

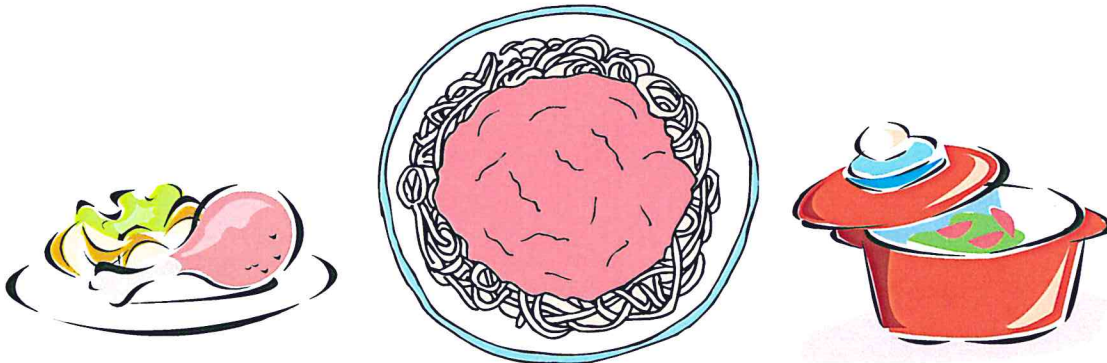
Our Lady of Lourdes

Women's Council

Presents

"A Taste of Lourdes"

(Annual fundraiser)



Sunday, April 17, 2016

After: 8 AM, 10 AM & 12 Noon Masses

Share your favorite cultural or regional dish to be tasted by church members
Purchase (\$5) a plate of different foods from the kitchens of our diverse parish

Return this form to a Women's Council member
No later than Sunday, April 10, 2016

Your Name _____ Phone _____

Name of Dish _____ Culture/Region _____

Place a check next to one item in each section:

Type of Dish: ___ Meat Served: ___ Hot Serve at ___ 8AM Mass
___ Vegetable ___ Cold ___ 10AM Mass
___ Starch ___ Noon Mass
___ Casserole
___ Dessert

Please Use Disposable Dishes If Possible

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WHAT IS “THE TASTE OF LOURDES”

The “**TASTE OF LOURDES**” was introduced to Our Lady of Lourdes over 15 years ago by this excited Parishioner who had a fundraising vision! The idea came from her mother, who’s Catholic Church in the Bahamas raised nearly \$10,000.00 with their **Taste** in one day. And the “**Taste**” is exactly what it sounds like!! Here is how it works:

We, (The Women’s Council) ask that each Parishioner bring/donate their favorite dish. We have cultural and regional dishes from all over the world. With a church Family consisting of a slew of diversified people hailing from Jamaica, Trinidad, Grenada, Haiti, Ivory Coast, Germany, France, Italy, Ghana, United States, and The Bahamas.....You’d better believe that the Caribbean dishes are authentic and off the chain!! **ALL** the dishes are **SCRUMPTIOUS** AND.....**SOOOOOOOO MANY DESSERTS to choose from!!**

The “**Taste**” also allows us to fellowship and meet new people within the Parish while getting our “EAT” on.....It is held after the 8, 10 and 12 noon Masses. We ask that you drop off your **Dish in Disposable Pans** if possible BEFORE the Mass that you would like your dish to be served. **Although you are donating a dish, we charge a \$5.00 fee to enter the “Taste” to try it all!!*

Remember....God LOVES a cheerful giver: 2 Corinthians 9



Our Lady of Lourdes Conference

Did you know?

The Lourdes Conference ...

