

*Our Lady of Lourdes Monthly Calendar*

## JULY 2019 ~ Happy Independence Day

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1	2 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A <b>(ON SUMMER BREAK)</b> Zumba Class 6:15P Lector Prep 7P	3 Zumba Class 6:15P AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P	4 <b>Independence Day</b>  <b>Church Office Closed</b>	5	6 T-Shirt Saturday Lector Prep 10:30A Rosary 4:30P 5:00PM Eucharist
7 T-Shirt Sunday St. Vincent de Paul 12P Dancers Rehearsal 1:30P	8 Stephen Ministry 6:30P	9 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A (ON SUMMER BREAK) Zumba Class 6:15P Baptismal Prep 7P	10 Zumba Class 6:15P AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P	11 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A (ON SUMMER BREAK) Choir Rehearsal 7:00P	12	13 Rosary 4:30P 5:00PM Eucharist
14 Live Stream 10A Mass KPCL A Meeting 12P KPC Meeting 12P Jr. Daughters/ Jr. Knights Meeting 1:30P Dancers Rehearsal 1:30P Open Dancers Rehearsal 2:30P	15	16 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A (ON SUMMER BREAK) Zumba Class 6:15P Bible Study 7P <i>(with Father Jeffery)</i>	17 Zumba Class 6:15P AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P	18 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A (ON SUMMER BREAK) Choir Rehearsal 7:00P	19	20 KPCL A School Supply Collection ASBS Meeting 3P Rosary 4:30P 5:00PM Eucharist
21 KPCL A School Supply Collection Haiti Ministry 11:30A St. Vincent de Paul 12P Dancers Rehearsal 1:30P	22 Stephen Ministry 6:30P  <b>Tatizé Prayer 8P</b>	23 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A (ON SUMMER BREAK) Zumba Class 6:15P Bible Study 7P <i>(with Father Jeffery)</i>	24 Zumba Class 6:15P AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P	25 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A (ON SUMMER BREAK) Choir Rehearsal 7:00P	26	27 KPCL A School Supply Collection <b>KPCL A PRAYER BREAKFAST 9A</b> Rosary 4:30P 5:00PM Eucharist Beignets
28 KPCL A School Supply Collection Live Stream 10A Mass Beignets Journey of Faith (RCIA) 11:30A Health Ministry Meeting 11:30A Lay Dominicans 2P Life Issues 7P (Conference Call)	29	30 Lourdes Lunch 11:30A (ON SUMMER BREAK) Zumba Class 6:15P Bible Study 7P <i>(with Father Jeffery)</i>	31 Zumba Class 6:15P AGLD Rehearsal 7:15P			

*Save the Date*

*T-Shirt weekend ~ Saturday, July 6/Sunday, July 7*

*KPCL A School Supply Collection ~ July 20/21 and July 27/28*

*Saturday July 27 ~ KPCL A Prayer Breakfast ~ Emory Conference Center Hotel - Lullwater Ballroom ~ 9A*

*Life*

Our Lady of Lourdes  
Life Issues Committee



*Notes*

July 2019

Vincent Lambert, 42, is a French nurse who was left quadriplegic and brain damaged in a motorcycle accident in 2008. Though Lambert breathes on his own and can open and move his eyes, his wife and some of his siblings insist that he has shown no signs of consciousness and should be heavily sedated and allowed to die of starvation. His parents, devout Catholics, have insisted that their son is not terminally ill and appealed to French courts and international agencies to save his life.

The case of the "French Terri Schiavo," as Lambert is known, has divided public opinion in France and abroad, with French socialists demanding legalized euthanasia and conservative critics warning of likely abuses. All parties recognize that the underlying issues are not medical but ethical and moral. In an op-ed in the newspaper *Le Monde*, clinicians who care for the cognitively disabled declared that "to judge that their life is not dignified or 'makes no sense', is neither ethical nor scientifically justifiable."

#### IS VINCENT LAMBERT A PERSON?

Lambert's parents bought some time for their son with a successful appeal to the UN "Committee on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities." But that appeal itself raised a divisive question: Is Vincent Lambert really a "person"? In Christian anthropology, personhood and the rights that accompany it are gifts from God, in whose image we are made at conception. Personhood is inviolable and cannot be forfeited. But today it is more common to see individuals as self-made and to regard personhood as a status that is achieved at (or even after) birth—a status that can be lost before death.

The editor-in-chief of an academic journal in bioethics put it starkly: "Not all humans are persons. Fetuses, infants, the profoundly mentally retarded and the hopelessly comatose provide examples of human non-persons. They are members of the human species but do not in and of themselves have standing in the secular moral community." This is the rationale used to justify abortion and infanticide as well as ending the lives of people with dementia and profound cognitive disabilities.

#### "THE DIRTY WORK OF DEATH"

Addressing the Pontifical Academy for Life last June, Pope Francis called for a "global vision of bioethics" which recognizes that every human life makes sense. From conception, he said, every life, even when "fragile and sick, wounded, offended, demoralized, marginalized and those cast aside" is "always human life," and to reject "the inviolable dignity of the human person" is to do "the dirty work of death."

Of Vincent Lambert himself, Pope Francis insists, "Let us always safeguard life, God's gift, from its beginning until its natural end. Let us not give in to a throwaway culture."

Read Pope Francis on bioethics at <https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/pope-francis-human-ecology-begins-with-accepting-the-body-82532>



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