# **Lourdes Birthdays**

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|-------------------------|---------|---------------------|---------|------------------|---------|
| Alain Poiraud           | Sept 9  | Cherry Banez        | Sept 11 | Winston Bowers   | Sept 12 |
| Clarice Moon            | Sept 9  | Delores Davis       | Sept 11 | Amara Jinadu     | Sept 13 |
| Mary Gray               | Sept 9  | Derasean Adegbola   | Sept 11 | Emi Douglas      | Sept 13 |
| Robbie Foster           | Sept 9  | Donnisha Walls      | Sept 11 | Gloria Frank     | Sept 13 |
| Ron Segura              | Sept 9  | Grace Robinson      | Sept 11 | Gregory Hibbert  | Sept 13 |
| Trevor Swain            | Sept 9  | Jackie Toney        | Sept 11 | Kathy Harbaugh   | Sept 13 |
| William Boley           | Sept 9  | Josue Andino        | Sept 11 | Keith Williams   | Sept 13 |
| Alexander Jean-Baptiste | Sept 10 | Jourdan Greene      | Sept 11 | Philip Miles     | Sept 13 |
| Ataome Irune            | Sept 10 | Lesley Starks       | Sept 11 | Charlotte Combre | Sept 14 |
| Carson Evans            | Sept 10 | Margaret Francois   | Sept 11 | Kinnedy Bowers   | Sept 14 |
| Corinne Rodriguez       | Sept 10 | Marie-Francois Moon | Sept 11 | Marsha Combre    | Sept 14 |
| Jeanne Warren           | Sept 10 | Suganthi Simon      | Sept 11 | Victor Gipson    | Sept 14 |
| Kelly Register          | Sept 10 | Trinity Jalloh      | Sept 11 | Xion Johnson     | Sept 14 |
| Luther Davis            | Sept 10 | Carol Johnson       | Sept 12 | Austin Brownlee  | Sept 15 |
| Nicholas Wills          | Sept 10 | Daniel Jansen       | Sept 12 | Charles Reynolds | Sept 15 |
| Norell Clemons          | Sept 10 | James Morton, Jr.   | Sept 12 | Jennifer Cowhig  | Sept 15 |
| Stephanie Evertsz       | Sept 10 | Kyle McLeod         | Sept 12 | Julian Cowan     | Sept 15 |
| Tevin Johnson           | Sept 10 | Liam Ferguson       | Sept 12 | Keith DeCay      | Sept 15 |
| Barbara McLean          | Sept 11 | Louis Hubbard       | Sept 12 | Mary Muthoni     | Sept 15 |
| Brianna Brown           | Sept 11 | Nadia Giordani      | Sept 12 | Sasha Sewell     | Sept 15 |
| Charles Prejean III     | Sept 11 | Stanley Legrand     | Sept 12 |                  |         |

# 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of September (09/09/12)

Thanks to the Health Ministry (5:00 PM), Women's Council (8:00 AM), Liturgy Committee (10:00 AM), for providing the bread for our guests at this weekend's Masses. As a reminder, the **Health Ministry** (5:00 PM), **Choir** (8:00 AM) **KPCLA** (10:00 AM) will provided this services next week.

## The Desert People

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The desert has a special place in Christian spirituality. There was desert land not far from the holy city of Jerusalem and only a short distance from the Galilean countryside as well. A place to which Jesus and his followers frequently withdrew, it was also the site where John the Baptist, last in the line of great prophets, appeared to herald the Messiah's presence, citing another desert prophet, Isaiah, who had proclaimed: "The voice of one crying out in the wilderness: "Prepare the way of the Lord, make his path straight."

Jesus may have spent years of preparation for his ministry in a desert monastery, and just before his tumultuous final three years of public ministry, he was tempted by Satan in the wilderness, where the Devil offered him tangible power and influence if he would abandon his messianic role, Jesus, alone in the desert, rejected the offer. "Then the devil left him, and suddenly angels came and waited on him"(Matt 5:6.)

African Saints- Saints, Martyrs, and Holy People from the Continent of Africa; Frederick Quinn

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

### Centennial Note

About the Centennial Logo: The centennial logo was designed by Robert Evans (parishioner), Principal, Times3 Graphic Design. The logo uses Our Lady of Lourdes blue and gold colors, traditionally associated with the Virgin Mary. A cross shape is centered within the four quadrants, and a subtle kente pattern referencing Lourdes' African-American roots appears in the gold quadrants. The dates of the founding year and centennial year are overlaid on the squares.





