

NEWS AT LOURDES

BIBLE STUDY: Join Father Jeffery and Lourdes members Nyrva Cadet, Mike Thompson and Sheena White, as they lead a lively and interactive discussion of the Gospel of Mark, every **Monday from 6:30PM - 8PM via Zoom, until March 29.** Even though you may not be able to attend every session, you are still welcome to join when possible. Each session can stand on its own and time is spent reviewing the material from the previous session. To sign-up visit: <https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/33152>.

LONELY? SAD? GRIEVING? DISCOURAGED?: Going through a difficult time - emotionally or spiritually? Many of us face worries, anxieties, and fears as our lives unfold. Events often occur, such as the loss of a loved one, financial challenges, job loss, relationship issues, loneliness, sickness and disabilities. When this happens, we often have difficulty coping. In such situations -even if the struggle is temporary- no one should have to suffer alone. You don't have to! **Lourdes Stephen Ministry** and trained Stephen Ministers are here to help, providing caring, non-judgmental, empathetic listening in strict confidentiality. Call the church office at (404) 522-6776, state that you are interested in having a Stephen Minister and a Stephen Leader will return your call. The Stephen Leader will see to it that an appropriate Stephen Minister is assigned to you for as long as you need the care.

MY OWN CHURCH: In order to access your Tax Contribution Statements, please make sure you have registered with our new web-based 'My Own Church' Program at <https://atlantaaim.parishsoftfamilysuite.com>. Even if you are already a registered member, you will need to register as a new member, create a username and password. This program allows you to view your church contributions and download your own year-end tax statements. For assistance or for more information please call the church office 404-522-6775. **Thank you for your continued support of the mission and ministry of Lourdes.**

FEBRUARY IS HEART HEALTH AWARENESS MONTH, an important time to rededicate ourselves to fighting this prevalent health issue. Heart disease is especially deadly among African Americans who tend to get heart disease at a younger age, have a higher rate of first-time heart attack at all ages, are more likely to die of heart disease, and are more prone to sudden cardiac death. Choose heart smart foods, emphasizing vegetables, fruits, whole grains, and low fat dairy. Learn your heart disease risk factors, from your primary care physician, and do your best to lower them; including keeping your blood pressure, cholesterol and blood sugar under control. - *From The Health Promotions Ministry*

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY: Violence against women. We pray for women who are victims of violence, that they may be protected by society and have their sufferings considered and heeded

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION: A Gift Anyone Can Make: Want to support your parish but think you cannot afford to give? There are ways to give today and still preserve your retirement assets. A gift of appreciated stock to the parish endowment fund helps the parish and provides you with tax benefits. Contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation at jgreco@cfnga.org or learn more at cfnga.org.

THE WAY FOR WOMEN is a 3-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program, April 9-11, at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschtion, Georgia. COVID-19 safety protocols will be followed. Registration deadline is Wednesday, March 31. Please contact Sue Stubbs at (404) 920-7554 or stubbbs@archatl.com for more information.

ST. THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC SCHOOL (STM), a PK4-8 school located in Decatur, seeks a full-time **technology teacher** for the 2021-2022 school year. The candidate must have a bachelor's degree or higher and teacher certification. STM is a drug-free workplace and offers a competitive salary and full benefits package. Please submit cover letter and resume to kkissell@stmga.org. STM has been recognized as a Blue Ribbon School (2016) and an AJC Top Workplace (2020).

****For a listing of available vacancies within the Archdiocese of Atlanta visit <https://archatl.com/offices/human-resources/job-openings/> ****

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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25 Boulevard, N.E.
Atlanta, GA 30312
404.522.6776
www.lourdesatlanta.org
Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM
Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT

February 21, 2021



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*
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*

Rooted in African-American Catholic history, Lourdes celebrates the Living Word of God, embraces inclusiveness, and inspires social action.

We are active
We are committed
We are LOURDES

Be active. Your time, your talent, your Church.



