

NEWS AT LOURDES

PRAYER CALL: All are invited to join our monthly Lourdes Prayer Call via Zoom on **Wednesday, April 10 at noon**, hosted by our **Pastoral Care Team (PCT)**. Our call will connect us spiritually as we offer our prayers and petitions for our parish community.

Join Zoom Meeting: us02web.zoom.us/j/8230...

Meeting ID: 823 0907 4451 Passcode: Prayer

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.

YOU ARE INVITED: Catholic-Orthodox Community Gathering: How St. Nina Broke into Our Lives presented by **Frederica Mathewes-Green**, on **May 9, 7PM, at Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Annunciation Ballroom**. Doors open at 6:30pm for a Happy Half-Hour. Dinner and the program will begin promptly at 7:00pm. This event is **FREE**, but **registration is required**. For more information and to register, click [HERE](#)
Program Description: A third-century slave girl brought the gospel to the queen of Georgia, then the king, and then the entire nation. That's why St. Nina is called "Equal to the Apostles." Fifteen hundred years later, she boldly broke into a group of women at a church in Baltimore, Maryland who had never heard her name. A saint to churches East and West, her intriguing story deserves to be better known. ALL ARE WELCOME!

USHER TRAINING: There is an usher training on **Saturday, May 4, from 9:00am - 12:00pm**, breakfast will be served at 8:30am. All current ushers and anyone (including youth) interested in being an usher are asked to attend this important training session. Please **RSVP to Chris Davis at chrdavis4@yahoo.com** no later than **Wednesday, May 1, 2024**.

OUR LADY OF LOURDES MEN'S CORNERSTONE RETREAT: The Lourdes' Cornerstone Leadership team invites all men of the parish to our first Men's Cornerstone Retreat, to be held at Ignatius House Jesuit Retreat Center, **6700 Riverside Drive, Sandy Springs GA** starting **Friday May 10, 2024 at 4:30pm and ending Saturday May 11 at 3:30pm**, followed by 5 pm Mass at Our Lady of Lourdes. The retreat is run by a team of men from the parish sharing witness talks on their faith journeys. The format includes group discussions, prayer, opportunity for Reconciliation, and quiet time. Meals and snacks will be provided. For more details and registration information visit [OLL Cornerstone Retreat Sign-up](#).

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR APRIL: 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.

PREGNANCY AID CLINIC (PAC) is hosting its 2nd annual Community Baby Shower, and we would love for you to join us! **Saturday, April 27 from 10am - 1pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Katharine Drexel Center, 25 Boulevard NE, Atlanta GA 30312**. Free parking available at [Lourdes Edgewood Lot](#). Last year, our dedicated team, including on-site medical professionals, provided services and resources to nearly 2,000 families. We are blessed to have showered these families with gifts and love last year and look forward to hosting the hundreds of families we've helped so far this year, as well as families in the community. See promotional [flyer](#). For information contact Michele Griner-Griffie at mgriner@pregnancyaidclinic.org or 404/763-4357. We look forward to you joining us in our on-going efforts to promote and support maternal health and family wellness.

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](#)



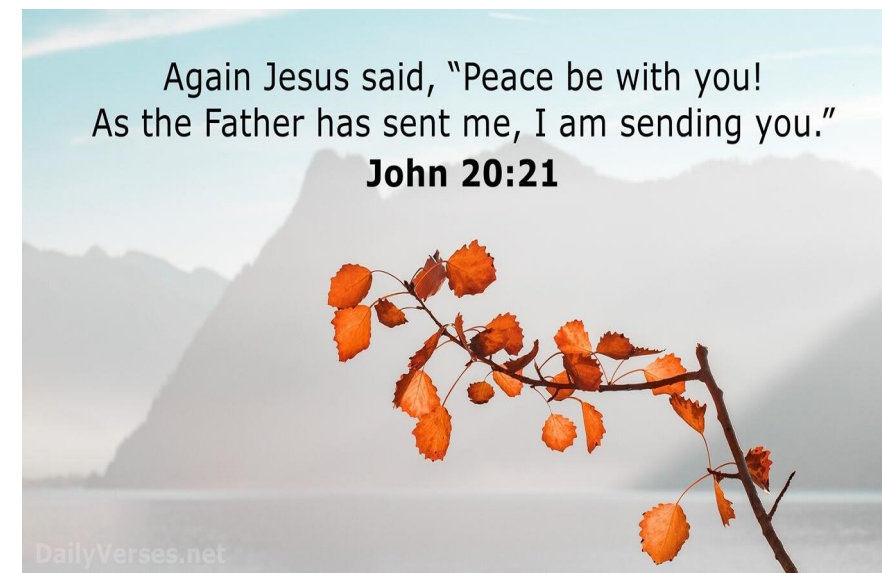
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Atlanta, GA 30312
404.522.6776
www.lourdesatlanta.org
Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM
Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY)

