## **Lourdes Birthdays**

Barbara French	Mar 2	Devan Boutte	Mar 4	Chermaine Wilkins	Mar 6
Jasmyn Monteiro	Mar 2	Lisa Morgan	Mar 4	Janelle Roberts	Mar 6
Jayden Richardson	Mar 2	Luther Davis, Jr.	Mar 4	Rhonda Goldson	Mar 6
Michael Anidi	Mar 2	Rhoda Johnson	Mar 4	Azane Quacoe	Mar 7
Laura Catledge-Redd	Mar 2	Teddy Okonokhua	Mar 4	Bonnie Bonner	Mar 7
Alston Lopez	Mar 3	Angele Monconduit	Mar 5	Brandi Williams	Mar 7
Alexandra Moustapha	Mar 3	Angelle Hammond	Mar 5	Harry White	Mar 7
Chanel Diggs	Mar 3	Beth Graham	Mar 5	Keisha Banks	Mar 7
Claudette Dillard	Mar 3	Clifford White	Mar 5	Shayna Gaspard	Mar 7
Clovis Nyimi Malu	Mar 3	Emmanuel Jamerson	Mar 5	Allison Rouse	Mar 8
Julius Johnston	Mar 3	Erica Lucas	Mar 5	Jenny Paveglio	Mar 8
Marie-Victor Lutumba Malu	Mar 3	Julie Walker	Mar 5	Katherine Bryant	Mar 8
Nicholas Hall	Mar 3	Kathy Brown-Bragg	Mar 5	Mia Francois	Mar 8
Noelle Crawford	Mar 3	Kim Braud	Mar 5		
Toni Bryant	Mar 3	Lanee Cobb	Mar 5		
Clifton Fouche	Mar 4	Thomas Wilkins	Mar 5		

# 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of March (03/02/14)

Saints and Holy People of African Descent

St. Macarius the Younger

Macarius the Younger (d.c. 394), also known as Macarius of Alexandria, is to be distinguished from St. Macarius the Elder, also known as Macarius of Thebes. The Younger was born and raised at Alexandria, and in young adulthood, about 335, traveled to Upper Egypt, where he remained until 373 or thereabouts, when he returned to Lower Egypt. This monk became famous for his prayerfulness, practice of austerities, and performance of miracles. For seven years, he ate only raw vegetables and beans. Desiring to improve on this extraordinary fasting, for the next three years he consumed daily only four to five ounces of bread that he moistened with a few drops of olive oil. In order to learn from the experience of others, on Lent he traveled to the monastery headed by St. Pachomius. The visitor observed the practices of the other monks, even though his degree of austerity far surpassed theirs. Each day, he prayed while he worked, weaving palm leaves into baskets and mats. The other monks became annoyed at his singular way of working and praying. On Easter Sunday morning they begged the abbot to send away the visitor lest he disturb further the existing standards of prayer and labor. Pachomius, too, having noticed the visitor's extraordinary behavior, discerned that the anonymous guest might be the famous Macarius. Pachomius and Macarius sat down together, whereupon Macarius revealed his identity. The pair discussed the morale of the monastery and expressed gratitude for the time they had shared together. Then Pachomius "embraced him (Macarius), thanked him for the edification he had given, and desired him, when he returned to his desert, to offer up his prayers for them."

Saints of Africa ~ Vincent J. O'Malley, C.M.

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

About the Centennial Logo: The centennial logo was designed by Robert Evans (parishioner), Principal, Times<sup>3</sup> Graphic Design. The logo uses Our Lady of Lourdes blue and gold colors, traditionally associated with the Virgin Mary. The dates of the founding year and centennial year are overlaid on the squares.







