

## 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/> \*\***

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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)



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

## THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 23 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.*

We are active  
We are committed  
We are LOURDES

Be active. Your time, your talent, your Church.



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**Flocknote**

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

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

## Next Sunday's Readings

1 Samuel 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a ; Ephesians 5:8-14  
Gospel: John 9:1-41

## Mass Intentions

Saturday 5pm for the repose of the souls of †Elaine Cole  
Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Ernestine Miller

## Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (03/14/25 – 03/21/25)		\$27,439
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (03/14/25 – 03/21/25)	\$16,838	
Online Offertory (03/14/25 – 03/21/25)	\$16,708	
<b>Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 24-25):</b>		<b>\$33,546</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
Amount Paid (03/14/25)	\$7,470
Over/Under Goal	\$102,130

For more information or to donate online visit [donate.archatl.com](http://donate.archatl.com).

Thank you for your generosity.

## Thoughts on Stewardship

"You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything..." - Exodus 20:4  
How many "gods" do you put before God? "Idols" do not always take the shape of physical things, things we can touch and feel. Those are easy to recognize. Many times they take the form of things we cannot touch and are much harder

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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**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](mailto:ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com) for the zoom link.

**BIBLE STUDY** returns on **Tuesday, March 25**. 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://us02web.zoom.us/j/87981480659?pwd=SzllZkZFEtSWmx3WHRteHk5SzlXZz09>

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

## LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

<b>March 23</b> David Paul Deborah Baudy Donald Shockley Jr. Douglas Cain Frances Elder Jada Lowery James Harper Nathaniel Dula Taylor Alexander	<b>March 25</b> Alexandra Walker Caleb Walker Calvin Long Enya McDaniels Freddie Valdez Joan Benjamin Katharina Corado Patricia Keane Raphael Grand Pierre Sonji Jacobs Veronica Hogan	Michael Dula II P. Faith Carmichael	<b>March 27</b> Bethany Paquette Cameron Smith Candice Wallace Diggs Deborah Bouie Elizabeth Fennelly Elouise Joyner Gary Blanchard Julia Buckmaster Richard Harrison Yvonne Conway	<b>March 29</b> Abby Closs Ann Meyers Carol Rivera Drake Hogan Eliza Singleton Evelyn Hardin Jarred Benjamin
<b>March 24</b> Adina Thrasher Eljah Johnson Jr. Emanuel Dressie Hattie Edmonson Nicole Rodriguez Theresa Roth	<b>March 26</b> Ava Ewing Christopher Hickey Kalynn Phillips Maria Newman Marlon Rainey III	<b>March 28</b> Adrian Gibson Kathryn Phillips		



## 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