April 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 Administrator*
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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Flocknote

2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30AM

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

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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

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 { Divine Mercy }

Acts of the Apostles 4:32-35; 1 John 5:1-6
Gospel: John 20:19-31

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts of the Apostles 3:13-15,17-19; 1 John 2:1-5a
Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

Mass Intention

Sunday 10:30am For the repose of the souls of †William and Velma Norvel

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (03/23/24 - 04/05/24)		\$78,987
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (03/23/24 - 03/29/24)	\$6,303	
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (03/30/24 - 04/05/24)	\$19,900	
Online Offertory (03/23/24 - 03/29/24)	\$14,624	
Online Offertory (03/30/24 - 04/05/24)	\$38,160	
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

All that we are and all that we have is a gift from God! Think of your family, your friends, your life, your talents and your money – these are all gifts from God! We aren't really owners of anything, we are merely "stewards" of the gifts God has blessed us with. We are called to be grateful and generous with all of our gifts for the benefit of others.

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, 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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THANK YOU to all the volunteers and staff who made our celebration of Holy Week and Easter Sunday so wonderful. You're a blessing to us all. May the Risen One Bless you and yours.

BIBLE STUDY: Welcome back. We hope all of you are enjoying Easter Week. Class resumes Tuesday, April 9, 7 – 8:30pm, via Zoom, at which time we will cover Genesis chapters 28 and 29 as the . Please read these two chapters before class. We look forward to seeing all this coming Tuesday.

Bible Study Zoom Meeting

[https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?](https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?pwd=SzllZkZFZEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzIXZz09)

[pwd=SzllZkZFZEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzIXZz09](https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?pwd=SzllZkZFZEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzIXZz09)

Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible

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).

LECTOR PREP for the month of **May** will be held on **Tuesday, April 9, at 7pm and Saturday, April 13 at 10:30am in the Church. All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.**

YOU ARE INVITED to "Food Fusion Series – 2nd Health and Faith Workshop" on **Saturday, April 13 at 3:30pm in the Parish Hall**. This month's topic will be *Chronic Disease* led by Lourdes member and Nutrition Consultant, LaSheka Morris (LBM Health Consulting, LLC.) This workshop is sponsored by Catholic Campaign for Human Development (CCHD) hosted by Lourdes and given by LBM Health Consulting, LLC. See Bulletin Insert flyer.

PRAY THE ROSARY: The Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary Unit #300 invites you to join us on **Sunday, April 7** to pray the Rosary for all prayerful intentions. Please join us in the sanctuary at **9:35 am**.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

April 7 Austin Guidry Lebaron Sims Ronnie Horton Jr.	April 9 Ariana Ingle Brian Roach Douglass Branton Keenan Heard Kyle Thompson Kylie Johnson	Willow Deery	Andy Bailie Carter Spainhour Grail Johnson Justin James Martina Yu Rojas Natalia Williams Sanda Greene-Harris
April 08 Danielle Phillip Dylan Gustafson Elizabeth Lowe Eric Register Ethan Panebianco Ingrid Richardson Melissa Longosz Melvin Sawyer Jr. Roman Brewington Ruby Hope Wanda Papillion Veronica Hogan	April 10 Cadence Hunter Charlotte Johnson Courtney Morris Dana Brownlee Lauren Griffith Kennedy Primus Paul Chukelu Roland Brown Jr.	April 11 Angela Mosley Angelina Tuggle Ardell Coleman Allyn Reed Deborah Adebo Holden Humphrey Joseph Dixon Karen Proctor Rickie Monie Jr. Santorie Momon Sarah Newman	April 13 Elaine Brannon George Lowe Neal Quirk
April 12 Alexis Devine			

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