NEWS AT LOURDES

2018 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL "Go therefore and make disciples." is coming to an end. If you still have a pledge balance, please submit your payments by December 31, 2018 for it to be included on your 2018 Tax Statement. Lourdes goal is \$124,900 and to date we have paid \$90,145 (70 % of the pledged contribution). It is very important that your pledges are paid so that our parish will reach and, hopefully, exceed our goal. Once the pledge payments have surpassed our goal, all of the additional funds are returned to our parish for use in our ministries. For those who make charitable contributions at the end of the year, please consider gifts to your parish and to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Payments can also be made on our website: www.lourdesatlanta.org under the 'Give' tab. Your financial support is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generous participation in the 2018 Archbishop's Annual Appeal.

KNIGHTS OF PETER CLAVER LADIES AUXILIARY (KPCLA) would like to thank everyone that played a part in the huge success of our Return of Bake & Craft Event and the first OLL Bake Wars on Sunday, December 2nd. The vendors from our church and community were awesome. Their baked goods, art, jewelry, coffee, and Christmas items etc., let us know we have great talent in our congregation. Thank you to the parish members that purchased from the vendors. Congratulations to the stars of the day, the winners of the 2018 OLL Bake Wars—Mrs. Ellie Daniels (Cake Category) and Ms. Kayellen Umeakunne (Pie and Cookie Categories). We appreciate all the bakers that participated in the Bake Wars. Thank you to our great judges: Mrs. Maureen Alexander, Gulf Coast District Deputy, Mrs. Thayes Sturgis and our very own Fr. Jeffery Ott.

MASONRY SERVICES NEEDED: Are you or do you know a mason experienced in building with brick, concrete block and stone? Would you consider a humanitarian trip to Haiti from February 22 - March 1 to assist with repairing cracks in the walls of a medical facility in Grand-Bois, Haiti? Plans, drawings and photos available for you to review. Please call Wendy Strassner at 404-371-1880 for more details.

DAVE RAMSEY FINANCIAL LITERACY COURSE: Planning for the future is hard when you're still paying for the past! Listen - there's a better way! Join my Financial Peace University group, and we'll learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the future . . . together! Interested? Please join us at Our Lady of Lourdes starting Tuesday, January 15, 2019 from 6:30PM - 8PM. Sign up at http://www.fpu.com/1080340 or on church bulletin board.

SAVE THE DATE! - Saturday, January 26, 2019, Eucharistic Ministers Training /Workshop for ALL Eucharistic Ministers and those wanting to join the Ministry.

DECEMBER IS SAFE TOYS AND GIFTS AWARENESS MONTH: Prevent Blindness America, the nation's oldest eye health and safety organization, has declared December as Safe Toys and Gifts Awareness Month. The group encourages everyone to make conscientious purchasing decisions based on what is best for each individual child. Make recommendations to family members and friends about gifts that you feel are appropriate for your child. Be diligent about inspecting these gifts before allowing your child to play with them. For more information on safe toys and gifts for children as well as general children's eye health topics, please contact Prevent Blindness America by calling (800) 331-2020 or visit preventblindness.org. - From The Health Promotions Ministry

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER: In Service of the Transmission of Faith - That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

ST. PETER CLAVER REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL IN DECATUR invites all 2019-2020 prospective Pre-K to 8th grade students and their families to attend an Open House on Sunday, January 27th from 1PM - 3PM with a Principal Presentation beginning at 1:30PM. Come learn why a Catholic education can, and should be, a reality for your children. Learn about our blended learning classrooms, before and after-school program, and more - and what makes SPC the right choice for your children. St. Peter Claver is located at 2560 Tilson Rd. Decatur, GA 30032 behind Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church. Please visit our website to learn more and RSVP www.spcschool.orq.

> 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

A CENTURY OF WITNESS - A FUTURE OF COMMITMENT

OUR LADY of LOURDES

CATHOLIC CHURCH

25 Boulevard, N.E. Atlanta, GA 30312

Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

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

December 30, 2018

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



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

Rev. Mr. Kenneth Bell, 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

We are active

We are committed

We are LOURDES Be active. 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

Saturday: 4:30 PM

Journey of Faith (RCIA)

1st & 3rd Sundays 11:30AM-1:30PM In RCIA Room - 3rd Floor Contact: Ms. Kimberly 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: Mrs. Theresa Bowen thebowens4@bellsouth.net

Teens: 10:30AM - 11:45 AM Contact: Ms. Samantha Smith lourdesteens1912@gmail.com

Pastoral Care Team

Contact: Deacon Chester Griffin Lourdes Prayer Line: 678.235.5469 lourdespct@gmail.com

2nd Saturday of the month at 10AM



Join our online community on Flocknote by texting LOURDESATL to #84576 to sign up for a ministry and receive our weekly e-newsletter!

