NEWS AT LOURDES

FORTUNATE AND FAITHFUL FAMILIES will host a Lenten Mass and meeting on Sunday, March 26, entitled "Building Bridges of Hope and Love in a World of Uncertainty and Division." Beginning with 11AM Mass at The Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 48 MLK, Jr. Drive, Atlanta, the meeting will continue in the fellowship hall. (Note: Free parking is available in the deck diagonally across from the Shrine, bring your ticket to be stamped by the ushers). Msgr. Henry Gracz will present on the topic and there will be time for dialogue and sharing. This gathering is specifically planned for parents and families with LGBT members but is open to all allies and friends of Fortunate and Faithful Families. Please join us for this time of spiritual nourishment and fellowship on your Lenten journey. For further information, please visit our website ffatl.org.

LOURDES BOOK CLUB Please join the Lourdes Book Club for a book discussion on Saturday, April 22, 2017 at Panera, Emory Village at 7 PM for dinner with the discussion to begin at 7:45 PM. Our book selection is: A Man Called Ove: A *Novel* written by first time Swedish author Fredrik Aackman. Meet Ove. He's a curmudgeon—the kind of man who points at people he dislikes as if they were burglars caught outside his bedroom window. He has strict routines, and a short fuse. People call him "the bitter neighbor from hell." But must Ove be bitter just because he doesn't walk around with a smile all the time? Behind the cranky exterior, there is a story and a sadness. A young couple with two chatty young daughters move in next door and accidentally flatten Ove's mailbox with a U-Haul. This incident lead-in to a comical and heartwarming tale of unkempt cats, unexpected friendship, and the ancient art of backing up a U-Haul. All of which will change one cranky old man and a local residents' association to their very foundations. "A feel-good story about an angry old man next door is a thoughtful exploration of the profound impact one life has on countless others." If there was an award for 'Most Charming Book of the Year,' this novel would win hands down" (Booklist review). For more information, please contact Carole Lacour at Lared111@aol.com or 770-951-3417.

MARCH IS NATIONAL COLORECTAL CANCER MONTH: Colorectal cancer is cancer of the colon or rectum. It's as common in women as it is in men. The American Cancer Society's estimates for the number of colorectal cancer cases in the United States for 2017 are: 95,520 new cases of colon cancer; 39,910 new cases of rectal cancer.

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.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR MARCH: *Help persecuted Christians.* That persecuted Christians may be supported by the prayers and material help of the whole Church.

OUR LADY OF MERCY CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL SPRING PREVIEW: Young people are a valued treasure and the future leaders of our Church. The gift of Catholic Education can help foster growth in faith, prayer and knowledge of God. The Archdiocese of Atlanta and Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School are committed to providing excellent, Catholic education that is available, accessible, and affordable to all Catholics. You are invited to join the Mercy community on Wednesday, March 22nd from 4 pm-6 pm for its annual Spring Preview. Meet the administration, faculty and staff, students, and coaches. Take a campus tour. Discover why Mercy has been providing its students an education that is both truly Catholic and of the highest academic quality for the past 17 years. God bless you.

MARIST SCHOOL seeks candidate for full-time Campus Minister. The successful candidate will have experience and skills in coordinating student-led activities including prayer services, retreats, student leadership programs; ability to work collaboratively and flexibly in a team environment; and ability to work some nights and weekends. Candidates should complete the faculty employment application on the Marist School website. Other correspondence may be sent to deloachc@marist.com.

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SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



Parish Staff

Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P., Pastor Rev. Bruce Schultz, O.P., Associate Pastor Rev. Mr. Chester Griffin, Deacon Rev. Mr. Lennison Alexander, Deacon Mr. Kenneth Louis, Director of Liturgy and Music Ms. Lisa Berkley, Business Manager/Bookkeeper Ms. Carol Ann Pinard, Office Administrative Assistant Mrs. Angela Massingale, Assistant to the Pastor Mrs. Theresa Bowen, Director of Religious Education Ms. Samantha Smith, Teen Ministry Mr. Cong Dinh, Maintenance Supervisor Bro. Joseph Paul Albin, O.P., Pastoral Intern

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March 12, 2017

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

> Rosary Saturday: 4:30 PM

RCIA Inquiry Classes Saturdays -4:00PM Sundays- 8:30AM In RCIA Room KDCC- 3rd Floor Contact: Kim Parrish 404.247.6628 kaparrish@hotmail.com

> **Nursery Hours** 9:45AM- 11:45AM Ages: 3 Months - 4 Years Old

Sunday School Classes K - 7: Sunday: 10:30 AM - 11:30 AM Contact : Theresa Bowen thebowens4@bellsouth.net