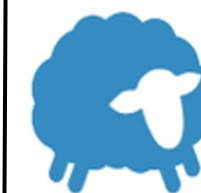
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Flocknote

Celebration of the Eucharist
Saturday: 5:00 PM
Sunday: 8:00 AM, 10:30 AM
and 12:30 PM

Livestream Mass
Sundays: 10:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday: 4:30 PM
and by appointment

Rosary
Saturday: 4:30 PM

Journey of Faith (RCIA)
1st & 3rd Sundays 9:30AM-11:30PM
In Parish Hall
Contact: Ms. Kimberly Parrish
404.247.6628/kaparrish@hotmail.com

Religious Education
Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen
Director of Religious Education
thebowens4@bellsouth.net
SUNDAYS AT 3PM (VIRTUAL)

Sunday School Classes
K - 7: Sunday: 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM

Teens: 9:30 AM - 10:30 AM
Contact: Ms. Samantha Smith
Teen Ministry Coordinator
lourdesteens1912@gmail.com
SUNDAYS AT NOON (VIRTUAL)

Pastoral Care Team
Facilitator: Philip Verre
Contact: Deacon Chester Griffin
Prayer/Visit: call: 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
Calvin Washington, President
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

TBD
Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P.
(404) 522-6776

Book Store

Lisa Berkley
404-522-6776

Cursillo Movement/Ultreya

1st Mondays, 7PM
Lisa Berkley,
bookkeeper@lourdesatlanta.org

Dream Green Team

Chandra Frank Fowler,
chanefrank@gmail.com; 678-591-0234

Finance Council

Quarterly Meetings
Dawn Leaner-Hall, Chairperson

Haiti Ministry

3rd Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass
Reginald Grand-Pierre
(404) 309-7670

Health Promotions Ministry

4th Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass
Dana Avist, Co-chair
davisto313@att.net
Danielle Williams, Co-chair
danielle_wms@live.com

Knights of Peter Claver (KPC)

2nd Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass
Eugene Roberts, Grand Knight
earoberts3@outlook.com

KPC Junior Knights

Kwame Nyaku, Junior Commander
knyaku@gmail.com

KPC Ladies Auxiliary

2nd Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass
Joy Jordan, Grand Lady
jam.123.sykes@gmail.com



Today's Scripture Readings

Genesis 9:8-15; 1 Peter 3:18-22
Gospel: Mark 1:12-15

Next Sunday's Readings { 2nd Sunday of Lent }

Genesis 22:1-2,9a,10-13, 15-18; Romans 8:31b-34
Gospel: Mark 9:2-10

Mass Intentions at 10:30AM Livestream Mass:

For the repose of the soul of †Mary Allen
For the repose of the soul of †Cynthia Massingale
For the repose of the soul of †Darren Gustafson

Lourdes Stewardship

Weekly Church Support (02/07/21 - 02/19/21) \$11,425

Mailed in Offertory (02/07/21 - 02/19/21) - \$3,515

Online Offertory (02/07/21 - 02/19/21) - \$7,910

Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 20-21): \$24,536

Consider setting up on-line giving today!

Visit: www.lourdesatlanta.org click on the 'Give' tab or

Visit: <https://www.osvonlinegiving.com/4716>

2021 Archbishop's Annual Appeal "Our Joyful Return to the Lord."

Lourdes Share: \$122,800

Amount Paid to Date (02/19/21): \$2,115

Please visit <https://archatl.com/appeal/> for more information and to donate on-line
visit <https://donate.archatl.com/>. Thank you for your generosity.

Thoughts on Stewardship

The waters of Baptism make us part of the new covenant in Christ. But the bishops' pastoral letter on stewardship reminds us that "there is a fundamental obligation arising from the Sacrament of Baptism...that people place their gifts, their resources – their selves – at God's service in and through the Church."

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Joseph Allen,	Sallie Davenport,	Janet Lawrence,	Grace Rutherford,
Kennan Allen,	Betty Davis,	Thomas Lewis,	Alana Shepard,
Cherry Banez,	Eileen DeWane,	Tometra McClendon,	Regina Smith,
Cherylle Bartholomew,	Gloria Dworet,	Jean McDonnell,	Larry Soublet,
Sandy Bell,	Clinton Elmore,	James McEwan,	Janet Stewart,
Susie Bell,	Lanier Ewing,	Melody McIntyre	Wendy Stewart,
Jerry Billingslea,	Barbara Hagan,	James McMullen,	Johnnie Strong,
Deanna Blasingame,	Geton Harper,	Maridel Moffett,	Eugene Sturgis,
Amelia Bramwell,	Frank Howard,	Peggy Neeson,	Jean-Luc Tahou,
David Brower,	Jackson Igou,	Katie Price,	Fritz Thomas,
Frederick Cannon,	Ronald Jean-Louis,	Eisenhower Raines,	Virgie Thomas,
Luella Chambers,	James Jordan,	Libby Ricard,	Frank Tighe,
Mary Chapman,	Albert Judge,	Thomas Rogers,	Sandra Turner
Sam Cooper,	Marilyn Kapaun,	Josephine Rosario,	
Muriel Cureau,	Felix Lawrence,	Mildred Rucker,	

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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LOURDES VIRTUAL LENTEN REVIVAL RESCHEDULED! Unfortunately, we have to **reschedule** Lourdes Lenten revival "Joy in the Midst of it All." with Fr. Eduardo Logiste Félix, O.P. Stay tuned to Lourdes Notes (Flocknote) and the Bulletin for new date and updates.

