



Mass Intentions

Saturday 5PM - Eileen Sopera †	Tuesday 5:30PM - Communion Service
Sunday 8AM - Carole Edenfield† 10:30AM - Jaclyn Rawsley †	Wednesday 5:30PM - Communion Service
Monday 5:30PM - Communion Service	Thursday 5:30PM - Margarita Carmona † and Marie McDonald
	Friday 8AM - No Mass

Our Visiting Priests

We welcome Fr. Gregory Tipton and Fr. John Bender, LC to celebrate Mass with us this weekend.

Fr. Tipton is the pastor for Saint Aelred, from the order of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter (POCSP). Fr. Tipton is a Georgia native and has helped St. Aelred grow very much!

Fr. John is a Legionary of Christ originally from Pittsburgh. He has served as a mentor, formation director and professor for the Legionaries of Christ and now serves in Atlanta as the superior for the Atlanta community and the chaplain for the Regnum Christi young men’s section.

We thank Fr. Tipton and Fr. John for celebrating with us this weekend!

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Liturgical Schedule

Mass: Saturday: 5PM Sunday: 8AM & 10:30AM	Confession: Saturday: 3:30 - 4:30PM
Monday– Wednesday: 5:30 PM Communion Service	
Thursday: 5:30PM	*Note Confession will be in the back of the Chapel.

July 12, 2026 • Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekly Calendar

Saturday 7/11
5:00PM Mass

Sunday 7/12
8:00AM Mass
9:30AM Baptism Prep Class
10:30AM Mass

Monday 7/13
10:00AM Men’s Bible Study
5:30PM Communion Service

Tuesday 7/14
7:00AM Parking Lot Painting
5:30PM Communion Service

Wednesday 7/15
5:30PM Communion Service

Thursday 7/16
5:30PM Mass

Friday 7/17
No Mass

Saturday 7/18
3:30PM Reconciliation
5:00PM Mass

Buen Camino from Jenni

A Pilgrim’s Prayer

My Lord God, I have no idea where I am going. I do not see the road ahead of me. I cannot know for certain where it will end. Nor do I really know myself, and the fact that I think I am following your will does not mean that I am actually doing so. But I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you. And I hope I have that desire in all that I am doing. I hope that I will never do anything apart from that desire. And I know that if I do this you will lead me by the right road, though I may know nothing about it. Therefore I will trust you always though I may seem to be lost and in the shadow of death. I will not fear, for you are ever with me, and you will never leave me to face my perils alone.

Thomas Merton

This past May, my husband Rob and I went on a Camino de Santiago Pilgrimage in Spain to celebrate our 40th wedding anniversary. We wanted to step outside of our comfort zone, both physically and spiritually, to honor our journey from high school sweethearts to grandparents.

In preparation for our pilgrimage, we put on our backpacks and walked miles and miles around town. We went to Mass, prayed for strength, courage, clarity and survival. We had lists, lists and more lists to get ready. Full disclosure...the lists were mine, not Rob’s.

209,189 steps later, we completed our pilgrimage at the 0.0 mile marker at the Cathedral of Santiago. Each day of our journey began with Mass in old and beautiful churches along the path. Many of the churches were built 1000 years ago or so. This was one of my favorite parts of the pilgrimage, to sit and pray and think of all those who had been there before us. We even had Mass at a church in O Cebreiro where a Eucharistic miracle had taken place around 1000 AD. We walked an average of 15-18 miles each day. Walking through forests and fields and ancient villages, the beauty and history of Spain was on full display.

While the physical part of our pilgrimage was definitely challenging, I knew the spiritual part would be more difficult for me. One of my “superpowers” is that I am able to juggle 37 tasks and 8 conversations more or less, all while thinking 4 steps ahead. This ability has been as useful to me as a mother of 4, high school English teacher and secretary at the Catholic Center. It is not an asset for my spiritual life, when staying in the moment and being still are much more conducive to prayer and reflection. My prayer for this pilgrimage was to be present and focus on the journey. For the most part, I would say I was successful, except for trying to recruit our pilgrimage priest to come to work at the Catholic Center.

To follow the path of St. James to Santiago and realize that for 1000 years pilgrims were following this same path is an experience we will never forget. We are grateful for God’s guidance and care always and especially on our pilgrimage.

Announcements

New Staff

The Catholic Center wishes a warm welcome to our two new staff members. Jeff Donahue and Dayna Fairman both joined our staff this past month. Jeff will be serving as our Youth Minister & Confirmation Coordinator and Dayna will be coordinating our OCIA & Adult Confirmation programs. We are grateful to have them on staff!

The Catholic Center is re-painting our parking lot this Tuesday, July 14th. The parking lots will be closed all Tuesday morning so that they can be painted over. The lots will reopen after 12pm, thank you for your patience.

We have updated our online baptism registration form. Please go to our website ugacatholic.org and click on Faith Formation and Sacraments and then Baptism. Fill out the form online and submit. Once the form is received, our baptism coordinator, Virigina Johnson, will contact you for further instructions.

The Catholic Center will be hosting a Virtus Class on Thursday, July 30th at 1:00PM in the TV Room. You can register online at www.virtus.org or email Lynn Renna at lrenna@ccatuga.org

Are you interested in becoming Catholic or baptized Catholic and desiring to complete your sacraments of Christian initiation? Learn about the process of sacramental preparation, meet other people interested, and ask any questions you have about the Catholic faith. Our next Catholic Inquiry Night will be August 27th. All are welcome!

St. Joseph Catholic School in Athens is looking for a 4th-6th grade cross country coach for the upcoming school year. The team practices 2-3 days a week immediately following dismissal (time depends on the day) and attends several meets throughout the season which runs from mid August-mid October. Some cross country coaching experience is preferred, but is not mandatory. Please email Chris Moore at chris.moore@sjsathens.org for more information. Go, Knights!

This is our schedule throughout the month of July:

Thursday:
Daily Mass at 5:30PM

If you are seeking more Daily Mass or confession times, St. Joesph's has daily Mass every day at 8am. Additionally confession is offered from 7:30-7:55AM Monday-Friday, 6-7PM on Thursdays and 8:30-10:00AM on Saturdays.

As was announced in previous bulletins, there are some important registration changes this year that families will need to know before registering. Please see Fr. Brian's letter and new registration information at <https://ugacatholic.org/ministries/religious-education-re/>.

Thank you to all the eager golf players who have already registered for this year's tournament. Player registration has currently reached capacity for teams, but you can still register to join the waitlist.

If a registered team drops out of the tournament, the next team on the waitlist will be automatically added to the tournament. We are still looking for Sponsors for this year's tournament. For more information, please go to the website below or scan the QR code.



“God always loves us first. The beauty of the sea, this island and your faces is a reflection of his gratuitous initiative: love precedes us, surrounds us and brings us together...Let us not be overcome by fear, but rather look upon daily hardships as a time of opportunity and witness. May your faith, dear friends, be strengthened by these years of trial and generous commitment!” *(From Pope Leo’s Homily on July 4th)*

<i>We Lift Up in Prayer</i>			
Charlotte & Joel Alesi	Tony DiPietro	Sarah Kurtz	Mary Pinto

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