

**RCIA** is in need of sponsors for Candidates seeking full membership into the Catholic Church at the 2025 Easter Vigil. RCIA would also like to extend an invitation for parishioners to join our sessions to speak on their Catholic experiences, as well as any ministry leaders or participants to share their community service with our newest members. Sessions on **Sunday 9:00am -10:15am Parish Hall**. Contact Kim Parrish, RCIA Director

**LOURDES HEALTH PROMOTIONS MINISTRY (HPM)** has created an OLL Health Corner at <https://mailchi.mp/64abfa765d3f/our-lady-of-lourdes-health-corner>, to serve as a one stop shop for the ministry to communicate helpful health focused information to the church. Health Promotions Ministry will meet virtually every 3<sup>rd</sup> **Tuesday at 7pm**. Parishioners can email the ministry at [ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com](mailto:ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com) to receive the meeting link. We also want to hear from you! Take this quick survey to let us know what you would like to see from the Health Promotions Ministry (HPM).

**ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE** will be held on **Saturday, December 14 at 11am** here, at Our Lady of Lourdes. This is a communal celebration with the parish of Basilica of Sacred Hear. **ALL ARE WELCOME!**

**ROBERT L. MASON, JR. CANDLELIGHT MEMORIAL:** The winter solstice celebrates the longest hours of darkness and the rebirth of the sun. It is believed to hold a powerful energy for regeneration, renewal and self-reflection. Across the country, memorials take place on or around the winter solstice to reflect on the plight of those who have no home in which to take shelter and to remember those who died while homeless during the year. We hope you will join Mercy Care for the **annual Robert L. Mason, Jr. Candlelight Memorial, on Thursday, December 19, at 5:30pm - 6:00pm at Mercy Care, 424 Decatur Street, Atlanta, GA 30312**. We remember those who have died unsheltered with an outdoor service of prayer, song and reflection. **All are welcome!**

**ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL** If you still have a pledge balance to the 2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal, please complete your payments as soon as possible. For IRS purposes, **gifts must be postmarked by December 31**, in order to be included in your 2024 tax letter. **Lourdes Goal - \$102,800**. It is very important that your pledges are paid so that our parish will reach and, hopefully, exceed our goal. Once the pledge payments have surpassed our goal, all of the additional funds are returned to our parish for use in our ministries. If there is a shortfall, the outstanding balance will need to be made up from the church's operating budget, a situation we wish to avoid. Please consider completing your pledge online at [donate.archatl.com](https://donate.archatl.com), **no later than 9PM (EST) on December 31**, to ensure it is received by 11:59PM. Thank you for your generosity!

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER: For Pilgrims of Hope.** Let us pray that the coming Church Jubilee Year 2025 strengthens us in our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in the midst of our lives, transforming us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

**CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF NORTH GEORGIA** :“We are the clay and you the potter: we are the work of your hands.” – Isaiah 64:7 As God molds us in His image, let us ponder what kind of legacy we are shaping. Do you want your faith to be part of your legacy? Consider including the parish endowment fund in your will or estate plans. Contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation: [jgreco@cfnga.org](mailto:jgreco@cfnga.org) or 404.497.9440 for more information.

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS (SECOND COLLECTION) NEXT WEEKEND:** Elderly religious need your help. Thousands of senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests have served for years—educating the young, comforting the sick and ministering to the less fortunate. Many religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for aging members. Your gift to next week's Retirement Fund for the Religious collection helps provide medications, nursing care and more. Please be generous.

**\*\*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)



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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

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 1, 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.



Join our online community on **Flocknote** by texting LOURDESATL to 84576 to sign up for a ministry and receive our weekly e-newsletter!

