NEWS AT LOURDES

STAY INFORMED: As we, the Lourdes community, continue to navigate the challenges and sacrifices the COVID -19 Pandemic presents, our goal here at Lourdes is to keep our church community and friends informed. We will do all in our power to ensure information reaches our members and visitors in a timely manner, utilizing various communication tools: Our Lady of Lourdes website (www.lourdesatlanta.org); 'Lourdes Notes' E-Newsletter (Flocknote) - We would like to encourage all members with email access to sign up to receive our 'Lourdes Notes' Enewsletter (Flocknote). The link to sign up for Flocknote can be found near the bottom of our home page www.lourdesatlanta.org captioned 'Socialize with us on Flocknote'; Lourdes Facebook page - If you have Facebook access and prefer to use that medium, please like our Facebook page. 'Calling Post' - For those without email access, we will use our voice broadcasting 'Calling Post' feature to keep you informed. While we are attempting to use the technology available to us to disseminate information, we know we may miss some individuals, with this in mind we are asking members to share information with your family and friends, who may not have access to any of the communication tools mentioned.

OFFERTORY/**STEWARDSHIP**: Although we are not able to gather physically as a faith community, we are here in spirit. We humbly ask that you prayerfully continue your financial giving online or by mail. You can text your donation amount to 404-649-5276, and your transaction will be processed through the Online Giving account associated with the phone number. If your phone number is not recognized, you can continue as a quest without an account, associate your number with an existing account, or create an account. You can also visit Lourdes website www.lourdesatlanta.org; click on the 'Give' tab and complete the form. Your donation supports the mission of Lourdes. Thank you for your generosity.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS CANCELLED - Based on the recommendations of the Archdiocese of Atlanta and due to the COVID-19, Sunday School and Teen Ministry will not meet for the remaining weekends in March and until further notice. Lessons and family resources will be provided via email. For students preparing for sacraments (First Communion and Confirmation), please look for a separate email with additional information. For questions or concerns email Director of Religious Education, Mrs. Theresa Bowen (thebowens4@bellsouth.net)

MARCH IS NATIONAL COLORECTAL CANCER AWARENESS MONTH: Colorectal cancer is cancer of the colon or rectum. It's as common in women as it is in men. This year, over 143,360 people will be diagnosed with colorectal cancer and an estimated 51,690 will die of the disease. With certain types of screening, this cancer can be prevented by removing polyps (grape-like growths on the wall of the intestine) before they become cancerous. Several screening tests detect colorectal cancer early, when it can be more easily and successfully treated. Prevention of this disease includes: maintaining a healthy diet, smoking cessation, limiting alcohol consumption, eating fruits, vegetables and whole grains, eating less red meat and eliminating processed meat.

~ Health Promotions Ministry

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR MARCH: Catholics in China. We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

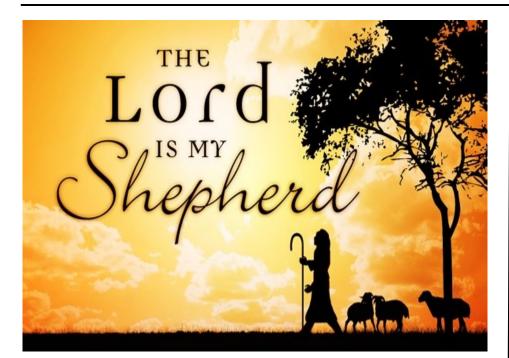
CRISTO REY ATLANTA JESUIT HIGH SCHOOL is currently seeking qualified **teaching applicants** for the 2020-2021 school year. Teaching positions currently available are English test preparation instructor, Math test preparation instructor, PE/health instructor, science instructor, physics and science instructor, chemistry instructor. CRAJ is also seeking gualified applicants for the open position of director of athletics and student activities. Please see the detailed faculty and staff profiles on our website: www.cristoreyatlanta.org. If interested, please email cover letter and resume to HR@cristoreyatlanta.org.

