

Our Lady of Lourdes Monthly Calendar

SEPTEMBER 2018

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
					OFFICE CLOSES 12P	¹ Yoga by Chandra 8:30A Choir Rehearsal 3:30P Rosary 4:30P 5:00PM Eucharist
2 Women's Council 10A Social Action 11:30A Simon's Call 12P SYDP Meeting 12P Dancers Rehearsal 1:30P	3 LABOR DAY OFFICE CLOSED	4 Zumba Class 6:15P Lector Prep 7P	5 Zumba Class 6:15P <i>Bible Study 7:00P</i> Starbucks 650 Ponce De Leon Ave Atlanta GA. 30308 AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P	6 Choir Rehearsal 7:00P Zumba Class 7:15P	7 YAG Meet & Greet 7P	8 Choir Retreat 8:30A Yoga by Chandra 8:30A Lector Prep 10A Pastoral Care Team 10A Eradisim 11A Rosary 4:30PM 5:00PM Eucharist
9 Live Stream 10A Mass Farmer's Market LOURDES PICNIC 1P KPC/KPCLA Meeting 12P Dancers Rehearsal 1:30P Dancers Open Rehearsal 3:30P	10 Stephen Ministry 6:30PM <i>Pastoral Council 6:30PM</i> Ultreya 7P Zumba Class 7:15P Parish Building Project 7P	11 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A <i>(Welcome Back)</i> Zumba Class 6:15P Baptismal Prep 7P Parish Building Project 7P	12 Zumba Class 6:15P <i>Bible Study 7:00P</i> Starbucks 650 Ponce De Leon Ave Atlanta GA. 30308 AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P	13 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A Choir Rehearsal 7:00P Zumba Class 7:15P	14	15 Yoga by Chandra 8:30A Lay Dominicans 1P ASBS Meeting 3P Rosary 4:30PM 5:00PM Eucharist
16 KPC Sunday Breakfast Men's Heart Health 10A RCIA 11:30A SYDP Meeting 12P Dancers Rehearsal 1:30P	17 Zumba Class 7:15P	18 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A Zumba Class 6:15P	19 Zumba Class 6:15P <i>Bible Study 7:00P</i> Starbucks 650 Ponce De Leon Ave Atlanta GA. 30308 AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P	20 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A Choir Rehearsal 7:00P Zumba Class 7:15P	21 YAG Meet & Greet 7P <i>Men's Ministry</i> <i>Movie Night for Edgewood</i> 7:30P	22 Yoga by Chandra 8:30A AG Youth Dance Class 11:30A Eradisim 11A Rosary 4:30PM 5:00PM Eucharist KPCLA Fish Fry 6P
23 Live Stream 10A Mass Bookstore & Beignets Nursery 9:30A Sunday School 10:30A Teen Ministry 10:30A Parenting Ministry 10:30A Health Ministry Meeting 11:30A Dancers Rehearsal 1:30P O.L. Alumni 2P Life Issues 7P (conference Call)	24 Stephen Ministry 6:30PM Zumba Class 7:15P <i>Taize Prayer 8PM</i>	25 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A Zumba Class 6:15P	26 Zumba Class 6:15P <i>Bible Study 7:00P</i> Starbucks 650 Ponce De Leon Ave Atlanta GA. 30308 AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P	27 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A Choir Rehearsal 7:00P Zumba Class 7:15P	28	29 KPC Jr. Car Wash Day 8A AG Youth Dance Class 11:30A Rosary 4:30PM 5:00PM Eucharist MINISTRY FAIR 6P
30 MINISTRY FAIR 9A Nursery 9:30A Sunday School 10:30A Teen Ministry 10:30A Parenting Ministry 10:30A						

Save the Date

T-Shirt weekend ~ Saturday, September 8/Sunday, September 9
Nursery, Sunday School, Teen Ministry & Parenting Ministry Resumes ~ Sunday September 23 ~ 10:30am
Lourdes Ministry Fair ~ Saturday, September 29/Sunday, September 30
"Envisioning our Future" Information Sessions ~ Monday, September 10 & Tuesday, September 11 ~ 7pm

Life



Notes

Our Lady of Lourdes
Life Issues Committee

September 2018

In August, Pope Francis announced a long-expected change in the statement on the death penalty in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, the second such change in recent times. In the original 1992 edition, the Catechism had already cautioned that “bloodless means” of punishment “are more in conformity to the dignity of the human person.” In 1997, it added that cases in which execution could be justified “are very rare, if not practically non-existent.” Now it declares unequivocally that “the death penalty is inadmissible because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person.”

