NEWS AT LOURDES

LOURDES BOOK CLUB: Join us for a book discussion on Saturday, June 24, at Panera, Emory Village at 7PM for dinner with the discussion to begin at 7:45PM. Our book selection is The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane by Lisa See. Li-yan and her family align their lives around the seasons and the farming of tea. For the Akha people, ensconced in ritual and routine, life goes on as it has for generations—until a stranger appears at the village gate in a jeep, the first automobile any of the villagers has ever seen. She is one of the few educated girls on her mountain and translates for the stranger. Rejecting the rules of her village, Li-yan has a baby outside of wedlock. Rather than stand by tradition, she wraps her daughter in a blanket, with a tea cake hidden in her swaddling, and abandons her in the nearest city. Li-yan leaves her village for education and the city life. Her daughter Haley is raised in California by loving adoptive parents. Haley wonders about her origins at the same time that Li-yan longs for her lost daughter. Over the course of years, each searches for meaning in the study of Pu'er, the tea that has shaped their family's destiny for centuries. A powerful story about two women separated by circumstance, culture, and distance, The Tea Girl of Hummingbird Lane is an unforgettable portrait of a little known region and its people and a celebration of the bonds of family. For more information, please contact Carole Lacour at Lared111@aol.com or 770-951-3417.

GEORGIA PEACHTREE JUNIOR: A fun family activity to kick off Mother's Day weekend! Piedmont Park at the Blue Cross Blue Shield of Georgia Peachtree Junior on Saturday, May 13! Atlanta Track Club's premier kids race, there's a distance for all ages with the 3K, 1/2K and 50m Dash. The first race starts at 8:30AM. After the run, there's even a kid-friendly decathlon with nine different track & field events. Learn more and register today at www.atlantatrackclub.org! Volunteers are also needed for the event. This is a great way for high school students to earn volunteer credits. If interested in volunteering, please email volunteers@atlantatrackclub.org.

MAY IS NATIONAL STROKE AWARENESS MONTH: Every 40 seconds, someone in the United States has a stroke; making it the fourth leading cause of death in the United States. A stroke, sometimes called a brain attack, occurs when a blockage stops the flow of blood to the brain or when a blood vessel in or around the brain bursts. Although many people think of a stroke as a condition that affects only older adults, strokes can and do occur in people of all ages. In fact, nearly a quarter of all strokes occur in people younger than age 65. The best way to lower your chances of having a stroke is to understand your level of risk, then take steps to decrease it. Here are several other life-saving steps you can take to stay healthy. Know your ABC'S of health: Appropriate Aspirin therapy (Ask your doctor if taking aspirin is right for you); Blood pressure control: Keeping your blood pressure under control reduces your risk of heart attack and stroke; Cholesterol management: Get your cholesterol checked regularly and manage it with diet and physical activity or with medication, if needed. Steps you can take to reduce risk include: Smoking cessation, Exercise regularly, Eat a healthy diet that's low in sodium, Maintain a healthy weight, Prevent or control diabetes and Limit your alcohol intake.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR MAY *Christians of Africa, witnesses for peace.* That Christians in Africa, in imitation of the Merciful Jesus, may give prophetic witness to reconciliation, justice, and peace.

2017 EUCHARISTIC CONGRESS VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The 2017 Eucharistic Congress comes at the beginning of the summer, just as your entire family is looking for quality and wholesome activities. Please prayerfully consider volunteering at the Congress on Friday, June 16 or Saturday, June 17 at the Georgia International Convention Center. The success of the Congress relies greatly on volunteers. Volunteer registration closes on Friday, May 19, to allow completion of paperwork and proper planning. For more information, please visit http://congress.archatl.com/

50/60 MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS: Archbishop Wilton D. Gregory would like to honor couples married in 1957 and 1967 with an invitation to a Golden/Diamond Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday October 7, at 12:00 noon at Saint Brigid Catholic Church, 3400 Old Alabama Road, Johns Creek, GA 30022. A reception will follow the Mass for the anniversary couples and their families. Space is limited. For more information or to RSVP for this event, please visit http:// tiny.cc/anniversarymass.