ST. ANDREW CATHOLIC CHURCH has an immediate opening for a part-time (22-25 hours-per-week) business and HR manager. The business and HR manager is responsible for several positions, including accounting, reception and payroll processes. He/She will also oversee facilities operations. Oversight of all accounting and payroll processes, posting and recons, monthly and annual reporting are required. Please send resume and letter of interest to Laurie Johnson at ljohnson@standrewcatholic.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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

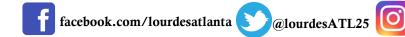


Parish Staff

Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P., Pastor Rev. Bruce Schultz, O.P., Associate Pastor Rev. Mr. Chester Griffin, Deacon Rev. Mr. Lennison Alexander, Deacon Rev. Mr. Kenneth Bell, Deacon Mr. Kenneth Louis, Director of Liturgy and Music Ms. Lisa Berkley, Business Manager/Bookkeeper 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

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





25 Boulevard, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30312 404.522.6776 www.lourdesatlanta.org Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

March 22, 2020

Celebration of the Eucharist Saturday: 5:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM and 12:30 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday: 4:30 PM and by appointment

> Rosary Saturday: 4:30 PM

Journey of Faith (RCIA) 1st & 3rd Sundays 9:30AM-11:30PM In Parish Hall Contact: Ms. Kimberly Parrish 404.247.6628/kaparrish@hotmail.com

> Nurserv Ages: 3 Months - 4 Years old **CLOSED**

Religious Education Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen Director of Religious Education thebowens4@bellsouth.net

Sunday School Classes K - 7: Sunday: 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Teens: 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM Contact: Ms. Samantha Smith Teen Ministry Coordinator ourdesteens1912@gmail.com

Pastoral Care Team Facilitator: Philip Verre Contact: Deacon Chester Griffin Prayer/Visit: call: 678.235.5469 lourdespct@gmail.com

2nd Saturday of the month at 10AM

Join our online community on Flocknote by texting LOURDESATL to #84576 to sign up for a ministry and receive our weekly e-newsletter!

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Ministries & Organizations

(OLLS) Alumni Association Calvin Washington, President ollsalumni@gmail.com

Amazing Grace Liturgical Dancers Kenya Griffin, Director Wednesdays, 7:15PM-9:15PM; Sundays, 1:30PM Open Rehearsals every 2nd Sunday January - October at 2:30PM mazinggraceda<u>ncecompany@gmail.com</u>

Baby Boomers Janine Brown: (301) 651-5953 jeanettajacobsmom@hotmail.com

Bible Study October 14, 2019 - March 23, 2020 Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P & Julian Reid - Facilitators (404) 522-6776

Book Store Lisa Berkley (Next Pop up - Sunday, April 26)

Cursillo Movement/Ultreya 1st Mondays, 7PM Lisa Berkley, bookkeeper@lourdesatlanta.org

Dream Green Team Chandra Frank Fowler, chanefrank@gmail.com; 678-591-0234

Finance Council **Quarterly Meetings** Dawn Leaner-Hall, Chairperson

Haiti Ministry

3rd Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass **Reginald Grand-Pierre** (404) 309-7670

Health Promotions Ministry

4th Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass Dana Avist, Co–chair davisto313@att.net Danielle Williams, Co-chair danielle_wms@live.com

Knights of Peter Claver (KPC)

2nd Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass Eugene Roberts, Grand Knight earoberts3@outlook.com

KPC Junior Knights Kwame Nyaku, Junior Commander

knyaku@gmail.com **KPC Ladies Auxiliary**

2nd Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass Patrice Barton-Smith, Grand Lady (678) 371-2677

Today's Scripture Readings 1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a; Ephesians 5:8-14

Gospel: John 9:1-41 Next Sunday's Readings

Ezekiel 37: 12-14; Romans 8:8-11 Gospel: John 11:1-45

Mass Intentions: 5PM For the repose of the soul of †Carolyn Read **12:30PM** For the repose of the soul of *†*Rita Engelhardt

For Mass Intention Requests: Email your request to cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org

Lourdes Stewardship

Weekly Church Support (03/15/2020) \$22,372 Offertory - \$15,304 Online Giving - \$7,068 Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 19 – 20): \$28,400

> Consider setting up on-line giving today! Visit: www.lourdesatlanta.org click on the 'Give' tab or Text your donation amount to '404-649-5276' and hit 'send'

2020 Archbishop's Annual Appeal "You are the light of the world."

Lourdes Share:	\$113,300
Amount Paid to Date (03/17/20):	\$11,523

Please visit <u>https://archatl.com/appeal/</u> for more information or to donate on-line. Thank you for your generosity.

