NEWS AT LOURDES

HONORING OUR HISTORY; BUILDING OUR FUTURE.: We're filled with gratitude and excitement—over 170 Lourdes families have already pledged more than **\$4.2 million**, bringing us to **over 70%** of our capital campaign goal! What an amazing show of faith and commitment! If you have not made a pledge to **Honoring Our History • Building Our Future** yet, now is your time. Every pledge brings us one step closer to the new spiritual home we've been dreaming.

HOPE AND HOMECOMING: Next weekend, August 9- 10, is a special time of commitment and community for our entire parish. Please take some time this week to pray for our campaign success and consider your own sacrificial gift. You can **pledge online at https://form.jotform.com/242846419474163** anytime, bring your completed pledge card to Mass, or make your pledge during next weekend's Homecoming and Hope. With your help, we will reach our goal of \$6M—and build the future of Lourdes together!

YOUNG AT HEART: Greetings to all of our 'seasoned' parishioners, 75+, also known as the *Young at Heart*. We will gather on **Wednesday, August 20 from 12:00pm -3:00pm** for an informative fun-filled afternoon. **PLEASE** complete the sign-up form https://form.jotform.com/252106018460143, no later than **Friday, August 15**, so we can have an accurate count for refreshments. See you then!

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: 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. **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 AUGUST: For mutual coexistence. Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

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.

**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



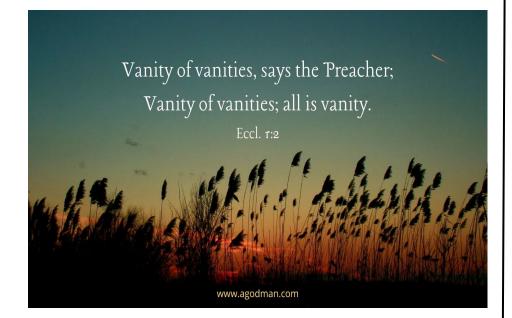
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EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

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Mr. Cameron Chaney, Pastoral Assistant

Mrs. Angela Massingale, Parish Secretary

Mrs. Theresa Bowen, Director of Religious Education

Ms. Sheena White, Teen Ministry Coordinator

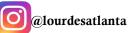
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August 3, 2025

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
Resumes: Sept. 21, 2025

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) lourdesteens 1912@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!

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

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

Next Sunday's Readings

Wisdom 18:6-9; Hebrews 11:1-2,8-19 Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5pm for the repose of the soul of †Joseph E. Chineworth Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Fr. Bruce Schultz, O.P

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (07/26/25 - 08/01/25) \$24,996 In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (07/26/25 - 08/01/25) \$5,476 Online Offertory (07/26/25 - 08/01/25) \$19,520 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 (08/01/25) \$38,365 Over/(Under Goal) (\$71,235)

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

Thoughts on Stewardship

He is no fool who gives what he cannot keep to gain what he cannot lose. – Jim Elliot, martyred missionary

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, Kevin 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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SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION! Online Registration for 2025-2026 Sunday School Year has begun. Please register online at https:// lourdesatlanta.org/register/. Classes begin Sunday, September 21 from 9:00am -10:15am. See Bulletin Flyer for more information.

NOTE TO PARENTS: Preparation for the Celebration of the Sacraments: (First Reconciliation, First Communion and Confirmation) is a TWO YEAR process. Students must be enrolled in a Catholic Religious Education program AT LEAST 1 YEAR PRIOR to enrollment in the program for First Reconciliation, First Eucharist, and Confirmation.

Requirements for Sacrament of Confirmation for Teens:

The Sacrament of Confirmation in the Archdiocese of Atlanta is available for students starting at age 16 (10th grade) who are committed to living out their Catholic faith. Students must have two years of religious education (9th and 10th grade) through a parish or by attending Catholic school.

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!

USHER TRAINING: Calling all Ushers (Seasoned and New)! There will be Usher Training on Saturday, August 16 from 8:30am-12:30pm. RSVP required. Email: Chris Davis at chrdavis4@yahoo.com.

LECTOR PREP: The second session for the month of *September* will be held on Tuesday, August 5 at 7:00pm in the Church. All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

Erika Ducloux

Kenneth Slade

Kiran Flenaugh

Lamond Godwin

Nerimiah Emmett

Nicholas Stracke

Reginald Turner

Tanya Iluyomade

August 7

August 3 Benton Oliver Berdean Simmons Brandon Davis Christopher Hillsman Clarissa Priore Frank Fashina Jaia Alli Johnathan Roberts Josh Casbon Patrick Turner Paula Gaffnev Thomas Boyle Tometra McClendon August 4

A'liyah Ray Bernard Eustache Brooklyn Dean Christopher Miller Elizabeth Labat

Sianna Simmons Wendy Strassner Lily Flenaugh August 5 Adam Harris Asako Ferguson Cassandra Tavarez Dorothy Johnson Ketiwe Zipperer Kimberly Dickerson

Erica Dunbar-Smith

Meon Ingram

Miranda Louis

Maria Lizarraga

Damany Ransom

Shana Laster Tonii Dean Tori Moore Wynnetta Simmons August 6

Ashley Morgan Cole Bergantino Kelsy Hood Manirakiza Joseph Martine Ridore

August 8 Andrette François Anthony Jones Irving Williams

Margaret Kratz Myles Blouin Rita Figaro Shontelle Conner Terrence Turner Travis Young

August 9

Ambra Hannah Autumn Lee Cameron Brown Caroline Smith Guyron Snow Ilse Moon Sherri Kelly



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

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 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