

The Catholic Center

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CC at UGA



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Mass Readings

Saturday - John Tister †

Sunday - Sir 27:30-28:7/Rom
14:7-9/Mt 18:21-35

8AM - CC Members (int)

**11AM - Elizabeth & Michael
Shaloski (int)**

4PM - Fr. Tom Vigliotta †

6PM - Maurice Greenia †

Monday - Nm 21:4b-9/Phil

2:6-11/Jn 3:13-17

5:30PM - Martin Burns (int)

Tuesday - 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31/
Jn 19:25-27

5:30PM Irwin Callais †

Wednesday - 1 Cor 12:31-
13:13/Lk 7:31-35

5:30PM - Ruby Reed Lyons †

Thursday - 1 Cor 15:1-11/Lk
7:36-50

5:30PM - Lumen Valido †

Friday - 1 Cor 15:12-20/Lk 8:1-3

8:00 AM - CC Students (int)

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Dear Catholic Community of UGA:

This past Sunday in my homily, I shared about a retired Catholic Air Force Chaplain, Rev. Timothy Hirten, who took his life. Archbishop Broglio, Archbishop for the Military Services, wrote a powerful reflection on this event. He stated: "I am certainly deeply shaken by the tragic end of his life and I am certain that all who knew him are as well. Many of you may know that he has been experiencing difficulties for some time, was suffering from depression and was isolated from his duties at Sheppard Air Force Base, due to COVID-19 restrictions implemented by the base command." We often don't think of a priest ending his life like this.

These past months have been a challenging time for so many people. I've talked with some people who have actually expressed to me that they like the isolation. I've talked to many more who have really struggled with these strange times. When Fr. Brian and I first came here 2 months ago, you were invited to share your journeys, especially dealing with the pandemic. Many of you responded and were very honest in the challenges that life has presented in these past months.

I know this to be a very caring community. Let us continue to remember how important it is to reach out to one another. We can actively make a difference in one another's lives. Let's also pray for those seeking to find a vaccine. Here's a prayer from Pope Francis:

"In the present tragic situation, when the whole world is prey to suffering and anxiety, we fly to you, Mother of God and our Mother, and seek refuge under your protection. Virgin Mary turn your merciful eyes towards us amid this coronavirus pandemic. Comfort those who are distraught and mourn their loved ones who have died, and at times are buried in a way that grieves them deeply. Be close to those who are concerned for their loved ones who are sick and who, in order to prevent the spread of the disease cannot be close to them. Fill with hope those who are troubled by the uncertainty of the future and the consequences for the economy and employment. Mother of God and our Mother, pray for us to God, the Father of mercies, that this great suffering may end and that hope and peace may dawn anew. Please with your divine Son, as you did at Cana, so that the families of the sick and victims be comforted, and their hearts be opened to confidence and trust. Protect those doctors, nurses, health workers and volunteers, who are on the frontline of this emergency, and are risking their lives to save others. Support their heroic efforts and grant them strength, generosity and continued health. Be close to those who assist the sick night and day, and to priests and those who minister in all faiths are trying to help and support everyone. . . . Beloved Mother, help us realize that we are members of one great family and to recognize the bond that unites us, so that, in a spirit of fraternity and solidarity, we can help to alleviate countless situations of poverty and need. Make us strong in faith, persevering in service and constant in prayer."

Fr. Fred

MEET OUR NEW STAFF!



Name: Sister Carmen

Position: Sacramental Coordinator

Order: Handmaids of the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Hometown: Chota, Peru

Favorite Saint: Saint Martin de Porres

Favorite Food: Lomo Saltado (or any Peruvian Food)

Favorite Flower: Rose

CATHOLIC CHARITIS USA & CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES

Hurricane Laura and the wildfires out West are tragic reminders of the suffering that can be caused by natural disasters. Whether these catastrophes occur in slow motion as Laura has or with little or no warning at any hour of the day or night, people of faith naturally want to offer assistance.

When a natural disaster occurs in the United States, electronic donations may be made and parish collections may be directed to Catholic Charities USA. They and their member agencies respond to immediate emergency needs for such necessities as water, food, shelter and medical care, as well as to the long-term need to rebuild and recover after widespread destruction. They also assist the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops with pastoral and reconstruction needs of the Church. Their address information follows:

Catholic Charities USA

Online: <https://www.catholiccharitiesusa.org/>

Mail: Catholic Charities USA, P.O. Box 17066, Baltimore MD 21297-1066

Phone: 800-919-9338

When a disaster happens in another country, collections and individual donations should be directed to CRS:

Catholic Relief Services

Online: <https://www.crs.org/>

Mail: Catholic Relief Services, P.O. Box 17090, Baltimore, MD 21297-0303

(Please write the specific incident in the memo line)

Phone: 877-Help-CRS

GRADUATE STUDENT/YOUNG PROFESSIONAL FELLOWSHIP (GSYPF) BIBLE STUDY

The GSYPF Bible study will begin its fall study on Monday, September 14 at 7:00 p.m. via Zoom. Newcomers are always welcome. For more info, contact Christy Sinksen at 706-613-0921 or csinksen@uga.edu.

LAUDATO BEE

Buzzing for new members! I would love to get you involved with Laudato Bee, the CC bee club. If you love honey bees, honey, or bees, this is the place for you! Even if you are not comfortable getting in the hives, we still need your help! Honey sampling and snacks at our first meeting! Please fill out this interest form to join the GroupMe and help set the meeting dates!

<https://tinyurl.com/y5zbxxqk>



WOMEN’S BIBLE STUDY

Women’s Bible Study will resume on Thursdays at 10AM via Zoom. Sister Uyen-Chi will be the moderator of the group. All are welcome! Please email Kathy McGill at jmmcgill2@bellsouth.net if you are interested.

MASS PROTOCOL UPDATES

We are testing a change in our Mass Check-in Protocol. Instead of making a reservation, the Masses will be open on a first-come/first seated basis. The mass attendance limit will not change. Attendance, as of now, will be capped at 80 people. Our mass coordinators will have counters to keep track of the attendance. Once we reach our cap, we will send people to the overflow area in the Center. If you have symptoms of Covid-19 or another illness (fever, cough, etc.) or you have been exposed to someone who has tested positive for Covid-19 or suspects he/she is positive, please do not attend Mass. As always, masks are required in the Chapel and Center Hall. Thank you for your help in keeping our members safe.

MASS CHECK-IN

- The Chapel will be open 30 minutes before Mass begins. Please do not arrive earlier than 30 minutes.
- The Mass Coordinator will greet you and/or your family and sanitize your hands. An usher will seat you. Please note that the usher will seat families, couples, individuals considering social distancing. Do not move to another area. College students will only be allowed to sit with roommates or housemates.
- When 80 people have checked in, we will send the overflow to the Center Hall. Chairs will be set up with social distancing and the television in the hall will live stream the Mass. A maximum of 25 people can be seated in the overflow. An usher will be assigned to the Hall and a Eucharistic Minister will bring Communion to the Hall.

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, please contact the Center.

August 30, 2020

Offertory \$6,637.74 Alms \$229.00

August 30, 2020

Offertory \$10,355.40 Alms \$552.00

WE LIFT UP IN PRAYER

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

With deepest sympathy, our community prays for the souls of the faithful departed and for their loved ones especially Jeanne Baker and Maurice Greenia.

Pope Francis’ Prayer Intentions for September

We pray that the planet's resources will not be plundered, but shared in a just and respectful manner.

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