## March 2, 2014

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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 - 3<sup>rd</sup> Floor Rosary

Saturday: 4:30 PM

#### Parish Staff

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

#### **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 Janine Brown (301)651-5956 or

Email: jeanettajacobsmom@hotmail.com
\*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 office

\*(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- 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the 10am Mass Mary Jane Cooper 404-375-1686 Jackie Wales 770-378-2705

\*Health Ministry

Ellie Daniels, elvandaniels@bellsouth.net 404-290-2398 \*History Committee: 3rd Sat.10:30am, TBA

\*Knights of Peter Claver (KPC): 2nd Sun. 1:30 pm Eric Francis, Grand Knight - 404-272-6822 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

\*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 678-892-6163

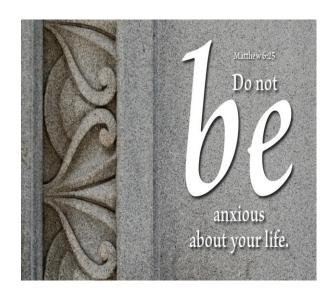
\*Women's Council: 1st Sunday at 10:00am Theresa Wilson, President – 404-659-6433

\*Young Adult Group: Fridays 7:30pm ollyagatl@gmail.com Christopher Hanna, Coordinator; 404-903-6113

\*Young at Heart (seniors)

For info, call the Church Office - 404.522.6776

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME MARCH 2, 2014



#### WWW.LOURDESATLANTA.ORG

Bulletin is always available on the Lourdes website

\*Deadline for bulletin notices is Wednesdays at 12pm  $\,$ 

EMAIL: cbell@lourdesatlanta.org

### Today's Scripture readings are:

Isaiah 49:14-15; 1 Corinthians 4:1-5 GOSPEL: Matthew 6:24-34

### Next Sunday's readings are:

Genesis 2:7-9; 3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19

GOSPEL: Matthew 4:1-11

Lourdes Prayer Line 678.235.5469

lourdespct@gmail.com

Mass Intention: 10am ~ For the repose soul of †Christopher Lewis

**2014 Revival.** Please join us for our Lenten Revival on Monday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> and Tuesday, March 4<sup>th</sup> at 7pm nightly, with Fr. Manuel Williams as our revivalist. Invite friends, co-workers, etc. to celebrate with us the beginning of our Lenten Season and join us after the Tuesday service for refreshments in the Drexel Center.

Ash Wednesday Ecumenical Service is Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at 7pm at Ebenezer Baptist Church, 407 Auburn Avenue, Atlanta, GA, 30312.

<u>Calling All Girl Scouts</u>! If you are a Girl Scout, we ask that you join in and we sell cookies after each Mass, March 15th and March 16th. If you are interested, please contact Helen Vance 404-766-5856 or Hvance118@hotmail.com, we will make space available for you.

<u>Stations of the Cross</u> will begin this Friday, March 7th at 7pm in the church and will continue each Friday until April 11<sup>th</sup>. Please join the Baby Boomers, RCIA, Simon's Call, Amazing Grace Liturgical Dancers (AGLD), and Young Adult Group (YAG). Afterwards, join the Knights of Peter Claver in the cafeteria for fellowship and a great fish dinner.

Lourdes Book Club and ERACE Ministry Join us for a book discussion on Saturday, April 26, 2014 in the cafeteria after the 5 p.m. mass Our book selection is Americanah by Chimamanda Adichie. "It is a story of love and race centered on a young man and woman from Nigeria who face difficult choices and challenges in the countries they come to call their home. Fearless, gripping, darkly funny and tender, spanning three continents and numerous lives, Americanah is a richly told story set in today's globalized world. Chimamanda Adichie's most powerful and astonishing novel yet." Goodreads For more information, please contact Carole Lacour at Lared111@aol.com or (404) 629-0878.

African-American Men Mentors Our parish school, Hope-Hill Elementary is seeking black male mentors for grades K – 5<sup>th</sup>. The mentoring program kicked-off in January 2014. All interested individuals will need to pass a background check and be at least 25 years or older. Lourdes will pay for background checks for all that are interested. Please contact Louis Hubbard at 512-426-7888 or Larry Soublet at 404-629-9654. Thank you in advance for your support!

<u>Looking for Musicians</u>! The Lourdes monthly Taizé Prayer Committee is looking for people who play acoustic guitars, strings and woodwinds to play at the Taizé chants at our prayer on the 4th Monday evening of each month. The chants are beautiful melodies and not difficult to play. If you are interested please contact Bill or Mary Moon: 404-641-8995 or perebill@yahoo.com or meremary@yahoo.com.

<u>Lector Prep</u> last session for the month of April is Tuesday, March 11<sup>th</sup> at 7pm in the church. All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.

