

ICI VIRTUAL FRIENDSHIP LUNCHEON: 'Let's Celebrate the Transformative Power of Friendships' This year, we are thrilled to announce that on **Wednesday, April 28, 2021, we will hold a virtual Friendship Luncheon with Reverend Dr. Luther Smith, Jr. as our keynote speaker.** Reverend Dr. Smith is Professor Emeritus of Church and Community, Candler School of Theology of Emory University. He speaks and has written extensively on issues of church and society and he is a pre-eminent scholar on the American author, theologian, and civil rights leader, Howard Thurman. For more information and to purchase tickets visit: <https://www.interfaithci.org/> or see Bulletin Insert April 11, 2021 at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/bulletins/>

AARP COMMUNITY CHALLENGE: [AARP Community Challenge](#) applications will be accepted from nonprofits and municipalities across the nation through **April 14, 8 pm ET.** Challenge grants support quick-action community projects that spark change and improve quality of life for people of all ages in key livability areas of public spaces, transportation, civic engagement, and housing. Building onto additional investments made last year, CSN will also fund projects that focus on coronavirus recovery and diversity and inclusion. In the past four years, the Community Challenge has funded 560 community grants in all 50 states, D.C., Puerto Rico & the U.S. Virgin Islands. State offices can find a full slate of promotional resources on [InfoNet](#) and are encouraged to spread the word! If you have any questions, please email CommunityChallenge@aarp.org.

MY OWN CHURCH: 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 update your family record. You can also view and download your own year-end tax statements. For assistance or for more information please call the church office 404-522-6776. **Thank you for your continued support of the mission and ministry of Lourdes.**

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL: *Fundamental Rights.* We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION: "His mercy endures forever" - *Psalms 136:2.* As we celebrate our trust in God's mercy for us today, we have many reasons to be thankful for our faith and parish. One way to show your thanks for all the parish has done for you is to make a gift to the parish endowment fund. A gift to this fund ensures that the parish can fulfill its mission forever. To learn more, go to www.cfgna.org or contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation: jgreco@cfnga.org or (404) 497-9440.

COME AND SEE" OUR LADY OF MERCY! You are cordially invited to Our Lady of Mercy's Spring Preview! **Thursday, April 15th 4pm – 5:30pm.** Come discover why Mercy students are thriving academically and socially in an environment where they feel safe and encouraged to share their ideas and perspectives. Guests will learn about the admissions process, Mercy's academic programs, and financial aid options. Representatives from athletics, campus ministry, and fine arts will be available to speak with interested families. As we continue to follow strict Covid-19 guidelines to ensure the safety of our guests and school community, space is limited. RSVP at <https://www.mercycatholic.org/admissions/visit>. For more information, please call 770-461-2202. A Mercy education is both truly Catholic and of the highest academic quality. Give your child the gift of Catholic Education! It's not too late to enroll! We are in rolling admissions. Apply to Our Lady of Mercy Catholic High School today at <https://www.mercycatholic.org/admissions>.

ST. PETER CLAVER REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL in Decatur has openings for the 2021-2022 school year for a lower **elementary teacher** and a **guidance counselor/resource teacher.** We seek mission-driven and engaging teachers who follow best practices and are interested in working in a Christ-centered and family-like environment. Successful candidates should have a bachelor's degree or higher and teacher certification. Kindly submit resume and cover letter to sgreenwood@spc-school.org.

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

April 11, 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.



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

Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6
Gospel: John 20:19-31

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15,17-19; 1 John 2:1-5a
Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

Mass Intentions at 10:30AM Livestream Mass:

For the repose of the soul of †Verda Abshire Skrmetta
For the repose of the soul of †Ernestine Miller

Lourdes Stewardship

Weekly Church Support (04/03/21 - 04/09/21) \$32,224

Mailed in Offertory (04/03/21 - 04/09/21) - \$20,013

Online Offertory (04/03/21 - 04/09/21) - \$12,211

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 (04/09/21): \$11,323

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 Christian community described in Acts understood and practiced total stewardship. St. Paul reports that the believers did not claim anything as their own, but held everything in common, and distributed to each whatever was needed.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

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

The deadline for Bulletin and Lourdes Notes (Flocknote) content is Wednesday at 12:00 noon.

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

NEWS AT LOURDES

GEORGIANS FOR ALTERNATIVES TO THE DEATH PENALTY is sponsoring a special virtual event on today, Sunday, April 11 from 3PM - 5PM. There will be a short film made by the Restorative Justice Advocates of Georgia, followed by a brief talk by Chris Castillo from Journey of Hope in Indiana. Chris will share his perspective on restorative justice as someone who lost a loved one to murder. Eventbrite link where you can register to attend the event : <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/gfadp-rjag-present-healing-justice-examining-restorative-justice-tickets-148510335411>

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS: Our next Baptism Preparation Class for parents wishing to have their baby/child (under 6 years) will be held on **Tuesday, April 13 AT 7PM VIA ZOOM**. This class is a requirement for Parents wishing to have their child (6 and under) Baptized at Our Lady of Lourdes or anyone who has been asked to serve as a Godparent. Registration required. Sign up at <https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/45255>.

JOIN A PRAYER CALL: All are invited to a **Lourdes Prayer Call via ZOOM** on **Wednesday, April 14, at 12PM - 12:45PM**. Hosted by our church Deacons and the **Pastoral Care Team (PCT)**, 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 meeting link: us02web.zoom.us/j/8230... Meeting ID: 823 0907 4451 Passcode: 339844.**

VIRTUAL LOURDES TAIZÉ PRAYER, Monday, April 19, 8PM. Please join us for the beautiful Taizé chants, the scriptural readings, the short meditation and petitions. If you have not already registered for the prayer and received the link and passcode, please send a short email request to Bill Moon - perebill@outlook.com.

THANK YOU! Catholic Charities would like to give our sincere thanks to parishioners at Our Lady of Lourdes for graciously donating items for our clients over the last few weeks. Thank you to the Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary, Junior Daughters at Our Lady of Lourdes Church, for collecting baby items that included clothing, bottles, hundreds of baby diapers and wipes. Your donations helped replenish supplies for our baby closet.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

April 11 Angela Mosley Angelina Tuggle Ardell Coleman Holden Humphrey Karen Proctor Pentia Gnansounou Rickie Monie Jr. Santorie Momon Sarah Newman	Sandea Greene-Harris April 13 Charlotte Butker Cynthia Brannon George Lowe Neal Quirk	George Kamara Gizani Maxie Louise Greene Mackenzie Cowan Rachel Willis Steven Lynch Thomas Vance	Pierce Rogers Sandra Williams TeVon Freeman April 17 Carmine Colossale Eleanor Walsh Isaiah Parker Kolbey Gardner
April 12 Alexis Devine Andy Bailie Carter Spainhour Justin James Martina Yu Rojas Natalia Williams	April 14 Eddie Jenkins Erica O'Banyon-Bailey Langston Gray Myriam Sekaken Virginia Johnson	April 16 Alex Alvarez Ann Cunningham Morris Ayaba Logan Benoit Hamlin Carl D'Orsi Chandler Steele Loren Peoples Matthew Griffith Naomy Grand Pierre Noah Bass-Santiago	

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