NEWS AT LOURDES

GRATITUDE DINNER WITH FR. JEFFERY: On May 21, Fr. Jeffery will be hosting a gratitude dinner for all those who have included Our Lady of Lourdes in their estate plans. You may choose to include the parish in your will or make the parish the beneficiary of an insurance policy, a retirement fund, or a checking or savings account; you might even leave your house or other assets to the parish. You may contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation of North Georgia at jgreco@cfnga.org or 404-497-9440 for assistance. Whatever you choose to do, we are grateful. Please call the parish office at 404.522.6776 or send an email to LourdesAtlantaOffice@gmail.com by May 5 to let us know if you have included the parish in your estate plans in order to receive an invitation to the gratitude dinner.

A DECADE OF DIALOGUE AND LEADERSHIP: A 10th Anniversary Celebration and Public Dialogue at Georgetown on The Francis Factor at Ten Years on Tuesday, February 28 form 5:30PM - 7PM EST - Dahlgren Chapel of the Sacred Heart Georgetown University, Washington, DC. The Initiative's inaugural Public Dialoque in 2013 was on "The Francis Factor," examining how Pope Francis' new leadership of the Catholic Church might shape our Church and nation. Now, a decade later, this landmark dialogue will focus on the mission, message, and impact of Pope Francis after 10 years and into the future. RSVP to attend online or in person at https://catholicsocialthought.georgetown.edu/events/the-francis-factor-at-ten-years#rsvp.

TAX CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS: 2022 Tax Contribution Statements are available for download from My Own Church at https://atlantaaim.parishsoftfamilysuite.com/. Check weekly Flocknote for step by step instructions. If you would like to have your statement mailed contact the Church Office .

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY: For parishes. We pray that parishes, placing communion at the center, may increasingly become communities of faith, fraternity and welcome towards those most in need.

COUPLES CELEBRATING 50TH AND 60TH ANNIVERSARY IN 2023: The Archdiocese of Atlanta would like to honor couples married in 1973 and 1963 with an invitation to a Golden/Diamond Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday April 1, at noon, at Saint Brigid Catholic Church. A light reception will follow the Mass for the anniversary couples and their families. Space is limited. Please go to <u>http://tiny.cc/</u> anniversarymass to RSVP for this event and for additional information.

FORTUNATE AND FAITHFUL FAMILIES RETREAT, "Journey Home: A Pilgrimage," will be held at the Archdiocesan Chancery, 2401 Lake Park Drive, Smyrna, Ga. 30080, on Sunday, March 5 from noon until 7pm. There will be talks by priests and theologians, small group sharing, spiritual reflection, Mass, and dinner. LGBTQ persons, their parents and families, clergy, allies, and anyone desiring a Catholic Church that is a welcoming home for all are invited to attend. For registration details, go to fortunatefaithfulfamilies.org Registration deadline is February 27.

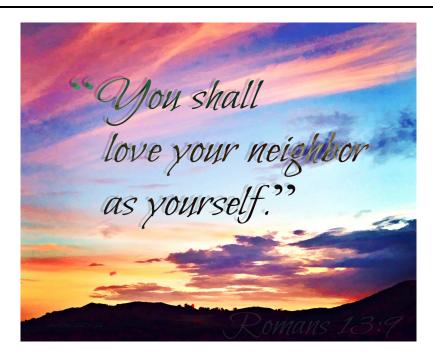
CATHOLIC SCHOOL JOB FAIR The Office of Catholic Schools is hosting a Job Fair on Saturday, March 4, at the Chancery in Smyrna from 9:30 – 11:30 a.m. Teaching positions in grades PK (4) – 12 may be available for the upcoming school year. Principals from our 16 archdiocesan Catholic schools will be present. New, returning and recently retired teachers welcome! Qualified candidates should bring multiple copies of resumes to share with schools to which they are interested in applying. For directions to the Chancery, please visit https://archatl.com/places/directions/.

