## **NEWS AT LOURDES**

**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 <a href="https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/">https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/</a> signup/221014 to sign up. Once registered, you will receive the Zoom link information via email. 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).

**SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION:** Online Registration for 2025 –2026 Sunday School Year at https:// <u>lourdesatlanta.org/register/</u>. 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@qmail.com).

**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. Sign-up at https:// form.jotform.com/252166486221153.

### 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.

### 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.

CATHOLIC UNIVERSITY OF AMERICA: Next weekend, the archdiocese will be taking up the national collection for The Catholic University of America. By giving to the collection, you support more than 5,000 students who serve the church and nation as the Catholic leaders of tomorrow through various scholarship and financial aid programs and help the university better serve dioceses and parishes through innovative research initiatives and training programs. For more information, visit lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

\*\*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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404.522.6776 www.lourdesatlanta.org Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

## TWENTY-SECOND 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

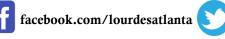
Mr. Cameron Chaney, Pastoral Assistant

Mrs. Angela Massingale, Parish Secretary Mrs. Theresa Bowen, Director of Religious Education

Ms. Sheena White, Teen Ministry Coordinator

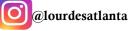
Rooted in African-American Catholic history, Lourdes celebrates the Living Word of God, embraces inclusiveness, and inspires social action.

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





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## **August** 31, 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

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 pi.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.cor

### 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, 7am
Patrice Barton Smith
psbarton901@gmail.com

### Finance Council

Quarterly Meetings
Philip Verre, Chairperson
ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org

#### **Green Team**

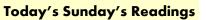
Shelli Stewart, stewartshelli@yahoo.com

### **Haiti Ministry**

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



Sirach 3:17-18, 20, 28-29; Hebrews 12:18-19,22-24a Gospel: Luke 1

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

Wisdom 9:13-18b; Philemon 9-10, 12-17 Gospel: Luke 14:25-33

### **Mass Intentions**

Saturday 5pm for the repose of the soul of †Evelyn Burrows & Raymond Burrows, Sr.

### **Lourdes Stewardship**

Church Support (08/16/25 - 08/29/25) \$21,919

In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (08/16/25 - 08/29/25) \$7,798

Online Offertory (08/16/25 - 08/29/25) \$14,121

Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 25-26): \$27,885

Consider setting up on-line giving today!

Visit: <a href="https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/funds">https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/funds</a>.

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 (08/29/25) \$42,637 Over/(Under Goal) (\$66,963)

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

### Thoughts on Stewardship

One of the main principles of living a stewardship lifestyle is to give without expecting anything in return.

### Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Joseph Allen,	Christian Doute,	Gloria Manson,	Wendy Stewart,
Karen Allen,	Gloria Dworet,	James McEwan,	Johnnie Strong,
Kennan Allen,	Joyce Foley,	Melody McIntyre	Jean-Luc Tahou,
Cherry Banez,	Barbara Hagan,	Jeremy Moon,	Gwendolyn Thompson,
Sandy Bell,	Carl Hagood,	Peggy Neeson,	Frank Tighe,
Susie Bell,	Pamela Haley,	Evette Oates,	Sandra Turner,
Deanna Blasingame,	Frank Howard,	Katie Price,	Helen Vance,
Gerrard 'Aviel' Boyd,	Georgia Hutchinson,	Eisenhower Raines,	Josette Walker,
David Brower,	Jackson Igou,	Josephine Rosario,	Valerie West,
Edward Branch,	Geraldine Jackson White,	Mildred Rucker,	Michelle Wilkinson
Frederick Cannon,	James Jordan,	Alana Shepard,	
Luella Chambers,	Felix Lawrence,	Barbara Smith,	
Sam Cooper,	Janet Lawrence,	Kevin Smith,	
Betty Davis,	PJ Lemuel,	Scindy Stewart,	

# 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

**LOURDES CHURCH OFFICE** will be closed on *Monday, September 1*, in observance of Labor Day holiday. We will reopen on **Tuesday, September 2 at 9:30am**.

HONORING OUR HISTORY: We have incredible news to share - thanks to your generosity, we've now surpassed \$5,000,000 in pledges toward our new spiritual home! And it gets even better: two generous donors have offered a matching challenge. For the next two weeks, every pledge of \$2,500 or more will be matched dollar for dollar—up to \$125,000! That means if you make your pledge by September 15, your gift will have double the impact. But that's not all - every household that has made or will make a pledge of at least \$2,500 by September 15 will also be entered into a raffle for a one-of-a-kind handmade quilt crafted with beautiful African fabrics. The raffle drawing will take place at Mass on Sunday, September 21. Make your pledge today online or bring your completed card to Mass. Ouestions? Contact us at HonoringOurHistory@lourdesatlanta.org.

**YOU ARE INVITED** to 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 at 3:00pm - Sun, Sep 28, 2025 at 3:00pm ET. **For more information and to register:**<a href="https://www.atlarchccw.org">www.atlarchccw.org</a>. 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**.

**LECTOR PREP** for the month of *October* will be held on **Tuesday, September 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. <u>All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active</u>.

### LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

<b>August 31</b> Alayna Hannah	Sally Polhamus	Irvin Brown Juanesta Phillips	Niyonkuru Philippe Shanyna Simmons
Chandra Delphin	September 2	Kathy Comer	Willamina King
Denise Hayley Gavin Williams James Chambers Jaxson McClary Kyndra Johnson Mauricio Lopez	Andre Maudlin Ashton Brown Deborah Brown Lauren Cromartie Leo Sullivan Lisa Berkley	Lynn Nixon Wyatt Washington  September 4 Christopher Parker II Kayellen Umeakunne	September 6 Alice Shepard Asha Brown Deidra Willie Kysa Daniels
Terri Alexander  September 1  Anika Fisher  Avery Rouse	Madison Cromartie Payton Frazier Sarah Anidi Stephen Webber Terri Alexander	Kerian Adegbola Michael Barham Nazare Boyd Shahira Claxton	Meaghan Costelloe Michelle Cary Paul Deery
David Alexander III Erinn Gardner Jasmine Cross Lindsey Burnett Patrice Barton-Smith Qiana Smith	September 3 Chloe Parker Chris Newman Eric Orubele Garry Bridgeman	Apria Brown Brittany Roberts Lily Walker Micah Mallard Millard Rutherford	Happy Birthday

### **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 <u>ollgrandlady@gmail.com</u>

### **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 <a href="mailto:jott@lourdesatlanta.org">jott@lourdesatlanta.org</a>

### 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 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

1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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@qmail.com

Young at Heart (Seniors)

Contact the Church Office