

# The Catholic Center

Dear Catholic Community,

This week marks Fr. Brian and my first month at the Catholic Center. In many ways it feels like we've been here a lot longer than a month. That's not a bad thing. As we all go through a period of adjustment, we want to make sure that we keep moving forward. As I have said previously, it's our challenge together as a community of faith to keep building on the great ministry that the Franciscans provided for 62 years. Even in this time of pandemic, we need not become discouraged by the many temporary changes that have taken place here and throughout the Archdiocese of Atlanta. With hope, I do believe in time, life will return to a sense of normalcy. In the meantime, we keep planning. With the approval of our Finance Committee, our college youth are fixing up and redesigning the 3 bedroom apartment above the office area. These updates will provide a space for our Catholic young adults to safely come together following COVID protocol. Additionally, these changes, as well as office shifts will give us more meeting spaces in the future, as well as an office for Sister Carmen, our incoming sacramental coordinator.

We are currently brainstorming new opportunities for faith formation and fellowship that meet Archdiocese guidelines.

Both Fr. Brian and I are deeply appreciative to our staff. They are an awesome group of VERY hard working people. They're very dedicated to you and the mission of the Catholic Center.

In my future notes to you, I look forward to focusing on more weighty issues. Let's keep UGA faculty, staff and students in our prayers as they discern this new school year and what that will look like. I notice students slowly returning to the area. Let's continue to pray for those who may have COVID 19. We pray for their healing and for those working so hard to find a vaccine.

In Christ,  
*Fr. Fred*

We want to thank our Catholic Community for your continued generosity and support. It is much appreciated especially in this unprecedented time. We pray that we move into a brighter future! Your financial and personal commitment to the Catholic Center is very much needed for us to move forward in our mission. At the present time, we have seen a significant drop in offertory. This past weekend we had the lowest collection since April 2017. This could be attributed to the pandemic and transition of priests. We would appreciate your continued financial support and all the ways that you contribute to making this a place ALIVE with the presence of the Lord!

We invite you to utilize our online giving option which allows you to give from the safety of your home. In whatever way you contribute, THANK YOU.

Please visit our website [ccatuga.org](http://ccatuga.org) and click the 'online giving' button on the home page!

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## Mass Readings

**Saturday - Elsie Horton †**

**Sunday - Is 55:1-3/Rom 8:35,  
37-39/Mt 14:13-21**

**8AM - Martha Carr †**

**11AM - Edward Adrian †**

**Monday - Jer 28:1-17/Mt  
14:22-36**

**5:30PM - Helen Schneider (int)**

**Tuesday - Jer 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-  
22/Mt 14:22-36**

**5:30PM - JoAnn Pundsack  
Kerbs †**

**Wednesday - Jer 31:1-7/Mt  
15:21-28**

**8:00AM - John Baruffi †**

**Thursday - Dn 7:9-10, 13-  
14/2 Pt 1:16-19/Mt 17:1-9**

**5:30PM - Father Jim Blount  
(int)**

**Friday - Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7/  
Mt 16:24-28**

**No Mass**

**August 2, 2020**

**EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**CHAPEL CLEANERS NEEDED**

We are looking for volunteers to help keep our Chapel beautiful. Each Friday, after the 8:00AM Mass, we would like to have a team of volunteers to vacuum, dust and do other light cleaning in the Chapel. With a team of 4 or 5 people, the cleaning would take about 45 minutes to an hour. Look for a Sign-up Genius on Monday. Sign up as often as you would like. Many hands make light work! For more information, contact Jenni at [stewardship@ccatuga.org](mailto:stewardship@ccatuga.org).

**CATHOLIC CENTER DOOLEY CLASSIC**

Our 18th Annual Catholic Center Dooley Classic will take place on Monday, August 24 at the Georgia Club! We currently have 17 teams and 20+ sponsors committed to this years tournament - *and we don't want you to miss out!*

For more information, to register, or to be a sponsor, please email [bulletin@ccatuga.org](mailto:bulletin@ccatuga.org) or visit our website.

**GRADUATE STUDENT/YOUNG PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP (GSYPF) BIBLE STUDY**

The GSYPF Bible study will meet via Zoom on Monday, August 3 at 7:00 pm to discuss Chapter 6 in the study guide "Genesis 37-50: Joseph the Dreamer." Newcomers are always welcome. For more info, contact Christy Sinksen at 706-613-0921 or [csinksen@uga.edu](mailto:csinksen@uga.edu).

**COMPLETE THE CENSUS!**

As you know, the Census count has a deep impact in how much federal funding is allocated to each community for public schools, Head Start, emergency services, services for people with disabilities, and much more for the next ten years! Right now, the percentage of responses in downtown Athens is only between 25% and 30%. This means that if the number of people responding does not increase, Athens will lose millions of dollars in funding.

Please visit [2020census.gov](http://2020census.gov) to fill out your census.

**FINANCIAL GIVING UPDATES**

Thank you for continuing to generously share your treasures with the Catholic Center for its operations, ministries, and outreach programs. For any questions or concerns, please contact the Center.

**July 19, 2020**

Offertory \$6,243.00 Alms 450.00

**July 26, 2020**

Offertory \$4,247.00 Alms \$412.00

**WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER**

Rosilyn Andrews, Bob Brownlie, Shirley Bundy, Bill Burden, Grace Byrne, Brian Carr, Marty Connell, Lori Craig, Patrick Critch, Fr. Noel Danielewicz, OFM, Conv., Norma d'Azzo, Betty DeGuilo, Elena Dekazos, Pilar Delaplane, George Dougherty, Carlos Figueroa, Carol Garbon, Mildred George, Amy Hartwell, Kurt Huberty, Ann Johnson, Mikel Nicolo, Barbara O'Brien, Sharon Perrine, Tom Risher, Joel Rivera, Ann Schrauth, Carole Seeley, Jimmy Simons, Eileen Sinda, Peggy Sudruth, Doug Tigert and Joan Weiss.

**With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones especially Dr. Robert Lawrence, Martha Tucker and John Weber**

**Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions for August**

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

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