# **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 <a href="https://mygeorgiapromise.org/">https://mygeorgiapromise.org/</a>.

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

> 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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# **FOURTH 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

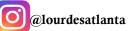
Rooted in African-American Catholic history, Lourdes celebrates the Living Word of God, embraces inclusiveness, and inspires social action.

We are active We are committed We are LOURDES Beactive, Your time, your talent, your Church





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# March 30 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

2<sup>nd</sup> 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 2<sup>nd</sup> 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

1<sup>st</sup> Mondays, 7PM
Patrice Barton Smith
psbarton901@qmail.com

### **Finance Council**

Quarterly Meetings
Philip Verre, Chairperson
ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org

#### Green Team

Shelli Stewart, stewartshelli@yahoo.com

### Haiti Ministry

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass Ron Apollon 404-441-3032 ronapollon@gmail.com

### **Health Promotions Ministry**

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass LaSheka Morris (Lead) ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com



Today's Sunday's Readings

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

### **Next Sunday's Readings**

Ezekiel 37:12-14 , Romans 8:8-11 Gospel: John 11:1-45

### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday 5pm for the repose of the souls of †Mark Chineworth Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Louise Greene

### **Lourdes Stewardship**

Church Support (03/22/25 - 03/28/25) \$23,570

In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (03/22/25 - 03/28/25) \$7,042

Online Offertory (03/22/25 - 03/28/25) \$16,528

Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 24-25): \$33,546

### 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

"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, Karen Allen, Kennan Allen, Cherry Banez, Sandy Bell, Susie Bell, Deanna Blasingame, Gerrard 'Aviel' Boyd, David Brower, Edward Branch, Frederick Cannon, Sam Cooper, Kysa Daniel, Betty Davis,	Christian Doute, Joyce Foley, Barbara Hagan, Carl Hagood, Pamela Haley, Frank Howard, Georgia Hutchinson, Jackson Igou, Marilyn Jenkins, James Jordan, Felix Lawrence, Janet Lawrence, Gloria Manson, James McEwan,	Melody McIntyre Peggy Neeson, Evette Oates, Carol Patterson, Richard Pinard, 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 <u>cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org.</u> Bulletins and Inserts are always available on our website: www.lourdesatlanta.org.

### NEWS AT LOURDES

**JOURNEY OF HOPE**: Join us on Sunday, April 8th, at 12:00 p.m. (following the10: 30 Mass) for a powerful presentation, including lunch. Lourdes will host a panel from the Journey of Hope, an organization supporting families impacted by the death penalty. Sponsored by Georgians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty (GFADP), this event, led by the Social Action Committee, will inspire and challenge you.

**BIBLE STUDY** returns on **Tuesday, April 1**. 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 <a href="https://usozweb.zoom.us/j/87981480659?">https://usozweb.zoom.us/j/87981480659?</a> 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:oopm - 8:3opm** until **Friday April 11.** 

# LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

#### March 30 April 05 Karen Brown Ian Raymer Benetta Duhart Kavdence Johnson Lilah Cook Ana Baille Kathleen Shults Toto Pascal Major O'Neal Cawthorn Brayden Smith Michelle Reid Nya Slaughter April 02 Marcelus Burwell Ndachavisabu Evaniste Olivia Morales Alexis Little Mark Trembley Noelle Ross Twanitta Pouncey August Spainhour Robert Coles Ryan Rogers-Givens Zoe Huey Cedric Maxwell Rylie Hutchinson Samuel Mugavero Coretha Rushing March 31 April 04 Jaime Walker Coryn Rodney Aaliyah Dye Iaxon Burt Gloria Carmichael Amariah Ögene Juan Johnson Lauren Stumberg Darrien Wilkins Lori White Steven Smith Deandra Bryant Luana Slaughter Yaney Smith Olivia Allen Sheila Cannon Paula Scotman April 01 Sarah Land April 03 Alvia Barnett Sheena White Brittany Jones Edward McDonnell Jr. Tatiyana Knight Brittany Smith Jacob Artis Eric McDonald

### **Ministries & Organizations**

Knights of Peter Claver (KPC) 2<sup>nd</sup> 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**

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

### **KPC Junior Daughters**

Allison Joyner, Counselor irdaughterscourt300@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**

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

Young at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office