**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)  
**Registration is closed**

**Sunday School Classes**  
 For Pre-K - 8th Grade

**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)

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of the month at 10:30AM

## 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  
LaSheka Morris (Lead)  
[ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com](mailto:ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com)



## Today's Sunday's Readings

Jeremiah 33: 14-16; 1 Thessalonians 3:12-4:2  
Gospel: Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

## Next Sunday's Readings

Baruch 5:1-9; Philipians 1:4-6, 8-11  
Gospel: Luke 3:1-6

## 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 reason for the intention.

## Lourdes Stewardship

<b>Church Support (11/22/24 – 11/29/24)</b>	<b>\$23,501</b>
<i>In-Pew &amp; Mailed In Offertory (11/22/24 – 11/29/24)</i>	\$12,204
<i>Online Offertory (11/22/24 – 11/29/24)</i>	\$11,297
<b>Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 24-25):</b>	<b>\$26,712</b>

*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 (11/29/24):	\$71,003
Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$31,797)

visit [donate.archatl.com](http://donate.archatl.com).

*"Thank you for your generosity."*

## Thoughts on Stewardship

Pause today to notice how God is with you in simple, everyday moments.  
What difference does this make in your life?

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

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

*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).

## NEWS AT LOURDES

**LOURDES LIVESTREAM HAS MOVED:** Effective November 2024, we have a new livestreaming platform to view Lourdes Liturgy at Home. Our Livestream can be viewed from the link on the Lourdes homepage at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/> or go directly to <https://sites.resi.io/lourdes> or [YouTube](#).

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** There will be no Sunday School today, December 1. Classes resume next Sunday, December 8, 2023 from 9am - 10:15am.

**TODAY OUR SECOND COLLECTION WILL BE FOR THE LOURDES CONFERENCE SVDP (GREEN EN-VELOPES).** Lourdes St. Vincent de Paul helps clients who live within zip code 30312, and Lourdes parishioners who are experiencing a temporary set-back due to illness or unemployment. The most common needs are utility bill payment, emergency food provisions and rent assistance. Your donations allow us to help them and give them hope. Thank you for your continued support. Donations can be made online at <https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/giving/funds/lourdes-conference-st-vincent-de-paul>.

**CALLING OUR 'YOUNG AT HEART' AT LOURDES!** For our seasoned members, *75+ years young*, we look forward to sharing an afternoon of food, fun and games with you on **Wednesday, December 4th from 11:30am - 2:00pm** in the Drexel Hall, as we reignite our 'Young at Heart'. Please click [here](#) to register or call the parish office at 404-522-6776. See you then!

**LECTOR PREP** for the month of *January* will be held **Tuesday, December 3 at 7pm** and **Saturday, December 7 at 10:30am** in the Church. **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, December 10 at 7pm**. Visit <https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/183460> 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)).

## LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

<b>December 1</b>	Dana Wood	Alice Zamer	Stacey Gray
Bryce McEwen	Dorothy Walker	Brittney Cain	Tanya Gant
Clorice Morgan	Gerrard Boyd	Noah Bowen	Willis Thompson
Marilea Taglia	Madison Richardson	Michaeljulius Idani	<b>December 7</b>
Paula Mitchell	Ryan Jackson-Barry	Mitchell Morales	Adalyn Turner
Sophia Trent		Paula Thomas	Carol Elam
Vivienne Trent	<b>December 4</b>	Simone Prieto	James Patrick
Veronica Washington	Cedria Davis		Jonathan Feazell
	Joseph Metoyer	<b>December 6</b>	Julie Johnson
<b>December 2</b>	Kayla Whitner	Aren Paige-Burnett	Kimberly Leach
Ashlee Brannon	Luca Serrant	Carla Prejean	Renaldo Chambers
Calvin Wimberly	Nicole E. Johnson	Chandler Etson	Scott Culpepper
Lucy Jackson	Stephen Fennell Jr.	Corynne Charles	
Michael Neimkin	Yolanda Honore	Ellis Pearson	
		Evan Pearson	
<b>December 3</b>		Gabrielle Gould	
Courtney Brown	Ahjah Woods	Maureen Mercer	
Bjorn Crooks	Allen Smith	Michael Dural	
Dallas Hightower	Aubry Angelety	Pamela Jack	



## 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