



## Greetings in Christ!

Dear Family,

We have much to be thankful for at the University Catholic Center at Emory University. The Lord continues to send us students who desire to live their Catholic faith in the academic and social life of this university. Many become leaders who lead others into a deeper encounter with Jesus Christ. In the past year they have developed small faith communities that gather for a meal after the evening Masses. Our student choir not only enhances the Masses with their music but have become an example of friendship in Christ. Our students gather for prayer and Eucharistic adoration, plan retreats, service events, and learning opportunities. This year they initiated a campus wide Christmas celebration with all the other Christian student organizations.

We are also grateful for the students who have joined the Church through their influence; three joined the Church last year and another three are preparing to receive sacraments at the Easter Vigil, this coming March.

At the University Catholic Center, our ministry team works to build up the Kingdom of God. Each of our programs are designed to bring individuals closer to Christ: whether supporting young adults through sacramental preparation, providing leadership development to students preparing for their careers, or offering retreat time and space for individuals to encounter Jesus. The University Catholic Center's mission is to *gather, evangelize, and share The Good News*.

**Benefactors like you make it possible to accomplish this mission. Your support is essential to the work of our students' development in faith, their efforts to build up the Church, and to serve others. With your help, their faith experience here will strengthen their future family, professional, and spiritual lives.**

I invite you to seek the inspiration of the Holy Spirit and prayerfully consider supporting this crucial ministry to the young adults and future leaders of our Church and world.

The gratitude expressed in our sacrificial giving is an expression of our faith and a way to put our faith into action. On behalf of the student leaders and staff, as well as the faithful individuals who benefit from the University Catholic Center's ministerial offerings, I thank you for your generous support. We look forward with hope and pray that our work continues to bless the Kingdom of God and allow its community to flourish.

Blessings in Christ,

Fr. John Boll, O.P.  
Chaplain and Director

## Why Give?

Your generous Annual Fund gift enables the University Catholic Center at Emory University to maintain its outreach and operations and facilitates indispensable retreats and programs - all of which contribute to building a thriving Church community. Every dollar you contribute has an immediate and lasting impact on our ministry and the people it serves.

It is important to emphasize that Annual Fund gifts play a central role in our ministry's funding each year. They are instrumental in making many things possible, and we truly count on your support to help us continue our mission of providing exceptional education and formation with a nurturing environment.

## Ways to Give



### ONLINE GIVING

Sign up for Online Giving or update your current online gift amount at: [www.emorycatholic.org/donate](http://www.emorycatholic.org/donate)



### PLEDGE CARD

Fill out the enclosed Pledge Card and return it in the envelope provided or directly to the University Catholic Center at Emory University.



### QR CODE

Give Today! Scan the QR code with your smartphone to fill out your Pledge Card online.

### Connect with Us!

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**University Catholic Center  
At Emory University**  
Atlanta, GA





## Our Community

*“The University Catholic Center was the cornerstone of my collegiate experience. It became my home away from home, providing a respite from the bustle of campus life. Within its walls, I found a sanctuary for prayer and a gathering place to foster lasting friendships with like-hearted Catholic students.”*

*Arianna Rosario Gomez, Alumni*

- 1000 Catholic students on-campus with undergrad and grad student organizations
- 25 dedicated families with a heart for serving students
- 3 RCIA candidates received Sacraments in 2023



## Our Contributions

*“It has been such a blessing to see students who are maturing in their faith and virtue regularly dedicate their time to serve our broader community as they get ready for their future vocations. It shows the amazing impact of Jesus on campus when our students give their hearts for others.”*

*Michael Zauche, Campus Minister*

- Monthly service opportunities at local community non-profits
- Participation in biannual collegiate Days of Service
- Annual Leadership Development retreat for students
- Catholic Social Teaching promoted through on-campus advocacy work



## Our Catholic Identity

*“I didn’t get involved with the University Catholic Center until my final year on campus—but this community is exactly what I didn’t know I needed when it comes to living a counterculturally holy life on the Emory campus.”*  
*James Chapman, Class of 2024*

- Guided by pillars of Dominican spirituality: community, prayer, study, and preaching.
- Sacramental Life prioritized with Reconciliation available before every Mass
- Emphasis on the Eucharistic Revival
- Participation in the local Synod on Synodality efforts

## Our Vision

*The University Catholic Center strives to share Christ’s Good News to a secular collegiate culture.*

## Our Mission

*The University Catholic Center complements students’ secular education with the Gospel of Jesus Christ to help them become mature Catholic adults able to live faithfully and morally in their personal and professional lives..*



## Annual Fund Goals

### Last year’s Annual Fund provided:

- \$9,013.28 in gifts to the Catholic Center
- Replacement of aging carpet with beautiful original hardwood floor

### Our 2023-24 Goal:

- \$15,000 in gifts to the Catholic Center
- Contribute to scholarship support and resources for retreatants and RCIA candidates
- Tech enhancement for main office

### St. John Henry Newman Society Giving Tiers:

- **CHARITY:** Contribute over \$5,000 in annual gifts, and/or provide a matching gift opportunity for other givers
- **FAITH:** Contribute \$1,000 - \$4,999 in annual gifts
- **HOPE:** Contribute \$500 - \$1,000 in annual gifts

## How the Annual Fund Enhances the University Catholic Center

### What is the Annual Fund & what does it support?

The Annual Fund helps bridge the gap between our Archdiocesan support, donation revenue, and the true operational cost of our ministry. Currently, the generosity of supporters like you covers approximately 30% of our ministerial operations and activities, while the remaining 70% of our ministry is reliant on the Archdiocesan Annual Appeal. Donations to the Fund allow us to enhance our faith formation and service programs and expand our capacity to serve the needs of students across three campuses.

### We humbly ask you to contribute to the University Catholic Center’s 2023-24 Annual Fund.

Thanks to the generosity of givers like you, the University Catholic Center has provided enriching faith formation, community building, volunteering, and off-campus retreat opportunities for over 55 years. The University Catholic Center is a ministry to the individuals it serves, and our ministry requires your support – prayerfully and financially. This year, we are inviting you, as well as other parents, alumni, and community members, to showcase your support for our ministry by contributing to the Annual Fund.

Be part of our ministry and contribute to the University Catholic Center 2023-24 Annual Fund TODAY!

*See the back of this brochure for more details on how to give. >>*



## Please Prayerfully Consider

- Giving financially
- Serving as an RCIA sponsor
- Spreading the word about our Annual Fund
- Inviting others to participate
- Praying for the University Catholic Center and the success of this year’s Annual Fund