# **Lourdes Birthdays**

Brett Brock	Jan 11	Jennifer Lockwood	Jan 13	Bill Mackinnon	Jan 16
Debra Tyler	Jan 11	Michael Roach	Jan 13	Carolyn Bell	Jan 16
Gabriella Giordani	Jan 11	Robert Rodriguez	Jan 13	Danielle Lipscomb	Jan 16
James Morton III	Jan 11	Albert Miller	Jan 14	Darren Howard	Jan 16
Lee Sigmon	Jan 11	Demetria Labat	Jan 14	Kimora Willams	Jan 16
Elan Serrant	Jan 11	Eli Luster	Jan 14	Ryan Cavanaugh	Jan 16
Ethan Serrant	Jan 11	Maurya Stracke	Jan 14	Shaun Brownlee	Jan 16
Isa Andino	Jan 12	Monique Bourgeois	Jan 14	Warren Moon	Jan 16
Jason Hawkins	Jan 12	Thomas Holcombe	Jan 14	Alexandria Ashley	Jan 17
Jean Harvey	Jan 12	Yamilee Mackenzie	Jan 14	Bill McCarty	Jan 17
John Headen, Jr.	Jan 12	Ayani Scott	Jan 15	Brian Hunt	Jan 17
Langston Berry	Jan 12	Eddie Williams	Jan 15	Carolina Colin-Antonini	Jan 17
Linda Dolphin	Jan 12	Eva Isakov	Jan 15	David Kopij	Jan 17
William Buckmaster	Jan 12	Michele Harris	Jan 15	Graham White	Jan 17
Jallure Harrell	Jan 13	Alda Nolberto	Jan 16	Keenan Tillman	Jan 17

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of January (01/11/15)

#### <u>Father Augustus Tolton - Priest</u> **Holy Endurance**

How would you feel if everyone knew who you were and your presence sometimes elicited a negative response? What would it be like to truly be alone with frustrations that no one seemed to care about? How would you exist? If you were donned with the title "The most conspicuous Man in America," how would you feel? This was the world of Father Augustus Tolton, the first African American priest in the United States.

Because of constant rejections by the seminaries in the United States, Augustus entered Urban College in Rome to prepare for the priesthood. Originally, he was preparing for African missions, but this plan was altered. Here is one of his favorite quotes regarding this plan. "I heard the words of St. John "prepare the ways of the Lord" and God gave me the strength to persevere...I rejoiced when I heard that I was to be sent to America. God is over us all, and has many blessings for men of every race... It was said that I would be the only priest of my race in America and would not be likely to succeed. All at once Cardinal Simoni said "American has been called the most enlightened nation; we will see if it deserves that honor. If America has never seen a black priest, it has to see one now."

African Saints- 40 Holy Men and Women- African Stories; C.L. 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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## **January 11, 2015**

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#### **Parish Staff**

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Ms. Lisa Berkley, Business Manager/Bookkeeper

Ms. Carolyn Bell, Secretary

Dr. Kevin Johnson, Music Ministry

Mrs. Theresa Bowen, Director Religious Education

Ms. Paula Scotman, Teen Ministry

Mr. Cong Dinh, Maintenance Supervisor

#### 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 8:00AM Mass

KDCC - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor

Rosary

Saturday: 4:30 PM

**Sunday School Classes** 

8:45AM - 9:45AM

Teen Ministry: 10:15AM - 11:45AM

#### Organizations/Meeting Dates/Contacts

\*(OLLS) Alumni Association Janis Griffin, Coordinator

\*Amazing Grace Liturgical Dancers, Kenya Griffin, Director Wednesday 7p-9p; Sunday 1:30; OPEN REHEARSALS every 2nd Sunday thru April @ 2:30p.

\*Baby Boomers

For info, call Janine Brown (301)651-5953 or Email: jeanettajacobsmom@hotmail.com

\*Bible Study: Every Wednesday 7:00 pm

Ishola Gaba, Facilitator - 404.456.3365 \*Book Store: 4th weekend after each Mass

Quita Barton, Coord. gbarton@aol.com or call the church office

\*(OLL) Centennial Committee - ollcc100@gmail.com Patrice Barton Smith, Co-Chair - Psbarton901@gmail.com Louis Hubbard, Co-Chair – dipdab8o@sbcglobal.net

\*Cursillo Movement / Ultreya: 3rd Sat. 7:30 pm Darren Gustafson, gustafson2954@comcast.net

\*Finance Council: Quarterly Meetings Mary Ellen Macke, Chairperson

\*Haiti Ministry- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the 10am Mass Mary Jane Cooper 404-375-1686 Jackie Wales 770-378-2705

\*Health Ministry

Brad Singleton, pocomo.singleton5@gmail.com Sean Griffith, scgriff1@hotmail.com

\*History Committee: 3rd Sat.10:30am, TBA \*Knights of Peter Claver (KPC): 2nd Sun. 1:30 pm