**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



SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Parish Staff

Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P., Pastor Rev. Thomas Jackson, O.P., Associate Pastor Rev. Mr. Chester Griffin, Deacon Rev. Mr. Lennison Alexander. Deacon Rev. Mr. Kenneth Bell. Deacon Mr. LeRell Ross, *Director of Music* Mrs. Carmen Rancifer Jenkins, Office Manager Ms. Carol Ann Pinard, Office Administrative Assistant Mrs. Angela Massingale, Assistant to the Pastor Mrs. Theresa Bowen, Director of Religious Education Ms. Sheena White, Teen Ministry Coordinator Mr. Cong Dinh, Maintenance Supervisor

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February 19, 2023

Celebration of the Eucharist Saturdays: 5PM Sundays: 8:00AM & 10:30AM Masks are required for ALL attendees over 2 years

> Livestream Mass Sundays: 10:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation By appointment only Call the Church Office 404-522-6776

Journey of Faith (RCIA) Contact: Ms. Kimberly Parrish 404.247.6628/kaparrish@hotmail.com

> **Religious Education** Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen Director of Religious Education thebowens4@bellsouth.net

> Sunday School Classes For Pre-K - 8th Grade Sundays: 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM

Teens: 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Contact: Ms. Sheena White Teen Ministry Coordinator lourdesteens1912@gmail.com

Parenting Ministry Sundays: 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM Contact: Ms. PJ Lemuel Pj.lemuel@gmail.com

Pastoral Care Team Contact: Deacon Chester Griffin Prayer/Visit: 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 Dance Company Wednesdays, 7:15PM-9:15PM; Sundays, 1:30PM Open Rehearsals every 2nd Sunday January - October at 2:30PM ancecompanyamazinggrace@gmail.com

Amazing Grace Youth Ministry Saturdays, 9:45am - 1:30pm Teresa Emmanuel amazinggraceyouthministry@gmail.com

> **Bible Study** TBD Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P (404) 522-6776

Book Store Contact the Church Office 404-522-6776

Cursillo Movement/Ultreya 1st Mondays, 7PM Patrice Barton Smith psbarton901@gmail.com

Finance Council Quarterly Meetings Philip Verre, Chairperson

Haiti Ministry 3rd Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass Ron Apollon 404-441-3032 ronapollon@gmail.com

Health Promotions Ministry 4th Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass Contact the Church Office

Knights of Peter Claver (KPC) 2nd Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass

Clima White, Grand Knight climajwhite@hotmail.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 Sunday's Readings

Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18; 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 Gospel: Matthew 5:38-48

Next Sunday's Readings

Genesis 2:7-9;3:1-7; Romans 5:12-19 Gospel: Matthew 4:1-11

Mass Intentions:

8:00AM for the repose of the soul †Eileen DeWane 10:30AM for the repose of the soul †Darren Gustafson

Lourdes Stewardship

Weekly Church Support (02/11/23 - 02/17/23) In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (02/11/23 - 02/17/23)	\$4,480	\$14,774
Online Offertory (02/11/23 –02/17/23) Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 22-23):	\$10,294	\$25,750

Consider setting up on-line giving today! Visit: https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/funds Thank you for your support of the mission and ministry of Our Lady of Lourdes

2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal - "Do this in Memory of me"

Please give prayerful consideration to your level of support to 2023 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Our parish goal is \$103,400. A percentage of the money collected above our goal will be returned to the parish! To learn more about the impact of our support to the appeal and to donate online, visit www.archatl.com/appeal.

Thank you for your generosity."

Thoughts on Stewardship

Christian stewardship involves more than just the gift we bring to the altar. Today's readings say clearly that it is fidelity to God's law that makes our offering acceptable.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Joseph Allen, Karen Allen, Kennan Allen, Cherry Banez, Cheryle Bartholomew, Sandy Bell, Susie Bell, Deanna Blasingame, David Brower, Edward Branch, Pam Buckmaster, Frederick Cannon, Sam Cooper, Muriel Cureau,	Damien Danavall, Betty Davis, Christian Doute, Clinton Elmore, Barbara Hagan, Geton Harper, Pamela Haley, Ronnie Horton, Frank Howard, Jackson Igou, Ronald Jean-Louis, James Jordan, Felix Lawrence, Janet Lawrence,	Gloria Manson, James McEwan, Melody McIntyre Maridel Moffett, Mary Moon, Peggy Neeson, Evette Oates, Katie Price, Eisenhower Raines, Libby Ricard, Thomas Rogers, Josephine Rosario, Mildred Rucker, Grace Rutherford,	Alana Shepard, Wendy Stewart, Johnnie Strong, Eugene Sturgis, Jean-Luc Tahou, Yolanda Thompson, Frank Tighe, Sandra Turner, Josette Walker, Michelle Wilkinson

