NEWS AT LOURDES

HOMECOMING AND HOPE: He's Back—and So Is the Joy! Let's come together in celebration as we welcome Fr. Jeffery back from sabbatical and honor the incredible faith and commitment that continue to lead us toward a bright and bold future for Our Lady of Lourdes! This joyful homecoming celebration will be filled with hope, music, and community—an opportunity to reflect on how far we've come and the inspiring journey ahead. Join us for a special Music Concert on Saturday, August 9 at 7:30P followed by a reception, or join us for Masses followed by receptions on Sunday, August 10. Get your free concert tickets by to secure your spot for the concert...only 50 spots remain https://bit.ly/Lourdeshomecoming.

LECTOR PREP for the month of *September* will be held on **Saturday, August 2, at 10:30am and Tuesday, August 5, at 7PM** in the church. <u>All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.</u>

USHER TRAINING: Calling all Ushers (Seasoned and New), Mark your Calendar! There will be Usher Training on **Saturday**, **August 16 from 8:30am-12:30pm**, in the **Parish Hall - Drexel Center**. **RSVP required**. Email: Chris Davis at christoper-christope

YOUNG AT HEART: Save the Date! Greetings to all of our 'seasoned' parishioners, 75+, also known as the *Young at Heart*. Mark your calendar as we will gather on **Wednesday, August 20 from 12:00pm** - **3:00pm** for an informative fun-filled afternoon.

ADULT CHOIR AUDITIONS for the 2025-2026 Choir season are coming up! Auditions will be held in the sanctuary between **5:00pm and 7:00pm in 15 Minute Timeslots** on the following dates:

August 13 & August 14 AND August 20 & August 21

Please prepare a 30 second song cut of your choice. You will be asked to match pitch and hold harmonies during your audition slot. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a time slot, please Email: Bryan Montemayor (Music Ministry Administrative Assistant) at musicadmin@lourdesatlanta.org.

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING: Save the date! We will hold an in-person training for **all current** Extraordinary Ministers and those interested in becoming Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Saturday, September 27, 2025 from 9:30am -12:30pm. You must be a fully initiated Catholic, having celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation to serve.

CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS! We're gearing up for our **Lourdes Annual Church Picnic** on **September 28th, 2025** — and we need your help to make it a fun and memorable day! Volunteers of **all ages** and all talents are welcome to join the planning team. We'll begin **virtual meetings in July,** so it's easy to get involved. **Please send your name and contact number to Allyson Blue at 404-542-5017.** Let's come together to create a wonderful event for our church family!

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR JULY: For formation in discernment. Let us pray that we might again learn how to discern, to know how to choose paths of life and reject everything that leads us away from Christ and the Gospel.

THE WAY FOR WOMEN, a three-day retreat for adult female survivors of abuse, offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program, will be held on September 26-28, at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, Georgia. Registration deadline is September 15. Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or sstubbs@archatl.com for more information.

CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF NORTH GA: Lower Your Income and Taxes with an IRA QCD Gift to the Parish: With an IRA QCD (qualified charitable distribution) gift to the parish endowment fund, you can support your parish without impacting cash flow – and benefit from lowering income and taxes. Contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation (jgreco@cfnga.org or 404.497.9440) for more information or go to cfnga.org.

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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SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



Parish Staff

Rev. Jeffery Ott, O.P., 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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We are committed
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July 27, 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

Order of Christian Initiation for Adults
(OCIA)

Contact: Ms. Kimberly Parrish 404.247.6628/kaparrish@hotmail.com

Religious Education Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen Director of Religious Education

tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org
On Summer Break

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 pi.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

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, 7am 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



Today's Sunday's Readings

Genesis 18:20-32; Colossians 2:12-14 Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Next Sunday's Readings

Ecclesiastes 1:2: 2:21-23; Colossians 3:1-5,9-11 Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5pm for the repose of the soul of †Marion Chineworth Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Robert 'Bob' Barnes

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (07/19/25 - 07/25/25) \$28,791 In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (07/19/25 - 07/25/25) \$14,181 Online Offertory (07/19/25 - 07/25/25) \$14,610 Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 25-26): \$27,885

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 (07/25/25) \$37,600 Over/(Under Goal) (\$72,000)

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

Thoughts on Stewardship

We must put God first. God has generously provided for different people in different ways, and, in return, we are called to be financially generous, to give – not just when it's convenient or from what's left over after all our desires are met.

