

LECTOR PREP for the month of *February* will be held on **Saturday, January 4 at 10:30am** and **Tuesday, January 7, at 7pm** in the Church. [All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.](#)

JOIN LOURDES CONFERENCE OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Interested in becoming a member of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul at Lourdes? Please come to one of our monthly meetings, held on the first and third Sunday of the month at 12:15 pm in the Drexel Center and/or via Zoom. Or contact Nate Papillion at 404-664-5961 or nathanialpapillion@me.com.

LOURDES CONFERENCE OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Next weekend, January 11th and 12th, our second collection will be for the Lourdes Conference of St. Vincent de Paul. Lourdes SVDP helps clients who live within zip code 30312, 30316 and Lourdes parishioners who are experiencing a temporary set-back due to illness or unemployment. The most common needs are utility bill payment and emergency food provisions. Your donations allow us to help them and give them hope. Thank you for your continued support. Donations can be made online <https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/giving/funds/lourdes-conference-st-vincent-de-paul>.

ARCHDIOCESAN 2025 MLK JR. WEEKEND CELEBRATION: The Office of Intercultural Ministries is proud to lead the archdiocesan effort in celebrating and commemorating the life and legacy of Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. in January 2025. We invite you to save the date for the 2025 Martin Luther King, Jr. Weekend Celebration! Join us for our Eucharistic Celebration on **Saturday, January 18, at 1 p.m., at Saints Peter and Paul Catholic Church (2560 Tilson Road, Decatur, 30032)**. Archbishop Gregory J. Hartmayer, OFM Conv., will serve as principal celebrant, and Deacon Royce Winters (director of African American Pastoral Ministries, Archdiocese of Cincinnati) will serve as our homilist. Also, join us for our Youth Celebration on **Sunday, January 19, at 3 p.m. at Saint John the Evangelist Catholic School (240 Arnold St, Hapeville, 30354)**.

SAVE THE DATE: ANNUAL AQUINAS DAY LECTURE: Thursday, January 30 at Candler's Aquinas Center of Theology, Pitts Lecture Hall -1531 Dickey Drive, Atlanta, GA 30322. The topic for this year's Lecture is "This Here is Paradise, But You Can't Come In: Canonizing Julia Greeley, Denver's Black Angel of Charity". This lecture explores the life and legacy of Servant of God, Julia Greeley, a formerly enslaved woman and candidate for sainthood in the Roman Catholic Church. **The Afternoon Lecture will be offered in-person and as a webinar. Registration is required for this hybrid event.** Visit <https://aquinas.emory.edu/calendar.html?trumbaEmbed=view%3Devent%26eventid%3D174966728> for more information.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR JANUARY: For the right to an education. Let us pray for migrants, refugees and those affected by war, that their right to an education, which is necessary to build a better world, might always be respected.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY (IHM) SCHOOL invites you to attend the upcoming Open House on [January 14, 2025 at 6:30pm](#). The evening will begin with a few presentations followed by student led tours and classroom visits. Kindly RSVP to Meaghan Schroeder: admissions@ihmschool.org or visit ihmschool.org. Looking forward to seeing you!

SHADOW DAYS AT ST. PIUS X: Please remind friends and family that [9th grade applications](#) are due **Feb. 1, 2024**. We cannot wait to meet our newest Golden Lions! We have two Shadow Days remaining -Thursday, Jan. 23 and Thursday, Jan. 30. A [Shadow Day](#) is the best way for a prospective student to explore what it is like to be a Golden Lion.

THE WAY FOR WOMEN is a three-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program February 14-16, 2025, at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, Georgia. Registration deadline is February 7, 2025. Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or sstubbs@archatl.com for more information.

