

## NEWS AT LOURDES

**VOLUNTEERS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION TEACHERS NEEDED:** We need an additional 2-3 teachers to cover classes for this year, 2024 -2025, in our Religious Education Program. You will be well rewarded working with the children at Lourdes. If you are interested, please contact Theresa Bowen at [tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org) at 404-216-8504.

**REGISTER FOR SUNDAY SCHOOL TODAY:** 2024-2025 Sunday School Year begins next Sunday, September 15 at 9am. Register online today on <https://lourdesatlanta.org/register/>. Please register using a computer, as registration cannot be completed on mobile phone.

**NOTE TO PARENTS:** Preparation for the Celebration of the Sacraments: (First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation) 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.

**LOURDES PICNIC:** We're excited to invite all members and ministries to join us for our Annual Church Picnic on **September 29, 2024**, at **Candler Park from 1PM - 5PM**. This is a fantastic opportunity for us to come together, celebrate, and enjoy a fun-filled afternoon with great food and fellowship. To make this event a success, we need your participation! Please RSVP at <https://form.jotform.com/242474918493064>. Questions or for more information, Contact: Allyson Blue at 404-542-5017.

**YOU ARE INVITED** to the Lyke House Catholic Center 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Gala on Saturday, October 26, from 6pm –11pm at the Embassy Suites by Hilton Atlanta, 4700 Southport Rd, Atlanta, GA 30337. There will also be a silent auction in person and online. Tickets are \$125 per person (\$50 per student) and are on sale now through October 12 at <https://lykehouse.org/25th-anniversary-gala-2024/>. Please also join us for the Lyke House Silver Jubilee Dedication Mass on Sunday, October 17 at 10:30am.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER:** For the cry of the Earth. Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

**CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF NORTH GEORGIA(CFNGA):** Facilitate your charitable giving, receive a tax deduction and avoid capital gains. You can use appreciated stock to create a donor advised fund and give to what you care about, including your parish offertory and the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. To learn more about how this could work for you, please contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation at [jgreco@cfnga.org](mailto:jgreco@cfnga.org) or 404-497-9440.

**THE OFFICE FOR MISSION ADVANCEMENT** has an immediate opening for a full-time **digital marketing specialist**. The Digital Marketing Specialist is responsible for collaborating with the Office of Mission Advancement team to contribute to our increased marketing efforts to promote the brand, organization and engagement with prospects and donors. The incumbent will use marketing automation and will design and implement digital marketing campaigns aligned with business goals to promote the Life of the Church, Archbishops' Annual Appeal, second collections, Catholic Mission Outreach and other donor facing projects, ministries and programs. Qualified candidates will possess the following: Bachelor's degree in marketing or a related field and previous experience (two years) with Google Analytics and digital marketing platforms such as HubSpot (or similar). Must be highly creative with experience in audience segmentation and creating digital campaigns that inspire others to put their faith into action. Interested candidates are encouraged to apply by submitting a cover letter (with salary requirements) and resume to: Office of Human Resources, at [catholicjobs@archatl.com](mailto:catholicjobs@archatl.com). **No phone calls, please.**

**\*\*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](http://Optionline.org)



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

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 8, 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*  
Mr. Cameron Chaney, *Pastoral Assistant*  
Mrs. Angela Massingale, *Parish Secretary*  
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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2<sup>nd</sup> 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](mailto:kaparrish@hotmail.com)

**Religious Education**  
Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen  
Director of Religious Education  
[tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org)  
**Register Online**

**Sunday School Classes**  
For Pre-K - 8th Grade  
**Starts next, Sunday Sept. 15**

**Teen Ministry:**  
**9:00 AM - 10:15 AM**  
Contact: Ms. Sheena White  
(Teen Ministry Coordinator)  
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)

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](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

Isaiah 35:4-7a; James 2:1-5  
Gospel: Mark 7:31-37

## Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 50:4c-9a; James 2:14-18  
Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

## Mass Intention

Sunday 8:00am in Thanksgiving (Birthday) Cheryl Medlock  
Sunday 10:30am -49th Wedding Anniversary Lennison and Maureen Alexander

## Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (08/31/24 – 09/06/24) **\$32,717**

In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (08/31/24 – 09/06/24) \$8,081

Online Offertory (08/31/24 – 09/06/24) \$24,636

Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 24-25): **\$26,712**

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

Paid to Date (09/06/24) \$56,429

For more information or to donate online

visit [donate.archatl.com](https://www.donate.archatl.com).

"Thank you for your generosity."

