

## NEWS AT LOURDES

**LOURDES CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed from **Holy Thursday, March 28 at 2PM** until Friday, April 5 in observance of Easter. The Office will re-open on **Monday, April 8 at 9AM**. The office is closed on weekends.

**THANK YOU** to everyone who joined us on Fridays during lent for our Annual Stations of the Cross, as we retraced the journey of Jesus Christ through his passion and death. Our Stations were lead by the **Lourdes Staff, RCIA, Boomers & Friends, Claver Unit 300 (KPC and KPCLA), Stephen Ministry and Ultreya** for each of the 6 weeks of Lent.

**GOOD FRIDAY STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** The 43rd annual Good Friday Pilgrimage (Urban Way of the Cross), sponsored by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Justice and Peace Ministries, will take place on Friday, March 29, 8:45 a.m. to 12 p.m. This walking prayer is a moving experience that includes scripture readings, reflections, prayer and music as we remember the passion of Christ and the social injustices in our world today. We will gather to begin our journey at 8:45 a.m. at The Catholic Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, located at 48 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303. There is a midway rest at the Loudermilk Center for use of the facilities and water bottle refills. **We will conclude at approximately 12 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 25 Boulevard, NE.** A bus will be available to return participants to our starting point. Participants are encouraged to carpool or use public transportation as parking is limited. The two-mile route is considered wheelchair/stroller accessible. Please contact me at [kdoyle@archatl.com](mailto:kdoyle@archatl.com) for more information or to volunteer to be a reader or carry the cross. **All are welcome!**

**BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS** for parents wishing to have their child (infant to 6 years) baptized, will be held virtually (via Zoom) on **Tuesday, April 9 at 7PM**. Visit <https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/159571> 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)).

**LECTOR PREP** for the month of **May** will be held on **Saturday, April 6 at 10:30am** and **Tuesday, April 9, at 7pm** in the Church. **All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.**

**APRIL IS EARTH MONTH:** Pope Francis' 2015 encyclical, Laudato Si, invites us to reflect on our relationship with God, ourselves, and others through the lens of creation. The Green Team is collaborating with the Sunday School program for activities during Earth Month and beyond. We want to celebrate our planet and take action to protect it. The kick-off event will be a showing of "STRAWS" on **April 14th at 9:15am in the parish hall**. STRAWS is a powerful 30-minute documentary that will challenge us to lower our dependence on single-use plastic. After the documentary, we will ask students for ideas on how to make a difference at Lourdes. All are invited, especially parents. Contact Shelli Stewart or Ms. Bowen for more information.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR MARCH:** For new martyrs. Let us pray that those who risk their lives for the Gospel in various parts of the world might imbue the Church with their courage and missionary drive.

**SECOND COLLECTION:** For 800 years, the Holy Land Franciscans have served in the land made holy by the life, suffering, death and resurrection of Jesus. With your support, the Holy Land Franciscans will continue to nourish Christians in the Holy Land with presence, care and service. Our parish will support Christians in the Holy Land through today's Palm Sunday collection. Through the Palm Sunday collection, you stand in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land as a witness of peace, supporting Catholics in parishes and schools, maintaining Christian shrines and caring for refugees in the Holy Land. Please be generous! **\*\*For a listing of available vacancies within the Archdiocese of Atlanta visit <https://archatl.com/offices/human-resources/job-openings/> \*\***

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888.437.0764 Archdiocese of Atlanta 24 Hour Reporting Hotline  
Free Pregnancy Test – Pregnancy Aid Clinic – 404.763.4357 or Optionline.org



A CENTURY OF WITNESS – A FUTURE OF COMMITMENT  
**OUR LADY OF LOURDES**  
CATHOLIC CHURCH

FOUNDED THROUGH  
THE GENEROSITY OF  
SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL



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

## PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

March 24, 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. LeRel 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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We are committed  
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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)  
[lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:lourdesteens1912@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 { Palm Sunday }

Gospel at Procession: Mark 11:1-10

Isaiah 50:4-7; Philippians 2:6-11

Gospel: Mark 14:1—15:47

## Next Sunday's Readings

Acts of the Apostles 10:34a, 37-43; 1 Corinthians 5:6b-8

Gospel: John 20:1-9

## For Mass Intentions

Email: Carol Ann Pinard ([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 (03/16/24 - 03/22/24) **\$36,083**

In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (03/16/24 - 03/22/24) **\$17,916**

Online Offertory (03/16/24 - 03/22/24) **\$18,167**

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.donate.archatl.com).

