic Center at UGA. Fr Fred's hobbies are working out, raquetball, long distance cycling, playing piano, traveling and building things with legos! Fun fact - Fr. Fred lived in Russell Hall the first year it was built in Fall of 1967!

I was born in Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania to a Polish and German family. I was raised in Woodstock, Georgia where I attended Woodstock High School. During my college years, I studied Communications at Kennesaw State University for 3 years before transferring to seminary to discern the diocesan priesthood. I switched my major to philosophy and was taught by the Benedictine monks at St Joseph Seminary College in southern Louisiana.

After completing my undergraduate degree, I started my theology studies at Mundelein Seminary in the northern suburbs of Chicago. Many of the Atlanta seminarians are sent to Mundelein seminary because our former Archbishop Wilton Gregory was faculty member at the institution in his earlier days. I enjoyed the academia and spiritual formation that I received at the school. I had the opportunity to learn from now-Bishop Robert Barron and was also able to study abroad in Israel. During this 4-year theology program, I worked in various parishes, served a chaplaincy internship at Grady Memorial Hospital in Atlanta, and completed a number of Spanish intensives in Central America.



Father Brian McNavish

I was ordained a deacon in summer 2016 and went on to be ordained a priest during Father's Day weekend in 2018.

After ordination, I began serving a Transfiguration Catholic Church in Marietta, Georgia. I worked with Father Fred for one year at this parish. My parents and one of my three siblings have been living around the area, so it has been great to be near them for the past two years.

Some of my extracurricular hobbies include hiking, exercising, live music, fishing, listening to music, listening to podcasts, ongoing learning, reading, drinking coffee, and eating healthy.

I am excited about living in Athens and serving at the Catholic Center. Go Dawgs - Fr Brian!