

NEWS AT LOURDES

2023 YEAR-END TAX STATEMENTS are available for you to download. If you made a donation to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal, you will receive a separate tax letter in the mail from the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Lourdes Conference/ St Vincent de Paul will issue separate tax letters to their donors. **Note:** You will need to login to our web-based program 'My Own Church' with your username and password to access your statement. If you have any queries, kindly email: Carol Ann Pinard cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org or call the church office (404-522-6776). Donors to the #iGive Catholic Campaign, would have received an acknowledgment email at the time of your donation, which should be used for tax purposes.

GFADP DAY AT THE CAPITOL: On Wednesday, February 7, from 8am –3pm, Georgians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty (GFADP), Conservatives Concerned About the Death Penalty, the Catholic Mobilizing Network along with Journey of Hope and many others will gather at the Georgia State Capitol to advocate with our legislators on the importance of passing a bill regarding the death penalty and those with intellectual disabilities. Georgia Faith Leaders will be delivering a letter opposing the executions of those with intellectual disabilities. To sign on to this letter, follow this link: [GEORGIA FAITH LEADERS LETTER SIGN ON](https://www.gfadp.org/). For more information about GFADP and their work and to RSVP, please visit: <https://www.gfadp.org/>.

PARTICIPATE IN DEFINING OUR MISSION STATEMENT: With the world going through immense changes over the last few years, we would like to re-evaluate our mission statement to ensure it accurately reflects our identity and purpose in a compelling way. **Please take a couple of minutes to provide your feedback.** Engaging in this brief survey is an opportunity to shape our identity. Your valuable input will aid in defining our mission statement, guiding us towards embodying our values, serving our community, and fostering a nurturing environment. Together, let's craft a mission that reflects the heart of who we are—a beacon of faith, hope, and compassion for all. **Please complete by February 2, 2024.** <https://form.jotform.com/240046899742163>.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2024: This year the theme of the Archbishop's Annual Appeal is *In His presence, all things are made new*. A letter from Archbishop Gregory Hartmayer was mailed to all previous donors to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. He is asking for the continued support of the many important programs that help thousands in our archdiocese each year. Through your generous gifts, we can continue the work we were called to do as Christians: educate our seminarians, support our retired priests, provide catechesis to our children, and protect the rights of the unborn. Please be generous in your response. A video of Archbishop Gregory's appeal message is also available online at <https://vimeo.com/890086418>.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY: For The Terminally Ill. Let us pray that the sick who are in the final stages of life, and their families, receive the necessary medical and human care and accompaniment.

FORTUNATE AND FAITHFUL FAMILIES RETREAT: The 2024 Fortunate and Faithful Families Retreat, "Walking in the Light of God's Love," will be held at the Archdiocesan Chancery, 2401 Lake Park Drive, Smyrna, Ga. 30080, on Sunday, March 3, from noon until 7pm. Priests and deacons will participate, and author and speaker, Carl McColman, will give a keynote address. There will be small group sharing, spiritual reflection, Mass, and dinner included. 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. **Registration will close on February 26.** For registration details, go to fortunatefaithfulfamilies.org.

BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION (2ND COLLECTION): The Black and Indian Mission Collection (BIMC) exists to help diocesan communities to build the Church and preach the Gospel of Jesus among the African American, Native American and Alaska Native people of God. Every year, it is the amazing generosity of the Catholic faithful who enables the Black and Indian Mission Office to support parish life and catechists; empowering evangelizers and encouraging vocations. Visit donate.archatl.com to get involved!

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

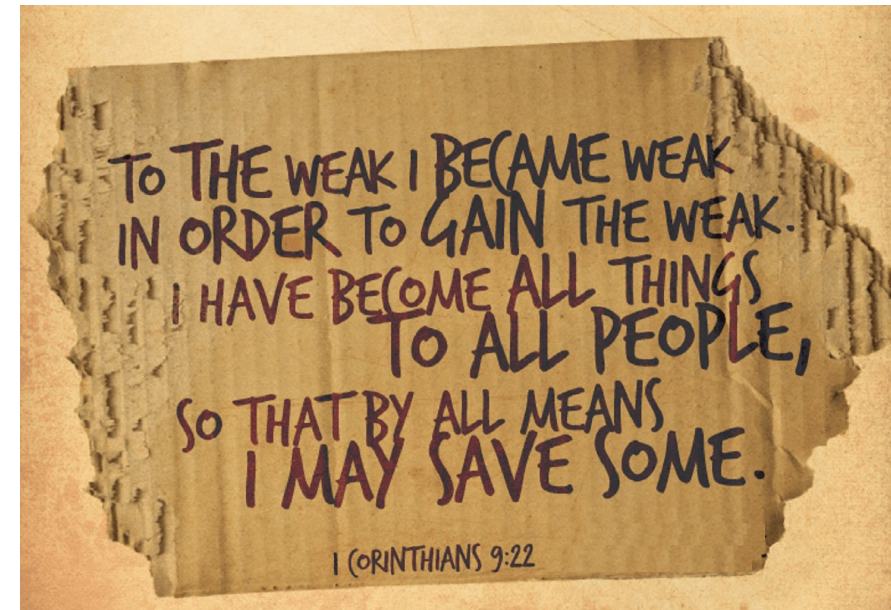
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Atlanta, GA 30312
404.522.6776
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Office Hours: M-F 9AM – 6PM
Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

February 4, 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.