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, Betty Davis, Christian Doute,	Gloria Dworet, Joyce Foley, Barbara Hagan, Carl Hagood, Pamela Haley, Frank Howard, Georgia Hutchinson, Jackson Igou, Geraldine Jackson White, James Jordan, Felix Lawrence, Janet Lawrence, PJ Lemuel, Gloria Manson,	James McEwan, Melody McIntyre Jeremy Moon, Peggy Neeson, Evette Oates, Katie Price, Eisenhower Raines, Josephine Rosario, Mildred Rucker, Alana Shepard, Barbara Smith, Scindy Stewart, Wendy Stewart, Johnnie Strong,	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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HAPPY 51ST WEDDING ANNIVERSARY: We take great pleasure in extending congratulations to Lourdes members, Charles and Theresa Bowen, who were married here at Our Lady of Lourdes, 51 years ago on July 27th. May God continue to bless their marriage with faith, love and happiness. We the Lourdes community appreciate the support that Charles, Theresa and their family, have provided to the Lourdes Community, guiding our children and youth in their faith Journey through our Religious Education Program.

BACK TO SCHOOL SUPPLY DRIVE: The Our Lady of Lourdes Haiti Ministry is excited to announce a School Supply Drive to support the school at our sister parish, Precious Blood of Jesus, in Potino, Haiti. From July 28 - August 17, we invite parishioners and friends to donate new school supplies to help students in need as they prepare for the upcoming school year. Items can be dropped off in the box located at the back of the church. Please see the flyer for a list of items needed at https://lourdesatlanta.org/category/bulletins/. Your generosity will make a meaningful difference in the lives of the children in Potino—thank you for your support!

HONORING OUR HISTORY; BUILDING OUR FUTURE: A Future We're **Building -Together** Something special is happening at Lourdes. Over **160** families have already said yes to our shared vision, pledging more than \$4.1 million to help build our future church home. Just last week, nearly \$100,000 in new pledges came in! This momentum tells a story—not just of numbers, but of faith, unity, and joy for our Lourdes community. We're not there yet, but we're on our way. And there's room on this journey for you. Your pledge matters. It's a commitment to the future of our parish—a place where generations will gather to worship, celebrate, and grow. Please make your pledge today and help bring our vision to life.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION: Online Registration for 2025 - 2026 Sunday School Year begins on Friday, August 1. Classes begin Sunday, September 21st from 9:00am -10:15am.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

Rebecca Culpepper Michael Smith Sandra Davis Michael Walsh Timothy Etson Sr. Theresa Brewster Wallace Evans July 28 Ahli Moore July 30 Edwin Avelar Bernadette Kennedy John DeFoor III Brendan Freeman Karen Johnson Brittany Stanford Kristina Garcia Jordyn Black Mark Rajewski Kirk Haynes Marlie LaGuerre Melvin Sawyer Michael Anidi Sharon Gex July 31

Ariel Iluyomade

July 27

Brian Auerbach

Chemar Brown

Jasmin Neeson

John Ujda

Donna Richardson

July 29 Aurielle Coleman Clinton Wilkinson Helga Ojinmah Kristina Lemene Elizabeth Chilla Kurt Collier John DeFoor II Lena Reid John Black-Smith Kierston Tiller Michael Dula Michelle Hession Griffith Rome Van Voorhis Sara Elizabeth Sides Susan Parsons Teri Lewis

Cecilia Paprocki Christopher Spencer Elizabeth Craig Marcus Smith Jr.

August 1 Addie Bowden Avon Howse Brigitte Flannery Carter Middleton

HAPPY Birthday

August 02

Anthony Hannah

Helen Greenfield

Darryl Woods

Gail Holmes

Ian Daniels

Imani Jenkins

Fr. Jeffery Ott

Kathy Daly

Mary Moon

Mary Ujda

Mason Gause

Noemie Saintil

Omari Joseph

Jennifer Harper

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 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

1st Sunday after the 10:30am Mass Kiana Wright, 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 after 10:30am Mass 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