Ministries & Organizations

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

Amazing Grace Liturgical Dancers

Kenya Griffin, Director Wednesdays, 7:15PM-9:15PM; Sundays, 1:30PM Open Rehearsals every 2nd Sunday January - October 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 (Closed until further notice)

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 Taylor, Counselor (678) 362-6952

Today's Scripture Readings

1 Samuel 1:20-22,24-28; 1 John 3: 1-2, 21-24 Gospel: Luke 2:41-52

Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3: 2-3a,5-6 Gospel: Matthew 2: 1-12

For Mass Intention Requests:

Email your request to cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (12/16/18): \$30,354 Weekly Church Budget (New Fiscal Yr. 18 – 19): \$28,400

Consider setting up on-line giving today! Visit: <u>www.lourdesatlanta.org</u> to give or Text 'LOURDES' to 44321

2018 Archbishop's Annual Appeal "Go therefore and make disciples."

Lourdes Share: \$124,900
Total Pledged & Received \$127,695
Amount Paid to Date: \$90,145
Outstanding Pledges: \$37,550

Thoughts on Stewardship

Seek joy in what you give not in what you get.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

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

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

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HAPPY NEW YEAR From Father Jeffery, Father Bruce and the Staff of Our Lady of Lourdes!

CHURCH OFFICE: The Church Office will be closed for the Holidays thru **Wednesday**, **January 2**, **2019**. We will re-open on Thursday, January 3, 2019 at 9AM.

LECTOR PREP for the month of **February 2019** will be held on **Saturday, January 5th at 10:30AM and Tuesday, January 8th, at 7PM** in the church. All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active. New Lector books for 2019 (Year C) are available. The cost is \$10. The books can be purchased at both Lector prep sessions (cash or check only). Debit or Credit card payments can be made via the Lourdes website www.lourdesatlanta.org.

BAPTISMAL PREP for parents wishing to have their child (under the age of 6) baptized, will be held on **Tuesday**, **January 8th**, **at 7PM**, in the St Augustine Room, 2nd Floor, KDCC Building. Please call the church office (404-522-6776) to **RSVP**.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION: Sunday School, Teen Ministry and Parenting Ministry will resume next Sunday, January 6, 2019.

CONFIRMATION INFORMATION MEETING for <u>parents and teens</u> preparing for Confirmation on Sunday, January 13, 2019 at 9:15 AM in the Teen Room on the 3rd floor of the KDCC Building. The first Confirmation class will be held on Sunday, January 27 at 9:15AM.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: The Office is seeking volunteers to periodically assist with Mail outs, answer phones, filing and other tasks. If you have free time and are looking for a way to give back, this is an opportunity to share your time and talent. Please call the Church office (404-522-6776) if you are available.

CALLING ALL COUNTERS: We are in need of a few faithful parishioner volunteers to count the weekly collection on Mondays. You would be required to undergo a background screening and volunteer twice a month. Email Fr. Jeffery for more details jott@lourdesatlanta.org.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

December 30	Kwame Nyaku	Jason Tircuit	Kim Szuchan
Alexandra Burnam	Leona Terry	Latres Bell	Marilavinia Jones
Casen Goff Benjamin	Liana Neal	Marcus Massingale	Samantha Smith
Dante Daza	Mary Cooper	Michael Weber	_
Devin Burnam	Raven Powers	Nathalie Hibbert	January 05
Harrison Butker	_	_	Alayna White
Harrison Zegers	January 01	January 03	Carla Desormot-Saintil
Jacquelyn Bernard	Bora Minirakiza	Aidan Cromartie	Cecil Griffin
Linda Jordan	Courtney Alexander	Ajani Claxton-Warner	Cheryl Odom
Paul Ferguson	Dwayne Benjamin	Barbara Parker	Eva Williams
Riley Mize	Erica Couben	Euriah Bennett	Frazier Dworet
Sydney Palmer	Erika Ndongmo	Johannes Kleiner	Lydia Sawyer
Thomas Bigelow	Hugh Kinsel	Millicent Hollins	Preston Hatcher
Tynisha Williams	Jacqueline Crew	Owen Farrell	Randall Bowen
Winston Eckel Jr.	Janice Willis	Rebecca Cowan	Remy Saintil
December 31	Kamwenubusa Innocent	Ryan Moloney	,
	Nakia Cahill	, ,	
Anthony Jordan		January 04	* * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * * *
Beja Turner	January 02	Amy Butler - Coleman	HAPPY
Caelin Turner	Courtney Burgan	Danielle Speight	* RIRTHDAY

Esohe Asemota

Joanna Babinslea

Christina Rogers

Evan Hylton

Don Curley

Gary Carter

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 lehubbard51@att.net

Parenting Ministry

Sunday at 10:30AM 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, Chair SVDP Hotline (678) 892-6163

Women's Council

1st Sunday at 10AM Denise Hood, President (404) 752-9620

Young Adult Group

1st & 3rd Fridays at 7p (on Break till 2019)

Young at Heart (Seniors) Contact the Church Office