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4th Sunday of September (09/23/12)

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

Saints & Holy People of African Descent ~ Venerable Pierre Toussaint ~ 1766-1853 Slave, Hairdresser and Universal Philanthropist

Pierre Toussaint's life really is a remarkable one that leaves you saying "That's incredible". It is hard to believe that a man would remain enslaved just because his widowed owner needed him. It is also a stretch to understand how one man could endure racial indignities, even in his own church, yet continue to nurture his Catholic spirit of philanthropy and good will. Toussaint was born into slavery in Haiti around 1766. He was reared by his mother and grandmother, both Catholic women who passed the faith on to Pierre and his sister, Rosalie. In addition to religious mattes, Pierre also knew how to read, write and play the violin. His master insisted that Pierre received a good education, as he planned that Pierre would be a tutor for his own children. When a revolution broke out in Haiti, Pierre's owner, Jean Berard, moved his family and slaves to New York City. While in New York Pierre leamed the hairdressing trade and mastered every technique, which ultimately placed him in high demand by most wealthy and influential women. Later these clients would join Pierre in his charity efforts. As a hairdresser to the wealth, Pierre though still a slave, was able to support his mistress and begin hi philanthropic work. For forty years he supported Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton with her orphanage. He sent aid to the Oblate Sister of Providence to maintain their work among the black community in Baltimore. He opened a school in New York City to educate black children, the first in the city. He assisted other Haitian refugees, helping provide them with food, clothing and shelter. He tended the victims of a yellow fever epidemic. In 1853 this servant of God died. He was buried in Old St. Patrick's Cemetery in New York City. In 1968 his process for canonization was begun by Cardinal John O'Connor, Archbishop of New York. As his cause was under way, Toussaint's remains were moved in 1990 to a crypt under the main altar at St. Patrick's Cathedral. He is the only layperson buried at the prestigious cathedral. In 1996 Pope John P

African Saints...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

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.





September 23, 2012

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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

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

*(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. 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 Mary Ellen Macke, 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

- *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

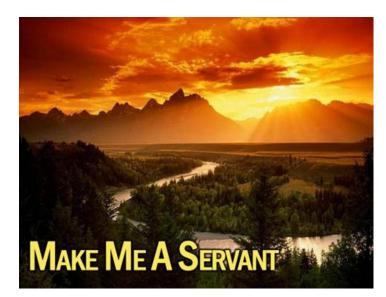
*Young Adult Group: 2nd Sun. 9:30 am

Chrystal Akor, Co-Coordinator - 404.955.2195
*Young at Heart (seniors)

For info, call the Church Office - 404.522.6776

25th SUNDAY OF THE CHURCH YEAR





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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:

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20; James 3:16, 4:3

GOSPEL: Mark 9:30-37

Next Sunday's readings are:

Numbers 11:5-29; James 5:1-6 GOSPEL: Mark 9:38-43, 45, 47-48

MASS INTENTION: 10AM- Repose of the soul of †Beverly Glover

<u>Centennial Pictorial Directory</u> As you know we are publishing our centennial pictorial directory. As part of the directory, names and addresses of all parishioners will be included; if you do not wish to have your name and/or address published please e-mail Carolyn Bell at cbell@lourdesatlanta.org or Lisa Berkley at bookkeeper@lourdesatlanta.org. Sept 30th is the very last date to get this information to the church office. - Thank you

<u>Visitor's Bread Ministry</u> Dedicated volunteers are needed to start-up our Visitor's Bread Ministry. Bread is a universal symbol of nourishment and hospitality. The Visitor's Bread Ministry provides a loaf of fresh bread and package it especially for our guests new to Lourdes. Without them, we can't grow, so we want to take pride in making our guests feel welcome and at home. Your participation in this simple yet heart-warming ministry is welcomed. If you are interested in becoming a part of this ministry, please contact Carolyn Bell at cbell@lourdesatlanta.org.

Thank You! I wanted to send my sincere appreciation from my family and myself for your condolences and prayers. My mom had a beautiful "Going Home" service with a total of 40 grand kids and 42 great grand kids in attendance, as well as many other families, friends and acquaintances in attendance. I guess you can say that she had a life well lived at nearly 93 years of age. She was buried beside my father after 36 years of him waiting for her to join him. – Lynn Nixon

Save The Date November 4, 2012, Health Ministry will host the annual Health Fair. More information forthcoming.

