

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION: Online Registration for **2025–2026 Sunday School Year** at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/register/>. Please note: Registration **cannot** be completed on mobile phone.

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. **Classes begin Sunday, September 21, 2025 from 9:00am -10:15am.** See Bulletin Flyer for more information.

PARENTING MINISTRY at Our Lady of Lourdes begins its 2025-2026 session on **September 21, 2025**. Classes are open to all parents, grandparents and others who care and work with children. Our parents have children of all ages, so if your child/children are older don't miss out on the wisdom and experiences of parents already part of The Parenting Ministry. Classes take place during Sunday School from 9:00am - 10:15 am. *WHILE THE KIDS ARE IN SUNDAY SCHOOL, join us in Parenting Ministry. For more information, contact Ms. Pj Lemuel (pj.lemuel@gmail.com).*

BIBLE STUDY RETURNS! Tuesday, September 16th | 7:00–8:30 PM EST | On Zoom
We're beginning a brand-new season - both in nature and in the Word. This fall, we'll be reading the **Gospel of John** (because it just sounds more poetic that way). Whether you're brand new to Bible study or a seasoned scripture sleuth, **all levels of Bible apprentices are welcome**. We're an open, friendly, and welcoming bunch- and if you're shy, no worries! You can always keep your camera off and simply soak in God's word. Fall is a time of change- schedules shift, weather patterns turn, and the sun takes on a new angle in the sky. Maybe you could use a little change right now, too - or at least lean into the **energy of transformation**. Come with the intention of change, and watch how God can shift your life.

YOU ARE INVITED: Atlanta Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women 69th Annual Convention
It is with great pleasure that we extend to you an invitation to attend the 69th Annual Convention of the Atlanta Archdiocesan Council of Catholic Women. This year the Convention will be held at Saint Matthew Catholic Church 215 Kirkley Rd, Tyrone, GA 30290, on September 26 – 28, 2025. Date and time: Fri, Sep 26, 2025 3:00 PM - Sun, Sep 28, 2025 3:00 PM ET. **For more information and to register :** www.atlarchccw.org. The registration link can be found under the Convention tab to register on-line or print a registration form. **Early bird registration is due September 9, 2025. After the early bird registration, the last date to register is September 19, 2025.**

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.

PATH'S NEXT RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT - October 17-19, 2025 If abortion is part of your story, you may carry anger, guilt, or regret. Healing after abortion isn't about excusing what happened or forgetting. It's about finding peace. Call today to take that first step toward your healing and wholeness. Join us for PATH's next Rachel's Vineyard Retreat October 17-19, 2025. For more information or to register, call or text our confidential number at 404-717-5557 or email programdirector@pathatl.com Start where you are. You're so worth it. www.healingafterabortion.org

****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



A CENTURY OF WITNESS—A FUTURE OF COMMITMENT
OUR LADY of LOURDES
CATHOLIC CHURCH

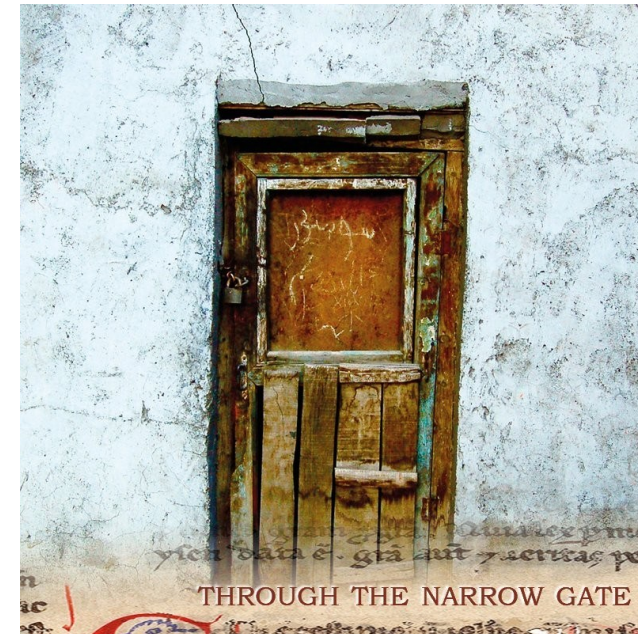
FOUNDED THROUGH
THE GENEROSITY OF
SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL



25 Boulevard, N.E.
Atlanta, GA 30312
404.522.6776
www.lourdesatlanta.org
Office Hours: M-F 9AM – 6PM
Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 24, 2025



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*

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.



facebook.com/lourdesatlanta



@LourdesAtlanta_



@lourdesatlanta



Flocknote

2nd 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

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)
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

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
dancecompanyamazinggrace@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, 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
Isaiah 66:18-21; Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13
Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

Next Sunday's Readings
Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24a
Gospel: Luke 14:1, 7-14

Mass Intentions
Saturday 5pm for the repose of the soul of †Clotaire Desormot
Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Alfred Silvidi

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (08/16/25 - 08/22/25)	\$26,728
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (08/16/25 - 08/22/25)	\$8,291
Online Offertory (08/16/25 - 08/22/25)	18,437
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 (08/22/25)	\$39,501
Over/(Under Goal)	(\$70,099)
For more information or to donate online visit donate.archatl.com . Thank you for your generosity.	

Thoughts on Stewardship

Jesus reminds us that God will not judge us by the same earthly stand-ards. When God asks you, "What have you done with the gifts I have giv-en you?" How will you respond?

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, Luella Chambers, 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
---	---	--	---

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.

NEWS AT LOURDES

HONORING OUR HISTORY;BUILDING OUR FUTURE: We are thrilled to announce that we raised nearly \$600,000 in the past two weeks, bringing us to nearly **\$5,000,000** in total pledges! We are over **80%** towards our goal of \$6M! A special thank you to everyone who has pledged!
If you have not pledged yet, please prayerfully consider a gift to Honoring **Our History • Building Our Future**. Every pledge brings us one step closer to enhancing the Lourdes experience. You can make your [pledge online](#) or bring your completed pledge card to Mass. Please send any questions to HonoringOurHistory@lourdesatlanta.org.

LECTOR PREP for the month of *October* will be held on **Tuesday, Septem-ber 2, at 7PM** and **Saturday, September 6, at 10:30am** in the church. Parking will be available in the Auburn Ave and Boulevard lots only. **All lec-tors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.**

BAPTISMAL PREP CLASS for parents wishing to have their child (infant to 6 years) baptized, will be held virtually (via Zoom) on **Tuesday, September 2 at 7PM**. Visit <https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/221014> to sign up. Once registered, you will receive the Zoom link information. If your child's Godparents will be attending the class, please have them register as well. **NOTE:** Parents and Godparents are required to attend a Baptismal Class at Lourdes or any Catholic church, before a Baptism is scheduled. Questions? Email Carol Ann Pinard (cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org).

EUCCHARISTIC 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. Sign-up at <https://form.jotform.com/252166486221153>.

HEALTH PROMOTIONS MINISTRY(HPM): Come and join the Health Promotions Ministry as we walk out our faith while prioritizing our health! The Ministry meets **virtually every 3rd Tuesday at 7pm**. For more infor-mation and meeting link email: ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

August 24 Anthony Smith Jr. Arielle Severe Ave Burton Earl Cotton Jr. Evelynne Burton Janaiya Turner Joseph Carpenter Nichole Ravenell Suzanne Schneider Tajuana Pearson Taylor Alpough	Imani Van Buren Michael DeAntonio Paul Cleary Robert Cohen	Kizmet Charles LaSheka Morris Luke Nunan Lyla Rachal Pierce Fowler Sean Farry	Rachel Sigmon Roberta Battle Sharon James Zachary Waters
August 25 Anthony Hylton Carmen Jenkins Courtney Lewis Douglass Robinson Frank Okonokhua	August 26 Kieran Cook Leneisha Smith Naila Lakpa Theresa Bowen	August 28 Grace Buggage Ifechi Okonkwo Joni Dubriel Harris Michael Strong Jr.	August 30 Ahmad Blanchard Angelique Darke Broderic Armbrister Elizabeth Walsh Marquette Chester Mary Ellen Sheehan
August 27 Alyssa Dula Audrey Isakov Cassidy Bass Chantalle Moon Constance Mack Gracie Santiago	August 29 Arya Saintil Iris Odia Malu Marcus Williams Pamela Simmons Piper Cook		

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
Kiana Wright, John Schwenkler & Be-atrice 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