NEWS AT LOURDES

YOU ARE INVITED: Our Lady of Lourdes Bible Study – The Book of Exodus. "The Lord will fight for you; you need only to be still." – Exodus 14:14. Step into a transformative journey through the Book of Exodus, where the story of God's people unfolds in a powerful testament of **faith**, **liberation**, **and divine deliverance**. Together, we will explore chapters 1-15, diving deep into themes of oppression, hope, and freedom.

When: Classes begin **Tuesday**, **February 18**, from **7:00pm** - **8:30pm**, **via Zoom** and will continue weekly through **May 6th**. (*No class during Holy Week*; classes resume the following Tuesday.)

Why Join?

- Engage Your Heart: Reflect on the courage and faith of God's people as they journeyed toward freedom.
- · Renew Your Spirit: Release tension and find peace through the timeless lessons of scripture.
- · **Inspire Your Life:** Discover how these ancient stories offer wisdom and guidance for overcoming today's struggles.

This Bible study is for anyone seeking to grow closer to God in a **loving, open, and welcoming community**. Whether you're a seasoned student of scripture or just beginning your journey, you'll find hope, inspiration, and the tools to **liberate yourself from oppressive ideas, practices, and beliefs**.

Prepare Your Heart:

Please begin reading Exodus chapters 1-15 now. Together, we will start with Chapter 1 on February 3rd. Let us come together to **calm our spirits, relax our souls, and be inspired** by the mighty acts of God and the enduring faith of His people. Answer the call to join this sacred exploration—this could be the higher purpose you've been waiting for. We look forward to sharing this journey with you.

LOURDES HEALTH PROMOTIONS MINISTRY (HPM) has created an OLL Health Corner at https:// mail-chi.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 3rd Tuesday at 7pm. Parishioners can email the ministry at ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com to receive the meeting link.

LOURDES LIVESTREAM LINK: Lourdes homepage at https://lourdesatlanta.org/ or go directly to https://lourdesatlanta.org/ or htt

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POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR FEBRUARY: For vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

HOLY SPIRIT PREPARATORY SCHOOL: Discover joyful, faith-filled education at Holy Spirit Prep, Atlanta's premier Catholic classical school. Join our 'Formed in Faith' information sessions this February to see how we nurture faith, intellect, and character from infancy through 12th grade. Register today at holyspiritprep.org/admissions.

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.

FORTUNATE AND FAITHFUL FAMILIES will host their yearly retreat entitled "A Home For ALL." at the Archdiocesan Chancery, 2401 Lake Park Dr., Smyrna 30080 on **Sunday, March 9 from noon until 7pm**. The keynote talk will be given by nationally recognized speaker, Catholic lay minister, and attorney Yunuen Trujillo, author of *LGBTQ Catholics: A Guide to Inclusive Ministry*. The day will also include small group sharing, spiritual reflection, Mass, and dinner. All LGBTQ persons, parents and family members, clergy, allies and those desiring a more welcoming church for all are invited to attend. Registration deadline is March 3. Go to Fortunatefaithfulfamilies.org to register.

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



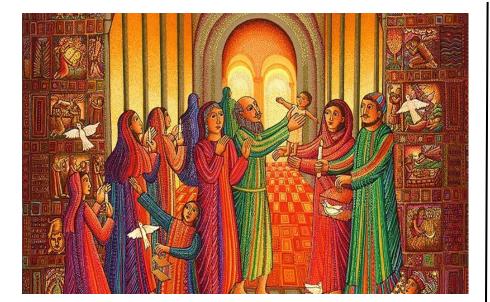




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404.522.6776 www.lourdesatlanta.org Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

FEAST OF THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD



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
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February 2, 2025

Celebration of the Eucharist Saturdays: 5PM Sundays: 8:00AM & 10:30AM

> **Livestream Mass** Sundays:10:30 AM

Masks optional

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



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 ancecompanyamazinggrace@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



Malachi 3:1-4; Hebrews 2:14-18 Gospel: Luke:2:22-40

Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 6:1-2a,3-8; 1 Corinthians 15:1-11 Gospel: Luke:5:1-11

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:00pm for the repose of the souls of †Cynthia & Terry Belfast Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Charles 'T-Chale' Prejean III

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (01/25/25 -01/31/25) \$31,950 In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (01/25/25 – 01/31/25) \$17,410 Online Offertory (01/25/25 - 01/31/25) \$14,540 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 \$108,146 Surplus/(Shortfall) \$5,846

> visit donate.archatl.com. "Thank you for your generosity."