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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Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM
Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

SOLEMNITY OF THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

January 5, 2025



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

Teen Ministry:
9:00AM - 10:15AM
Contact: Ms. Sheena White
(Teen Ministry Coordinator)
Mrs. Ambra Hannah (Assistant)
lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org

Parenting Ministry
9:00AM - 10:15AM
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

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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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
ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org

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
LaSheka Morris (Lead)
ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com



Today's Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 60:1-6; Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6
Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12

Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 ; Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7
Gospel: Luke 3: 15-16, 21-22

For Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:00pm for the repose of the soul of †Robert Burrows Sr.
Sunday 8:00am for the repose of the souls of †Anthony & Gaetano Occhiogrosso
Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Louise Greene

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (12/28/24 – 01/03/25)		\$47,417
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (12/28/24 – 01/03/25)	\$7,838	
Online Offertory (12/28/24 – 01/03/25)	\$39,579	
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

Ended on December 31, 2024

Lourdes Parish Goal:	\$102,800
Paid to Date (12/27/24):	\$83,737
Surplus/(Shortfall)	(\$19,063)

visit donate.archatl.com.

"Thank you for your generosity."

Thoughts on Stewardship

When we are doing what God created us to do – fully using the strengths, talents and abilities he has given us, and when we are operating on the basis of the power of the Holy Spirit – we are at our very best! *Towards a Theology of Strengths*, Edward C. Anderson

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. Bulletins and Inserts are always available on our website: www.lourdesatlanta.org.

NEWS AT LOURDES

THANK YOU to the Jr. Daughters for preparing the Epiphany Packets for 2025. Packets are available (one (1) per household) after ALL Masses this weekend.

CONFIRMATION PARENT & CANDIDATE MEETING: Students seeking to receive the sacrament of confirmation and their parents are invited to an information meeting on **Sunday, January 12, at 9:15 am in the parish hall.** Candidates for confirmation must be in at least the 10th grade, attended Teen Ministry at Lourdes or Catholic school for 9th and 10th grade, and have received baptism, reconciliation, and communion sacraments. Questions? Contact Samantha Smith at samantha.smith1534@gmail.com.

UPDATE YOUR CONTACT INFORMATION: As we begin a new year and prepare 2024 Tax Statements, we are asking Lourdes members to update their personal information. If you have moved, made any changes to your name, email address, phone number, need to add members to your family record or perhaps correct information contained in your family record, please update your information online using our **My Own Church (ParishSOFT)** web-based portal <https://atlantaaim.parishsoftfamilysuite.com/>, **no later than Friday, January 24.** If you did not previously register, you will be required to register as a new user and create a username and password even though you are already a member of Lourdes. Once registered you will receive an email acknowledgement with your username and temporary password. For questions or if you need assistance, call the church office or email Carol Ann Pinard (cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org).

BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS for parents wishing to have their child (infant to 6 years) baptized, will be held **virtually (via Zoom) on Tuesday, January 7 at 7pm.** Visit <https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/193138> 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).

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

January 5 Alayna White Carla Desormot-Saintil Cecil Griffin III Frazier Dworet Hillary Johnson Lydia Sawyer Preston Hatcher Randall Bowen Sabrina Gomez Stephanie Nichols Remy Saintil	Cohen Stanberry John Hulsey Julia Verre Madeleine Sweet January 7 Geoffrey Blue Williams James Carmichael Joanne Doute-Cooper Krystal Williams Matthew Cotton Raphael Buckle Robin Henry	January 9 Brent Wilson Chantell Brown Colleen Higgins Heather James Jennifer Bergantino Jordan Morgan Joshua Monette Katharine Farrell Lauren Turner January 10 Anjali Jean-Pierre Myrlande Demosthene Sara Woodruff Steve Alexander Zaire Smith	January 11 Amy Zehfuss Loegel Brett Brock Celie Yeldell Dallas Smith Debra Tyler Gabriella Giordani James Morton III John Halaby Lynwood Sigmon III Markesha Daniel Sofia Devey
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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 Moorer
nmoorer5154@gmail.com

Young at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office