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

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

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BIBLE STUDY: THE BOOK OF ESTHER: We welcome all to participate in the upcoming class that will discuss the Book of Esther, starting Tuesday evening, February 21, 7 – 8:30pm. On this occasion, we are very fortunate once again to have Biblical scholar Dr. Kathleen O'Connor provide a contextual overview of this Old Testament story and share its key themes. If you wish to prepare for the class, now is the time to start reading the Book's 10 chapters. We will be referencing the New Revised Standard Version in class, but feel comfortable to use whatever version you may have. Also recommended is watching a 9-minute video on the Book of Esther by going to bibleproject.com.

Join Zoom Meeting - The Book of Esther uso2web.zoom.us/i/8798... Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 **Passcode: Bible**

Classes run from February 21 through May 9 (there will be no class on Easter Tuesday, April 11). All are welcome, and we look forward to lively and meaningful dialogue.

ASH WEDNESDAY ECUMENICAL SERVICE will be at Ebenezer Baptist Horizon Sanctuary, 407 Auburn Avenue NE, Atlanta, GA on February 22 at 7PM. Ashes will de distributed. All are welcome! Parking for the Ecumenical Service will be at the MLK Visitor's Center behind Ebenezer Church (enter from John Wesley Dobbs Ave & Boulevard). There will be no Masses at Lourdes.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS: Please join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday night during lent, beginning Friday, February 24 thru Friday, March 31 at 7PM in the church.

SUNDAY SCHOOL: There will be no Sunday School this Sunday, February 19 (Winter Break). Classes resume on Sunday, February 26.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

February 19	February 21
Bailey Walker	Chelsea Cohen
Carla Alexander	Chris Elikwu
Kendell Sprott	Juan Serrano
Nicholas Shockley	Lauren Wheeler
Nicole Shockley	Leon Prieto
Sylvia Morgan	Matthew Musey
Tiffany Rodriguez	Patrick McHugh
February 20	Townes Albino Trey Hogan
Chris Cohen	
Colin Wilkinson	February 22

Darryl Cooper Jaime Trent Stacey Dougan Tristan Van Voorhis Walter Atkinson Walter Gabriel

February 23 Douglas Collins Eather Henry Eleanor Salinas Gabriel Floyd Gary Owens Jonathan Kalata Landry Harris

Colin Wilkinson

Bryan Alli

Carlton Randolph

Jennifer Williams

Kasie Phillips

Kathleen Lemay

Patrice Leflore

Princess Wilson

Lois Von der Goltz

Hugh Logan Butler-Coleman Magdaline Okonokhua Ronnie Horton Sr. Vonty Westray

February 24

Ariana Brownlee Camille Banfield Gretchen Eugere Jennifer Fennell Nicole Walker Sacha Thomas



Stephen Elmore Sr.

February 25

Clinique Brooks

Larry Brown, Jr.

Pam Buckmaster

Reid Benjamin

Sechita McNair

Seth Holloway

Shelby Griffith

Chris White

Ministries & Organizations

KPC Junior Daughters Lisa Berkley, Counselor irdaughterscourt300@gmail.com

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 jott@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

Parenting Ministry

Sunday at 9:00AM P.J. Lemuel, Facilitator (770) 981-7226

Social Action Committee

1st Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass John Schwenkler & Beatrice Soublet

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 Nathaniel Papillion, Chair SVDP Hotline (678) 892-6163

Women's Council

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

Young Adult Group Nikki Moorer

Young at Heart (Seniors) Contact the Church Office