HUMAN TRAFFICKING Traffickers use all available resources or venues, to help facilitate their crime, including hotels and motels. Call hotel/motel personnel in your area to inquire about their knowledge on recognizing a trafficking situation. For more information, please visit the U.S. Catholic Sisters Against Human Trafficking at <u>sistersagainsttrafficking.org</u>

> To report abuse by church personnel: 888.437.0764 Archdiocese of Atlanta 24 Hour Reporting Hotline Free Pregnancy Test - Pregnancy Aid Clinic - 404.763.4357 or Optionline.org

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OUR LADY of LOURDES

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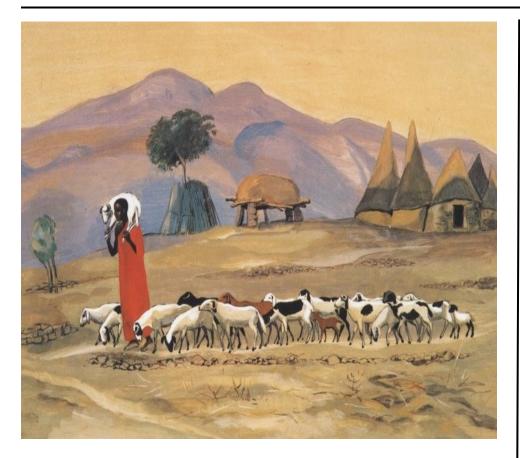
25 Boulevard, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30312

404.522.6776 www.lourdesatlanta.org Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM

Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

May 07, 2017

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER



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

We are active

We are committed

We are LOURDES Beactive. Your time, your talent, your Church.

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@gmail.com

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 (offsite) 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

4th Sunday after the 10AM Mass (offsite) 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

Today's Scripture Readings

Acts of the Apostle 2:14a,36-41; 1 Peter 2:20b-25 Gospel: John 10:1-10

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts of the Apostle 6:1-7; 1 Peter 2:4-9 Gospel: John 14:1-12

Mass Intention: **10AM** For the repose of the soul of †Rodney Hess **12PM** For the repose of the soul of †Rose Marie Princ

Lourdes Stewardship

\$11,886 Church Support (04/30/17): Weekly Church Budget: \$26,197

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

Lourdes Share: \$106,000 Total Pledged & Received \$128,109 Amount Paid to Date: \$29,439 **Outstanding Pledges:** \$98,670

Thoughts on Stewardship

Jesus says, "I came that they may have life, and have it to the full." Good stewards are grateful for the gift of life and joyfully share their abundance with others.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Mildred Allen, Leah Cox, Janet Goffinet, Sonia Johnson, Heather Ausman, Clara Cruz, DeLeur Gordon, Tracy Johnson, Christian Bailey, Diane Daniels, Jeanne Gray, Minnie Jones, LaQueeta Banks, Sallie Davenport, Johnny Gray, Jr., James Jordan, Sally Benjamin, Gary Davila, Donna Gregory, Jessica Jordan, Caitlin Blount, Wilford Deese, Dorothy Griffin, Linda Jordan, Kevin Bowman, Sofia Desantos, Melvin Griffin, James Josey, Aaron Brewington, Sonia Diaz, Nelia Kimbrough, Cliff Gunthel, Crystal Brown, Toni Douglas, Abdul Khan, Geton Harper, John Brown, Temaya Eatmon, Mary Harrison, Janet Lawrence, Edna Bryant, Dierdra Edwards, Vicki Lynn Hogan, Brenda Lee, Alexander Burdette, Holloway Egan, Joni Lefter, Austin Ingram, Tamiko Burgess, Yvonne Fears, William Jackson, Kiana Leon, Leroy Burrows, Jim Finn, Kimberly Janke, Lauren LePlatte, Cheryl Cianfrocco, Betty Chambers, Albert French, Sarah Jenkins, Michelle Lewis N'Dira Collier, Barbara French, Blanche Johnson, Elizabeth Cook, Karin Garcia, Grace Johnson, Yolanda Corbitt, Alamrew Gaines, Hazel Johnson, Ed Jude Costello, Mike Goffinet, Marvin Johnson,

The deadline for bulletin content is Wednesday at 12:00 noon.

