

NEWS AT LOURDES

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 amazing-graceyouthministry@gmail.com for registration information. See Bulletin Insert-September 24, 2023 for flyers.

LOURDES PRAYER CALL: All are invited to our Lourdes Prayer Call via ZOOM this Wednesday, October 11, from 12PM - 12:45PM. Hosted by the Pastoral Care Team (PCT), the call will connect us spiritually and offer prayer and comfort to those in need. Join Zoom meeting link: uso2web.zoom.us/j/8230... Meeting ID: 823 0907 4451 Passcode: prayer.

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.

ICI WORLD PILGRIMAGE to John's Island, Charleston SC from November 2-6, 2023. Join the Interfaith Community Initiatives (World Pilgrims, Sacred Friends and Interfaith Immersions) for this sacred pilgrimage. See Brochure in Bulletin Insert-October 8, 2023. Full payment is due October 15, 2023.

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH: This is an annual international health campaign observed in October, with the primary objective to raise awareness about breast cancer, promote early detection, support those affected by the disease, and raise funds for research, prevention, and treatment. Statistics show that 1 in 8 people have a chance of getting the disease during their lifetime. Remember to schedule your screening and take a friend! Screening is important and most times your best defense.

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.

ALL ARE INVITED to 2nd Annual "Could You Be Loved" benefit on Saturday, October 28th from 7:30 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at Five Paces Inn 41 Irby Ave NW. Atlanta, GA 30305. All ticket packages include dinner, drink tickets and live music from "Drive Through Town." Proceeds benefit Pregnancy Aid Clinic. PAC is a non-profit center that provides medical services, client advocacy, parenting education and post abortion healing regardless of financial ability, race, age or religion since 1984. Visit www.couldyoubeloved.org/ for more info and to buy tickets.

ST. THOMAS MORE CHURCH has an immediate opening for a full-time nonexempt parish **administrative assistant** to serve as the initial contact for those visiting the parish office, as well as to provide administrative support to parish staff, volunteers and parishioners. Qualified candidates must possess high school diploma or GED; minimum of two to three years of related work experience, preferably in a church setting; strong computer skills are a must with intermediate knowledge in Microsoft Office Software (Outlook, Word and Excel); capacity to work in a collaborative team environment; willingness and ability to learn new software; strong organizational, customer service and communications (verbal and written) skills and abilities are a must. Knowledge of the Catholic Church is a plus. Cover letter (with salary expectations) and resume should be directed to dwhiteley@stmga.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



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

TWENTY SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 8, 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

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



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Join our online community on **Flocknote** by texting LOURDESATL to 84576 to sign up for a ministry and receive our weekly e-newsletter!

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

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
dancecompanyamazinggrace@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,
stewartshellii@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

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

Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 25:6-10a; Philippians 4:12-14, 19-20
Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:00PM for the repose of the soul of †Alice Marie McFadden
Sunday 10:30AM for the repose of the souls of †Martha Dillard Davis
& Virginia Dillard-Smith

Lourdes Stewardship

Weekly Church Support (09/30/23 - 10/06/23) **\$28,209**

In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (09/30/23 - 10/06/23) \$5,697

Online Offertory (09/30/23 - 10/06/23) \$22,512

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 (10/06/23): \$59,917

For more information or to donate online

visit www.archatl.com/appeal

"Thank you for your generosity."

Thoughts on Stewardship

In the Gospel today, the owner of the vineyard sent messengers to collect his share of the harvest from the tenant farmers, but there was not a single good steward on the property! God is the owner, we are the tenants. What sort of stewards are we?

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,	Joseette 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. Bulletins and Inserts are always available
on our website: www.lourdesatlanta.org.

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SUNDAY SCHOOL FALL BREAK! There will be no Sunday School today, Sunday, October 8. We will resume on Sunday, October 15 from 9:00AM - 10:15AM. Registration for 2023-2024 Sunday School Year is still open. Register online at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/register/>. The Full Sunday School Schedule for 2023-2024 is available on our website. **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.

BIBLE STUDY continues next Tuesday, October 10, 7:00pm – 8:30pm via Zoom. The session will study the story of Adam and Eve in the Garden of Eden in the Book of Genesis. Please read Genesis chapter 3 in preparation for this class.

Bible Study Zoom Meeting

[https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?](https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?pwd=SzllZkZFZEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzlXZzow)

[pwd=SzllZkZFZEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzlXZzow](https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?pwd=SzllZkZFZEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzlXZzow)

Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible

GREEN TEAM: In 2015, Pope Francis released his encyclical, [Laudato Si](#). It is about the care for our common home, which is the Earth and all its creatures. He invites us to reflect on our relationship with God, ourselves, and others through the lens of creation. As part of our commitment to Laudato Si, we are establishing a Green Team to protect our common home and improve our sustainability efforts at Lourdes and in our broader community. Some initial ideas for Lourdes include:

- Reducing/eliminating single-use plastic bottles
- Reducing/eliminating styrofoam
- Expanding recycling effort

We want you to be a part of our Green Team! Sign up at <https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/139361> or contact Shelli Stewart at stewartshellii@yahoo.com.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

October 8 Bethany Anidi Cailin Blount Chase Hogan Lynwood Sigmon IV Michael Hardin Nicholas Dressie Nina Burwell Ronald Ateman Tierany Laurent Tonya Fisher	Gregory Galloway Jr. Jaden Williams Lia Williams Max Lipscomb Ron Apollon Tom Jachman	Elise Vandermeer Joseph Goodman Karen McEwan Lori Domangue Malik Ali Rachel Buckle Yolanda Ferman	Brandon Rimbort Jeffrey Rock Kabri Harris Petra Koumtouzoua Rita Madden Yvette Hubbard
October 9 Aleah Watson Arianna Lopez Cameron Smith Cheryl Hudson Delores Thomas Gabrielle Lopez	October 10 Chaise Gordon Carla Mills Emma Torres-Ruiz Kade Walton Mary Ferguson Stephanie Elder	October 12 Angela Etson Brandy Tatum Brock Lori Fineman Nadine Etienne Shannan Hicks Sinead Cleary	October 14 Carlotta Austin Courtney Prevost Jerome Gizani Marlon Rainey Maxwell Chester Tiffany Wright
	October 11 Arionne Coleman Jr. Angela Goddard-Davis Ebonie Crawford	October 13 Adair Johnson Arthur Jones	

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@gmail.com

Young at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office