

## NEWS AT LOURDES

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

**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](mailto:jgreco@cfnga.org) or 404.497.9440.

**RACHEL VINEYARD RETREAT** 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. For more information or to register, call or text our confidential number at 404-717-5557 or email [programdirector@pathatl.com](mailto:programdirector@pathatl.com) Start where you are. You're so worth it. [www.healingafterabortion.org](http://www.healingafterabortion.org)

**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](mailto: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](http://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](http://www.lourdesatlanta.org)  
Office Hours: M-F 9AM - 6PM  
Closed for Lunch: 1PM-2PM

## TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 21, 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](mailto:kaparrish@hotmail.com)

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

**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



**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 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  
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  
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

Amos 8:4-7; 1 Timothy 2:1-8  
Gospel: Luke 16:1-13

Next Sunday’s Readings

Amos 6:1a, 4-7; 1 Timothy 6:11-16  
Gospel: Luke 16:19-31

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5pm in Thanksgiving for Our Lady of Lourdes family  
from Joyner family  
Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Rosa Holmes

Lourdes Stewardship

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| Church Support (09/13/25 - 09/19/25)               | \$23,369 |
| In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (09/13/25 - 09/19/25) | \$6,863  |
| Online Offertory (09/13/25 - 09/19/25)             | \$16,506 |
| 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.”

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| Lourdes Parish Goal:   | \$109,600  |
| Amount Paid (09/19/25) | \$43,985   |
| Over/(Under Goal)      | (\$65,614) |

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

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:

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| Joseph Allen,<br>Karen Allen,<br>Kennan Allen,<br>Cherry Banez,<br>Sandy Bell,<br>Susie Bell,<br>Deanna Blasingame,<br>Gerrard ‘Aviel’ Boyd,<br>David Brower,<br>Edward Branch,<br>Frederick Cannon,<br>Luella Chambers,<br>Sam Cooper,<br>Betty Davis, | Christian Doute,<br>Gloria Dworet,<br>Joyce Foley,<br>Barbara Hagan,<br>Carl Hagood,<br>Pamela Haley,<br>Frank Howard,<br>Georgia Hutchinson,<br>Jackson Igou,<br>Geraldine Jackson White,<br>James Jordan,<br>Felix Lawrence,<br>Janet Lawrence,<br>PJ Lemuel, | Gloria Manson,<br>James McEwan,<br>Melody McIntyre<br>Jeremy Moon,<br>Peggy Neeson,<br>Evette Oates,<br>Katie Price,<br>Eisenhower Raines,<br>Josephine Rosario,<br>Mildred Rucker,<br>Alana Shepard,<br>Barbara Smith,<br>Kevin Smith,<br>Scindy Stewart, | Wendy Stewart,<br>Johnnie Strong,<br>Jean-Luc Tahou,<br>Gwendolyn Thompson,<br>Frank Tighe,<br>Sandra Turner,<br>Helen Vance,<br>Josette Walker,<br>Valerie West,<br>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](mailto:cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org). Bulletins and Inserts are always available  
on our website: [www.lourdesatlanta.org](http://www.lourdesatlanta.org).

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BIBLE STUDY RETURNS! Tuesday Evening | 7:00–8:30 PM EST | On Zoom:

This week we turn to the Gospel of John, Chapter 2—where Jesus trans-  
forms water into wine and clears the temple. These powerful moments re-  
veal His divine authority and the joy and holiness He brings into our lives.  
☑ Come ready for reflection, insight, and a lively discussion as we dive into  
the messages within this chapter.  
All levels are welcome—whether you’re brand new to Bible study or sea-  
soned in the Word, there’s a place for you here.  
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 cele-  
brated the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation to  
serve. Sign-up at <https://form.jotform.com/252166486221153>.

**LOURDES PICNIC! ONE WEEK AWAY:** We’re excited to invite all mem-  
bers 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 gath-  
er 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 Con-  
tact: 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 BIRTHDAYS

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| <b>September 21</b><br>Ariel Olds<br>Charlotte Combre<br>Hunter Middleton<br>Kinney Bowers<br>Marsha Combre<br>Norman Fineman<br>Shauna Halliwill<br>Valerie Adair<br>Xion Johnson | <b>September 23</b><br>Alyssa Delorenz<br>Christian Tabb<br>Erin Bailie<br>Francis Flannery<br>Howard Smith<br>Jennifer McWhorter<br>Karen Holland<br>Keisha M. Williams<br>Nza Branton<br>Susanna Powell<br>Tanisha Thompson | <b>September 25</b><br>Adonay Deglel<br>Charisse Walcott<br>Damien Danavall<br>David Elam II<br>Elizabeth Holloway<br>Gia Seaborn<br>Mignon Hamilton<br>Peter O'Donoghue<br>Rachel Garner<br>Timothy 'TJ' Schlairet | Nicolas Bartholomai<br>Semraj White  |
| <b>September 22</b><br>Elizabeth Headen<br>Kirsten Bias<br>Mcarthur Cadet<br>Megan Byrd Copeland<br>Melissa Benjamin<br>Tanisha Deigni<br>Tarrell Jones                            | <b>September 24</b><br>Alanna Conner<br>Elvan Daniels<br>Jackson Ewing<br>Karina Halverson-Cook<br>Landing Savane<br>Tanya Hairston-Whitner   | <b>September 26</b><br>Darrion Dickerson<br>Eugene Johnson<br>George Morris<br>Jayden Rachal<br>Jimi Devey<br>Joseph Paprocki<br>Laura Cleary<br>Monique Humphrey   | <b>September 27</b><br>Anthony McEwen<br>Chinyere Gonzalez<br>Daniel Lewis<br>Deandra Benitez<br>Deion Hutchinson<br>Jessiah Johnson<br>Mary Neimkin<br>Wanda Fennelly |



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 Moorer  
[nmoorer5154@gmail.com](mailto:nmoorer5154@gmail.com)

Young at Heart (Seniors)  
Contact the Church Office