NEWS AT LOURDES

SAVE THE DATE! National Black Catholic Congress XII Archdiocesan Day of Reflection, taking place on Saturday, December 10, 2016 from 1:00pm - 4:00pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church (25 Boulevard NE, Atlanta, GA 30312).

SAVE THE DATE! Amazing Grace Dancers annual Winter Benefit Fundraiser Concert on Sunday, December 11, 2016 at 3:00pm here at Our Lady of Lourdes.

LOURDES MUSIC MINISTRY Every year, the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra puts on a holiday concert called "A Very Merry Holiday POPS" at Atlanta Symphony Hall. This year, Our Lady of Lourdes Music Ministry will be featured, along with other musicians and the Atlanta Symphony Orchestra. Please join us in celebrating the holiday season during this exciting musical experience! Showtimes are on Friday, December 16, at 8:00pm and Saturday, December 17, at 2:00pm and 8:oopm. For ticket information please go to www.atlantasymphony.org.

2016 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL It is very important that you fulfil your pledges so we can meet or exceed our goal. Any overages come back to Lourdes.

NOVEMBER IS NATIONAL LUNG CANCER AWARENESS MONTH Lung Cancer is a tragic disease that takes a terrible toll on those with the disease, as well as their loved ones. Lung cancer is the leading cancer killer in both men and women in the United States. In fact, more people die from lung cancer than any other type of cancer. The American Lung Association has long been the leader in the fight against lung cancer and is taking new steps to help both patients and their families. Quitting smoking is the single most important step a smoker can take to reduce their risk for lung cancer. Quitting can be tough but smokers don't have to quit alone. Smoking cessation programs have helped smokers quit for nearly 30 years. Freedom From Smoking and Not-On-Tobacco are two programs available to help adult and teen smokers quit for good. The Quitter in You program is designed to help people who have tried to quit before see each attempt as a step to success, not a failure. Speak with your Primary care Physician regarding your risks for Lung Cancer and Lung Disease.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR NOVEMBER Countries Receiving Refugees. That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity. Collaboration of Priests and Laity. That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement.

MARIST SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE - Sunday, December 4, 2016 from 1:00pm -4:00pm. A brief school presentation will begin at 1PM. Come meet students, teachers, and coaches while learning about our academic, spiritual, and extracurricular programs. Marist School is an Independent Catholic School of the Marist Fathers and Brothers that enrolls boys and girls of all faiths for grades seven through twelve. For more information, please visit our website at www.marist.com.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE - We invite you to join us for one of the following dates: Monday, December 5, 1:30pm - 3:00pm or Wednesday, January 25, 6:30pm - 8:00pm.Let your child grow with us! To RSVP or request more information, please contact Meaghan Schroeder at 404-636-4488 or mschroeder@ihmschool.org.

WINTER GEAR DONATIONS FOR CATHOLIC Charities Atlanta Catholic Charities Atlanta is in urgent need of winter hats, gloves, scarves, socks and lap blankets. Georgia winters are very cold, but these items can make all the difference for our clients in need. If you would like to provide help and create hope by donating new or gently used items, please contact Margaret Prickett at mprickett@catholiccharitiesatlanta.org.

> To report abuse by church personnel: 888.437.0764 Archdiocese of Atlanta 24 Hour Reporting Hotline Free Pregnancy Test – Pregnancy Aid Clinic – 404.763.4357 or Optionline.org

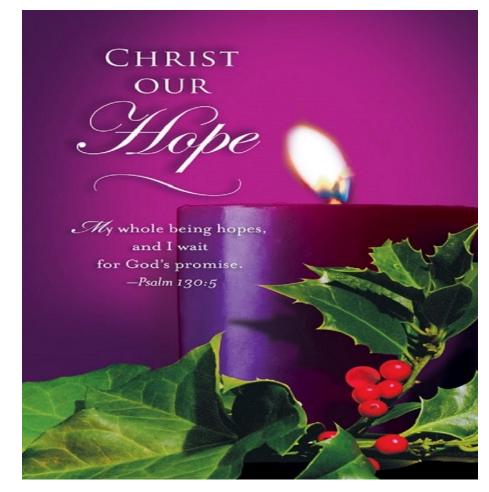
A CENTURY OF WITNESS - A FUTURE OF COMMITMENT

OUR LADY of LOURDES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

25 Boulevard, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30312 404.522.6776 www.lourdesatlanta.org

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Parish Staff

Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P., Pastor

Rev. Bruce Schultz, O.P., Associate Pastor

Rev. Mr. Chester Griffin, Deacon

Ms. Lisa Berkley, Business Manager/Bookkeeper

Mr. Kenneth Louis, Director of Liturgy and Music

Ms. Carol Ann Pinard, Office Administrative Assistant

Mrs. Angela Massingale, Assistant to the Pastor

Mrs. Theresa Bowen, Director of Religious Education

Ms. Samantha Smith, Teen Ministry

Mr. Cong Dinh, Maintenance Supervisor

Mr. Pierre Monette, Jr., Youth/Young Adult Coordinator

November 27, 2016

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

> Rosary Saturday: 4:30 PM

RCIA Inquiry Classes Saturdays -4:00PM Sunday—8:30AM In RCIA Room KDCC—3rd Floor Contact: Kim Parrish 404.247.6628 kaparrish@hotmail.com

