NEWS AT LOURDES

BIBLE STUDY CONTINUES: Tuesday, October 7 | 7:00 PM EST | On Zoom. Come back and join us for the Gospel of John, Chapter 4! Last week we encountered Jesus' powerful teaching to Nicodemus, as He tried to reveal who He truly is. This week the insights continue as Jesus meets the Samaritan woman at the well—revealing her past and offering her *living water*. Witness the miracles unfolding in the Gospel—and in our own lives—as we walk together through this rich text. All levels welcome! Read ahead and bring your thoughts for discussion—but even if you don't, COME ANYWAY! What's stopping you?

Bible Study Zoom Meeting link: <u>uso2web.zoom.us/j/8798...</u>

Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible

LECTOR PREP: The second Lector Prep Session for the month of *November* will be held on **Tuesday, October 7, at 7pm** in the church. <u>All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.</u>

BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS for parents wishing to have their child (**infant to 6 years**) baptized, will be held virtually (via Zoom) on **Tuesday, October 7 at 7pm**. Visit https://lourdesatlanta.flocknote.com/signup/179880 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. For more information email Carol Ann Pinard (cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org).

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION: Online Registration for 2025 –2026 Sunday School Year closes on October 15, register today at https://lourdesatlanta.org/register/. Classes are from 9:00am -10:15am.Please note: Registration cannot be completed on mobile phone using 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.

PARENTING MINISTRY 2025-2026 has begun. 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).

BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH: This is an annual international health campaign observed in October, with the primary objective to raise awareness about breast cancer, promote early detection, support those affected by the disease, and raise funds for research, prevention, and treatment. Statistics show that 1 in 8 people have a chance of getting the disease during their lifetime. Remember to schedule your screening and take a friend! Screening is important and most times your best defense.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER: For collaboration between different religious traditions. Let us pray that believers in different religious traditions might work together to defend and promote peace, justice and human fraternity.

**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



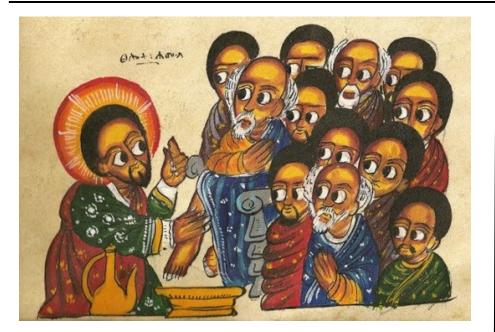
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TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



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

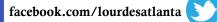
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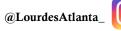
Ms. Sheena White, Teen Ministry Coordinator

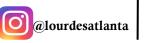
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We are committed
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October 5, 2025

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
(OCIA)

Contact: Ms. Kimberly Parrish 404.247.6628/kaparrish@hotmail.com

Religious Education Contact: Mrs. Theresa Bowen Director of Religious Education

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

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

2nd 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 2nd Sunday January - October at 2:30pm

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

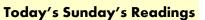
Shelli Stewart, stewartshelli@yahoo.com

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



Habakkuk 1:2-3;2:2-4; 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14 Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

Next Sunday's Readings

2 Kings 5:14-17; 2 Timothy 2:8-13 Gospel: Luke 17:11-19

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5pm for the repose of the souls of †Earl Cole Sr. & Percy Walker Sunday 10:30am for the special intention (90th Birthday) Fr. William 'Bill' Norvel

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (09/27/25 - 10/03/25) \$27,085 In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (09/27/25 - 10/03/25) \$4,307 Online Offertory (09/27/25 - 10/03/25) \$22,778 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 (10/03/25) \$44,095 Over/(Under Goal) (\$65,505)

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

Thoughts on Stewardship

Being a good steward requires discipline and striving to put God first in everything - all the time.

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, 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
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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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GOOD NEWS: We are pleased to share the results of our fiscal year which ended on June 30 and were reviewed by the Shared Accounting Services of the Archdiocese of Atlanta. Highlights include:

- -We ended the year with a robust surplus of \$200,000 compared to a budgeted surplus of \$722. This is the 7th consecutive year that Lourdes achieved a positive completion of the year. Surplus funds have allowed us to create a "rainy-day" fund to address emergencies and an allocation to the capital campaign. Additionally, funds - over \$300,000 - have covered the costs of urgent maintenance needs and improvements to the parish campus. The most recent projects include a more efficient upgrade to our heating and air conditioning system and the floor replacement and repainting of the parish hall in the St. Katharine Drexel Community Center.
- -Offertory donations exceeded \$1.5 million. We believe this is the first time in the church's history that we reached this total.
- -We met and exceeded the parish goal for the Archbishop's Annual Appeal for the third consecutive year.

All of this could not be accomplished without the ongoing generosity of all our parishioners, whether one's contributions are large or small. Donations to the church's treasury emphatically reflect your deep spiritual passion for Lourdes, its mission and practice. Thank you so much.

If you would like to receive additional information on the fiscal year, please reach out to Philip Verre, Chair of the Finance Council, at ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org.

LOURDES PRAYER CALL: All are invited to join our Lourdes Prayer Call via Zoom on Wednesday, October 8, at Noon, hosted by our Pastoral Care **Team (PCT)**. Our call will connect us spiritually as we offer our prayers and petitions for our parish community. ALL are welcome.

Meeting ID: 823 0907 4451

Join Zoom Meeting link: uso2web.zoom.us/j/8230

Passcode: Prayer

October 5

Kara Land

Kamryn Jones

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

Christina Washington October 7 Clifford Gunthel Axel Boykin Cynethea Alexander Brianna Washington David Reed III Erin Platus Eric Holland Kamla Whitner Gabriella Salinas Leola Griffith Ishola Gaba Patricia Patino Joanne Breaugh Spencer Mitchell Ronald Johnson October 8 Valentino Luscap Bethany Anidi October 6 Cailin Blount Chase Hogan Aurelia Hooge Lynwood Sigmon IV Gabriel Lowe Michael Hardin Iames Macke Nicholas Dressie Jean Alli

Nina Burwell

Ronald Ateman

Spencer Williams Tierany Laurent Tonya Fisher October 9 Aleah Watson Arianna Lopez Cameron Smith Cheryl Hudson Delores Thomas Gabrielle Lopez Gregory Galloway Jr. Jaden Williams Lia Williams Max Lipscomb Ron Apollon Tom Jachman

October 10 Chaise Gordon Carla Mills

Mary Ferguson Stephanie Elder October 11 Arionne Coleman Jr. Angela Goddard-Davis Ebonie Crawford Elise Vandermeer Joseph Goodman Karen McEwan Lori Domangue

Kade Walton

Malik Ali

Rachel Buckle

Yolanda Ferman

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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

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 & Beatrice 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