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN EVENTS: Join us this week for one of our exciting Capital Campaign Events via Zoom:

- **'Spoken Word Night'** on **Wednesday, February 24 at 6:30PM via Zoom.** Enjoy an night of poetry, inspiration and fellowship.
- **'Kentucky Derby Party'** on **Sunday, February 28 at 6:30PM via Zoom.** Grab your hat and mint julep and join us for lots of fun, fellowship and prizes.

At both events, you will receive an update on our Capital Campaign **'Moving Forward in Faith'** and our new church build. To register for either Capital Campaign event, visit: <https://ollcapitalcampaignvirtualevents.eventbrite.com>.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Join us every Friday during Lent thru Friday, April 2, for our virtual Stations of the Cross at 7PM. This **Friday, February 26** the Stations will be led by our **Pastoral Care Team (PCT)**. Visit our website: www.lourdesatlanta.org for viewing link.

JOIN A PRAYER CALL: All are invited to a **Lourdes Prayer Call via ZOOM on Wednesday, March 10, at 12PM - 12:45PM.** Hosted by our church Deacons and the Pastoral Care Team, the call will connect us spiritually and offer prayer and comfort to those in need. The program will include readings from the Gospel, reflection, an opportunity for general intercession, and more. Zoom details will be forthcoming in Lourdes Notes (Flocknote) and the Bulletin.

RACE WORKSHOP CHANGES HEARTS: 'Let's Catch Up, White People' a 3-week workshop, addressing race in everyday conversations- Friday, March 12, 19,26 from 3PM- 4:45PM. This is an interactive experience with small group breakouts, striking the balance between making internal shifts and taking action. We don't need to agree on the extent of racism. **But we need to become experts on how it's showing up in ourselves, and our day-to-day world.** So we can discern 'what is mine to do.' Cost - \$149. To register, visit: <https://inwardboundcenter.org> or [Let's Catch Up, White People - March 2021 Tickets | Eventbrite](https://inwardboundcenter.org). For questions and more information contact Catherine Perry PCC, Founder of InwardBound Center at info@inwardboundcenter.org.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

February 21 Chelsea Cohen Chris Elikwu Juan Serrano Lauren Wheeler Leon Prieto Matthew Musey Patrick McHugh Townes Albino Trey Hogan	Patrice Leflore Princess Wilson	Jennifer Fennell Nicole Walker Stephen Elmore Sr.	Imani Neeson Keith Williams Mecia Neverdon Randy Hood Sydney Bradford IV Timothy Etson Jr.
February 22 Bryan Alli Carlton Randolph Jennifer Williams Kasie Phillips Kathleen Lemay	February 23 Douglas Collins Eather Henry Eleanor Salinas Gabriel Floyd Gary Owens Landry Harris Logan Butler-Coleman Magdaline Okonokhua Ronnie Horton Sr. Vonty Westray	February 25 Chris White Clinique Brooks Larry Brown, Jr. Pam Buckmaster Reid Benjamin Sechita McNair Seth Holloway Shelby Griffith	February 27 Anthony Oliver Christine Lewis MichaelJulius Idani II Thomas Whitley
February 24 Ariana Brownlee Camille Banfield	February 26 Alvin Pearson Caliyah Green Gabriella Byse		



Ministries & Organizations

KPC Junior Daughters
Lisa Berkley, Counselor
jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com
(404) 522-6776

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

Life Issues
Conference Call 4th Sunday at 7PM
Kayellen Umeakunne, Coordinator
lourdesforlifeissues@gmail.com

Liturgy Committee
1st Monday at 7PM
Contact: Rev. Jeffery Ott
jot@lourdesatlanta.org

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

Men's Ministry
Deacon Kenneth Bell, Facilitator
Contact the Church Office
404-522-6776

Mentoring Ministry
Louis Hubbard, Coordinator
lhubbardatl@yahoo.com

Parenting Ministry
Sunday at 9:30AM
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 10:30AM
Douglas Collins, (404) 317 -4057
doug1234@me.com

Stephen Ministry Leaders
Lennison 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 at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office