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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

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 and Mrs. Ambra Hannah (Assistant)
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



Flocknote

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
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 (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
404-788-6166

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

Finance Council
Quarterly Meetings
Philip Verre, Chairperson

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



Today's Sunday's Readings

Job 7:1-4,6-7; 1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23
Gospel: Mark 1:29-39

Next Sunday's Readings

Leviticus 13:1-2, 44-46; 1 Corinthians 10:31-11:1
Gospel: Mark 1:40-45

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5PM For the repose of the soul of † Gladys Fonseca
Sunday 10:30AM For the repose of the soul of † Donald Watson

Lourdes Stewardship

Weekly Church Support (01/27/24 - 02/02/24)	\$22,381
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (01/27/24 - 02/02/24)	\$6,306
Online Offertory (01/27/24 - 02/02/24)	\$16,075
Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 23-24):	\$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

2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal	
"In His Presence... all things are made new."	
Lourdes Parish Goal:	\$102,800

For more information or to donate online
visit [donate.archatl.com](https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/funds).
"Thank you for your generosity."

Thoughts on Stewardship

In today's Gospel reading we see a perfect example of stewardship. Jesus gives His time to do all that God wishes - healing the sick and preaching. But before He begins, Jesus takes time to be alone with God in prayer. It is through prayer, spending time with God, that we are given the graces needed to do what He wishes us to do. Praying before acting is a great habit to develop.

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, Frederick Cannon, Sam Cooper, Muriel Cureau, Betty Davis,	Christian Doute, Joyce Foley, Barbara Hagan, Carl Hagood, Geton Harper, Pamela Haley, Frank Howard, Jackson Igou, Marilyn Jenkins, James Jordan, Felix Lawrence, Janet Lawrence, Gloria Manson,	James McEwan, Melody McIntyre Maridel Moffett, 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, Gwendolyn Thompson, 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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TEEN CONFIRMATION 2024 FORMATION CLASSES: Parents and Teens please note there is a time change for the second Confirmation Class on Sunday, February 11. The class on **Sunday, February 11 will be at 9:00 a.m. in the parish hall**. For questions or more information, please contact Samantha Smith, Confirmation catechist, at samantha.smith1534@gmail.com.

BIBLE STUDY RETURNS: Our next Bible Class will be held on Tuesday, February 6, 7 :00pm – 8:30pm via Zoom. In preparation, please read Genesis chapter 19 which recounts the destruction of the depraved cities of Sodom and Gomorrah, "the smoke of the land going up like the smoke of a furnace."

Bible Study Zoom Meeting
<https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?pwd=SzllZkZFZEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzlXZz09>
Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible

LECTOR PREP for the month of **March** will be held on **Tuesday, February 6 at 7PM** in the church. **All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.** Lector books for 2024 (Year B) are available for purchase at both Lector prep sessions (cash and check only). Debit or Credit card payments can be made online at <https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/giving/funds/bookstore>. **The cost is \$14.**

BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS for parents wishing to have their child (infant to 6 years) baptized, will be held virtually (via Zoom) on **Tuesday, February 6 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).

HEALTH PROMOTIONS MINISTRY at Lourdes is now active again! We are excited to invite previous members and new members to join us. If you or anyone you know is interested in becoming a co-chair of the Health Promotions Ministry, please feel free to contact Danielle Williams at danielle_wms@live.com or [click here to join](#).

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

February 04 Alexa Paul David Patton IV Keisha Berkley Michael Riley Patricia Davenport Peter Sestak Raven Riley Susan Taquechel Tanya Shockley Cedrice Davis Jeanne Fashina Karen Ramlall-Abbott Toni-Ann Miller	February 06 Asher Godwin Denise Tyson Ethan Howard Lacy Cooper Peter Williams February 7 Evan Goodman Felicia Neely Frank-Olivier Agui Jeremy Buckmaster Jim Mattingly Patrick Bell Renata Berryman Valerie Doute	February 08 Camille Artis Cindy Acosta Anderson Gena Cooper LaMar Rahmaad Lucien Ntab Martina Jimenez Sperry Temitope Foster February 9 Gabrielle Rodney Lauren James Luciana Flannery Naima Turbes Nolenda Stafford	February 10 Fr. Bruce Schultz Christopher Hayes Christina Hagan David Stevens Dionne Louis Emily Nduom Kai Johnson Keaden Thomas Taylor Bryant
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Ministries & Organizations

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

KPC Junior Daughters
Lisa Berkley, Counselor
jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com

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

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

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

Young at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office