

Lourdes Birthdays

Anthony Peoples	May 20	Nicholas Butler	May 23	Danielle Cadet	May 25
Joyce Murray	May 20	Bettie Grahma-Hunt	May 24	David Williams	May 25
Kirby Harlan	May 20	Bryan Tesh	May 24	Elizabeth Hall	May 25
Valencia Burwell	May 20	Carley Jones-McClosky	May 24	Eve Marie Haydel	May 25
Julian Corado	May 21	Frankie Sweet	May 24	Fritz Jean-Pierre	May 25
Kevin Linder	May 21	Johnna Carlson	May 24	Henry Reilly	May 25
Victor Mensa-Shebra	May 21	Kaden Hutton	May 24	Kathleen Ferguson	May 25
Tanya Blanchard	May 22	Kennedy Steele	May 24	Kristin Mize	May 26
Adrienne Bradford	May 23	Kenneth Joe, Sr.	May 24	Malcolm Laurent	May 26
Deborah Ambeaus	May 23	Kingston Hutton	May 24	Marcel Benoit	May 26
Freddie Valdez	May 23	Philip Musey	May 24	Maureen Kelly	May 26
Madison Charles	May 23	Shaina Clodomir	May 24	Milton Coulon	May 26
				Trasi Wyatt	May 26

3rd Sunday of the Month (05/20/12)

Thanks to the **YAG Ministry** (5:00 PM), **Choir Ministry** (8:00 AM), **KPCLA** (10:00 AM), for providing the bread for our guests at this weekend's Masses. As a reminder, the **Health Ministry** (5:00 PM), **Social Action** (8:00 AM), **AIDS Ministry** (10:00 AM) will provide this services next week.

Saint Thais Prostitute and Religious

Thais, a prostitute from Alexandria, became very wealthy because of her trade. It seems that she was quite famous throughout the Alexandrian community. Although many historians question the truth of her story, many people accept the story as fact centuries after her death. The details are a bit sketchy and there are no written texts to corroborate the events around her life, but hagiographers explain her life as one completely turned around by the Gospels. It seems that Saint Paphnitus, a disciple of Saint Anthony, eventually convinced Thais that she must return to her Christian upbringing and repent. When Paphnitus asked to privately speak with Thais, she remarked, "What do you fear?...If you fear men, we are private here. If you fear God there is no place to hide from Him." This was evidence that she was aware of God's commandments and the Risen Lord.

There are conflicting accounts as to what happened after her conversion. Some accounts say that she burned all of her jewels and elements of wealth and that Paphnitus walled her up in a monastery, only releasing her on Saint Anthony's advice. Another account reports that she gave all of her wealth to the poor and stayed in a solitary cell in a monastery because she did not deem herself worthy of contact with other nuns. Whatever really happened, we know that Saint Thais had the opportunity to repent for her sins. After being held up for three years, eating only bread and drinking water, she ended her solitude and merged her life with the other religious sisters in the monastery. Unfortunately, she died fifteen days later.

AFRICAN SAINTS~ 40 HOLY MEN AND WOMEN~ AFRICAN STORIES.....CAMILLE LEWIS BROWN, PH.D.

To report abuse by church personnel:

888.437.0764 Archdiocese of Atlanta 24 Hour Reporting Hotline
Free Pregnancy Test ~ Advice & Aid - 404.763.4357 or Optionline.org
Lourdes Advocates ~ Ministry for Pregnancy (LAMP) - 404.969-LAMP or 404.969.5267



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Dr. Kevin Johnson, Music Ministry

Mrs. Theresa Bowen, Director Religious Education

Ms. Paula Scotman, Teen Ministry

Mr. Cong Dinh, Maintenance Supervisor

Mr. Luis Perez, Housekeeper

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturday: 5:00 PM

Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, and 12:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday: 4:30 PM and by appointment

RCIA - Inquiry Classes

Every Sunday after the 8:00 AM Mass

KDCC - 3rd Floor

Rosary

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Organizations/Meeting Dates/Contacts