- Was founded in 1939
- Has 27 active volunteer members
- Gathers 2 times a month for spiritual reflection, and to assist people in need – we call them “clients”
- Meets with 10-12 individuals or families each month, many living at or below the poverty line, who are experiencing temporary setbacks
- Provides assistance with rent, utilities, food and MARTA cards, and refers clients to other agencies for furniture and other needs
- Counsels clients on budgeting and risk avoidance
- Is funded solely by the once-a-month SVdP collection – no funds come from the Lourdes general weekly collection
- Organizes or participates in special events:
 - Holiday food basket program - ingredients donated by parishioners
 - Atlanta Food Bank Hunger Walk
 - Annual brunch at The Edgewood (housing facility for persons with HIV/AIDS)



During the year, we'll be sharing more specifics with you about the works of the St. Vincent de Paul Conference here at Lourdes.

We appreciate your continued support and may God bless you always.

Brain Health, Memory Loss and Caregiving : What's Involved



Community Forum Presented by
The Knights of Peter Claver, Inc and the Emory Alzheimer's Disease Research Center

Saturday, April 16, 2016

10:00am-12:00pm

St. Paul of the Cross

551 Harwell Road | Atlanta, GA 30318

Doors open at 9:30am

Join us for this workshop to learn tips to improve your brain health, latest trends and discoveries in Alzheimer's prevention and research featuring a panel of Emory physicians including Ihab Hajjar, MD and Kenneth Hepburn, PhD.

alzheimer's 
association

DOOR PRIZES | REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

To register visit

www.stpaulofthecrossatl.eventbrite.com
contact Kristen Cothran at 404-727-4462
or kristen.a.cothran@emory.edu



Our Lady of Lourdes Monthly Calendar

APRIL 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>3 Sunday Breakfast No Sunday School RCIA 8:30A Women's Council 10A Social Action 11:30AM St. Vincent de Paul 12N</p>	<p>4 Zumba Class 7:15P</p>	<p>5 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A Zumba Class 6:15P Lector Prep 7P</p>	<p>6 Zumba Class 6:15P <i>AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P</i> <i>Bible Study 7:00P</i> Starbucks 650 Ponce De Leon Ave Atlanta GA, 30308</p>	<p>7 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A AGLD Rehearsal 7:00P Choir Rehearsal 7:00P JustFaith 7P Zumba Class 7:15P</p>	<p>8 YAAG Meeting 7:30P</p>	<p>9 Jr. Concession Stand AG Youth Class 10A Pastoral Care Team 10A Eracism 11A Turner & Hinds Wedding 2P Confirmation Class 2:30P Rosary 4:30PM 5:00PM Eucharist</p>
<p>10 RCIA 8:30A Sunday School 10:00A Teen Ministry 10:00A Parenting Ministry 10A KPCLA Meeting 1:00P Dancer's Rehearsal 1:30P</p>	<p>11 Stephens Ministry 6:30PM Zumba Class 7:15P</p>	<p>12 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A Zumba Class 6:15P Baptismal Class 7P</p>	<p>13 Zumba Class 6:15P <i>AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P</i> <i>Bible Study 7:00P</i> Starbucks 650 Ponce De Leon Ave Atlanta GA, 30308</p>	<p>14 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A AGLD Rehearsal 7:00P Choir Rehearsal 7:00P Zumba Class 7:15P</p>	<p>15 <i>Men's Ministry</i> <i>Movie Night for Edgewood</i> <i>7:30P</i></p>	<p>16 Jr. Concession Stand Stand Up for Kids 8:30A AG Youth Class 10A Dance by Kenya 1:30P Confirmation Class 2:30P Rosary 4:30PM 5:00PM Eucharist</p>
<p>17 Taste of Lourdes RCIA 8:30A Sunday School 10:00A Teen Ministry 10:00A Parenting Ministry 10A Health Ministry 11:30A RCIA Meet & Greet 11:30A Habit Ministry 11:30A SVDP Meeting 11:30A</p>	<p>18 Expansion Committee 7P Zumba Class 7:15P</p>	<p>19 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A Zumba Class 6:15P</p>	<p>20 Zumba Class 6:15P <i>AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P</i> <i>Bible Study 7:00P</i> Starbucks 650 Ponce De Leon Ave Atlanta GA, 30308</p>	<p>21 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A Beltine Meeting 6:00P AGLD Rehearsal 7:00P Choir Rehearsal 7:00P Zumba Class 7:15P</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 Jr. Concession Stand RCIA Ministry Fair 9:30A AG Youth Class 10A Eracism 11A Confirmation Class 2:30P Rosary 4:30PM 5:00PM Eucharist Bookstore Open</p>
<p>24 Bookstore Open RCIA 8:30A Sunday School 10:00A Teen Ministry 10:00A Parenting Ministry 10A Life Issues 12N KPCLA Spring Tea 2P</p>	<p>25 Stephens Ministry 6:30PM Finance Council 6:30P Zumba Class 7:15P Tatze Prayer Group 8:00PM</p>	<p>26 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A Zumba Class 6:15P</p>	<p>27 Zumba Class 6:15P <i>AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P</i> <i>Bible Study 7:00P</i> Starbucks 650 Ponce De Leon Ave Atlanta GA, 30308</p>	<p>28 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A AGLD Rehearsal 7:00P Choir Rehearsal 7:00P Zumba Class 7:15P</p>	<p>29 Evening of Prayer 7P</p>	<p>30 AG Youth Class 10A Dance by Kenya 1:30P Confirmation Class 2:30P Rosary 4:30PM 5:00PM Eucharist</p>