Sunday School Classes K - 7: Sunday: 10:30 AM—11:30 AM

> **Nursery Hours** 9:45AM—11:45AM Ages: 3 Months—4 Years Old

Teens: 10:30 AM—11:45 AM Contact: Samantha Smith lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org

> Pastoral Care Team 678.235.5469 lourdespct@gmail.com Lourdes Prayer Line

We are active We are committed We are LOURDES Be active. Your time, your talent, your Church.

Ministries & Organizations

(OLLS) Alumni Association Janis Griffin, Coordinator

Amazing Grace Liturgical Dancers

Kenya Griffin, Director Wednesdays, 7PM-9PM; Sundays 1:30PM

Open Rehearsals every 2nd Sunday thru April @ 2:30PM

Baby Boomers

Janine Brown: (301)651-5956 jeanettajacobsmom@hotmail.com

Bible Study

Every Wednesday, 7PM Marcus Stewart, Facilitator: (770)491-9319

Book Store

4th weekend after each Mass Quita Barton, Coordinator qbarton@aol.com

(OLL) Centennial Committee

ollcc100@gmail.com Patrice Barton Smith, Co Chair Psbarton901@gmail.com Louis Hubbard, Co-Chair dipdab8o@sbcglobal.net

Cursillo Movement/Ultreya

1st Mondays, 7:00PM Lisa Berkley, bookkeeper@lourdesatlanta.org

Finance Council

Quarterly Meetings Dawn Leaner-Hall, Chairperson

Haiti Ministry

3rd Sunday after the 10AM Mass Reginald Grand-Pierre 404-309-7670

Health Ministry

B. Singleton, pocomo.singleton5@gmail.com S. Griffith, scgriff1@hotmail.com

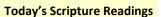
History Committee 3rd Saturday at 10:30a (TBA)

Knights of Peter Claver (KPC)

2nd Sunday at 12:00PM Eugene Roberts, Grand Knight (404)427-1039 Quentin Hutchins, Jr. Knights (404)438-1249

KPC Ladies Auxiliary

2nd Sunday at 12:00PM Patrice Barton-Smith, Grand Lady (678)371-2677



Isaiah 2:1-5; Romans 13:11-14 Gospel: Matthew 24:37-44

Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 11:1-10 Romans 15:4-9 Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Mass Intentions: 5PM For repose soul of †Gwen Ifill 8AM ~ For the repose soul of †Marge & Frank Ladd

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (11/20/16): \$16,217 Weekly Church Budget: \$26,197

2016 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

Lourdes Share: \$94,300 Total Pledged & Received \$121,268 Amount Paid to Date: \$70,877 **Outstanding Pledges:** \$50,391

Thoughts on Stewardship

The Son of Man will come at an hour you do not expect. Good stewards know that they are accountable to God for all they have and are, and they strive to live in readiness for his coming.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Bernice Malcom, Lucy Piquant, Renise Smith, Alan Vieira, Mary Lou Mathis, Lorraine Powell, Regina Smith, Barbara Waller, Yovan Marinkovic, Katie Price, Terry Smith, Jean Walker, Pierce McCarthy, Lisa Price-Alexander, Michelle Skrmetta, Bobbie Ware, Dorothy McClean, Willie Price, Lori Sneed, Sophia L. White, Beverly McEwan, Eisenhower Raines John Soto, Dawn Williams, James McMullen, Rosario Raines, Delia Spencer, Gwendolyn Williams, Angelo Mejia, Janey Reynolds, Janet Stewart, Sherran Winchester, Juliana Yang Axel Mejia, Rosalind Reynolds, Ashley Stone, Chloe Miller, Shayla Robinson, Eugene Sturgis, Beverly Mims, Chris Rutherford, Sr. Liz Sully, Ashton Montgomery, Michelle Ryans, Frankie Sweet, John Moore, Barbara Schenk, Jean-Luc Tahou, Elias Mustafa, Karla Schmidt, Mary Tarrott, Will Van Ness Jolette Shannon, Brian Terrell, Peggy Neeson, Alana Sheppard, Terry Thompson, Nevels Family, Devon Simmons, Merlin Todd, Idalia O'Neal, Ernestine Smith, Andrew Vassil, Mazie Parker, Lois Smith, Denny Vavro, Darlene Perkins, Malcom Smith Marjorie Vieira,

The deadline for bulletin content is Wednesday at 12:00 noon.