* (OLLS) Alumni Association

Benjamin Gibson, Calvin Washington

* Amazing Grace Liturgical Dancers, Kenya Griffin, Director

Sunday 1:00 pm and Wednesday 7:00 pm

* Baby Boomers

For info, call the Church Office - 404.522.6776

* Bible Study: Every Wednesday 7:00 pm

Ishola Gaba, Facilitator - 404.456.3365

* Book Store: 4th weekend after each Mass

Quita Barton, Coord. qbarton@aol.com or call the Church Ofc.

* (OLL) Centennial Committee - ollcc100@gmail.com

Patrice Barton Smith, Co-Chair - Psbarton901@gmail.com

Louis Hubbard, Co-Chair - dipdab80@sbcglobal.net

* Cursillo Movement / Ultreya: 3rd Sat. 7:30 pm

Kwame Nyaku, Coordinator - 404.543.0068

* Finance Council: Quarterly Meetings

Norm Richie, Chairperson

* Haiti Ministry

Renee Schatteman - 404.557.3330

* Health Ministry

For info, call the Church Office - 404.522.6776

* History Committee: 3rd Sat. 10:30 am

Geraldine Jackson-White, Facilitator - 404.767.1005

* Knights of Peter Claver (KPC): 2nd Sun. 1:30 pm

Eugene Roberts, Grand Knight - 404.427.1039

Junior Knights: Quentin Hutchins

* KPC Ladies Auxiliary: 2nd Sun. 1:30 pm

Carmen Jenkins, Grand Lady - 404.229.9263

Junior Daughters: Brandi Collins

* LAPS (Life After Pink Slips): 1st Monday only at 7:00 pm

Charles Bowen, Coordinator - 770.981.3663

* Life Issues: 3rd Saturday 4:00 pm

Ron Chandonia, Coordinator - 770.631.0060

* Liturgy Committee: 1st Mon. 7:00 pm

For info, call the Church Office - 404.522.6776

* Lourdes Athletic Ministry

Kevin Rogers, Co-Coordinator - 404.704.7327

Kwame Nyaku, Co-Coordinator - 404.543.0068

* Lourdes Book Club

Carole Lacour, Coordinator - 404.629.0878

* Men's Ministry

Patrick Turner, Facilitator - 770.469.4624

* Parenting Ministry: Every Sunday 10:30 am

P. J. Lemuel, Facilitator - 770.981.7226

* Prayer Shawl Ministry: 3rd Sat. 3:00 pm (no mtg. Nov. & Dec.)

Kathy Merritt - 770.986.2907

* RCIA (Interested in becoming Catholic)

Kim Parrish Coordinator 404.522.6776

* Simon's Call (AIDS Ministry): 4th Sun. 12 noon

For info, call the Church office - 404.522.6776

* Social Action Committee: 1st Sun After 8:00 am

Beatrice Soublet, Coordinator - 404.629.9654

* St. Vincent de Paul Society: 1st & 3rd Sun. 11:30 am

Joel Maxwell, Coordinator - 888.246.7155

* Women's Council: 1st Sunday after the 10:00 Mass

Denise Hood, President

* Young Adult Group: 2nd Sun. 9:30 am

Chrystal Akor, Co-Coordinator - 404.955.2195

Alicia Cobb, Co-Coordinator - 619.846.2002

* Young at Heart (Seniors)

For info, call the Church Office - 404.522.6776

ASCENSION OF THE LORD



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Save the Date -The Knights of Peter Claver and Ladies Auxiliary, Junior Daughters Court 300 is pleased to be hosting their first annual Father-Daughter Dance just in time for Father's Day! This year's theme is "A Celebration of New Beginnings". This special event will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church Katherine Drexel Hall on Saturday, June 16th, from 6:30pm-10:30 pm. Tickets are \$30 for a father-daughter couple and \$10 for each additional daughter. For tickets, please email jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com or a Junior Daughter from Court 300.