Eric Francis, Grand Knight - 404-272-6822 Junior Knights: Quentin Hutchins, 404.438.1249

\*KPC Ladies Auxiliary: 2nd Sun. 1:30 pm Carmen Jenkins, Grand Lady - 404. 229.9263 Junior Daughters: Brandi Collins, 404.936.0544 \*Lourdes Lunch: Tues. & Thurs, Sept - June Thayes Sturgis, Coordinator - 404.375-0838

\*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 \*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

\*RCIA (Interested in becoming Catholic) Kim Parrish Coordinator 404 981-5977

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

For info, call the Church office - 404.522.6776 \*Social Action Committee: 1st Sun After 10:00 am Mass

Janine Brown, 301-651-5953 \*St. Vincent de Paul Society: 1st & 3rd Sun. 11:30 am

Joanne Breaugh, 770-402-7481

\*Stephen's Ministry

Mizette Coakley, Coordinator, 404-983-0956,

\*Women's Council: 1st Sunday at 10:00am Theresa Wilson, President – 404-659-6433

\*Young Adult Group: Fridays 7:30pm ollyagatl@gmail.com

Christopher Hanna, Coordinator; 404-903-6113 \*Young at Heart (seniors)

For info, call the Church Office - 404.522.6776

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Bulletin is always available on the Lourdes website

\*Deadline for bulletin notices is Wednesdays at 12pm

EMAIL: cbell@lourdesatlanta.org

### Today's Scripture readings are:

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7; I John 5:1-9

GOSPEL: Mark 1:7-11

### Next Sunday's readings are:

I Samuel 3:3-10, 19; I Corinthians 6:13-15, 17-20

GOSPEL: John 1:35-42 <u>Lourdes Prayer Line</u> 678.235.5469 lourdespct@gmail.com

Mass Intention: 8am ~ For the repose soul of †Carolyn Touchette

**OLL Grief Support Group** Anyone who is with grief or loss of any kind is welcome to join us on January 13, 2015 from 7:00pm – 8:30pm in the Katharine Drexel Center.

<u>The Amazing Grace Dancers</u> will be holding their first Open Rehearsal of 2015 on Sunday, Jan 11<sup>th</sup> at 2:30pm in the dance studio. All skill levels and ages welcomed. Open Rehearsals every 2nd Sunday January-April at 2:30pm.

Offering Prayer to Seniors That is the name of the article in the Georgia Bulletin (Dec 25<sup>th</sup>) giving homage to Lourdes' own David & Mary Waters, who assembles with seniors at St. Georgia Village Care Community every Saturday. He and Mary began participating in 2006 and have since been diligent in aiding seniors in the rosary prayer. Please take some time to read this wonderful article and congratulate David & Mary on a job well done.

<u>2014 Tax Contribution Letters</u> will be sent out on January 30, 2015. If you have made any changes in your name, mailing address or email address, phone number, please email any/all updated information to Carol Ann Pinard at cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org prior to January 23, 2015. If you prefer to have your statement email to you, please indicate this in your email.

<u>Thank You!</u> On behalf of the Jones Family, we would like to thank everyone for their kind words and cards of condolences during our bereavement. Your prayers are much appreciated ~ *Margaret Jones & Family* 

Lourdes Woman of the Year Nomination On January 17th and 18th Lourdes Women's Council will be accepting nominations for Lourdes Women of the Year. All Lourdes Women are eligible for this nomination and do not have to be an Active Women's Council Member. Please take some time to nominate your candidate whom you feel "has put in those extra hours to carry out God's work in our parish." The Lourdes Women of the Year will be recognized during Mass at the Annual Recognition Day on Saturday February 28, 2015 (10AM) at Catholic Church of S. Ann, 4905 Roswell Road, Marietta, GA 30062.

Message From Haiti Our Lady of Fatima would like to extend to the Lourdes parishioners and Haiti Committee our wishes for a great year 2015. To all our brothers and sisters who live in Atlanta and specially those who are dedicated to helping children have a better tomorrow "Thank You". Let good God shower you with His grace ~Mgr. Zephyrin Robillard

Liturgy Meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 20th at 7pm in the St. Augustine Room.

Lourdes School Alumni Association Congratulations to the new officers of Our Lady of Lourdes School Alumni Association. They are Janis E. Griffin, President; Hilliard Lee, Vice President; Karen D. Allen, Correspondent Secretary; Miriam M. Stokes, Treasurer/Financial Secretary; Walter H. Holt, Parliamentarian, and Calvin Washington, Chaplin. The first alumni meeting of the year will be Sunday, January 25, 2015 at 2 PM at Our Lady of Lourdes in the cafeteria. All former students of Our Lady of Lourdes School are included in this organization. Please mark your calendar for this date and attend the meeting to assist in planning activities for the year. "Cheer, Cheer, Cheer for OLLS"

#### LOURDES STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Church Budget: \$22,495 (New Budget Total) Total Church Budget (07/06/14 – 01/04/15): \$578,697 Church Support: 01/04/15: \$30,267 Actual Church Support (07/06/14 01/04/15): \$586,862

