

## NEWS AT LOURDES

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** There will be no Sunday School, Teen Ministry and Parenting Ministry next Sunday, January 14 for the Rev. Dr. Martin Luther King Holiday.

**TEEN SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2024 INFO MEETING:** A Teen Confirmation Information Meeting will be held on Sunday, January 21, at 9:30am in the Parish Hall, Ground Floor, KDCC Building. This meeting is for **teens and parents** who plan to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in Spring 2024. The Sacrament of Confirmation is available for students starting at age 16 (10th grade) who are committed to living out their Catholic faith. Students must have **two years of religious education (9th and 10th grade)** through a parish or by attending Catholic school. For more information, contact Ms. Sheena White ([lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org)).

**UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION:** As we begin a new year and prepare 2023 Tax Statements, we are asking Lourdes members to update their personal information. If you have moved, made any changes to your name, email address, phone number, need to add members to your family record or perhaps correct information contained in your family record, please update your information online using our **My Own Church** web-based portal <https://atlantaaim.parishsoftfamilysuite.com/>, **no later than Friday, January 19**. If you did not previously register, you will be required to register as a new user and create a username and password even though you are already a member of Lourdes. Once registered you will receive an email acknowledgement with your username and temporary password. For questions or if you need assistance, call the church office or email Carol Ann Pinard ([cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org)).

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY:** *For the gift of diversity in the Church.* Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.

**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 **January 23-25, 2024** at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, Georgia. Registration deadline is January 19. Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or [sstubbs@archatl.com](mailto:sstubbs@archatl.com) for more information.

**ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST CATHOLIC SCHOOL** located at 240 Arnold Street, Hapeville, GA 30354 will have their Annual Open House on **Saturday, January 27<sup>th</sup> at 1PM**. Experience the Spirit of SJE. Open House Registration and more information available online at [www.sjecs.org](http://www.sjecs.org). Come see what makes us a 3-time Blue Ribbon School of Excellence! Take a tour of the campus, meet the teachers and staff, and experience the faith filled community at St. John the Evangelist Catholic School. For more information contact: Ashley Ward - Admissions Director 404-767-4312 Ext 500.

**ST. PETER CLAVER REGIONAL CATHOLIC SCHOOL in DECATUR** invites all 2024-2025 prospective Pre-K to 8th grade students and their families to attend an Open House on **Sunday, January 28<sup>th</sup> from 1 pm – 3:00 pm** with a Principal Presentation beginning at 1:30 p.m.. Come learn why a Catholic education can, and should be, a reality for your children. Learn about our blended learning classrooms, before and after-school program, and more - and what makes SPC the right choice for your children. We're located at 2560 Tilson Rd. in Decatur, GA behind Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church. Please visit our website to learn more and RSVP [www.spc-school.org](http://www.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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CATHOLIC CHURCH

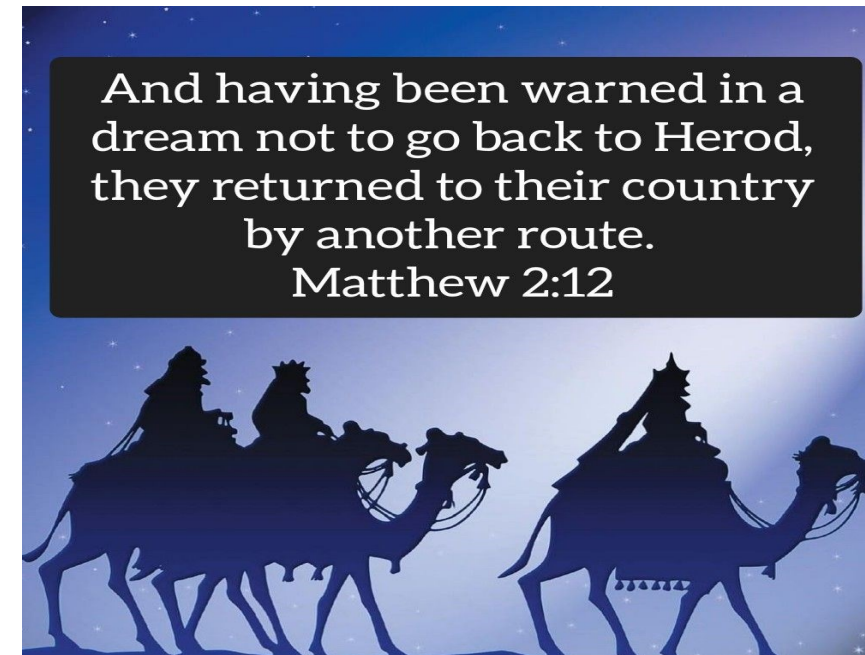
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25 Boulevard, N.E.  
Atlanta, GA 30312  
404.522.6776  
[www.lourdesatlanta.org](http://www.lourdesatlanta.org)  
Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM  
Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

## THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 7, 2024



### 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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**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

**Teens: 9:00 AM - 10:15 AM**  
Contact: Ms. Sheena White- Teen  
Ministry Coordinator and  
Mrs. Ambra Hannah (Assistant)  
[lourdes-teens1912@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:lourdes-teens1912@lourdesatlanta.org)

**Parenting Ministry**  
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 re-  
ceive 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 (virtual)  
Brenda Manson  
(404) 735-8120

Bible Study (via Zoom)  
Tuesdays, 7:00pm - 8:30pm  
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

Green Team  
Shelli Stewart,  
[stewartshelli@yahoo.com](mailto:stewartshelli@yahoo.com)

