Lourdes Birthdays

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Ardis Blanchard	Sept 28	Shannon Baudy	Sept 30	Owen McEvoy	Oct 2
Brandon Guillory	Sept 28	Shiloh Hickerson	Sept 30	Philip Verre	Oct 2
El Serrant	Sept 28	Tom Sherrill	Sept 30	Shealia Hutchinson	Oct 2
Evan Hill	Sept 28	Trisa Belfast-Thompson	Sept 30	Sterling Spainhour	Oct 2
Horace Slaughter, Jr.	Sept 28	Yovan Marinkovic	Sept 30	Annelise MacKinnon	Oct 3
Laughton Berry	Sept 28	Aleta Miller	Oct 1	Corrina Stracke	Oct 3
Nancy Porter	Sept 28	Brandi Collins-Thomas	Oct 1	Elliot MacKinnon	Oct 3
Renee Schatteman	Sept 28	Gerard Foley	Oct 1	Esi Dawson	Oct 3
Rhonda Ducharme	Sept 28	Lawrence House	Oct 1	Marsha Duhon	Oct 3
Christian Brown	Sept 29	Molly Swartz	Oct 1	Milan Broughton	Oct 3
Deborah Freeman	Sept 29	Nicole Sewell	Oct 1	Regina Smith	Oct 3
Geraldine White	Sept 29	Savannah Kennedy	Oct 1	Sidney Levy	Oct 3
Peyton Hamilton	Sept 29	Sydney Whittle	Oct 1	Sophia Schatteman	Oct 3
Sloan Reed	Sept 29	Trinity Turner	Oct 1	Zachery Broughton	Oct 3
Brian Thomas	Sept 30	Anthony Angelety	Oct 2	Alva Woods	Oct 4
Douglas Blanchard	Sept 30	Beli Infantry-Johnson	Oct 2	Claire Berger	Oct 4
Ikovwa Irune	Sept 30	Dejen Amanuel	Oct 2	Drew Martin	Oct 4
Jill Shields	Sept 30	Eileen DeWane	Oct 2	Jovita Griffith	Oct 4
Keith Brown	Sept 30	Malcolm Laurent	Oct 2	Kendall Childs	Oct 4
Kendall Willis	Sept 30	Melinda Ellis	Oct 2	Mary Davies	Oct 4
LaTonja Wright	Sept 30	Nina Mallard	Oct 2	Sophia Locricchio	Oct 4
				Yoan Bassinga	Oct 4

4th Sunday of September (09/28/14)

Saints and Holy People of African Descent ~ Blessed Victoria Rasomanarivo

This laywoman was born in 1848 to parents who worshiped according to their ancestral religion. At the age of 15, Victoria was baptized a Christian much against her family's wishes. Although Christianity had been a part of Madagascar since the 16th century, It never replaced ancestral worship as the most practiced faith. Victoria's family continued to threaten her, but she remained unmovable in her Christian faith. When nothing could be done to stop Victoria from practicing Catholicism, the family arranged her marriage to the prime minister's son, thinking perhaps a husband could control this woman who refused to obey her family's wishes. Of course, this did not work. Victoria persisted in her routine of visiting the sick and poor, reciting the rosary and attending Mass. In 1883, the government threw Catholic priests out of Madagascar and locked the doors of all churches. No one imagined that Victoria would stand up to the government and insist that the churches should remain open. "You can put me to death, but you have no right to shut the church." Because of her insistence, the churches eventually reopened. During the 3 years without priests, Victoria led the Catholic church in Madagascar. She made sure that religious instructions and Sunday prayers took place. When the Jesuit priests returned, they were impressed with the organization, strength and spirit found in the local churches. Blessed Victoria Rasomanarivo died in 1894, after a brief illness.

