

NEWS AT LOURDES

YOUTH CHOIR REHEARSALS are held every Saturday from 3pm - 4pm in the Choir Room, 3rd Floor of the Katharine Drexel Building. If you believe your child would be interested, please come and join us. New members must attend their first rehearsal with their parent or guardian.

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 as an app.

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).**

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 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: Facilitate your charitable giving, receive a tax deduction, and avoid capital gains. You can use appreciated stock to create a donor advised fund and give to what you care about, including your parish offertory and the Archbishop's Annual Appeal. To learn more about how this could work for you, please contact Juliet Greco at the Catholic Foundation: jgreco@cfnga.org or 404.497.9440.

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH is seeking a **residence coordinator** to support the parish rectory. This part-time role (20–25 hrs./week) involves planning and preparing healthy meals, coordinating household supplies, managing housekeeping services and assisting with special gatherings and events. The ideal candidate will have strong cooking, organizational and interpersonal skills; flexibility to work evenings and weekends and respect for confidentiality. A valid driver's license and prior related experience are required. Culinary arts certification preferred. If interested, please send your résumé to jschweizer@olachurch.org. **No phone calls, please.**

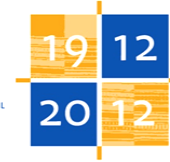
****For a listing of available vacancies within the Archdiocese of Atlanta visit <https://archatl.com/offices/human-resources/job-openings/> ****

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

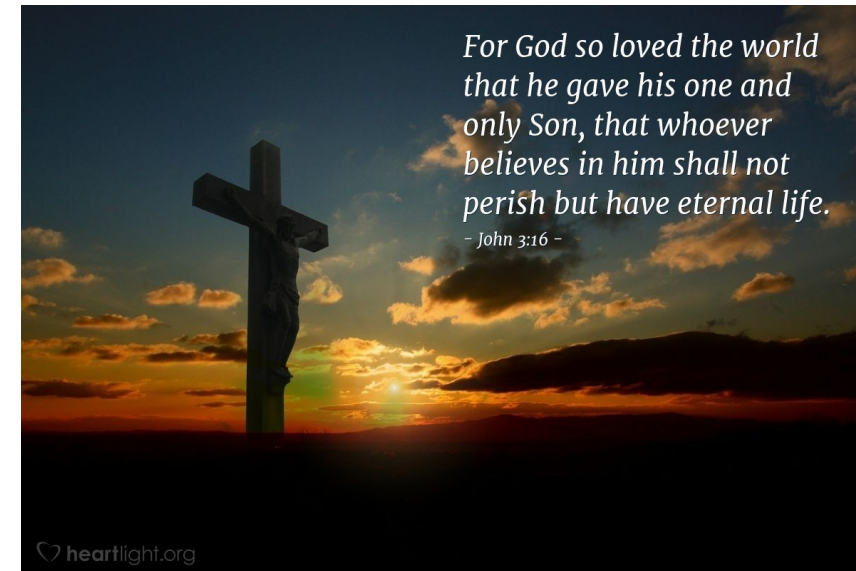
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THE GENEROSITY OF
SAINT KATHARINE DREXEL



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

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

September 14, 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.



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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

2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30AM



Flocknote

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
Keme Hawkins & Nyrva Cadet
(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
Shellie Stewart,
stewartshellie@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
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

For Mass Intentions
Email: Carol Ann Pinard (cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org), include the name of the person for whom the Mass is being offered and the intention.
Donation: <https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/giving/funds/mass-intentions>

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (09/06/25 - 09/12/25)	\$25,156
<i>In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (09/06/25 - 09/12/25)</i>	\$10,492
<i>Online Offertory (09/06/25 - 09/12/25)</i>	\$14,664
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	
<i>"We are One Body in Christ."</i>	
Lourdes Parish Goal:	\$109,600
Amount Paid (09/12/25)	\$43,049
Over/(Under Goal)	(\$66,551)
<i>For more information or to donate online visit donate.archatl.com. Thank you for your generosity.</i>	

Thoughts on Stewardship

God created us to be in relationship with Him. Sin broke that relationship. Jesus come to earth so that we may reconcile our relationship with God. Following Jesus' example, we can be blessed with a joy-filled life on earth and eternal life in Heaven.

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. Bulletins and Inserts are always available on our website: www.lourdesatlanta.org.

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

BIBLE STUDY RETURNS! Tuesday, September 16th | 7:00–8:30 PM EST | On Zoom: We are beginning a brand-new season of Bible Study with the **Gospel of John, Chapter 1**. This book is lush and rich with the words and testimony of **Jesus Himself**—sure to stir something deep within your spirit. **Answer the call and join us!** We are a friendly, welcoming group, and **all levels of Bible learners are invited**. Whether you're new to Scripture or a longtime reader, there is a place for you here. Come, listen, learn, and be moved by God's Word.
Bible Study Zoom Meeting link: [uso2web.zoom.us/j/8798...](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8798...)
Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 **Passcode:** Bible

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING: We will hold an in-person training for all current Extraordinary Ministers and those interested in becoming Ex-traordinary 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.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

September 14 Ariel Olds Charlotte Combre Hunter Middleton Kinney Bowers Marsha Combre Norman Fineman Shauna Halliwill Valerie Adair Xion Johnson	September 16 Aidan Coleman Anwar Cruter Bernita Smith Beverly Key Cindy Theodore David Elam David Goode Fleodora Ghafari-Tenner Keenan Thomas Kenia Strassner Malcolm Smith Marks Labat Maurice Middleton Thalia Knight	John Underwood Madison Rogers Marie Sullivan Monique Laguerre Raquel Evans Ryan Newallo Stephen Foster Tyson Todd	Titus Nichols Xander Benjamin
September 15 Anne Thomas Austin Brownlee Carmen Dunn Harrison Lueder Ireoluwa Foster Janet Schaefer Jennifer Cowhig Jonathan Loegel Julian Cowan Keith DeCay Mary Muthoni	September 17 Ahari Palacio Angela Massingale Carmen Webb Celeste Adan Christine Winberly Christopher Jeffery Jr. Dana Brown	September 18 Ariam Jackson Corie Johnson-Turbes Carlas Smith Cheryl White Ntab Dominic Jean-Pierre James Paulino Janel Ricks LaTrell Rainey Lena Rhoads Lisa Alexander Maria Roncoli Melvina Brown Shauna Brooks Therese Kelly	September 19 Allison Walker Hayley Alli Joseph Reedick Kelly James LaRoyce Thompson W. Keith Ramsey
			September 20 Bruce Mayhew II Charles Joseph Clarice Pruitt Harold Wilkins Jaidyn Black Maryjayne Carter Zina Russell-Batiste

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 Mooror
nmoorers5154@gmail.com

Young at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office