Save the Date
Friday, April 29, 2016 – 7P ~ Evening of Prayer – St. Catherine of Siena, Contemplative



MY DANIEL

Daniel McGregor, a 12-year-old from Newcastle upon Tyne in England, is an international celebrity. His mother Stacey's popular Facebook page, called *My Daniel*, recounts his experiences with teachers and classmates, with his loving parents and two younger sisters, and with those who provide him medical care and therapy.

Daniel has severe disabilities. Deprived of oxygen at birth, he was diagnosed with cerebral palsy and a host of related conditions. Even after repeated surgeries, he cannot walk or talk, and he has trouble sleeping. Yet Daniel is happy and loved, both in his household and his school, as evident from the photos and videos of family outings his mother has posted, as well as cards and notes from his teachers and classmates.

RED-HOT FRANCIS RHETORIC

Among Daniel's conditions is microcephaly, a disabling condition recently linked with an outbreak of the mosquito-borne Zika virus in Latin America. In response to calls for ending restrictions on abortion in the Catholic countries most affected, Pope Francis responded in surprisingly harsh terms. "It is a crime," he said, to destroy life for such a reason, adding "This is what the Mafia does." Evidently, said one startled commentator, "we can add another practice to the list of those that produce red-hot Francis rhetoric: abortion as a response to the reality of disabled children."

NO CONDITION CAN CONFINE OUR PERSONHOOD

Yet Catholics have not always been welcoming to people with disabilities, as an Atlanta mother named Toni Miralles discovered 45 years ago when she sought sacramental preparation for her daughter. Starting in her own parish, Miralles helped create the archdiocesan Disabilities Ministry, which now offers programs of service, support and advocacy, aiming to see that all Atlanta Catholics share fully in our sacramental life.

Toni Miralles' legacy lives on in Toni's Camp, an annual weekend retreat where campers with disabilities are paired 1-on-1 with volunteer counselors, primarily teens from local parishes. As they build friendships, the counselors learn a lesson that Stacey McGregor and Daniel are teaching, a lesson reiterated in the *Beatitudes for Friends of Special People* which closed the Disability Ministry's most recent Faith and Sharing Mass:

BLESSED ARE YOU when, by all things, you assure us that what makes us individuals is not our particular disability or difficulty but our beautiful God-given personhood which no handicapping condition can confine.

For more information on Atlanta's archdiocesan Disabilities Ministry, visit the website at <http://www.archatl.com/ministries-services/disabilities-ministry/>