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



## Today's Sunday's Readings (The Epiphany of the Lord)

Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6  
Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

## Next Sunday's Readings

1 Samuel 3:3b-10,19; 1 Corinthians 6:13c-15a, 17-20  
Gospel: John 1:35-42

## For Mass Intentions

Email: Carol Ann Pinard at [cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org), include the name of the person for whom the Mass is being offered and the intention.  
Donation: <https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/giving/funds/mass-intentions>

## Lourdes Stewardship

Weekly Church Support (12/30/23 - 01/05/24) **\$59,900**

In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (12/30/23 - 01/05/24) **\$13,513**

Online Offertory (12/30/23 - 01/05/24) **\$46,387**

Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 22-23): **\$25,750**

Consider setting up on-line giving today!  
Visit: <https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/funds>

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

Ended December 31st, 2023

Lourdes Share: **\$103,400**  
Amount Paid to 12/30/23: **\$80,258**

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

What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like. - St. Augustine

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

Joseph Allen,	Christian Doute,	Gloria Manson,	Alana Shepard,
Karen Allen,	Clinton Elmore,	James McEwan,	Wendy Stewart,
Kennan Allen,	Joyce Foley,	Melody McIntyre	Johnnie Strong,
Cherry Banez,	Barbara Hagan,	Maridel Moffett,	Eugene Sturgis,
Sandy Bell,	Carl Hagood,	Peggy Neeson,	Jean-Luc Tahou,
Susie Bell,	Geton Harper,	Evette Oates,	Frank Tighe,
Deanna Blasingame,	Pamela Haley,	Katie Price,	Sandra Turner,
David Brower,	Frank Howard,	Eisenhower Raines,	Josette Walker,
Edward Branch,	Jackson Igou,	Libby Ricard,	Valerie West,
Frederick Cannon,	Marilyn Jenkins,	Thomas Rogers,	Michelle Wilkinson
Sam Cooper,	James Jordan,	Josephine Rosario,	
Muriel Cureau,	Felix Lawrence,	Mildred Rucker,	
Betty Davis,	Janet Lawrence,	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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**BIBLE STUDY RETURNS:** The winter semester of Bible Class begins this Tuesday evening, January 9, 7pm – 8:30pm via Zoom.

### Bible Study Zoom Meeting

[https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?](https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?pwd=SzllZkZFEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzIXZz09)

[pwd=SzllZkZFEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzIXZz09](https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?pwd=SzllZkZFEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzIXZz09)

Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible

We continue our study of the Book of Genesis, starting with the call of Abram in chapter 12. We ask that you read all of chapter 12 and pay particular attention to the commands and promises that the Lord delivers to Abram in the opening 3 verses. What are your thoughts about these demands and outcomes? Please register: <https://form.jotform.com/232286412498159>. Many thanks and we look forward to seeing you soon.

**LECTOR PREP** for the month of *February* will be held on **Tuesday, January 9, at 7pm in the Church.** **All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.**

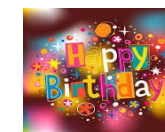
**BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS** for parents wishing to have their child (infant to 6 years) baptized, will be held virtually (via Zoom) on **Tuesday, January 9 at 7PM.** Visit <https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/148744> to sign up. Once registered, you will receive the Zoom link information. If your 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)).

**ARCHDIOCESAN MLK JR. EUCHARISTIC CELEBRATION (MASS)** will take place on **Saturday, January 13 at 1:00pm** at the Basilica of the Sacred Heart of Jesus (353 Peachtree St NE, Atlanta, 30308), where Archbishop Gregory J. Hartmayer, OFM Conv., will serve as the principal celebrant. The Homilist will be Fr. Robert Boxie, III of the Archdiocese of Washington, DC. All are welcome!

**ARCHDIOCESAN MLK YOUTH CELEBRATION** takes place at 3:00pm on **Sunday, January 14, 2023 at Saint John the Evangelist Catholic School,** located at 240 Arnold Street, Hapeville, GA 30354.

## LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

<b>January 7</b> Geoffrey Blue Williams James Carmichael Joanne Doute-Cooper Krystal Williams Matthew Cotton Raphael Buckle Robin Henry	Heather James Jennifer Bergantino Jordan Morgan Joshua Monette Katharine Farrell Lauren Turner Noema Milliman	Celie Yeldell Dallas Smith Debra Tyler Gabriella Giordani James Morton III John Halaby Lynwood Sigmon III Markesha Daniel Sofia Devey	Manny Toro Matthew Mobley Reina Cotton Sydney Sims William Buckmaster
<b>January 8</b> David Rodgers Kayla Brown Melonie Alexander	Anjali Jean-Pierre Myrlande Demosthene Sara Woodruff Steve Alexander Zaire Smith	<b>January 12</b> Elan Serrant Ethan Serrant Isa Andino Jaiden Jordan Jean Harvey Johnson John Headen Jr. Linda Dolphin	<b>January 13</b> Hollis Schardt Joyce Tomlinson Katrice Price Michael Roach Robert Rodriguez Zachary Crawford
<b>January 9</b> Brent Wilson Chantell Brown Colleen Higgins	<b>January 11</b> Amy Zehfuss Loegel Brett Brock		



## Ministries & Organizations

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)

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

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

Millen-Z Ministry (Young Adult Group)  
Nikki Moorer  
[nmoorer5154@gmail.com](mailto:nmoorer5154@gmail.com)

Young at Heart (Seniors)  
Contact the Church Office