Thoughts on Stewardship

He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose. – Jim Elliot, martyred missionary

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Karen Allen, Kennan Allen, Joy Cherry Banez, Bar Sandy Bell, Car Susie Bell, Par Deanna Blasingame, Gerrard 'Aviel' Boyd, David Brower, Edward Branch, Frederick Cannon, Sam Cooper, Feli	tty Davis, ristian Doute, rce Foley, rbara Hagan, rl Hagood, mela Haley, ank Howard, orgia Hutchinson, ckson Igou, arilyn Jenkins, mes Jordan, lix Lawrence, net Lawrence,	Gloria Manson, James McEwan, Melody McIntyre Peggy Neeson, Evette Oates, Carol Patterson, Katie Price, Eisenhower Raines, Josephine Rosario, Mildred Rucker, Alana Shepard, Barbara Smith, Scindy Stewart,	Wendy Stewart, Johnnie Strong, Eugene Sturgis, Jean-Luc Tahou, Gwendolyn Thompson, Frank Tighe, Sandra Turner, Helen Vance, 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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ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL 2024: We are very pleased to announce that Lourdes has made and surpassed its goal for the 2024 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. By the end of the calendar year, we had received a total of \$108,146 against an assessment of \$102,800. 234 households made a donation. The excess funds of \$5,346 will flow back into the parish's operating budget to cover ongoing expenses. This is the second consecutive year that we have met and exceeded our goal, after many years of falling short. This success is only possible due to your generosity and passion for Our Lady of Lourdes. We are very grateful for all you do. Thank you.

2024 YEAR-END TAX STATEMENTS are available for you to download. You will need to login to our web-based program 'My Own Church' with your username and password to access your statement. If accessing the portal from your phone you may receive the error message "No Organization li**cense"** because you are accessing the App **NOT** the Website. If you would like your statement mailed, please complete the JotForm at https:// form.jotform.com/250295141536050. Those who donated to the Archbishop's Annual Appeal will receive a separate tax letter in the mail from the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Lourdes Conference/ St Vincent de Paul has mailed separate tax letters to their donors. Questions? Email Carol Ann Pinard (cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org).

LECTOR PREP: The second session for the month of *March* will be held on Tuesday, February 4, at 7pm in the Church. All 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, February 4 at 7pm. Visit https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/194878 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

February 2	Taylor Roy	February 06
Gail Lewis	Taylor Williams	Asher Godwin
Jonah Bell Logan Smith	February 4	Denise Tyson Ethan Howard
Merlin Koumtouzoua	Alexa Paul	Lacy Cooper
Patrick (PJ) Bell	David Patton IV	Peter Williams
Robert Deloney	Keisha Berkley Michael Riley	February 7
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February 3	Patricia Davenport	Evan Goodman
February 3 Audree Grand Pierre	Patricia Davenport Peter Sestak	Evan Goodman Felicia Neely
Audree Grand Pierre	Peter Sestak Raven Riley Susan Taquechel	Felicia Neely
Audree Grand Pierre Bernadette Flowers	Peter Sestak Raven Riley Susan Taquechel Tanya Shockley	Felicia Neely Frank-Olivier Agui
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Toni-Ann Miller

Ryan Alexander

February 06 Godwin

Camille Artis Cindy Acosta Anderson Gena Cooper LaMar Rahmaad Lucien Ntab Martina Jimenez Sperry Temitope Foster

February 08



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

KPC Ladies Auxiliary

2nd Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass Taninma "Ninma" Logan, Grand Lady ollgrandlady@gmail.com

KPC Junior Daughters

Allison Joyner, 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