

**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](mailto:pj.lemuel@gmail.com)).*

**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>.

**LOURDES PICNIC:** We're excited to invite all members and ministries to join us for our Annual Church Picnic on **September 28, 2025, from 1PM - 5PM at Grant Park**. This is a fantastic opportunity to gather with your Lourdes community for an afternoon of family fun. To make this event a success, we need your participation! Please RSVP and include side dish or dessert you will be bringing at <https://form.jotform.com/252455082845158>. Day of Picnic volunteers needed Contact: Allyson Blue at 404-542-5017. See Bulletin Flyer at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/2025/04/24/bulletins-2025/> for more information.

**TASTE OF HAITI IS BACK!** The Sister Parish/Haiti Ministry is inviting you to partake in their fundraiser Taste of Haiti and Clothing Drive on **Sunday, October 26**. See Flyer at [https://lourdesatlanta.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Bulletin-Insert-08\\_31\\_25.pdf](https://lourdesatlanta.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Bulletin-Insert-08_31_25.pdf) for more details.

**LOURDES COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR** presented by the Our Lady of Lourdes Health Promotions Ministry on **Saturday, November 8, in Parish Hall from 10am - 2pm. SAVE THE DATE** and join us for this important event. There will be health screenings available.

## AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER:** For our relationship with all of creation. Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.

**CATHOLIC FOUNDATION OF NORTH GEORGIA :** Tax Benefits of Gifts of Securities: Transferring appreciated stock that you have owned for at least a year is an easy way to support the parish and receive tax benefits. To make a gift to your parish endowment fund by transferring securities, please contact the Catholic Foundation ([info@cfnga.org](mailto:info@cfnga.org) or 404-497-9440) or visit [cfnga.org](http://cfnga.org) to learn more.

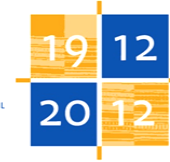
**\*\*For a listing of available vacancies within the Archdiocese of Atlanta visit <https://archatl.com/offices/human-resources/job-openings/> \*\***

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

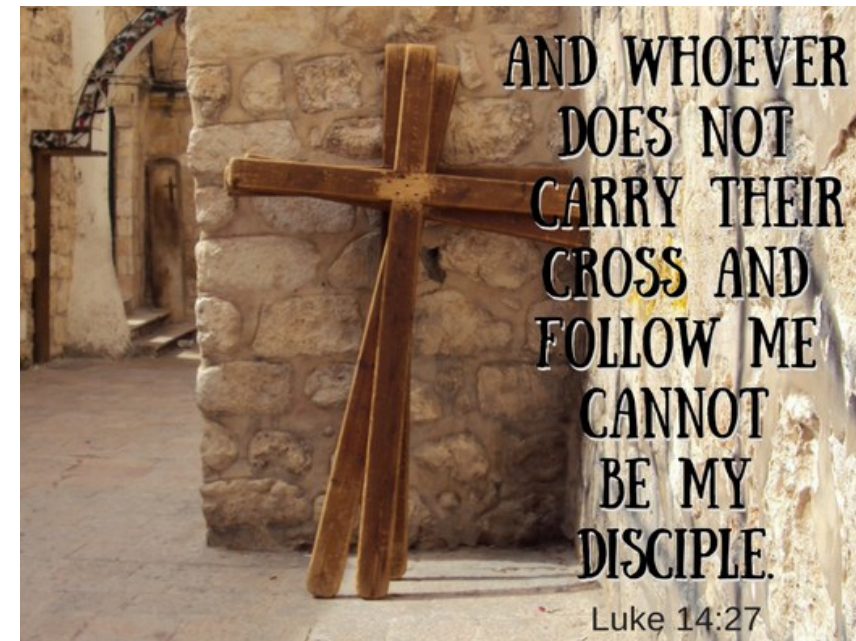
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SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL



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

## TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 7, 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

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Flocknote

**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](mailto:kaparrish@hotmail.com)

**Religious Education**  
Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen  
Director of Religious Education  
[tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto: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](mailto:lourdesteens1912@lourdesatlanta.org)

**Parenting Ministry**  
9:00am - 10:15am  
Contact: Ms. PJ Lemuel  
[pj.lemuel@gmail.com](mailto:pj.lemuel@gmail.com)

**Pastoral Care Team**  
Contact: Deacon Chester Griffin  
For Prayer/Visit Email:  
[lourdespct@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto: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  
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  
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



Today’s Sunday’s Readings

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

Next Sunday’s Readings

Numbers 21:4b-9; Philippians 2:6-11  
Gospel: John 3:13-17

Mass Intentions

Sunday 10:30am for the special intentions (50th Wedding Anniversary) of  
Deacon Lennison and Maureen Alexander

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (08/30/25 - 09/05/25) \$28,076  
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (08/30/25 - 09/05/25) \$4,863  
Online Offertory (08/30/25 - 09/05/25) \$23,213  
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 (09/05/25) \$42,995  
Over/(Under Goal) (\$66,605)

For more information or to donate online  
visit [donate.archatl.com](https://donate.archatl.com). Thank you for your generosity.

