NEWS AT LOURDES

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 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. Flyers are available at the Church entrances. As space is limited, we ask that those who attended last year refrain from registering in order to make room for others.

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.

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!

JUSTICE & MERCY POETRY CONTEST FOR YOUNG ADULTS: Each year, Catholic Mobilizing Network hosts the Justice & Mercy poetry contest to lift up the voices of young advocates and draw from them inspiration for the work ahead in death penalty abolition. Especially in this particular Year of Jubilee 2025, we pray for these poems to be part of the call of the Holy Father for "tangible signs of hope." The contest is open to Catholics aged 18-39 and offers a first-place cash prize of \$1,000. Poems must be submitted by Thursday, March 20.

INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES AND DEATH PENALTY: Protect individuals with intellectual disabilities from execution in Georgia. Support HB123! Your voice matters! Please reach out to your State of Georgia House Representative and ask for their support to pass HB123.

THE GEORGIA PROMISE SCHOLARSHIP: Catholic School is Possible for Your Family! The Georgia Promise Scholarship is a new program that empowers families to pursue educational programs through nonpublic schooling, including private schools. Families of some public-school students in K-12 can receive \$6,500 per eligible student (administrative fee may apply) to help with school expenses such as tuition, school supplies and transportation. All archdiocesan Catholic schools are accepting the Georgia Promise scholarship for the 2025-26 school year. Scholarship applications are being accepted March 1 – April 15. For more information and to apply for the scholarship, visit https://mygeorgiapromise.org/.

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



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT



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

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March 16, 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

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

We are LOURDES Beactive. Your time, your talent, your Church





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@qmail.com

Health Promotions Ministry 4th Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass LaSheka Morris (Lead) ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com

Today's Sunday's Readings

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

Next Sunday's Readings

Exodus 17:3-7; Romans 5:1-2,5-8 Gospel: John 4:5-426

Eugene Sturgis,

Jean-Luc Tahou,

Frank Tighe,

Sandra Turner,

Josette Walker,

Michelle Wilkinson

Helen Vance,

Valerie West,

Gwendolyn Thompson,

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5pm for the repose of the souls of †Leroy & Evelyn Burrows Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Donald Watson

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (<i>03/08/25 – 03/14/25</i>)		\$27,439
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (03/07/25 – 03/14/25)	\$10,513	
Online Offertory (03/07/25 – 03/14/25)	\$16,926	
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

2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

"We are One Body in Christ."

Lourdes Parish Goal:	\$109,600
Amount Paid (03/14/25)	\$7,470
Over/Under Goal	\$102,130

For more information or to donate online visit <u>donate.archatl.com</u>. Thank you for your generosity.

Thoughts on Stewardship

I slept and dreamt that life was joy. I awoke and saw that life was service. I acted and behold, service was joy. - Rabindranath Tagore

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Joseph Allen,	Christian Doute,	Melody McIntyre
Karen Allen,	Joyce Foley,	Peggy Neeson,
Kennan Allen,	Barbara Hagan,	Evette Oates,
Cherry Banez,	Carl Hagood,	Carol Patterson,
Sandy Bell,	Pamela Haley,	Richard Pinard,
Susie Bell,	Frank Howard,	Katie Price,
Deanna Blasingame,	Georgia Hutchinson,	Eisenhower Raines,
Gerrard 'Aviel' Boyd,	Jackson Igou,	Josephine Rosario,
David Brower,	Marilyn Jenkins,	Mildred Rucker,
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. Bulletins and Inserts are always available on our website: www.lourdesatlanta.org.

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THANK YOU to Fr. David Jones, Pastor of St. Benedict the African in Chicago for leading our Lenten Revival last week. We would like to thank everyone who attended in-person and via our livestream, as well as, all the volunteers who helped make our revival a success.

YOU ARE INVITED: It is National Nutrition Month. Join Our Lady of Lourdes Health Promotions Ministry (HPM) at our next meeting on Monday, March 17, via Zoom, to hear our featured speaker, Registered Dietitian Nutritionist and Lourdes member, Kay Umeakunne, MS RDN LD as she teaches us about "The benefits of plant-based diets for the prevention, treatment and management of chronic diseases"! Kay has over 35 years of experience as a Dietitian Nutritionist and is also a practicing Plant-Based Nutritionist. To attend, email us at ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com for the zoom link.

BIBLE STUDY returns on Tuesday, March 18. 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! Time: 7:00 PM - 8:30 PM EST

Location: Zoom link https://uso2web.zoom.us/j/87981480659? pwd=SzllZkZFZEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzlXZzo9

Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible

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!

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

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 Fundraiser every Friday during Lent, from 6:00pm - 8:30pm until Friday April 11.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

March 16

Ryen Evans

March 17

Adrienne Sellers March 18

David Kuoch

Dominique Johnson Jaydon Carpenter Joseph Carpenter Julian Saintil Nasha Pradia Reginald Poellnitz

Jade Everstz Janice Wise Parker Jeanette Blawn Marcia Halyard Tristyn Wheeler

Nevienne Tate-Alpough

Adam P. Rose March 19 Agathia Jenkins Anna Chard Barrett Benjamin Bryant Livsey Cynthia Marbury Eve Baldwin Keela Bovce Lisa Landers Marlene Alexander Lucille Williams Patricia Byse

Shukuri Harayandi Paul Boyce Steven Garner Trinity Wilson March 20

Ezra Kyiamah Fadel Baba Sakponou Hakizimana Gabriel Helen Smith Jaiden Avery JaQuane Jones Kristen Cadray Marielle Campbell Staci Brooks

March 21

Callen O'Brien Roth Ellis Hutchinson Ian Beckford Larry Crutchfield Mary Harrison Matthew Amos



Moira Ujda

March 22

Sharon Morris

George Hairston

Grace Rutherford

Kathryn Kim

Sarai Ellis

Johnnie Thompson Jr.

Madison McCrainey

Ricardo Horton

Thayes Sturgis

Tristan Moore

Toney Davis

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 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@qmail.com

> Young at Heart (Seniors) Contact the Church Office