## Parish Staff

Father Jeffery Ott, O.P., Pastor Father Bruce Schultz, O.P., Associate Pastor Deacon Chester Griffin 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

\*(OLLS) Alumni Association Benjamin Gibson, Calvin Washington \*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 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. gbarton@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 Ellie Daniels, elvandaniels@bellsouth.net - 404-290-2398 Susan Combre, susan combre@hotmail.com - 404-664-6423 \*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, 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

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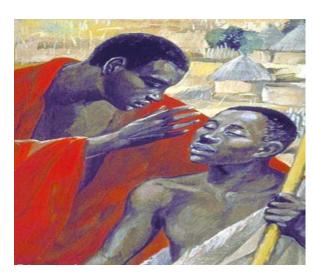
#### **Celebration of the Eucharist**

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 - 3rd Floor Rosary Saturday: 4:30 PM

#### **Organizations/Meeting Dates/Contacts**

\*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 404 981-5977 \*Simon's Call (AIDS Ministry): 4th Sun. 12 noon For info, call the Church office - 404.522.6776 \*Social Action Committee: 1st Sun After 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 \*Young at Heart (seniors) For info, call the Church Office - 404.522.6776

#### 23rd SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR



### **SEPTEMBER 09, 2012**

#### WWW.LOURDESATLANTA.ORG

Bulletin is always available on the Lourdes website \*Deadline for bulletin notices is Wednesdays at 12pm

### EMAIL: cbell@lourdesatlanta.org

CHURCH OFFICE: 404.522.6776

Today's Scripture readings are: Isaiah 35:4-7; James 2:1-5 GOSPEL: Mark 7:31-37 Next Sunday's readings are:

Isaiah 50:4-9; James 2:14-18 COCDEL . 0.17-15

Simon's Call would like to thank our Lourdes Family for your awesome support of our Ice Cream Social. With your help, we are able to offer assistance to members of our community with HIV/AIDS as they struggle to pay for daily essentials, utilities, and medicine. God bless you.

**T-Shirt Sunday** If you have not purchased your Centennial T-shirt by now, they will be for sale at the church picnic.

St. Vincent de Paul Society Update The Lourdes St. Vincent de Paul Society meets with families in need to provide spiritual and financial assistance as well as resources for jobs, housing, health care, food, and other essential needs. We make awards to our clients with donations from the parish. In the past year, we collected and awarded \$57,186 to 126 families. Thank you for your continued support. We are here to help members of our parish family who are experiencing a bump in the road. If you are interested in getting involved with our group or if you may need a little assistance or support in getting through a challenging time, please call 888-246-7155.

Baptismal Prep class is scheduled for Tuesday, Sept 11th at 7PM.

Lourdes Annual Picnic HELP—Sunday, September 23. Four (4) men who can do heavy-lifting are needed to help set up. Please email Lisa Berkley, bookkeeper@lourdesatlanta.org or call the church office at 404-522-6776.

**Consider a Cursillo Weekend** Calling all men and women at Lourdes to consider completing a Cursillo Weekend. This is an opportunity to disconnect for the weekend and reconnect with God through the Cursillo program. The weekend is set in the tranquil Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers. The Men's Cursillo Weekend is scheduled for September 20-23, 2012 (ONLY 5 OPENINGS REMAIN – application deadline September 12th) and the next available Women's Cursillo is scheduled for March, 2013. For more information, including application details, visit http://www.atlcatholiccursillo.org/ or contact Steve Siler (SSiler@archatl.com) or Bryan Alli (synekt2011@gmail.com).

National Black Congress Caucus XI There will be a meeting of the delegates on September 13, 2012 in the St. Augustine Room at 7PM. Please be prepared to share your reflections for our report to the Archdiocese Delegation.

Prostate Cancer Awareness Month Prostate Cancer is the most common cancer in men, no matter of race or ethnicity. It is the second most common cause of death from cancer among Caucasians, African Americans, American Indians / Alaska Natives, and Hispanic men. What are the symptoms of prostate cancer? Many men with prostate cancer often have no symptoms. If symptoms appear, they can include: blood in the urine; the need to urinate frequently, especially at night; weak or interrupted urine flow; pain or burning feeling while urinating; the inability to urinate; constant pain in the lower back, pelvis, or upper thighs. If you have any of these symptoms, see your doctor as soon as possible.

All Parish Book Club – Please join the Social Action Committee for a book discussion on Saturday, September 29, 2012 in the Teen Room on the 3rd floor after the 5 P.M Mass. The book selection is The New Jim Crow: Mass Incarceration in the Age of Colorblindness by Michelle Alexander. It is a powerful analysis of why and how mass incarceration is happening in America, especially in its large cities. According to The New York Times, "The New Jim Crow" arrives at a receptive moment, when declining crime rates and exploding prison budgets have made conservatives and liberals alike more ready to question the wisdom of keeping nearly 1 in 100 Americans behind bars.

Weekly Church Budget: \$17,835 Church Support 09/02/12: **\$9,773** 

### ARCHBISHOPS' ANNUAL APPEAL 2012

LOURDES SHARE \$66,146 OUTSTANDING PLEDGES \$56,433

**LOURDES LUNCH** will start again on Sept 11<sup>th</sup> and volunteers are needed from 9:30am – 1:00pm. Please contact Thayes Sturgis if you are interested at 404-752-5076.

