NEWS AT LOURDES

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION for 2023-2024 Sunday School Year is still open online at https:// lourdesatlanta.org/register/. Classes are in-person 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.

LOURDES PARENTING MINISTRY 2023-2024 continues every Sunday from 9:00am -10:15am on the third floor of the Drexel Center. Classes are open to all parents, grandparents and others who care and work with children. This year's programming focuses on ages 5-12. Come and join us while your kids are in Sunday School. For more information, email Ms. PJ Lemuel (pi.lemuel@gmail.com).

AMAZING GRACE YOUTH MINISTRY is registering dancers for its 9th season. AGYM is open to dancers ages 5-17 that have a heart to dance and want to use dance to enhance worship experiences at Lourdes and inspire the Atlanta community. No dance experience is required, but some experience is a plus. Joining Amazing Grace Youth Ministry gives youth dancers an outlet to be creative, learn dance technique, help build self confidence, and create lasting relationships. Classes are divided by age groups on Saturdays between 10am-1:30pm at the Kenya Malene Griffin Amazing Grace Studio . Please email amazinggraceyouthministry@gmail.com for registration information. See Bulletin Insert_September 24, 2023 for flyers.

GENVERDE PERFORMANCE: Join HOLY CROSS PARISH and the Friars in celebrating the feast day of St. Francis of Assisi, Oct. 4th from 7-8pm in the Sanctuary for a special performance by the international performing arts group GEN VERDE, currently on tour in the U.S.! This performance is free and open to the public. Gen Verde (a musical expression of the Focolare Movement) is composed of 19 women from 14 countries who reside in Italy and perform worldwide. They just returned from the World Youth Day in Portugal and have performed numerous times in St. Peter's Square, Rome as well as in Assisi for Pope Benedict XIII and the religious leaders gathered to pray for peace. Come experience this unique and dynamic musical group and bring home something new and exciting for your spiritual life! www.genverde.it . GenVerde will also be the choir for the Sat. 5pm Mass at Holy Cross, Sept. 30th. Holy Cross Catholic Church – 3773 Chamblee Tucker Rd, Atlanta, GA 30341.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER: For the Synod. We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peripheries of the world.

YOU ARE INVITED to An Evening with Fr. Maurice Nutt, C.Ss.R. at St. Thomas More. join us on Wednesday, October 4th at 6pm in Mulhern Hall for "Prophetic Witness: Remembering the Legacy of Servant of God, Sister Thea Bowman, F.S.P.A." a conversation with Father Maurice J. Nutt author of Deep Down in My Soul and promoter of Sister Thea Bowman's cause for sainthood and Mr. Ashley Morris, Director of Black Catholic Affairs for the Archdiocese of Atlanta. This event includes hors d'oeuvres, beverages, and book signing of *Deep Down in My Soul*. There is no cost to attend: Books will be available at the event. Donations accepted at the door. This event is sponsored by the Office of Intercultural Ministries: Black Catholic Affairs of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Register here.

COUPLES CELEBRATING 50TH AND 60TH ANNIVERSARY IN 2024 The Archdiocese of Atlanta would like to honor couples married in 1974 and 1964 with an invitation to a golden/diamond wedding anniversary Mass on Saturday, February 10, 2024, at noon at Saint Brigid Catholic Church. A reception will follow the Mass for the anniversary couples and their families. Space is limited. Please go to http://tiny.cc/ anniversarymass to RSVP for this event and for additional information.

> 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



TWENTY SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

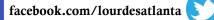


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Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P., Pastor Rev. Thomas Jackson, O.P., Associate Pastor Rev. Mr. Chester Griffin, Deacon Rev. Mr. Lennison Alexander. Deacon Rev. Mr. Kenneth Bell. Deacon Mr. LeRell Ross, *Director of Music* Mrs. Carmen Rancifer Jenkins, Office 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

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October 1, 2023

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

> **Religious Education** Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen Director of Religious Education tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org

> > Sunday School Classes For Pre-K - 8th Grade

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

> **Parenting Ministry** Contact: Ms. PJ Lemuel pj.lemuel@gmail.com

Pastoral Care Team Contact: Deacon Chester Griffin For Prayer/Visit Email: lourdespct@lourdesatlanta.org

2nd 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

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

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 404-788-6166

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

Finance Council Quarterly Meetings Philip Verre, Chairperson

Dream Green Team Shelli Stewart, stewartshelli@yahoo.com

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



Today's Sunday's Readings Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11 Gospel: Matthew 21:28-32

Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9 Gospel: Matthew 21:33-43

Mass Intentions

Sunday 8:00AM For the repose of the soul of *†*Ralph Phillips

Lourdes Stewardship

Weekly Church Support (09/23/23 - 09/29/23)		\$20,811
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (09/23/23 - 09/29/23)	\$9,049	
Online Offertory (09/23/23 - 09/29/23)	\$11,762	
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 (09/29/23):	\$59,167	
For more information or to donate online		
visit <u>www.archatl.com/appeal</u>		
"Thank you for your generosity."		