Bilingual Speakers Needed Calling all French, Spanish and other language speakers! Your language skills are needed for the first reading for Pentecost weekend (May 26 and May 27). If you are willing to read in your language (other than English), please contact Carolyn Bell (cbell@lourdesatlanta.org) by Tuesday, May 22 with the following: your name, email address, phone number, language(s) you speak, and Mass time(s) you're available.

Looking for a Temporary Bookstore Coordinator duties include ordering supplies and price the items, prepare deposits for Church Office after the weekend sales, coordinate volunteers- by setting up schedules, notifying them of bookstore dates etc., and keep inventory of items on hand. Skills that are needed are; must be dependable, flexible, detailed oriented and work well under pressure. Cash handling and record keeping experience will be helpful, work well with other people and willingness to fill-in when the other volunteers are unavailable to cover a Mass. Currently the bookstore is open in the cafeteria on the 4th weekend of each month.

In Celebration of Pentecost Sunday, May 26th and 27th we invite everyone to wear "the fiery colors of red, orange, and yellow" and clothing of your homeland to show the international nature of the Lourdes family.

Save the Date Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary Annual Prayer Breakfast Court 300 is pleased to announce this year's event will be held on Saturday, August 4, 2012 at 9am in the Loudermilk Conference Center. Tickets will be on sale starting May 20th and can be purchased from any KPCLA member for \$30. Please join us for this great event that helps to fund scholarships for our college-bound youth. For more information or to make a scholarship donation, please contact Lady Kizmet Charles at 404-635-0447.

The Music Ministry invites music lovers of all abilities to join the summer choir. Share your talents with the OLL community by joining the Music Ministry's summer choir. No auditions or rehearsal time is required. This summer the choir will be wearing the gold Music Ministry polo which can be purchased for \$18 for S, M, L and XL sizes. Sizes of 2XL and above are \$20. Contact Donald Johnson at don_twin@bellsouth.net for purchase. We hope to see you this summer in the choir stand.

Our Lady of Lourdes Centennial T-shirts Centennial T-shirts will be available for sale after each Mass the weekends of May 26th/27th and June 23rd/June 24th. Adult and children shirts are \$10 (XXL and XXXL are \$12). Get into the Centennial spirit and be ready to wear your shirts the weekend of June 30th/July 1st!

May 20, 2012

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Bulletin is always available on the Lourdes website

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Today's Scripture readings are:

Acts 1:1-11; Ephesians 4:1-13

GOSPEL: Mark 16:15-20

Next Sunday's readings are:

Acts 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

GOSPEL: John 20:19-33

LOURDES STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Church Budget: \$17,835

Church Support 05/13/12: \$16,347

Total Church Budget (07/03/11 – 05/13/12): \$820,050

Actual Church Support (07/03/11 – 05/13/12): \$821,549

LOURDES LUNCH Our parish volunteers served **293** people this Tuesday and **271** on Thursday. We are grateful for these women and men who share the charity of Christ with those who are hungry. Volunteers are most welcome. Just come to the cafeteria after 9:30 AM and concludes around 1:00 PM.

ARCHBISHOPS' ANNUAL APPEAL 2012

Lourdes Share \$66,146

Outstanding Pledges \$89,558

Amount Paid To Date (02/26/12 – 05/04/12): \$16,223

(389 Lourdes Households)

Teen Confirmations Congratulations to all our teens who were confirmed: Matthew Amos, Michael Anidi, Kennedy Blanchard, Alexis Bounds, David Bryant, Evan Bufford, Christine Clodomir, Richard Delphin III, Lauren Griffith, Lesley LePlatte, Nicholas Harris, Nicholas Musey, Cameron Smith, Jordan Triplett.

The Amazing Grace Dancers would like to thank all those Lourdes members that supported us at our annual Mother's Day concert. We hope to see you next year!