The 2012 National Black Catholic Men's Conference "Stepping Up!" will be held October 11-14, in Laurel, Maryland. For more information call 317-259-6161 or visit the website: www.bowmanfrancisministry.com. If you are planning to attend, please contact Deacon Chester at the church.

Photos Needed for Lourdes' Website If you are taking pictures at the Lourdes picnic or have taken photos at other functions, Lourdes' New Media team needs you! We want to keep the revamped website fresh, with new photos that reflect our vibrant community. If you have photos we can use, please send it to lourdeswebsite@gmail.com. Also, if you would like to join our team as a photographer please contact me (Rosemary Jean-Louis) at the above email address.

Save The Date – Sign-Up Taste of Lourdes will be hosted by the Women's Council and the KPC Ladies Auxiliary. This annual festive event will be held on Sunday, October 7th after each Mass. This year we will be providing healthy breakfast delights from our Health Ministry so please make a decision on the dish you are preparing and let the Women's Council know what dish and what mass, contact Ms. Hood at 404/752-9620. Please drop off your dish at the church cafeteria before the selected mass on Sunday, October 7th and then afterwards join us for your Sunday dinner or take it home for a small cost of \$5.00.

<u>Social Action Factoid IV Theme: Cradle to Prison Pipeline</u> Poverty is a key force driving the Cradle to Prison Pipeline. Every year that we keep children in poverty costs our nation half a trillion dollars in lost productivity, poorer health and increased crime.

LOURDES STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Church Budget: \$17,835 Total Church Budget (07/01/12 – 09/16/12): \$214,020 Church Support 09/16/12: \$21,390 Actual Church Support (07/01/12 – 09/16/12): \$211,797

ARCHBISHOPS' ANNUAL APPEAL 2012

LOURDES SHARE \$66,146 AMOUNT PAID TO DATE (02/26/12 - 09/11/12): \$63,567

OUTSTANDING PLEDGES \$52,811 (418 LOURDES HOUSEHOLDS)

LOURDES LUNCH Our parish volunteers served <u>242</u> people this Tuesday and <u>283</u> 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.

The Monastery of the Holy Spirit in Conyers will host a Fall Festival on Saturday, September 29th from 10:00AM to 5:00PM. The monks extend their hand of hospitality by welcoming visitors to explore the many resources of the monastery and a Free Health Fair offering. Admission is free. There will be hay rides, a petting zoo and pony rides. Visitors can also enjoy permanent historical exhibits of the Monastic Heritage Center which showcases the history of monasticism and the daily lives of the monks. The Abbey Store, Bonsai Garden and Bonsai Nursery will also be open. There will be plenty of food and drinks available throughout the day. Plan to arrive early and spend the day. Visit www.trappist.net and follow the link to Fall Festival for a detailed agenda of the day's events.

Please join the <u>Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP)</u> Evening for Hope gala on Saturday, October 6th beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Renaissance Atlanta Waverly Hotel and Convention Center at its Sixth Annual Evening for Hope Gala. Our keynote speaker is Ambassador Andrew Young, the longtime orator will be joined by Fox5 News Anchor, Russ Spencer, who returns as the Master of Ceremonies for the event. The evening will also include other prominent speakers, reception, banquet, featured performance by the "Ladue Strolling Strings", and culminating with an online silent auction. Guests of all faiths are invited to join Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory in a Celebration of the Eucharist at 5 p.m. Proceeds from Evening for Hope will remain in Georgia, directly benefitting the programs and services of the Society. For more information and to register please visit http://www.svdpatl.org/get-involved/evening-for-hope-gala.

<u>The Way for Women</u> is a 3-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program October 12-14, 2012 at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, Georgia. The deadline for registration is October 5, 2012. Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or sstubbs@archatl.com for a brochure and application.

SPORTS TICKER Our parish men pounded the defending league champions from Our Lady of Mercy 64-44 in Catholic basketball action last Sunday. We jumped on an early lead and never gave up as we worked to regain the Archbishop's cup. Four guys scored in double figures to lead our attack with Kadar Josey topping the list with 17 followed by Andre White with 14, Bryan Hubbard with 12 and Maxwell Baker with 11. We play St. Theresa this Sunday at 2 p.m. in the Mercy gym.

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, Bianca Gomez, 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.