African Saints-African Stories...Camille Lewis Brown, PH.D /Saints of Africa -Vincent J. O'Malley, C.M

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We are committed

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





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Father Jeffery Ott, O.P., Pastor
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Rev. Mr. 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

Saturday: 4:30 PM and by appointment

RCIA Inquiry Classes

Every Sunday after the 8:00AM Mass

KDCC - 3rd Floor

<u>Rosary</u>

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 Janine Brown (301)651-5953 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
 Darren Gustafson, gustafson2954@comcast.net
- *Finance Council: Quarterly Meetings Mary Ellen Macke, Chairperson
- *Haiti Ministry- 3rd Sunday after the 10am Mass Mary Jane Cooper 404-375-1686 Jackie Wales 770-378-2705
- *Health Ministry

Brad Singleton, pocomo.singleton5@gmail.com Sean Griffith, scgriff1@hotmail.com *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

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- *Lourdes Athletic Ministry

Kevin Rogers, Co-Coordinator - 404.704.7327

- *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 10:00 am Mass
 Janine Brown, 301-651-5953
- *St. Vincent de Paul Society: 1st & 3rd Sun. 11:30 am Joel Maxwell, Coordinator, 678-892-6163
- *Stephen's Ministry

Mizette Coakley, Coordinator, 404-983-0956,

- *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

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 28, 2014



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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:

Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11

GOSPEL: Matthew 21:28-32

Next Sunday's readings are:

Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9 GOSPEL: Matthew 21:33-43

Lourdes Prayer Line

678.235.5469

lourdespct@gmail.com

MEN to MEN National Black Catholic Men's Conference will be celebrating their 11th Year Anniversary. The conference is being held on October 23 – 26, 2014 in Memphis, TN. The overall purpose of the Men's Conference is to provide a forum for African-American males and youth to discern the critical issues and challenges facing them in the community. It also provides an environment of mentoring and support for those seeking a vocation in priesthood, brotherhood and the diaconate. For more information, visit the website at www.bowmanfrancisministry.com or contact Fr. Chester Smith at 317-523-0900.

<u>Need A Ride To Church?</u> The Pastoral Care Team needs your help in identifying church members who are in need of a ride to Mass. If you or if you know of someone who need a ride contact the church office with the person(s) name and contact number.

<u>Voter Registration Deadline</u> Monday, October 6th is the last day to register to vote in the November 4 election and any subsequent runoff elections. If you need to register, update your address, or have a name change, please see the volunteers at both exits to do so.

Lector Prep: For those reading during Masses held in November, the prep sessions will be held on Saturday, October 4th at 10:30 a.m. and Tuesday, October 7th at 7 p.m. in the church. All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.

<u>Simon's Call</u> Please support the annual AIDS Walk, October 19, by joining our Lourdes team and donating money. For further information please contact Janis Griffin or a member of Simon's Call.

Baptismal Prep: Class will be held on Tuesday, Oct 7th in the St. Augustine Room at 7 p.m.

September is 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 white, African American, American Indian / Alaska Native, 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.

Join the Lourdes Book Club for a book discussion on Saturday, October 25, 2014 at Panera at Emory Village at 7 p.m. Our book selection is "The House of the Spirit: A Novel by Isabel Allende". In one of the most important and beloved Latin American works of the twentieth century, Allende weaves a luminous tapestry of three generations of the Trueba family, revealing both triumphs and tragedies. The major characters in the book come from two opposing classes: the landed aristocracy and the peasants. They are also are all women who work in different and subtle ways to assert their rights. The House of the Spirits is an enthralling saga that spans decades and lives, twining the personal and the political into an epic novel of love, magic, and fate. "Extraordinary . . . powerful, sharply observant, witty and eloquent."—The New York Times. For more information, please contact Carole Lacour at Lared111@aol.com or (404) 629-0878.

LOURDES STEWARDSHIP

Weekly Church Budget: \$20,106 Total Church Budget (07/06/14-09/21/14): \$241,272 Church Support: 09/21/14: \$18,209 Actual Church Support (07/06/14-09/21/14):\$234,320

ARCHBISHOPS ANNUAL APPEAL

Lourdes Share \$78,600 Amount Paid to date (09/18/14):\$ 46,952

OUTSTANDING PLEDGES \$31,648

<u>Lourdes Lunch</u>: Our parish volunteers served <u>267</u> people this past Tuesday and <u>225</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- those who are at least 12 years of age are most welcome but will need to call the church office to be scheduled for volunteering. Volunteers are scheduled from 9:30 a.m. until 1 p.m.