Please email cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org. Bulletins and Inserts are always available on our website: www.lourdesatlanta.org.

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FAREWELL LOURDES FAMILY: "My Lourdes Family, I say family, because so many of you have treated me as a brother and son. I have been blessed to share in your lives and I'm humbled by how much you have offered me. This parish is an incredibly special place. One could say that it was the music, the preaching, the ministry, or many other things, but I would say that the specialness of Our Lady of Lourdes resides in a hospitality that leads to friendship, and family. You did more than just welcome me, you allowed me to be part of your family, and for this and so many other things I am grateful. Leaving here is certainly a mixed bag, I am excited about what comes next, but I am also sad when I think of how much I will miss this parish and each of you. Thanks doesn't get across the great feeling of gratitude that I have - I have been so blessed. Know that I will hold this community in my prayers and I ask for yours as well. May you all feel as blessed as I have while I was here, In Jesus Christ," Br. Joseph Paul Albin, O.P.

MOTHER'S DAY BRUNCH Please join the Junior Knights and Junior Daughters of the Knights of Peter Claver on Sunday, May 14, after all the Masses, for their annual Mother's Day brunch.

MOTHER'S DAY CONCERT: An addition to your Mother's Day plans!! Amazing Grace's Annual Mother's Day Fundraising Concert, "EMOTIONS", will be Sunday May 14 at 4PM, here at Our Lady of Lourdes. Tickets can be purchased at the Lourdes dance studio Wednesdays 6PM- 9PM; Thursdays 6PM- 9PM or Saturdays 12PM- 6PM for \$15 or at www.eventbrite.com . You don't want to miss this inspirational celebration for the women that have impacted our lives. A light reception will follow in the Parish

LOURDES N' ME (LOURDES NEIGHBORHOOD MEET AND EAT) is designed to bring the Lourdes diaspora together in small neighborhood groups of 8 – 10 parishioners within neighborhood homes across Atlanta. It is open to all Lourdes parishioners (singles or couples of all ages) and is an informal means to get to know your fellow parishioners who live right in your neighborhood, over a potluck meal. If you are interested in hosting a group within your neighborhood, please reach out to Bryan Alli at bryanalli10@gmail.com.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

May 07

Andrew Wildhaber Eugene Roberts Fergal Ryan Jamal Nowden Joel Maxwell Kanelechi Emeagi Logan Evans Stephen Wildhaber Tyler Price

May 08

Berlande Strassner Carrie Thurman Evelvn Lewis Michelle Ryans

May 09

Dawn Leaner-Hall Gana Wood

Ivan Gustafson May 11 Ionathan Howard

Kari Elam Kennedie Greene Kisha - Ann Williams Marie Turner Noah Turbes Sandra Criddell Topeeza Tilman

May 10

David Coleman Douglas Johnson Geton Harper Gwanaelle Sakponou Ingrid Torsay Macy Kline Norma Kate Singleton Vada Farmer Xori Johnson

Antonio Workman Carter Yarwood Davilvn Tabb Emery O'Brien Roth Joseph Smith Josephine Vissman Renee Alli

May 12

Chloe Walker Danielle Beauchesne Eric McDonald Jack Jenkins Katherine Athaide Lisa Menzies Westley Gillard

May 13

August Godwin

Jalen Alexander Joan Karr Joy O'Leary Lisa Paulycarpe Lleyton Brooks Myles Porter Myles Simmons Nora Avendaro Onyekachi Onyeabor Patricia Dougan

Rosemary Jean-Louis

Birthday

Shaylyn Deihl

Channing Allen

Charlotte Keller

Women's Council

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

Young at Heart (Seniors)

Contact the Church Office

Ministries & Organizations Thayes Sturgis, Coordinator Conference Call 4th Sunday at 7PM Ron Chandonia, Coordinator

Liturgy Committee 1st Monday at 7PM

(770) 631-0060

Lourdes Lunch

Tuesday & Thursday,

September-June

(404) 375-0838

Life Issues

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

Mizette Coakley, President