Teens: 10:30 AM - 11:45 AM Contact: Samantha Smith lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org

Pastoral Care Team

Contact: Phillip Verre 678.235.5469 lourdespct@gmail.com Lourdes Prayer Line

Ministries & Organizations

(OLLS) Alumni Association Janis Griffin, Coordinator ollsalumni@gmail.com

Amazing Grace Liturgical Dancers Kenya Griffin, Director Wednesdays, 7PM-9PM; Sundays 1:30PM Open Rehearsals every 2nd Sunday January - April at 2:30PM amazinggracedancecompany@gmail.com

Baby Boomers Janine Brown: (301)651-5953 jeanettajacobsmom@hotmail.com

> **Bible Study** Every Wednesday, 7PM Marcus Stewart, Facilitator: (770) 491-9319

Book Store 4th weekend after each Mass Patricia Armstrong, Coordinator apatti2@juno.com

Cursillo Movement/Ultreya 1st Mondays, 7:00PM Lisa Berkley, bookkeeper@lourdesatlanta.org

Finance Council **Quarterly Meetings** Dawn Leaner-Hall, Chairperson

Haiti Ministry 3rd Sunday after the 10AM Mass **Reginald Grand-Pierre** (404) 309-7670

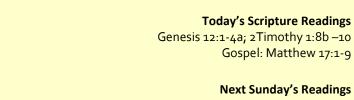
Health Promotions Ministry Pamela Tolliver, Co-chair pdtoll714@gmail.com; (678)662-6427 Helen Tritschler, Co-chair Helen.tritschler@gmail.com

Knights of Peter Claver (KPC) 2nd Sunday at 12:00PM Eugene Roberts, Grand Knight (404) 427-1039

KPC Junior Knights Matthew Amos, Junior Commander (404)697-2421

KPC Ladies Auxiliary 2nd Sunday at 12:00PM Patrice Barton-Smith, Grand Lady (678) 371-2677

> **KPC Junior Daughters** Lisa Bufford, Counselor (678) 362-6952



Gospel: Matthew 17:1-9

Next Sunday's Readings Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2,5-8 Gospel: John 4:5-42

Today's Scripture Readings

Mass Intention: **5PM** For the repose of the soul of **†**Clifton Avery **10AM** For the repose of the soul of †Audrey Turner

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (03/05/17): Weekly Church Budget:

\$26,027 \$26,197

2017 Archbishop's Annual Appeal "You shall love your neighbor as yourself"

Lourdes Share:	\$106,000
Total Pledged & Received	\$14,450
Amount Paid to Date:	\$8,320
Outstanding Pledges:	\$6,130

Thoughts on Stewardship

"Bear your share of the hardship for the Gospel," St. Paul tells Timothy in today's second reading. What sacrifice is asked of me for the sake of the Gospel? How willing am I to bear my share?

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

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Bernice Malcom, Darlene Perkins, Mary Lou Mathis, Lucy Piquant, Yovan Marinkovic, Lorraine Powell, Pierce McCarthy, Katie Price, Dorothy McClean, Lisa Price-Alexander, Beverly McEwan, Willie Price, James McMullen, Eisenhower Raines, Michelle Skrmetta, Angelo Mejia, Rosario Raines, Axel Mejia, Janey Reynolds, Chloe Miller, Rosalind Reynolds, Beverly Mims, Shayla Robinson, Janet Stewart, Ashton Montgomery, Chris Rutherford, John Moore, Gracie Rutherford, Elias Mustafa, Michelle Ryans, Will Van Ness, Barbara Schenk, Peggy Neeson, Karla Schmidt, Nevels Family, Jolette Shannon, Idalia O'Neal, Alana Sheppard, Mazie Parker, Devon Simmons,

Ernestine Smith, Merlin Todd, Lois Smith, Andrew Vassil, Malcom Smith, Denny Vavro, Renise Smith, Marjorie Vieira, Regina Smith, Alan Vieira, Jean Walker, Terry Smith, Sophia L. White, Lori Sneed, Dawn Williams, John Soto, Gwendolyn Williams, Delia Spencer, Sherran Winchester, Juliana Yang Ashley Stone, Eugene Sturgis, Sr. Liz Sully, Frankie Sweet, Jean-Luc Tahou, Mary Tarrott,

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Brian Terrell,

Terry Thompson,

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LECTOR PREP for the month of April will be held Tuesday, March 14, at 7PM in the church. All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.