## Thoughts on Stewardship

The talents and abilities God created in us are inextricably linked to God's will, God's purpose, God's plan for our lives. *Towards a Theology of Strengths*, Edward C. Anderson

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

Joseph Allen,	Christian Doute,	Melody McIntyre	Jean-Luc Tahou,
Karen Allen,	Joyce Foley,	Peggy Neeson,	Gwendolyn Thompson,
Kennan Allen,	Barbara Hagan,	Evette Oates,	Frank Tighe,
Cherry Banez,	Carl Hagood,	Carol Patterson,	Sandra Turner,
Susie Bell,	Pamela Haley,	Katie Price,	Josette Walker,
Deanna Blasingame,	Frank Howard,	Eisenhower Raines,	Valerie West,
David Brower,	Jackson Igou,	Josephine Rosario,	Michelle Wilkinson
Edward Branch,	Marilyn Jenkins,	Mildred Rucker,	
Frederick Cannon,	James Jordan,	Alana Shepard,	
Sam Cooper,	Felix Lawrence,	Barbara Smith,	
Kysa Daniel,	Janet Lawrence,	Wendy Stewart,	
Betty Davis,	Gloria Manson,	Johnnie Strong,	
	James McEwan,	Eugene Sturgis,	

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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**VIRTUS TRAINING:** There will be an in-person VIRTUS *Protecting God's Children (PGC)* training session held here at Our Lady of Lourdes on **Saturday, September 14 from 9am -12pm. Space is limited and registration is required.** To register, visit <https://www.virtusonline.org>, click on the "First Time Registrant" button and select "Atlanta, GA (Archdiocese)". Follow the prompts to create an account and scroll down to select the class at **Our Lady of Lourdes** or a location convenient to you.

The Archdiocese of Atlanta requires **ALL** staff and volunteers working with children, youth, and/or vulnerable individuals to attend the VIRTUS *Protecting God's Children (PGC)* training. This VIRTUS training consists of an **online background screening AND an in-person (3-hour) training session.**

**BACK TO SCHOOL DRIVE THANK YOU FROM HOPE-HILL:** "On behalf of Hope-Hill, I wanted to extend our deepest thanks for your generous donations towards the development of our sensory room and teachers Wishlist. Through the support of compassionate individuals like you we are better serve our students. Love Hope-Hill Elementary" ~ *Principal – Hope-Hill*

**LOURDES PRAYER CALL:** All are invited to join our Lourdes Prayer Call via Zoom on **Wednesday, September 11, 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](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8230)

Meeting ID: 823 0907 4451

Passcode: Prayer

**BIBLE STUDY RESUMES** on Tuesday, September 17, 2024 at 7:00pm -8:30 pm EST. In this term we will be concluding our study of the book of Genesis. All are welcome to join our weekly zoom meeting. Come join us for a fun, lively and inspiring discussion that is welcoming to all levels.

## LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

### September 8

Austin Farmer  
Carolyn Dixon  
Charlene Flournoy  
Elan Martinez  
Keira Turnley  
Pamela Turner-Jones

### September 9

Alain Poiraud  
Clarice Moon  
Mary Gray  
Robbie Foster-Brown  
Ron D. Segura  
Simon Dunham  
Tobias Boyd  
William Boley  
Zoe Stephens

### September 10

Carson Evans

Cheryl Medlock  
Corinne Rodriguez  
Eathan Kepp  
Gregory Sims Jr.  
Kelly Register  
Luther Davis  
Stephanie Everstz  
Suzanne Kinsel

### September 11

Brianna Brown  
Cherry Banez  
Delores Davis  
Derasean Adegbola  
Elizabeth Wagar  
Gregory Galloway  
Ingrid Balotje-Boyd  
James Walker  
Josue Andino  
Kathleen Davis  
Logan Nunan

Margaret Francois  
Morgan Gause  
Simon May  
Suganthi Simon  
Trinity Jalloh

### September 12

Alana Barlaan Abinsay  
Avery Abbott  
Daniel Jansen  
Jackson Kester  
Johnny Neal  
Liam Ferguson  
Louis Hubbard  
Marvin Howard  
Nadia Giordani  
Stanley Legrand  
Tabitha Hooge  
Winston Bowers

### September 13

Emi Douglas

Gloria Frank  
Kathy Harbaugh  
Keith Williams  
Kiara Holmes  
Phillip Miles

### September 14

Ariel Olds  
Charlotte Combre  
Hunter Middleton  
Kennedy Bowers  
Marsha Combre  
Norman Fineman  
Shauna Halliwill  
Valerie Adair



## 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