

## NEWS AT LOURDES

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS:** Please join us for Stations of the Cross every Friday night during lent, beginning Friday, March 7 thru Friday, April 11 at 7pm in the church.

**T-SHIRTS FOR LOURDES LUNCH GUESTS:** Please donate gently used or new t-shirts for our guests. All sizes are welcomed, however, large and extra large are most needed. There will be boxes at the entrances to the church for your donations. Thank you, in advance for your generosity.

**MEN OF LOURDES:** You are invited to register for the 2025 Men's Cornerstone Retreat. Last year's debut was so successful that we are seeking to increase capacity. The retreat will be held on **May 9 and 10** at Ignatius House, the Jesuit Retreat Center in Sandy Springs. Please join us to:

- take the time to explore and expand your spiritual journey.
- find fellowship and share joy with other men of faith.
- and become more involved in the community here at Lourdes

More information and details can be found in the Flocknote and the Church bulletin flyer.

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES HEALTH PROMOTIONS MINISTRY (HPM)** presents Meatless Mondays: Another Way To Meaningfully Observe Lent. As we prepare for this upcoming Lenten season of reflection, penance, and spiritual renewal we can use this time to challenge ourselves in new ways to deepen our relationship with God. The meaningful practices of abstaining from meat on specific days, often extends beyond the traditional Fridays. Meatless Mondays, in particular, have gained popularity as a way to deepen the Lenten experience and foster a mindful connection to faith. Although we as Catholics fast on Fridays by only eating Fish as our protein, pushing ourselves and observing this extra day of mindful intention through our food will make our Lenten Season even more impactful.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR MARCH:** For families in crisis. Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

**JUBILEE 2025 PILGRIMS OF HOPE MASS:** Mary Our Queen will hold our first Ember Saturday Jubilee Mass on March 15 at 10 a.m., presided by Bishop Joel M. Konzen. Catholics from Georgia who cannot make a Jubilee pilgrimage to Italy have this option closer to home. The Jubilee is a special year of hope, and an opportunity for conversion and deepening your Christian faith. Learn more about the Holy Year and Mary Our Queen's celebration of it here: [maryourqueen.com/jubilee-pilgrimage/](http://maryourqueen.com/jubilee-pilgrimage/).

**2025 GOOD FRIDAY PILGRIMAGE:** The 44th annual **Good Friday Pilgrimage**, urban stations of the cross, sponsored by the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Atlanta's Justice and Peace Ministries will take place **Friday, April 18, 8:45am-12:00pm**. This walking prayer is a moving experience that includes scripture readings, reflections and music as we remember the passion of Christ and the social injustices in our world today. We will gather to begin our journey at 8:45 am. at the Catholic Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, 48 Martin Luther King, Jr. Drive, SW, Atlanta 30303. There is a midway rest at the Loudermilk Center for use of the facilities and water bottle refills. We will conclude around 12 p.m. at Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church, 25 Boulevard, NE. A bus will be available to return participants to our starting point where public parking is available. The two-mile route is wheelchair/stroller accessible. **All faiths are welcome!**

**CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF NORTH GEORGIA:** Consistent income stream and support for the parish. A charitable gift annuity is a fund that provides you with fixed, guaranteed payments for life. At your passing, the remainder is given to the parish endowment fund, allowing your generosity to continue forever. For current rates or a custom illustration, contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation at [jgreco@cfnga.org](mailto:jgreco@cfnga.org) or 404-497-9440.

**\*\*For a listing of available vacancies within the Archdiocese of Atlanta visit <https://archatl.com/offices/human-resources/job-openings/> \*\***

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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)



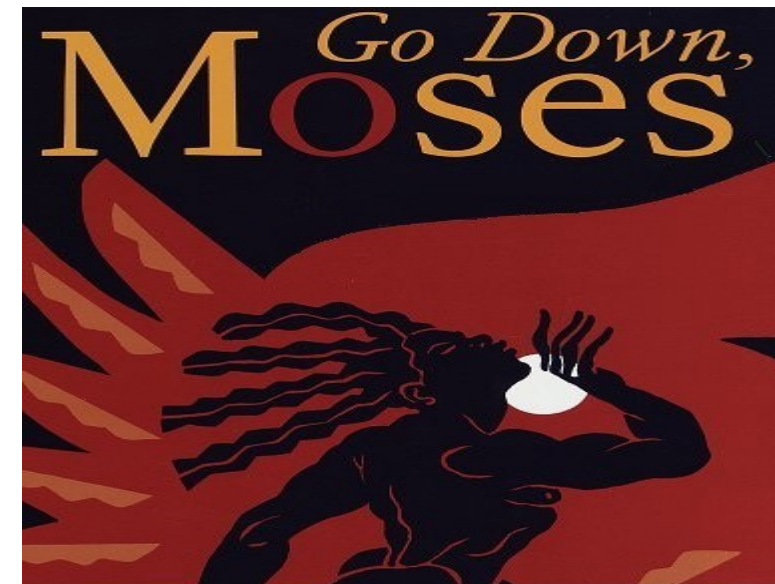
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Atlanta, GA 30312  
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[www.lourdesatlanta.org](http://www.lourdesatlanta.org)  
Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM  
Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

## FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

March 9, 2025



### 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.*

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We are committed  
We are LOURDES

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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)

**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](mailto:lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org)

**Parenting Ministry**  
9:00AM - 10:15AM  
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  
[ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org)

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

Deuteronomy 26:4-10; Romans 10:8-13  
Gospel: Luke 4:1-13

## Next Sunday's Readings

Genesis 15:5-12,17-18; Philippians 3:17-4:1  
Gospel: Luke 9:28b-36

## Mass Intentions

Saturday 5pm for the repose of the soul of †Darlene Perkins  
Sunday 10:30am for Special Intention (In Thanksgiving) Tracy Gomes

## Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (03/01/25 – 03/07/25)		\$30,469
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (03/01/25 – 03/07/25)	\$5,679	
Online Offertory (03/01/25 – 03/07/25)	\$24,790	
<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

## 2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

**"We are One Body in Christ."**

Lourdes Parish Goal: \$109,600

For more information or to donate online

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

Thank you for your generosity.

## Thoughts on Stewardship

A habit for all of us to develop would be to look for something to appreciate in everyone we meet. We can all be generous with appreciation. – Carl Holmes

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

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

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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**FASTING AND ABSTINENCE FOR LENT:** As we begin the holy season of Lent, you are encouraged to take advantage of the opportunities the church offers for all of us to get closer to the Lord, reflect on the many graces we have received and share our blessings with the less fortunate among us. Please, keep our Holy Father, Pope Francis, in your intentions. See [fasting and abstinence](#) rules for the coming season.

**LENTEN REVIVAL:** You are invited to join us for our Lenten Revival with Fr. David A. Jones, Pastor of our sister parish, St. Benedict the African in Chicago on **Monday, March 10 and Tuesday, March 11 at 7pm**. The theme will be *"The Truth, the whole Truth and nothing but the Truth."* **All are Welcome!**

**LENTEN RECONCILIATION SERVICE:** Join the parishes of The Shrine of the Immaculate Conception, Basilica of Sacred Heart, and Our Lady of Lourdes, on **Saturday, March 15, from 11:00am at the Shrine of the Immaculate Conception** - 48 Martin Luther King Jr. Dr. SW, Atlanta, Georgia 30303 for Lenten Reconciliation (Confession) Service. Priests from the participating parishes will be available. **ALL are welcome!**

**BIBLE STUDY—** There will be no Bible Study on Tuesday, March 10, as we join with our Lourdes Community for our annual Lenten Revival on March 10th and 11th, in the Church. We will **return on Tuesday, March 18th.**

**Time:** 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM EST

**Location:** Zoom

Join us as we **delve into Chapter 4 of Exodus**—a pivotal moment in Moses' journey. His life is about to change forever, and so can yours! Come receive **guidance on standing in your power** and answering the call **God has placed on your heart**. Together, we will share, support, and **become emboldened in Christ**. No need to be a biblical scholar—**lively conversations and bright inspirations** await! We look forward to seeing you there!

**KPC LENTEN FISH FRY:** Come and fellowship with the Lourdes Knights of Peter Claver in the cafeteria as they host their Annual Lenten Fish Fry Fund-raiser from **6:00pm - 8:30pm**, beginning **Friday, March 7** and continuing every Friday during Lent, until **Friday April 11**.

## LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

<b>March 9</b>	Jaden Beasley	Dina Vann	Cameron White
Chadwick Lee	Kimberly Coveney	Iris Gayle	Debra Weeks
Charmaine Alexander	Lee Serrant	Jose Serna	Jennifer Cobb
Colette Knight Shorthouse	Natalie Hogan	Lee Bryant	Julia Prybys
Deborah Carmichael	Phoebe Labat	Monica DeMoura	
Donald Sewell	Quincy Watson	Nastasia Lobban	<b>March 15</b>
Gwennetta Morris	Ryan Heard	Pearl Sullivan	Helen Tritschler
Kellen Moore	Shirley Smith		John Danavall
Kerry McGrath	Susana Slaughter		Kristen Laffler
Lucretia Merriman-Jourdain		<b>March 13</b>	Marilyn Bardie Kapaun
Pauline Hayes		Chaenelle Carter	Lourdes Nyaku
Quinn Hill		Danica Gomes	Michael Ebner
Rya Van Voorhis		DeShawn McCrainey	
Stephanie Berdis		Felix Niybizil	
Taylor Soublet		Mary Standridge	
		Psalm Musa	
		Rosemary Yarwood	
<b>March 10</b>	Candaice Wallace Diggs		
Colleen Coveney	Chieweta Emeagi	<b>March 14</b>	
Cornell Hazelton	Declin Connor	Byron Honore	



## 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  
Taninma "Ninma" Logan, Grand Lady  
[ollgrandlady@gmail.com](mailto:ollgrandlady@gmail.com)

KPC Junior Daughters  
Allison Joyner, 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