Please email cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org. Bulletins are always available on our website: www.lourdesatlanta.org.

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TAIZÉ PRAYER, Monday, November 28, 8:00pm in the church. Please join our growing group of faithful Lourdes members, for the scriptural readings, the petitions, the beautiful Taizé chants and meditation. Our theme for this month is: With gratitude in our hearts for the Lord's blessings in our lives, we commit ourselves to be with the Lord in those who suffer injustice.

LECTOR PREP for the month of January will be held on Saturday, December 3, at 10:30am and Tuesday, December 6, at 7:00pm in the church. All lectors are reguired to attend one session per month to remain active.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS CARD MAIL-OUT The office is seeking volunteers to assist with the Christmas card mail-out on Thursday, December 1, from 10am—4pm. If you are available please call the church office.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED Our Parish School, Hope-Hill Elementary, is hosting a Math Carnival, on Thursday, December 8, 2016. They are seeking volunteers to assist in two time slots: 9:00am - 11:00am and 12:00pm -2:00pm. Any amount of time you can commit to will be appreciated. Come hang out and have fun with the students, community and staff. For more information and if you can help, please call or text Louis Hubbard 512-426-7888.

THE OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS (OCS) is preparing to develop a new strategic plan for the future of Catholic schools in Atlanta. Your perspectives pertaining to Catholic schools are being sought in this market research survey. Please help shape this important planning endeavor by participating in the survey. Each family is invited to complete the survey only once, so if you have done so, the OCS thanks you for your assistance. Finally, as this is market research, please realize there are a couple of responses that may disqualify you from completing the survey; in this event, the OCS thanks you for your efforts to assist them. To complete the survey in English, please visit http://www.aiocs.com/educationsurvey/. To complete the survey in Spanish, please visit http://www.aiocs.com/educationsurveysp/. The Deadline to complete the survey is December 15, 2016.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

November 27 **November 29** December 01 Antara Chapman Adeze Jinadu Barbara Burgess Christine Rajewski Carol Ann Pinard Bryce McEwen Cassandra Walker Chloe Allowitz Francois Craig Jaquelyn Christophe Cheniquia Sconvers Clorice Morgan Jama Dodson Clinton Elmore Julie Daza Masumbuko Joseph Crystal Robinson Lisa Mignogna Miles Artis Marilea Taglia Daelyn Turner Rita Engelhardt Joev Kierman Paula Mitchell Tim Saviello Julia Meneghetti Sophia Trent William Batie Michael Llorens Veronica Washington Rosemary Halicki Vivienne Trent November 28 Udunma Chiori December 02 Audrey Dobranski November 30 Brooke Ann Brown Ada Brown Dowan Marley Denzel Daza Ashlee Brannon Elizabeth Coleman Harper White Calvin Wimberly Elroy Bell Heather Robertson Leslie Cador-Kidd

Ismael De Almeida

Kai Zokovitch

Line Kouechu

Wesley Lamkin

Kaya Williams

Quentin Iones

Sara Golightly

William Lockwood

December 03

Courtney Brown Dallas Hightower Dana Wood Dorothy Walker Eduardo Cabase Kinsley Okekpe Madison Richardson Renee Fouche Samuel Siler

Lucy Jackson Sarah Jenkins Tiana Titus Yocasta Burgos

Ministries & Organizations

Lisa Bufford, Junior Daughters (678)362-6952

Lourdes Lunch

Tuesday & Thursday, September-June Thayes Sturgis, Coordinator (404)375-0838

Life Issues

Conference Call -4th Sunday at 7PM Ron Chandonia, Coordinator (770)631-0060

Liturgy Committee 1st Monday at 7PM

Contact the Church Office

Lourdes Athletic Ministry

Kevin Rogers, Co-Coordinator (404)704-7327

Lourdes Book Club

Carole Lacour, Coordinator (404)629-0878

Men's Ministry

Lenny Alexander, Facilitator (404)644-7554

Mentoring Ministry

Louis Hubbard, Coordinator dipdab80@sbcglobal.net

Parenting Ministry

Sunday at 10:00AM P.J. Lemuel, Facilitator (770)981-7226

Simon's Call (AIDS Ministry)

4th Sunday at 12 noon Contact the Church Office

Social Action Committee

1st Sunday after the 10AM Douglas Collins, (404) 317 4057 doug1234@me.com

Stephen Ministry Leaders

Lenny Alexander (404)644-7554; Fr. Jeffery Ott (404)997-3867

St. Vincent de Paul Society

1st & 3rd Sunday at 11:30AM Joanne Breaugh, SVDP Hotline - (678-)892-6163

Women's Council

1st Sunday @ 9:30AM Mizette Coakley, President (404)983-0956 mizettecoakley@yahoo.com

Young Adult Group Fridays at 7:30pm

Young at Heart (Seniors) Contact the Church Office