Baptismal Prep class will be held on Tuesday, March 11th at 7pm in the St. Augustine Room.

#### LOURDES STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Church Budget: \$19,561 Total Church Budget (07/07/13 -02/23/14): \$644,582 Church Support: 02/23/14: \$20,231 Actual Church Support (07/07/13 - 02/23/14): \$779,388

ARCHBISHOPS ANNUAL APPEAL

Lourdes Share \$78,600 Amount Paid to Date (02/22/14 -):\$0

"THE HOLY SPIRIT HELPS US TO VIEW OTHERS WITH FRESH EYES, SEEING THEM ALWAYS AS BROTHERS AND SISTERS IN JESUS, TO BE RESPECTED AND LOVED". POPE FRANCIS

<u>Lourdes Lunch</u> Our parish volunteers served <u>264</u> people this Tuesday and <u>243</u> on Thursday. We are grateful for these women and men who share the charity of Christ with those who are hungry. All new volunteers 12 years old (8th graders) or older are most welcome but will need to call the church office to be scheduled for volunteering. Volunteers are scheduled from 9:30am until 1:00pm.

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. Of cancers that affect both men and women, colorectal cancer is the second leading cancer killer in the United States. Colorectal cancer affects all racial and ethnic groups and is most often found in people ages 50 and older, and African Americans. 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

Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic School is seeking a Communications Coordinator reporting to the Principal. This position is responsible for writing and editing multiple newsletters and publications designed to keep parents, staff and OLA partners informed and updated. This position includes working with the Student Information System and other administrative duties as assigned. The candidate is required to be detail oriented and to have excellent computer software skills with experience in graphic and/or web design; excellent interpersonal, oral, and written communication skills; and the ability to multi-task and self-direct. Knowledge of Student Information Systems and databases is a plus. Bachelor's Degree required. Experience considered in lieu of degree requirements. Please send cover letter, resume, and qualifications to the attention of Lisa Cordell, Principal, at lcordell@olaschool.org.

Xavier University of Louisiana Atlanta Alumni Chapter presents its' 5th Annual Jazz Brunch Sunday, March 16, 2014, 12 noon - 4:00 pm, The Retreat at Perimeter Summit, 1001 Summit Blvd., Atl. Ga 30319; Guest Speaker: Dr Norman C. Francis, President Xavier University, Ticket price \$50.00 ea. Proceeds from this event benefit the Atlanta Alumni Chapter's scholarship program and XULA Annual Fund. Visit https://sites.google.com/site/xulaatlantaalumni/. For information & tickets contact: Carroll L. Frank (205) 907 0500, e-mail: frankrph5@aol.com

<u>Are you looking for an EAGLE SCOUT project?</u> Then we need you! Please call Mrs. Greenwood, Principal of St. Peter Claver Regional Catholic School to learn how you can help us and achieve your award. 404-241-3063.

Please pray for our sick & shut-in including: Bernice Malcolm, Pierce McCarthy, Dorothy McClean, James McMullan, Beverly Mims, Ashton Montgomery, John Moore, Elias Mustafa, Nevels Family, Chloe Miller, Gloria Oakley, Idalia O'Neal, Mazie Parker, Lucy Piquant, Lorraine Powell, Katie Price, Juliet Pilgrim, Eisenhower and Rosario Raines, Janet Nixon Reynolds, Rosalind Reynolds, Joi Robinson, Joe Robinson, Shayla Robinson, Christopher Rutherford, Michelle Ryans, Barbara Schenk, Karla Schmidt, Adrienne Sellers, Jolette Shannon, Alana Sheppard, Belinda Skelton, Lois Smith & Renise Smith, Ernestine Smith, Malcolm Smith, Regina Smith, Terry Smith, Lori Sneed, Beatrix Snowden, John Soto, Delia Spencer, Eugene Sturgis, Jean-Luc Tahou, Brian Terrell, Lillie Thomas, Terry Thompson, Andrew Vassil, Denny Vavro, Marjorie Vieire, Alexandra Walker, Cassandra Walker, Barbara Waller, Bobbie Ware, Sophia L. White, Dawn Williams, Gwendolyn Williams, Sherran Winchester