Thoughts on Stewardship

Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we re-nounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

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 [cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto:cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org). Bulletins and Inserts are always available  
on our website: [www.lourdesatlanta.org](http://www.lourdesatlanta.org).

NEWS AT LOURDES

**WELCOME FR. PETER DAMIAN:** We are delighted to welcome Fr. Peter Damian Harris, O.P. He will be with us for the next two weeks while Fr. Jeffery is on the pilgrimage. Fr. Peter Damian hails from Kingston, Jamaica, and is the youngest of three children. He has a love for cooking and garden-ing, and since the age of 10 has been an avid and faithful stamp collector. He also has a lifelong passion for cricket—both playing and watching the game he fondly calls 'lovely cricket.'

**JOIN US AS WE PRAY THE ROSARY:** The Associates of the Sisters of the Blessed Sacrament (ASBS) will lead the Rosary every Saturday begin-ning, **September 6, at 4:30pm** before the 5pm Mass. **All are welcome!**

**LOURDES PRAYER CALL:** All are invited to our **Lourdes Prayer Call via ZOOM this Wednesday, September 10, from 12PM - 12:45PM**. Hosted by the **Pastoral Care Team (PCT)**, the call will connect us spiritually and offer prayer and comfort to those in need. Join **Zoom meeting link: [us02web.zoom.us/j/82309074451](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82309074451)** Meeting ID: 823 0907 4451 Passcode: Prayer.

**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 sea-soned 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. **ALL** are welcome!

**Bible Study Zoom Meeting link: [us02web.zoom.us/j/87981480659](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87981480659)**  
**Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible**

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

<b>September 7</b> Angela Thornton Aria Rogers Cheryle Harrison Edna Buckle Kamryn Thomas Lisa Austin Morgan Batie Nicholas Harris Obi Okwara Ren Van Voorhis	<b>September 9</b> Alain Poiraud Clarice Moon Mary Gray Robbie Foster-Brown Ron D. Segura Simon Dunham Tobias Boyd William Boley Zoe Stephens	<b>September 11</b> Brianna Brown Cherry Banez Delores Davis Derasean Adegbola Elizabeth Wagar Gregory Galloway Ingrid Balotje-Boyd James Walker Kathleen Davis Logan Nunan Margaret Francois Morgan Gause Simon May Suganthi Simon Trinity Jalloh	Johnny Neal Liam Ferguson Louis Hubbard Marvin Howard Nadia Giordani Stanley Legrand Tabitha Hooge Winston Bowers
<b>September 8</b> Austin Farmer Carolyn Dixon Charlene Flournoy Elan Martinez Keira Turnley Pamela Turner-Jones	<b>September 10</b> Carson Evans Cheryl Medlock Corinne Rodriguez Eathan Kepp Gregory Sims Jr. Kelly Register Luther Davis Stephanie Everstz Suzanne Kinsel	<b>September 12</b> Alana Barlaan Abinsay Avery Abbott Daniel Jansen Jackson Kester	<b>September 13</b> Emi Douglas Gloria Frank Kathy Harbaugh Keith Williams Kiara Holmes Phillip Miles



Ministries & Organizations

**Knights of Peter Claver (KPC)**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the 10:30AM Mass  
Clima White, Grand Knight  
[climajwhite@hotmail.com](mailto:climajwhite@hotmail.com)

**KPC Junior Knights**  
Kwame Nyaku, Junior Commander  
[knyaku@gmail.com](mailto:knyaku@gmail.com)

**KPC Ladies Auxiliary**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday after the 10:30am Mass  
Taninma “Ninma” Logan, Grand Lady  
[ollgrandlady@gmail.com](mailto:ollgrandlady@gmail.com)

**KPC Junior Daughters**  
Allison Joyner, Counselor  
[jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com](mailto:jrdaughterscourt300@gmail.com)

**Lourdes Lunch**  
Tuesday & Thursday,  
September -June  
Thayes Sturgis, Coordinator  
(404) 375-0838

**Liturgy Committee**  
Contact: Rev. Jeffery Ott  
[jott@lourdesatlanta.org](mailto: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  
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**  
1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday after 10:30am Mass  
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 Mooror  
[nmoorers154@gmail.com](mailto:nmoorers154@gmail.com)

**Young at Heart (Seniors)**  
Contact the Church Office