<u>TEEPA SNOW</u>, Renowned Dementia Expert & Lecturer will offer a free workshop! Tuesday, November 4, 2014 from 6:30 - 8:30 pm at Due West United Methodist Church, 3956 Due West Road, Marietta, GA 30064

South Campus (Building C). Teepa will be instructing in the positive approach of caring for a dementia loved one. Her personal mission is to help families and professionals better understand the effects of dementia, as well as learn and practice effective caregiving outcomes. To learn more about Teepa and the wonderful work she does, go to teepasnow.com. Reservations Requested! Contact Sheila Welch, sheilaowelch@gmail.com or 404-642-6027.

<u>Friends of Mills, Inc.</u> presents "An Evening in Black & White at The Royal Peacock" at the Helen S. Mills Senior Multipurpose Facility, 515 John Wesley Dobbs Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30312 on Friday, Oct 17th from 7pm - 11pm. Tickets are \$50 each; Attire is semi-formal. There will be live entertainment, dancing, food and a cash bar. For more information call 404-523-3353

<u>The Courage to Remember</u>, an educational exhibit on the history of the Holocaust, will be on display at The Martin Luther King Center, 449 Auburn Ave., Atlanta, Sept. 18 through Oct. 2. The exhibit is touring the country and features nearly 200 original photographs, many never seen before by the general public, on 42 panels. The center is open Monday through Saturday, 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. and Sundays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information about the exhibit visit www.couragetoremember.com

Children's Shelter, 607 Peachtree St. NE, Atlanta 30308, in the back of North Avenue Presbyterian Church, has been serving homeless children (ages 6 weeks – 5 years) and their families for over 28 years. Whatever your faith tradition, the holidays are a time of renewed caring. Atlanta Children's Shelter is seeking help to make the holidays a special time for homeless children and their families; they need monetary sponsors, in-kind donations, and volunteers. The Holiday House is a place where parents can shop free of charge for warm clothing, gifts for their children, and family necessities. If you would like more information or to see how you can be involved, please email Joni Smith at jsmith@acsatl.org or call 404-892-3713 or visit our website at www.acsatl.org

<u>Help Moving Service:</u> The Knights of Peter Claver Council 300 are providing free moving service to you, your family and friends. So if you need manpower and need to move but don't have much help, we can take care of that for you and best of all...it's free! Please give at least two week notice for planning purposes. Contact any Knight that you know or call Kwame Nyaku @ 404-543-0068 or email knightsoflourdes@gmail.com.

Please pray for our sick & shut-in including: Bernice Malcolm, Pierce McCarthy, Dorothy McClean, Ed R. McDonnell Sr., Beverly McEwan, James McMullan, Angelo & Axel Mejia, Beverly Mims, Ashton Montgomery, John Moore, Elias Mustafa, Nevels Family, Chloe Miller, Barbara Neely, Gloria Oakley, Idalia O'Neal, Mazie Parker, Lucy Piquant, Harvey Porter, Lorraine Powell, Charles Prejean, III, Katie Price, Eisenhower and Rosario Raines, Janet Nixon Reynolds, Rosalind Reynolds, Joi Robinson, Shayla Robinson, Christopher Rutherford, Michelle Ryans, Barbara Schenk, Karla Schmidt, 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, Ashley Stone, Eugene & Thayes Sturgis, Jean-Luc Tahou, Brian Terrell, Leonard Thomas, Jr., Lillie Thomas, Terry Thompson, Carolyn Touchette, Andrew Vassil, Denny Vavro, Marjorie & Alan Vieira, Courtney & Josie Vissman, Barbara Waller, Bobbie Ware, Sophia L. White, Dawn Williams, Gwendolyn Williams, Sherran Winchester, Juliana Yang.