Smart Lunch, Smart Kid Beginning May 21 in College Park and May 29 in Atlanta, 2012, Smart Lunch, Smart Kid with the help of local volunteers – will provide 400 healthy meals every weekday and educational enrichment opportunities to children in need during the summer. The program is similar to Meals on Wheels, except that the lunches are delivered to children who receive free- and reduced-priced lunches during the school year. Nutritious sack lunches will be delivered directly to children who live in apartment complexes, housing projects, and mobile home communities. **Volunteers are being recruited.** Contact Rachel Ruckart at 404-593-8190 or rruckart@actionministries.net <http://www.actionministries.net/SmartLunchSmartKid>

Memorial Mass On May 30th Archbishop Wilton Gregory will be celebrating a Memorial Mass of all babies whose life ended way too soon and resulted in a miscarriage, stillbirth or infant death within the first few months of life. If your loss was recent or years prior please join EMBRACE Ministry for this very special mass on May 30th at 7PM at The Cathedral of Christ The King, 2699 Peachtree Road, NE, Atlanta, GA 30305. A reception will follow the mass.

Jazz Flavors It's a fundraiser for St. Paul of the Cross Capital Campaign featuring Atlanta's hottest band, Grits and Jelly Butter, at Mable House Amphitheatre, 5239 Floyd Road, Mableton, GA 30126 on Saturday, June 23rd from 6pm – 10pm. Covered Seating is \$35, Lawn is \$15, and Tables are SOLD OUT. Tickets can be purchased at Ticketmaster or Mable House Box Office. Our special guest host will be Art Terrell of KISS 104.1. Please contact www.saintpaulofthecross.org or call 404.696.6704 for more details.

Please pray for our sick & shut-in members: Joseph Allen, Marilyn Archer, Heather Ausman, Mark Azzarello, Addie Bailey, LaQueeta Banks, Ruby Bolden, Charles Bowen, Kevin Bowman, Aaron Brewington, Irvin Brown, John Brown, Johnna Carlson, Michael Vosburg-Casey, Jay Coleman, N'Dira Collier, Ed Jude Costello, Fred Crimi, Clara Cruz, Diane Daniels, Wilford Deese, Jim Finn, Charlene Flournoy, Winston Fouche, Wilburn Fouche, Helen Franklin, Princella Frazier, Karin Garcia, Alamrew Gaines, Beverly Glover, Jessica Goff, DeLeur Gordon, Miriam Gotay, Scofield Grant, Jeanne Gray, Dorothy and Melvin Griffin, Geton Harper, Susan Harris, Nathan Hearn, Vicki Lynn Hogan, William Jackson, Barbara James, Nancy Jamison, Blanche Johnson, Hazel Johnson, Marvin Johnson, Sonia Johnson, Minnie Jones, Jessica Jordan, Raeburn Josey, Sis. Anna Kearns, Angeline Kissun, Brenda Lee, Joni Lefter, Hilary Lobban, Bernice Malcolm, Pierce McCarthy, Dorothy McClean, Rose Melville, Elias Mustafa, Miriam Norton, Gloria Oakley, Lethia Odom, Idalia O'Neal, Mazie Parker, Daniel Penick, Lorraine Powell, Katie Price, Eisenhower and Rosario Raines, Phyllis Randolph, LaTanya Renfro, Janet Nixon Reynolds, Eleanor Roak, Charles Robertson, Freddie Robinson, Joi Robinson, Joe Robinson, Christopher Rutherford, Michelle Ryans, Brenda Sewell, Barbara Schenk, Karla Schmidt, Jollette Shannon, Austin Smith, Ernestine Smith, Jhamal Smith, Malcolm Smith, Regina Smith, Lori Sneed, Delia Spencer, Eugene Sturgis, Nicholas Tabb, Lillie Thomas, Denise Tyson, Andrew Vassil, Denny Vavro, Barbara Waller, Wesley & Sophie Waring, Andre White, Sophia L. White.