

## NEWS AT LOURDES

**LECTOR PREP** for the month of **October** will be held on **Saturday, September 9 at 10:30AM** and **Tuesday, September 12, at 7PM** in the Church. **All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.**

**BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE** Our Lady of Lourdes Back-to-School drive has kicked off. It will be virtual again this year and all items will go directly to Hope Hill Elementary. Please help a student in need! Click on the Amazon link [https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1QOCD4CB85TXM?ref=wl\\_share](https://www.amazon.com/hz/wishlist/ls/1QOCD4CB85TXM?ref=wl_share) for **Hope-Hill Teacher Wishlist** to purchase item(s). Be sure to enter **Shipping Address: Hope Hill Elementary School, 112 Boulevard NE, Atlanta GA 30312** and enter 'from Our Lady of Lourdes' in the shipping address delivery notes. This event is being coordinated by Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary. Thank you for your support.

**SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION:** Registration for **2023-2024 Sunday School Year** is open. Please **register online only** at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/register/>. **Classes begin Sunday, September 17th** from 9:00am -10:15am. **NOTE TO PARENTS:** **Celebration of the Sacraments:** (First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation). Preparation for the celebration of these Sacraments is a **TWO YEAR process**. Students **must** be enrolled in a Catholic Religious Education program **at least 1 year prior** to enrollment in the program for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation.

**PARENTING MINISTRY** at Our Lady of Lourdes begins its 2023-2024 session on **September 17, 2023**. Classes are open to all parents, grandparents and others who care and work with children. This year's programming focuses on ages 5-12. Classes take place during Sunday School from 9:00AM - 10:15 AM on the third floor of the Drexel Center. For more information and to register, please email Ms. PJ Lemuel ([pj.lemuel@gmail.com](mailto:pj.lemuel@gmail.com)).

**YOUTH LECTORS NEEDED!** Lourdes members ages 8-18 are invited to lector. Youth proclaim the Word on the 4th or 5th Sunday each month. No experience is required, and preparation is provided. Here's how it works: When the reader has been scheduled, about a week in advance the reading is provided for preview. We then hold a preparation phone call that typically lasts 20-25 minutes. Finally, lectors are asked to arrive 30 minutes early for mass for a last read-through and to learn when and how to approach the altar to read. For more information or to sign-up please contact **John Ujda, 404-825-5316** or [john@ujda.net](mailto:john@ujda.net).

**THE NATIONAL BLACK CATHOLIC MEN'S CONFERENCE** will be held October 12 through the 15th in Louisville Kentucky this year! It's always an inspirational, renewing, uplifting time to gather as black men in the church. See the Flocknote for more details and to register.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER:** For people living on the margins. We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance.

**THE WAY FOR WOMEN** is a three-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program September 22-24 at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, Georgia. Registration deadline is September 14. Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or [stubbbs@archatl.com](mailto:stubbbs@archatl.com) for more information.

**\*\*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



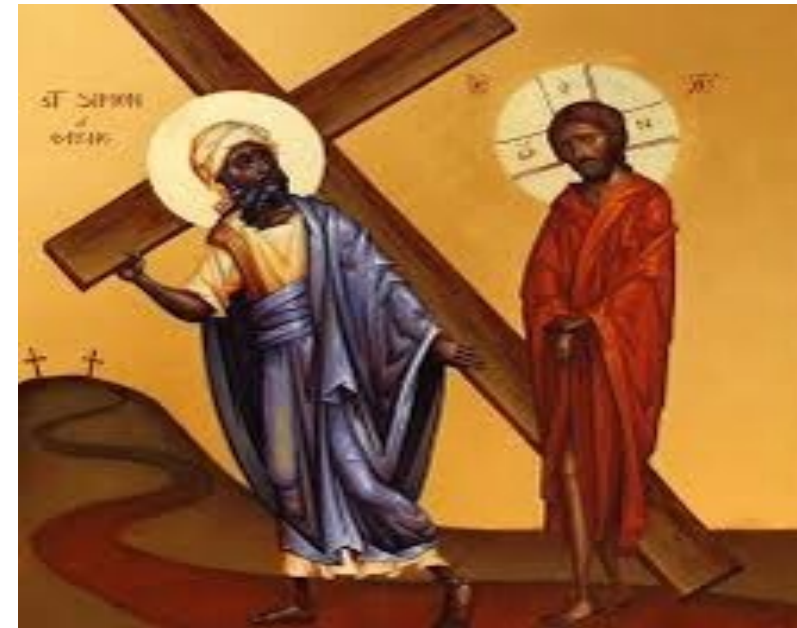
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25 Boulevard, N.E.  
Atlanta, GA 30312  
404.522.6776  
[www.lourdesatlanta.org](http://www.lourdesatlanta.org)  
Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM  
Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

## TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 3, 2023



### 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*

*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

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**Celebration of the Eucharist**  
Saturdays: 5PM  
Sundays: 8:00AM & 10:30AM  
**Masks optional**

**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](mailto:kaparrish@hotmail.com)

**Religious Education**  
Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen  
Director of Religious Education  
[tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org)

**Sunday School Classes**  
For Pre-K - 8th Grade  
**RESUMES: SEPTEMBER 17, 2023**  
**REGISTER ONLINE**

**Teens: 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM**  
Contact: Ms. Sheena White  
Teen Ministry Coordinator  
[lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org)

**Parenting Ministry**  
**RESUMES: SEPTEMBER 17, 2023**  
Contact: Ms. PJ Lemuel  
[pj.lemuel@gmail.com](mailto:pj.lemuel@gmail.com)

**Pastoral Care Team**  
Contact: Deacon Chester Griffin  
For Prayer/Visit Email:  
[lourdespct@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:lourdespct@lourdesatlanta.org)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10:30AM

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](mailto:ollsalumni@gmail.com)

Amazing Grace Dance Company  
Wednesdays, 7:15PM-9:15PM;  
Sundays, 1:30PM  
Open Rehearsals every 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday  
January - October at 2:30PM  
[dancecompanyamazinggrace@gmail.com](mailto:dancecompanyamazinggrace@gmail.com)

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

Associates of Sisters of the Blessed  
Sacrament  
3rd Saturdays, 3pm  
Brenda Manson  
(404) 735-8120

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

Book Store  
Contact the Church Office  
404-522-6776

Boomers and Friends  
Lynn Nixon  
[marion12lynn@gmail.com](mailto:marion12lynn@gmail.com)  
404-788-6166

Cursillo Movement/Ultreya  
1<sup>st</sup> Mondays, 7PM  
Patrice Barton Smith  
[psbarton901@gmail.com](mailto:psbarton901@gmail.com)

Finance Council  
Quarterly Meetings  
Philip Verre, Chairperson

Haiti Ministry  
3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass  
Ron Apollon  
404-441-3032  
[ronapollon@gmail.com](mailto:ronapollon@gmail.com)

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

Knights of Peter Claver (KPC)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass  
Clima White, Grand Knight  
[climajwhite@hotmail.com](mailto:climajwhite@hotmail.com)

KPC Junior Knights  
Kwame Nyaku, Junior Commander  
[knyaku@gmail.com](mailto:knyaku@gmail.com)



## Today's Sunday's Readings

Jeremiah 20:7-9; Romans 12:1-2  
Matthew 16:21-27

## Next Sunday's Readings

Ezekiel 33:7-9; Romans 13:8-10  
Gospel: Matthew 18:15-20

## Mass Intentions

Sunday 10:30AM For the repose of the soul of †Sharon Noriega  
Sunday 10:30AM for the special intentions of Lennison & Maureen Alexander  
(48th Wedding Anniversary)

## Lourdes Stewardship

Weekly Church Support (08/26/23 - 09/01/23) **\$29,793**

In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (08/26/23 - 09/01/23) **\$12,843**

Online Offertory (08/26/23 - 09/01/23) **\$16,950**

Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 22-23): **\$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"

Lourdes Share: **\$103,400**

Amount Paid to Date (09/01/23): **\$56,747**

For more information or to donate online

visit [www.archatl.com/appeal](http://www.archatl.com/appeal)

"Thank you for your generosity."

## Thoughts on Stewardship

In today's second reading, St. Paul reminds the Romans — and us — that all things come from God: "For from Him and through Him and for Him all things are." Good stewards understand that all is a gift and share generously the gifts of time, talent, and treasure with which they have been blessed. See Romans 11:36

## Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

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

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

Please email [cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org). Bulletins and Inserts are always available  
on our website: [www.lourdesatlanta.org](http://www.lourdesatlanta.org).

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**LOURDES CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed on **Monday, September 4**, in observance of Labor Day holiday. The Church Office will re-open remotely on **Tuesday, September 5 at 9AM**.

**BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS** for parents wishing to have their child (infant to 6 years) baptized, will be held virtually (via Zoom) on **Tuesday, September 5 at 7PM**. Visit <https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/126882> to sign up. Once registered, you will receive the Zoom link information. If your child's Godparents will be attending the class, please have them register as well. **NOTE:** Parents and Godparents are required to attend a Baptismal Class at Lourdes or any Catholic church, before a Baptism is scheduled. Questions? Email Carol Ann Pinard ([cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org)).

**BIBLE STUDY** "In the beginning when God created the heavens and the earth..." Yes, the next topic of the Lourdes Bible Study is the Book of Genesis. Please join us as we share and discuss the first book of the Bible touching on the stories of Creation, Adam and Eve, Cain and Abel, Noah and the Flood, the Tower of Babel and more. Classes will be held **via Zoom on Tuesday evenings, 7pm – 8:30pm, starting September 19 and running through November 28** (with some blackout dates. We will pick up subsequent chapters of Genesis after Christmas and again after Easter). This fall, we are very fortunate to have the participation of Dr. Kathleen O'Connor and Dr. Julian Reid who will join some of the classes. If you are interested – and we hope you are – please register <https://form.jotform.com/232286412498159>. Thank you and be on the lookout for more information.

**CHOIR CALENDAR FUNDRAISER:** It's that time again! The Lourdes Choir will be holding it's 2023 Calendar Fundraiser starting this Sunday, September 3rd. Look for table outside after each Mass. The proceeds from this fundraiser supports the Kenneth W. Louis Music Scholarship. The Scholarship is awarded to a Lourdes High School Senior pursuing a College degree in Music. Help us grow the next generation of Music Ministers, Composers and Artists.

## LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

### September 3

Chloe Parker  
Chris Newman  
Eric Orubele  
Garry Bridgeman  
Irvin Brown  
Juanesta Phillips  
Kathy Comer  
Lynn Nixon  
Olivia Fitzwater  
Wyatt Washington

### September 4

Christopher Parker II  
Kayellen Umeakunne  
Kerian Adegbola  
Michael Barham  
Nazare Boyd  
Shahira Claxton

### September 5

Apria Brown  
Brittany Roberts  
Lily Walker  
Lorenzo Azarcon  
Marcia Anderson  
Mark Flanagan  
Micah Mallard  
Millard Rutherford  
Niyonkuru Philippe  
Shamar James Anderson  
Shanyna Simmons  
Willamina King

### September 6

Alice Shepard  
Asha Brown  
Carter Loegel  
Deidra Willie  
Kysa Daniels

### September 7

Meaghan Costelloe  
Michelle Cary  
Paul Deery  
Robert Coles  
Aisha Change  
Angela Thornton  
Aria Rogers  
Cheryle Harrison  
Edna Buckle  
Kamryn Thomas  
Lisa Austin  
Morgan Batie  
Nicholas Harris  
Obi Okwara  
Ren Van Voorhis  
Sasha Estime

### September 8

Austin Farmer

### September 9

Carolyn Dixon  
Charlene Flournoy  
Elan Martinez  
Keira Turnley  
Pamela Turner-Jones  
Alain Poiraud  
Clarice Moon  
Mary Gray  
Robbie Foster-Brown  
Ron D. Segura  
Simon Dunham  
Tobias Boyd  
William Boley  
Zoe Stephens



## Ministries & Organizations

KPC Ladies Auxiliary  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass  
Joy Jordan, Grand Lady  
[jam.123.sykes@gmail.com](mailto:jam.123.sykes@gmail.com)

KPC Junior Daughters  
Lisa Berkley, Counselor  
[jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com](mailto:jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com)

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

Life Issues  
Conference Call 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday at 7PM  
Kayellen Umeakunne, Coordinator  
[lourdesforlifeissues@gmail.com](mailto:lourdesforlifeissues@gmail.com)

Liturgy Committee  
Contact: Rev. Jeffery Ott  
[jott@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:jott@lourdesatlanta.org)

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  
1<sup>st</sup> 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  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday at 11:30AM  
Nathaniel Papillion, Chair  
SVDP Hotline (678) 892-6163

Women's Council  
1<sup>st</sup> Sunday at 10AM  
Denise Hood, President  
(404) 752-9620

Millen-Z Ministry (Young Adult Group)  
Nikki Mooror  
[nmoorers154@gmail.com](mailto:nmoorers154@gmail.com)

Young at Heart (Seniors)  
Contact the Church Office