BAPTISMAL PREP for parents wishing to have their child (under the age of 6) baptized, will be held on Tuesday, March 14, at 7PM, in the St Augustine Room, 2nd Floor, KDCC Building. Please call the church office (404-522-6776) to RSVP.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Come join us every Friday during Lent at 7PM for the Stations of the Cross, as we journey through Christ's Passion and afterwards come and fellowship with the Lourdes Knights of Peter Claver in the cafeteria, as they host their Annual Lenten Fish Fry starting at 6PM.

SILENT RETREAT WEEKEND MARCH 17 - 19, 2017 Join fellow Lourdes parishioners for a 2-Night Silent Retreat Weekend at Ignatius House in Atlanta and uncover the value of getting away from the chaos: "Discover and Re-connect". Experience comfort, experience tranquility, experience clarity, experience fellowship while connecting with God in a way daily life does not provide and surrounded by scenic trails and the majestic Chattahoochee River on Riverside Dr. at I-285. Total Retreat cost is \$270 (Includes food, lodging, spiritual direction, and access to all grounds). REGIS-TER TODAY at http://ignatiushouse.org/spiritual-retreat-registration/. For Financial Aid, please call the Ignatius House at 404-255-0503. Questions? Call or email your OLL Retreat Chairs: Terri Lewis 908-313-3508 (TAL487(agmail.com) or Tom Sherrill 770-722-7521 (TBSHERRILL@comcast.net).

LAW ENFORCEMENT & MEDICAL DIRECTORY Lourdes is in process of updating the photo database of our members who are Law Enforcement and Medical Personnel. This directory will be listed by the mass you attend, in order to help us identify you quietly during the service in the event of an emergency. Please join us in the Parish Hall after Mass the weekend of March 25/26 for your photo opportunity.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

Rosemary Yarwood

March 14

March 12

Adrien Spencer

Arthur Marbury

Iris Gayle Lander

Kandy Chambers

Micaela Fedullo

Nadine Burnett

Natasia Lobban

Robert Diggs

March 13

Catherine Joy

Chaenelle Carter

DeShawn McCrainey

Coy Satterfield

Dana Avist

Felix Nivbizil

Miriam Gotay

Monica DeMoura

Declin Connor

Dina Vann

Jose Serna

Byron Honore Cameron Hewling Cameron White Debra Weeks Julia Prybys Marcellus Turner Sumaiyah Bowie

March 15

Adrian Roberson Charles Jackson Helen Tritschler John Danavall Kody Curley Liam Richards Lourdes Nyaku Michael Ebner Tatyana Louis

March 16 Adrian Sellers Daniel Wurzel Dominique Johnson Jaydon Carpenter Joseph Carapenter Julian Saintil Michael Phelps Nasha Pradia **Reginald** Poellnitz Ryen Evans

March 17

Adam Rose Adejia Boutte Agathia Jenkins Barrett Benjamin Cynthia Marbury Iika Martin Karen Ray Keela Boyce Michael Jennings

Patricia Armstrong Patricia Byse Shukuri Harayandi

March 18

Brianna Hutchinson Edward Knotts Ezra Kyiamah Fadel Baba Sakponou Jade Evertsz Jeanette Blawn Jill Arnold Jordan Kidd Lenora Weston-Spencer Marcia Halyard Nevienne Tate-Alpough



Ministries & Organizations

Lourdes Lunch Tuesday & Thursday, September-June Thayes Sturgis, Coordinator (404) 375-0838

Life Issues

Conference Call 4th Sunday at 7PM Ron Chandonia, Coordinator (770) 631-0060

> Liturgy Committee 1st Monday at 7PM Contact: Kenneth Louis klouis@lourdesatlanta.org

Lourdes Athletic Ministry Kevin Rogers, Co-Coordinator (404) 704-7327

Lourdes Book Club Carole Lacour, Coordinator (404) 629-0878

Men's Ministry Lenny Alexander, Facilitator (404) 644-7554

Mentoring Ministry Louis Hubbard, Coordinator dipdab8o@sbcglobal.net

> Parenting Ministry Sunday at 10:00AM P.J. Lemuel, Facilitator (770) 981-7226

Simon's Call (AIDS Ministry)

Quarterly on 1st Sunday at 12PM Janis Griffin

Social Action Committee

1st Sunday after the 10AM Douglas Collins, (404) 317 4057 doug1234@me.com

Stephen Ministry Leaders

Lenny Alexander, (404) 644-7554; Fr. Jeffery Ott , (404) 997-3867

St. Vincent de Paul Society 1st & 3rd Sunday at 11:30AM Joanne Breaugh, SVDP Hotline - (678) 892-6163

Women's Council

1st Sunday @ 10AM Mizette Coakley, President (404) 983-0956 mizettecoakley@yahoo.com

Young at Heart (Seniors) Contact the Church Office