Thoughts on Stewardship

The first son in today's Gospel said he would do his father's bidding, but did not. The second son balked at first, but then repented and did as he was asked. What service is God calling me to do? Which son am I more like?

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Joseph Allen, Karen Allen, Kennan Allen, Cherry Banez, Sandy Bell, Susie Bell, Deanna Blasingame, David Brower, Edward Branch, Pam Buckmaster, Frederick Cannon, Sam Cooper, Muriel Cureau, Damien Danavall,	Frank Howard, Jackson Igou, James Jordan,	James McEwan, Melody McIntyre Maridel Moffett, Mary Moon, Peggy Neeson, Evette Oates, Katie Price, Eisenhower Raines, Libby Ricard, Thomas Gibson, Thomas Rogers, Josephine Rosario, Mildred Rucker, Grace Rutherford,	Alana Shepard, Wendy Stewart, Johnnie Strong, Eugene Sturgis, Jean-Luc Tahou, Frank Tighe, Sandra Turner, Josette Walker, Valerie West, Michelle Wilkinson
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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.

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12:30 PM MASS UPDATE: Greeting Lourdes Family and Friends: I hope you and your loved ones are well as we transition from a hot summer to fall. I've been considering adding a 12:30pm Mass for a while as our Mass attendance continues to rise. Although our recent survey reflected an interest in adding the 12:30pm Mass back to our weekend schedule, I have decided to wait a bit longer. Early in the new year, we will reassess the situation and proceed from there. With God's blessings for all your ministry in service to our parish community, Fr. Jeffery

BIBLE STUDY continues next Tuesday, October 3, 7:00pm – 8:30pm via Zoom. The session will study the second Creation story in the Book of Genesis. Please read chapter 2:5-25 in preparation for this class.

Bible Study Zoom Meeting

https://uso2web.zoom.us/i/87981480659? pwd=SzllZkZFZEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzlXZzo9 Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible

LECTOR PREP for the month of November will be held on Tuesday, October 3, at 7PM and Saturday, October 7 at 10:30AM in the Church. All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.

BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS for parents wishing to have their child (infant to 6 years) baptized, will be held virtually (via Zoom) on Tuesday, October 3 at 7PM. Visit https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/138069 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).

THE GREAT LOURDES CLEAN-UP DAY - We need your help making our campus even more beautiful and welcoming. Give your time and talent for a variety of projects while enjoying food, fun, and meeting fellow parishioners! There are indoor and outdoor projects for all ages and abilities. Saturday, October 21, 9:00am - 12:00pm. Sign up at bit.ly/LourdesATL.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

October 1 Lindsey Smith Aleta Miller Belladay Barry Brandi Thomas Collins Gerard Foley Glenn Gex Judah Stumberg Kathryn Edwards Lawrence House Sydney Whittle Trinity Turner

October 2

Dejen Amanuel

Eileen DeWane

Kristen Vanglie

Jennifer Moorman

Anthony Angelety IV

Beli Infantry-Johnson

Malcolm Laurent Jr. Mari Ewing Melinda Ellis Meghan Jones Nathalie Celestin Nina Robinson Owen McEvov Philip Verre

October 3

Annalise Makkinnon Dalia May Elliot Mackinnon Esi Dawson James Bagby Marsha Duhon Maryann Koelbel Milan Boughton

October 5 Christina Washington Clifford Gunthel Cynethea Alexander David Reed III Diana Jachman

October 4

Regina Smith Sophia Schatteman Zachery Broughton

Drew Martin Jasmine McKinney Kendall Childs Maurice Batiste Patrick Journi Sara Tomaso

Eric Holland

Gabriella Salinas Ishola Gaba Joanne Breaugh Ronald Johnson Valentino Luscap

October 6

Aurelia Hooge Gabriel Lowe James Macke Janemarie Hennebelle Jean Alli Kara Land Kamryn Jones Spencer Williams



Ministries & Organizations

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

KPC Junior Daughters Lisa Berkley, Counselor jrdaughterscourt300@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 Contact: Rev. Jeffery Ott 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

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

Millen-Z Ministry (Young Adult Group) Nikki Moorer nmoorer5154@qmail.com

> Young at Heart (Seniors) Contact the Church Office