Thoughts on Stewardship

If I cannot give bountifully, yet will I give freely. ~ Arthur Warwick

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

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

NEWS AT LOURDES

"Walk together children, don't you get weary" Negro Spiritual

DEAR LOURDES MEMBERS AND FRIENDS,

In the interest of health and safety during the COVID-19 pandemic, we're suspending all Masses and meetings at Lourdes until further notice. The office staff and I will work remotely and be available during regular office hours via email and phone. While this crisis of pandemic proportions has caused us to stay physically distant from one another, we remain close to each other in the power and presence of the Sweet Holy Spirit!

As the spiritual says, "Walk together children ...!" This is a time to be together and reach out to one another. I encourage those of you who are leaders of various teams, ministries, groups, etc. to reach out to your members and connect. This Lent we are challenged to be together in new and creative ways.

To that end, we have many options for prayer and community. We'll be updating you with these in the coming days. You'll see a weekly message available each Sunday. We will share resources for personal and family prayer. Sunday School and Teen Ministry will make special resources available.

We continue to hold one another in prayer remembering that Jesus, Our Brother, Our Healer, Our Savior, and Our Lord is with us 24/7 365. That means we're never alone, Church. And that's GOOD NEWS!

Make sure that you take care of yourselves and your loved ones and stay safe. Stay tuned to your email (Flocknote), Facebook, and lourdesatlanta.org.

With love in Christ, Father Jeffery

March 22

George Hairston

Grace Rutherford

Laura Okonokhua

Ricardo Horton

Thayes Sturgis

Tristan Moore

Deborah Baudy

Donald Shockley Jr.

March 23

David Paul

Douglas Cain

Frances Elder

James Harper

Melissa Harman

Madison McCrainev

Johnnie Thompson Jr.

CONFESSION: Father Jeffery will be available for in-person confessions by appointment only. Contact Angela Massingale: amassingale@lourdesatlanta.org or call the church office (404) 522-6776.

MEETINGS CANCELLED: After carefully reviewing the protocols for COVID-19 established by the Archdiocese of Atlanta, we have taken the difficult decision to cancel or postpone all non-essential gatherings until further notice. We will liaise with meeting coordinators at the appropriate time to reschedule as needed.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

Nathaniel Dula

Taylor Alexander

Adina Thrasher

Eljah Johnson Jr.

Emanuel Dressie

Kathleen Kehner

Sydney Givens

Theresa Roth

March 25

Calvin Long

Freddie Valdez

Nicole Rodriguez

Alexandra Walker

Hattie Edmonson

Sierra Batiste

March 24

Isabella Allen Jessica Frisco Joan Benjamin Patricia Keane Raphael Grand Pierre Shantell Mobley Sonji Jacobs Veronica Hogan William Walker

March 26

Ava Ewing Christopher Hickey Joya Harris Maria Newman Marlon Rainey III Michael Dula II P. Faith Carmichael

March 27

Bethany Paquette Cameron Smith Candice Wallace Diggs Deborah Bouie Elizabeth Fennelly Gary Blanchard Julia Buckmaster **Richard Harrison** Yvonne Conway

March 28 Adrian Gibson



Ministries & Organizations

KPC Junior Daughters Lisa Berkley, Counselor jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com (404) 522-6776

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

Life Issues Conference Call 4th Sunday at 7PM Kayellen Umeakunne, Coordinator lourdesforlifeissues@gmail.com

Liturgy Committee 1st Monday at 7PM Contact: Kenneth Louis klouis@lourdesatlanta.org

Lourdes Athletic Ministry Kevin Rogers, Co-Coordinator (404) 704-7327

Men's Ministry Deacon Kenneth Bell, Facilitator Contact the Church Office 404-522-6776

Mentoring Ministry Louis Hubbard, Coordinator lhubbardatl@vahoo.com

> Parenting Ministry Sunday at 9:30AM P.J. Lemuel, Facilitator (770) 981-7226

Simon's Call (AIDS Ministry) Quarterly on 1st Sunday at 12PM Janis Griffin

Social Action Committee 1st Sunday after the 10:30AM Douglas Collins, (404) 317 - 4057 doug1234@me.com

Stephen Ministry Leaders Lennison Alexander, (404) 644-7554; Fr. Jeffery Ott , (404) 997-3867

St. Vincent de Paul Society 1st & 3rd Sunday at 11:30AM Joanne Breaugh, Chair SVDP Hotline (678) 892-6163

Women's Council 1st Sunday at 10AM Denise Hood, President (404) 752-9620

Young at Heart (Seniors) Contact the Church Office