

Lourdes Birthdays

Ama Eyo	Dec 23	Garrett Smith	Dec 26	Benedicte Lutumba Kabedi	Dec 28
Gillian Brown	Dec 23	Geraud Prince	Dec 26	Charles Rodney	Dec 28
Sadie Weston	Dec 23	Ivor Brooks	Dec 26	Gerrard Grant	Dec 28
Xavier Brown	Dec 23	Maria Yu	Dec 26	Kareen Romelus	Dec 28
Barbara Waller	Dec 24	Rylan McLeod	Dec 26	Mary Washington	Dec 28
Lisa Robinson	Dec 24	Wylma Blanding	Dec 26	Stephany Heller	Dec 28
Noelle Whitmore	Dec 24	Craig Weber	Dec 27	Alexis Ayers	Dec 29
Vonda Gipson	Dec 24	Davis Smith	Dec 27	Angela Carroll	Dec 29
Alphonsine Mfwamba	Dec 25	Frederick McCray	Dec 27	Brad Olecki	Dec 29
Carole Lacour	Dec 25	Jennifer Lund	Dec 27	Doris Coleman	Dec 29
Gale Warren	Dec 25	Jeremy McCray	Dec 27	John Grady	Dec 29
Lenore Hutchinson	Dec 25	John Mazzolini	Dec 27	Kennedy Blanchard	Dec 29
Courtney Lynch	Dec 26	John Sewell	Dec 27	Landyn Minns	Dec 29
Curtis Armour	Dec 26	Sebastian Allowitz	Dec 27	Marlana DeJean	Dec 29

4th Sunday of December (12/23/12)

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.

St. Fillan *Abbot of a Monastery in Fife*

Fillan, son of Feriach and St. Kentigerna, was also known as Foelan. He became a monk in his youth and accompanied his mother from Ireland to Scotland where he lived as a hermit near St. Andrew's monastery for many years, and then was elected abbot. He later resigned and resumed his eremitical life at Glendochart, Perthshire, where he built a church and was renowned for his miracles. Various legends attribute the most extravagant miracles to him, such as the one in which his prayers caused a wolf that had killed the ox he was using to drag materials to the church he was building, to take the ox's place. Fillan died on January 19.

www.catholic.org/saints/st.fillan

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.



December 23, 2012

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Father Jeffery Ott, O.P., Pastor

Father Bruce Schultz, O.P., Associate Pastor

Chester Griffin, Deacon

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

Second Collection

Catholic Charities - December 25, 2012

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- 3rd Sunday after the 10am Mass

Renee Schatteman - 404.557.3330

* Health Ministry

Ellie Daniels, elvandaniels@bellsouth.net - 404-290-2398

Susan Combte, susan_combte@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

LaSheka Beaman, Co-Coordinator - 412-877-3837

Samantha Smith, Co-Coordinator - 678-559-8151

* 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

CHURCH OFFICE: 404.522.6776

Today's Scripture readings are:

Micah 5:1-4; Hebrews 10:5-10

GOSPEL: Luke 1:39-4

Next Sunday's readings are:

1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28; 1 John 3:1-2, 21-4

GOSPEL: Luke 2:41-52

MASS INTENTIONS

8:00am ~For the repose soul of †Nevy Hammonds

10:00am ~For the repose soul of †Barbara James

New Choir CD In Time For Christmas Season Our Lady of Lourdes Choir's new CD, entitled Reap a Harvest in Due Season: A Treasury of African-American Catholic Music, will be available for the Christmas season -- and God-willing by next weekend. The cost is \$15. We hope to have CD's available for purchase (cash, check or money order) after Mass next weekend. We are not set up to take mail order or credit card purchases. However, in about a week, several music websites will have electronic copies (MP3s) as well as physical CDs for purchase. The CD's song list includes our new "Centennial Litany", "If I Faint Not," "Stand," "God Is," "For Every Mountain," "Perfect Praise," "We Are Christmas," and many other favorites. The proceeds from the sale of this CD will go toward producing a series of CDs from the choir exploring the African American Catholic music traditions and composers.

Attention! All parishioners who are fluent in American Sign Language and interested in starting a Deaf Ministry at Our Lady of Lourdes please contact Jahannah Sistrunk at Jahsistrunk@gmail.com or call 404.427.1952.

Lector Prep for the month of February is Saturday, January 5th at 10:30am and Tuesday, January 8th at 7:00pm in the church. All lectors are required to attend one session per month.

Baptismal Prep Class will be held on Tuesday, January 8th at 7pm in the church office building, 2nd floor in the St. Augustine Room. Please call the church office to RSVP.

L.A.P.S. (Life After the Pink Slip) meets the 1st Monday of every month in the cafeteria (except for Holy days and/or holidays). If you have any questions, please feel free to visit our website at www.lourdesatlanta.org to learn more about our mission and goals.