Members of Our Lady of Lourdes are invited to attend the conference in Savannah on the weekend of September 21-23: From Troy to Trayvon: Empowering Communities to Change Criminal Justice Policies. For more information please go to www.gfadp.org and click on 'Events'.

Pax Christi USA Regional Dialog with Sr. Patty Chappell, Executive Director at St. Jude's Catholic Church, on Saturday, Sept 15, 10:00 am - 3:00 pm, FREE EVENT. Contact Joe Goode at CPatchAT92@aol.com.

Interested in learning about charity and justice worldwide? Join us at All Saints Catholic Church, Dunwoody on Friday, September 14 7:00-8:00 pm in Kiernan Hall to meet Peter Kimeu, regional technical advisor for Catholic Relief Services (CRS). Visiting from Kenya and possessing more than 30 years of experience with CRS, Peter will share stories of the organization's response to the global food shortage. It promises to be an exciting and inspiring evening! FREE EVENT

Social Action Factoid II Theme: Cradle to Prison Pipeline Students who are suspended or expelled from school are more likely

than their peers to drop out of school altogether and end up in the juvenile justice system. The Zero Tolerance Discipline Policy of most school districts contributes to this unfortunate circumstance.

**Kindred Spirits** is a singles group based at the CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING but SERVING ALL SINGLES, 50 plus (although we are inclusive of those a bit younger), single, divorced, or widowed, in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Our mission is to foster a Christ-centered community through social activities, spiritual enrichment, and outreach service programs. Come and enjoy a fun filled, active evening while enjoying a Hawaiian Luau right here in Atlanta! If you like, bring your favorite Hawaiian or tropical food to share and wear your favorite Hawaiian shirt, dress or even a grass skirt if you dare. Bring a friend or two (or more). Hula dancing optional! Most importantly, come and join the fun! Visit www/kindredspiritsatlanta.org, e-mail us at info@kindredspiritsatlanta.org or call Colin Campbell at (678) 468-7582 or Susan Taquechel (404)321-6752 (Lourdes member) for more information.

Sports Ticker The 6th season of Catholic men's basketball will tip-off at Our Lady of Mercy on Sunday, September 12. We have six teams signed up and look forward to another very exciting season. More information is forthcoming.

Please pray for our sick & shut-in members: Joseph Allen, Marilyn Archer, Heather Ausman, Addie Bailey, Quita Barton, LaQueeta Banks, Lerone Bennett III, Ruby Bolden, Kevin Bowman, Aaron Brewington, John Brown, Norris Campbell, Michael Vosburg-Casey, Jay Coleman, N'Dira Collier, Ed Jude Costello, Fred Crimi, Clara Cruz, Diane Daniels, Wilford Deese, Inez Doutè, Holloway Egan, Yvonne Fears, Jim Finn, Charlene Flournoy, Winston Fouche, Helen Franklin, Princella Frazier, Karin Garcia, Alamrew Gaines, Jessica Goff, DeLeur Gordon, Miriam Gotay, Jeanne Gray, Johnny Gray, Jr., Dorothy and Melvin Griffin, Geton Harper, Nathan Hearns, Vicki Lynn Hogan, Helen Irving, William Jackson, Barbara James, Nancy Jamison, Blanche Johnson, Hazel Johnson, Marvin Johnson, Sonia Johnson, Minnie Jones, Jessica Jordan, Raeburn Josey, Sis. Anna Kearns, Brenda Lee, Joni Lefter, Hilary Lobban, Bernice Malcolm, Pierce McCarthy, Dorothy McClean, James McMullan, Ashton Montgomery, John Moore, 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 Renfroe, Janet Nixon Reynolds, Rosalind Reynolds, Charles Robertson, Ancil Robertson, Freddie Robinson, Joi Robinson, Joe Robinson, Christopher Rutherford, Michelle Ryans, Brenda Sewell, Barbara Schenk, Karla Schmidt, Jolette Shannon, Austin Smith, Ernestine Smith, Malcolm Smith, Regina Smith, Lori Sneed, Delia Spencer, Johnathan Stringer, Eugene Sturgis, Nicholas Tabb, Jean-Luc Tahou, Lillie Thomas, Evelyn Thompson, George Toomer, Andrew Vassil, Denny Vavro, Rebecca Vellette, Barbara Waller, Wesley & Sophie Waring, Sophia L. White, Theresa Wilson.

### LOURDES STEWARDSHIP

Total Church Budget (07/01/12 – 09/02/12): \$178,350 Actual Church Support (07/01/12 - 09/02/12): \$170,806

AMOUNT PAID TO DATE (02/26/12 - 08/24/12): \$60,067 (416 LOURDES HOUSEHOLDS)