"Thank you for your generosity."

## Thoughts on Stewardship

Jesus told us "whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me." Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Every day we pass by someone in need. Pray for the strength and courage to be the answer to someone's prayer.

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

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**PARKING PASS:** For those attending our Holy Week Masses and Easter Vigil, we are asking that you collect Edgewood Parking Pass and display on your car dashboard. Parking Passes will be available at the Church doors after all Masses this weekend, Palm Sunday.

**CRS RICE BOWL:** Please remember to bring your CRS Rice Bowl to Holy Thursday Mass, March 28, at 7:00pm. If you write a check (write CRS Rice Bowl in the memo of your check) or simply donate online: <https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/giving/funds/lenten-rice-bowl/>.

**BIBLE STUDY:** Please note that we will be taking a two-week break from Bible Study class as we observe Holy Week and Easter Week. Our next session will take place on **Tuesday, April 9**. In preparation, please read Genesis chapters 28 and 29. Our thanks to all who have participated over the past several months as the Bible's opening chapter has triggered some wonderful discussion and applications in all our lives.

**LOURDES HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SCHEDULE:** Our Holy week and Easter Schedule can be found on the Lourdes website [https://lourdesatlanta.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/2024-HolyWeek\\_Schedule.pdf](https://lourdesatlanta.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/02/2024-HolyWeek_Schedule.pdf). Please note there will only be **one Easter Sunday Mass at 10:30am at Woodruff Arts Center– Atlanta Symphony Hall** ( 1280 Peachtree St NE, Atlanta, GA 30309). **Note:** Parking will be available at Woodruff Arts Center Parking Deck with overflow Parking in Promenade Lot. On entering either parking lot, please let the attendant on duty know you are attending Mass. **There will be NO Masses at Our Lady of Lourdes location on Boulevard on Easter Sunday.**

**HOLY WEEK AND EASTER SUNDAY DECORATING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:** The Church Environment committee is still seeking volunteers (Men and Women) to help during Easter to decorate for Mass and breakdown after Mass at **Symphony Hall for our Easter Sunday Mass**. No Experience necessary. There are a variety of tasks needed. To signup as a **volunteer** <https://form.jotform.com/240567574989174>.

## LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

<b>March 24</b> Adina Thrasher Eljah Johnson Jr. Emanuel Dressie Hattie Edmonson Nicole Rodriguez Theresa Roth	Sonji Jacobs Veronica Hogan	Elouise Joyner Gary Blanchard Julia Buckmaster Richard Harrison Yvonne Conway	Marcus Stewart Renee Bowens Tijar Deglel
<b>March 25</b> Alexandra Walker Caleb Walker Calvin Long Enya McDaniels Freddie Valdez Joan Benjamin Katharina Corado Patricia Keane Raphael Grand Pierre	<b>March 26</b> Ava Ewing Christopher Hickey Kalynn Phillips Maria Newman Marlon Rainey III Michael Dula II P. Faith Carmichael	<b>March 28</b> Adrian Gibson Kathryn Phillips	<b>March 30</b> Benetta Duhart Kathleen Shults Michelle Reid Ndachayisabu Evaniste Noelle Ross Ryan Rogers-Givens
<b>March 27</b> Bethany Paquette Cameron Smith Candice Wallace Diggs Deborah Bouie Elizabeth Fennelly	<b>March 29</b> Abby Closs Ann Meyers Carol Rivera Drake Hogan Eliza Singleton Evelyn Hardin Jarred Benjamin		<b>HAPPY BIRTHDAY</b>

## 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