#### **ARCHBISHOPS ANNUAL APPEAL**

LOURDES SHARE \$78,600 AMOUNT PAID TO DATE (01/08/15):\$81,947

OUTSTANDING PLEDGES \$0

<u>Lourdes Lunch</u>: Our parish volunteers served <u>241</u> people this past Tuesday and <u>235</u> on Thursday. We are grateful for these women and men who share the charity of Christ with those who are hungry. All new volunteers- those who are at least 12 years of age are most welcome but will need to call the church office to be scheduled for volunteering. Volunteers are scheduled from 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

Lourdes Book Club and Social Action Committee Join us on Saturday, 31 January 2015, at 7:00 P.M. in the cafeteria, These parish ministries will participate in the international reading campaign "One Book, Many Communities," which brings together many communities throughout the world, all discussing the same book. The book, Mornings in Jenin, by Palestinian-American author Susan Abulhawa, is "a historical saga set in Palestine and the US which follows the impact of the Nakba — the 1948 ethnic cleansing of Palestine — on a family who settle in the refugee camp in Jenin after being forced out of their home village." Please come as we join readers from an extensive number of book groups in Italy, France, Sweden, Germany, Great Britain, Lebanon, Canada, and the U.S. during January 2015 to hear Palestinian voices through their literature. This will be a pot luck supper event; we hope to have visitors from a few neighboring faith communities participate with us. For more information, contact Carole Lacour at Lared111@aol.com or 404-629-0878.

Our Lady of LaSalette Catholic Church is seeking an Administrative Assistant. This position is part-time (20 hrs/wk), fully bilingual (English/Spanish) self-starter, organized, able to work without supervision, great communication skills, able to multitask and a very strong attention to detail; with knowledge and proficient use of computer software. Flexibility with work hours including some Sundays is necessary. Positive and service-oriented disposition is required. Email resume to <a href="mailto:search@lasalettecanton.com">search@lasalettecanton.com</a>.

St. Peter Claver Regional Catholic School is hosting an Open House on Sunday, January 25 from 1-3pm, with a principal's talk to begin at 1:15pm. Prospective families with preschool, elementary and middle school age children are invited to take a tour and learn more about the school's blended learning program and mission to provide students with opportunities to grow in their faith and successfully plan for their future. Following the tours, there will be time to answer questions about the various academic, spiritual and extracurricular programs St. Peter Claver has to offer, as well as information regarding the application and admissions process. For additional details, contact Meaghan Schroeder-mschroeder@spc-school.org or call 404-241-3063 ext. 119. For our address and directions, visit our website: www.spc-school.org.

St. John the Evangelist Catholic School is hosting an OPEN HOUSE for prospective families on Saturday, January 24th from 3:00-5:00 p.m. Meet the principal and take a personal tour of the school. Come see why St. John School is a 2-time National Blue Ribbon School of Excellence. We are now accepting applications for PK-7th grade for the 2015-16 school year. For additional information call Bernadette Boisis at 404-767-4312 or email Bernadette at bboisis@sjecs.net.

<u>January is Glaucoma Awareness Month</u> More than 2 million Americans age 40 and older suffer from glaucoma. Nearly half do not know they have the disease—it causes no early symptoms. If you notice any signs of potential eye problems, see an eye doctor for a complete eye exam. Even if you have no signs, regular eye exams are recommended—especially for those with some chronic health conditions such as diabetes and high blood pressure. Early detection and treatment can be the key to preventing sight loss.

Please pray for our sick & shut-in including: Bernice Malcolm, Pierce McCarthy, Dorothy McClean, Ed R. McDonnell Sr., Beverly McEwan, James McMullan, Angelo & Axel Mejia, Beverly Mims, Ashton Montgomery, John Moore, Elias Mustafa, Nevels Family, Chloe Miller, Gloria Oakley, Evette Oates, Idalia O'Neal, Barbara Neely, Mazie Parker, Lucy Piquant, Harvey Porter, Lorraine Powell, Charles Prejean, III, Katie Price, Eisenhower and Rosario Raines, Janet Nixon Reynolds, Rosalind Reynolds, Joi Robinson, Shayla Robinson, Christopher Rutherford, Michelle Ryans, Barbara Schenk, Karla Schmidt, Jolette Shannon, Alana Sheppard, Belinda Skelton, Lois Smith & Renise Smith, Ernestine Smith, Malcolm Smith, Regina Smith, Terry Smith, Lori Sneed, Beatrix Snowden, John Soto, Delia Spencer, Ashley Stone, Eugene Sturgis, Jean-Luc Tahou, Brian Terrell, Leonard Thomas, Jr., Lillie Thomas, Terry Thompson, Andrew Vassil, Denny Vavro, Marjorie & Alan Vieira, Courtney & Josie Vissman, Barbara Waller, Sophia L. White, Dawn Williams, Gwendolyn Williams, Sherran Winchester, Juliana Yang.