Christmas Holiday Schedule 2012

1. **Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24th**
4pm Family Eucharist & 7pm Children Eucharist here at Lourdes
2. **Christmas Midnight, Monday, December 25th**
Lourdes Eucharist will be celebrated at Ebenezer Baptist Church, Horizon Sanctuary, 400 Auburn Avenue.
Music program begins at 11:00pm. Parking will be at the MLK Visitor's Center behind Ebenezer Church (enter from John Wesley Dobbs Ave & Boulevard). **THERE WILL NOT BE ANY PARKING HERE AT LOURDES FOR MIDNIGHT SERVICE.**
3. **Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25th**
10AM Service
4. **Regular Service, Saturday, December 29th**
5PM
5. **Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph, Sunday, December 30th**
Regular Services: 8AM, 10AM, and 12PM
6. **Watchnight Service, Monday, December 31st**
11PM Eucharist
7. **Feast of Mary, Mother of the Lord, Tuesday, January 1st**
10AM Eucharist

LOURDES STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Church Budget: **\$18,345**

Church Support: 12/16/12: **\$25,623**

Total Church Budget (07/01/12 – 12/16/12): **\$447,405**

Actual Church Support (07/01/12 – 12/16/12): **\$456,607**

ARCHBISHOPS' ANNUAL APPEAL 2012

LOURDES SHARE **\$66,146**

OUTSTANDING PLEDGES **\$41,111**

AMOUNT PAID TO DATE (02/26/12 – 12/14/12): **\$79,090**

(429 LOURDES HOUSEHOLDS)

Lourdes Lunch Our parish volunteers served **286** people this Tuesday and **260** on Thursday. Lourdes Lunch will be closed during the Christmas and New Year holidays and will start back serving on January 8th at 11:30am.

Centennial Gala and Silent Auction Ticket donations are \$50.00 each and can also be purchased online at <http://www.lourdesatlanta.org>.

Sophia Academy, a Marist sponsored-school, will host an Open House Jan. 23rd from 6-7 pm, with author Sara Duke to speak from 7-8 pm on her book, "What Works with Children." 2880 Dresden Drive Atlanta, GA 30341. PreK-High School, personalized learning plans with award-winning teachers and students. Superior opportunities and assistive technology, seeking Catholic status.

Lourdes Book Club Please join the Social Action Committee for a book discussion on Saturday, February 2, 2013 in the cafeteria after the 5pm Mass. The book selection is "A Saint on Death Row by Thomas Cahill". Do you question about the death penalty and how it affects the rest of us? Through the life of Dominique Green, this book shines a necessary light on America's racist and deeply flawed legal system. Explore why "his ashes are buried in the shadow of a beautiful basilica in Rome". After visiting him in prison, Archbishop Desmond Tutu of South Africa, Green's hero, called him "a remarkable advertisement for God." (CSM - April 7, 2009) Potluck food and drinks. Questions/RSVP to Bill and Mary Moon at perebill@yahoo.com or 770-413-7272.

Kindred Spirits is a singles group based at the CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING but SERVING ALL SINGLES, 45 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. Our next monthly gathering is on Sunday, January 13 at 6:30 pm (meet at 5:15 pm for 5:30 Mass) in Conference Room 1. The Kindred Spirits group is 10 years old, so come join us on January 13 for a very special Meet and Greet! We will be celebrating this exciting milestone with a champagne reception. Come enjoy some bubbly, share your stories, and raise a toast and reflect on our first 10 years as well as look ahead to the next 10 years of friendship, faith, and service. If you like, please bring your favorite food to share and also bring a friend or two to help us celebrate. Visit www/kindredspiritsatlanta.org, e-mail us at info@kindredspiritsatlanta.org or call Colin Campbell at (678) 468-7582 or Susan Brossoie (678) 327-7112 or Susan Taquechel (404)-321-6752 for more information.

Make a special effort Encourage Lourdes Member Charles Prejean III (18 years of age) with a card/note/letter while he is incarcerated. Write Charles Prejean, III, Sumter Youth Development Center, 300 McMath Mill Rd, Americus GA 31719. Everyone is asked to send a note to Charles. Please pray for Charles and his family at these challenging times and that God will open the door for him to be release in the upcoming year.

Please pray for our sick & shut-in including: : 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, Janet Nixon Reynolds, Rosalind Reynolds, Lena Roberts, Charles Robertson, Ancil Robertson, Freddie Robinson, Joi Robinson, Joe Robinson, Christopher Rutherford, Michelle Ryans, Brenda Sewell, Barbara Schenk, Karla Schmidt, Jolette Shannon, Austin & Lois 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, Carolyn White, Sophia L. White, Don Williams.