While the new statement was hailed for its clarity and compassion, it has met with opposition from both Catholics and other Christians who argue that it contradicts earlier Catholic positions on the subject and even the teachings of the Bible itself.

A HOPEFUL SIGN OF THE TIMES

Critics are correct that the Catholic Church has not consistently opposed capital punishment. In medieval and early modern times, in fact, criminals were regularly put to death in Italian territories under papal control. An earlier catechism reasoned that executions could actually promote “the preservation and security of human life.” As a result, Vatican City did not remove the death penalty from its books until 1969, well after it had disappeared from most of Western Europe.

Finally, though, Pope St. John Paul hailed growing public opposition to capital punishment as a “welcoming sign” of respect for human life in secular society, and he urged Catholics to join people of every faith to promote an “unconditional choice for life.” Henceforth, he said, that meant even the life of “someone who has done great evil.”

“GROWTH IN INSIGHT”

Still, this was not a new teaching. On the contrary, it was the view held by the earliest Christians, who generally refused to accuse others of capital crimes, sentence criminals to death, or witness public executions. While they may have joined their pagan neighbors in seeing the justice behind the “eye for an eye” ethic included in the Law of Moses, they were keenly aware that Jesus had given his followers a new and higher law: “You have heard that it was said, An eye for an eye, and a tooth for a tooth. But now I tell you: do not take revenge on someone who wrongs you” (Mt 5:38-39 GNT).

Pope Francis’s reinforcement of this teaching follows the lead of Vatican II, which reminded Catholics that the Holy Spirit constantly guides us to “growth in insight into the realities and words passed on” in Scripture and our tradition. It is only by prayerful reflection on God’s word that both individual Christians and the Church itself can rise above the shortcomings of our past “until eventually the words of God are fulfilled in us.”

The Catholic Mobilizing Network offers up-to-date information on implementing Catholic teaching on capital punishment in the United States: <https://catholicsmobilizing.org>.

Annual

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish



Sunday, September 9th Lourdes Centennial Property on Boulevard

1:00 PM to 5:00 PM

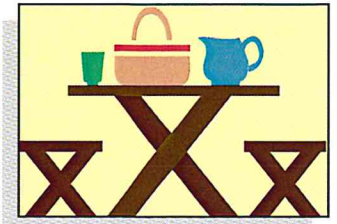
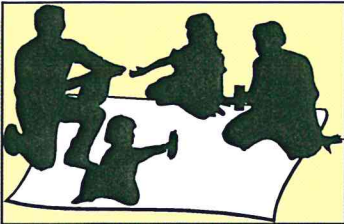
Fun...Games...Food...A good time for all

**Pot Luck – Bring a dish to the
Community Table**

“If your last name begins with the letter...
...bring the following dish to share.”

A – D	Casseroles i.e. (Mac ‘n’ Cheese; Scalloped potatoes)
E – H	Cooked Baked Beans
I – K	Desserts
L – M	Soda Pop (cans) & Water
N – Q	Pastas & Salads
R – Z	Cooked Vegetables

*Dishes are suggestions to have a good assortment to complement your meal.
Please bring your dishes in disposable containers & aluminum foil*



*Come meet
members of
our Lourdes
community*

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IMPORTANT PICNIC INFORMATION

- Our Lady of Lourdes members **MUST** wear church, or any Ministry T-shirt to gain access to the picnic
- If you need to purchase a T-shirt the church office will have OLL T-shirts available during normal office hours. (Mon - Fri from 9:00AM-6:00PM & closed 1:00-2:00PM for lunch)
- You may purchase your OLL T-shirt online. Please use the drop-down menu and scroll to "**Bookstore**" and ensure you provide **the # of shirts & shirt size(s)** in the "Additional comments" box
- **BYOLC** - Bring your own lawn chair and /or seating
- Bring personal size shading/tent or umbrella
- **NO PETS ALLOWED**
- Additional parking @ MLK Jr. Center parking lot - **John Wesley Dobbs Ave**
- Don't forget the sunscreen and insect repellent

*We still need
help preparing
the picnic area*

Volunteer Opportunities:
Tues. Sept. 4th – Sat. Sept 8th
Call office (404-522-6776)
to Volunteer!

