

LECTOR PREP for the month of *December* will be held on **Saturday, November 1 at 10:30am** and **Tuesday, November 4, at 7pm** in the church. **All lectors are required to attend one session per month to remain active.**

CALLING YOUTH LECTORS: Lourdes members ages 8-12 are invited to lector. Youth proclaim the Word on the 4th or 5th Sunday each month. No experience is required, and preparation is provided.
Here's how it works: When a reader has been scheduled, about a week in advance the reading is provided for preview. We then hold a preparation phone call that typically lasts 20-25 minutes. Finally, lectors are asked to arrive 30 minutes early for mass for a last read-through and to learn when and how to approach the altar to read. For more information or to sign-up please contact **John Ujda, 404-825-5316 or john@ujda.net.**

AMAZING GRACE YOUTH MINISTRY is registering dancers for its **11th season**. AGYM is open to dancers ages 5-17 that have a heart to dance and want to use dance to enhance worship experiences at Lourdes and inspire the Atlanta community. No dance experience is required, but some experience is a plus. Joining Amazing Grace Youth Ministry gives youth dancers an outlet to be creative, learn dance technique, help build self confidence, and create lasting relationships. To Register email: amazinggraceyouthmimistry@gmail.com.

AMAZING GRACE DANCE COMPANY: This is an open call for those interested in joining Amazing Grace Dance Company. For more information, email: dancecompanyamazinggrace@gmail.com.

YOU ARE INVITED TO STS. PETER & PAUL'S PARISH MISSION Everyone is invited to Sts. Peter and Paul's Parish Mission at 7:00PM on November 10,11, & 12. Fr. Patrick Etukudoh will be the speaker. The theme is "Becoming Like Christ Through Faith in The Eucharist." Join us for music and dynamic preaching. Sts. Peter and Paul Catholic Church is located at 2560 Tilson Road, Decatur 30032.

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.

PATH (POST ABORTION TREATMENT & HEALING): Are you struggling with the pain of a past abortion? Have you ever asked yourself, "Can God really heal something this deep?" Are you longing for peace but unsure how to find it? You are not alone. No heart is too broken to be healed. PATH (Post Abortion Treatment & Healing) invites you to join us for our next virtual Bible studies specifically for those wounded by abortion, beginning this fall. We are offering both day and evening classes, with separate groups for women and men. All contacts and classes are strictly confidential. For more information or to register, please call **404-717-5557** or visit www.healingafterabortion.org.

ST MARY'S ACADEMY OPEN HOUSE: Join us for Open House! St. Mary's Academy offers a dynamic curriculum within an environment that fosters both academic excellence and spiritual growth. We invite you to learn how Catholic education can be enriching, transformative, and affordable. Register today at smaschool.org!

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

THIRTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 26, 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.

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 We are committed
 We are LOURDES

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Flocknote

2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30AM

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

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

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
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



Today's Sunday's Readings
Sirach 35:12-14,16-18; 2 Timothy 4:6-8,16-18
Gospel: Luke 18:9-14

Next Sunday's Readings
Wisdom 3:1-9; Romans 5:5-11
Gospel: John 6:37-40

Mass Intentions
Saturday 5pm for the repose of the soul of †Dolores Garrido
Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Richard Pinard

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (10/18/25 - 10/24/25)	\$28,696
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (10/18/25 - 10/24/25)	\$11,124
Online Offertory (10/18/25 - 10/24/25)	\$17,572
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 (10/24/25)	\$49,732
Over/(Under Goal)	(\$59,868)

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

Thoughts on Stewardship

Remember, all that we have and all that we are is a gift from God. We should be humbled by God's incredible generosity and be grateful for all we have been given. Ultimately, gratitude leads us to humility.

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, Kyle Anderson, 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.

NEWS AT LOURDES

DON'T FORGET TO VOTE: Municipal Election/Special Election for Public Service Commissioner (PSC) on November 4, 2025. Early Voting : Monday – Friday (Oct. 14 – Oct. 31), 7 am – 7 pm
Saturday (Oct. 18 & Oct. 25), 9 am – 6 pm
Sunday (Oct. 19 & Oct. 26), 12 pm – 5 pm
Remember, your vote IS your voice!

TASTE OF HAITI 2025 is here! The Sister Parish(Haiti Ministry) hosts their annual fundraiser, **Taste of Haiti and Clothing Drive this Sunday, October 26**. There will be boxes for Clothing Donations during the Fundraiser event only. For more info: https://lourdesatlanta.org/wp-content/uploads/2025/08/Bulletin-Insert-o8_31_25.pdf for more details.

BIBLE STUDY: Tuesday, October 28| 7:00 PM EST | On Zoom. Bible Study continues next week with the **Gospel of John, Chapter 7**. In this chapter, Jesus goes to the Festival of Tabernacles and teaches openly, inviting all who thirst to come to Him and drink. His words stir both curiosity and courage - reminding us that faith often calls us to stand boldly in what we believe. **Come be with us** - breathe, pray, laugh, and grow in understanding together. Whether you're returning or joining for the first time, you are welcome here. Open your heart, and let the **Christ within** be revealed.
All levels are welcome!
Bible Study Zoom Meeting link: [uso2web.zoom.us/j/8798...](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/8798...)
Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible

YOU ARE INVITED to the Lourdes Health Promotions Ministry **Community Health Fair on Saturday November 8, from 9 am-2pm in the Parish Hall**. The theme is "Our Lady of Lourdes Fall Festival of Lifting Up Health!" - a day dedicated to empowering our church family with tools for physical, emotional, and spiritual wellness. Come out and enjoy free health screenings, wellness workshops, chair massages, live demos classes, live guided meditations and resources to help you live your healthiest life in Christ! This is more than just a fair—it's a movement toward whole-person healing.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

October 26 Georgia Hutchinson Jaylen Metoyer Natalie Turner Sean Burnett	Charles Thorpe Chere' Diggs Gregory Roberts Jennifer Akor Maliha Yeldell Marilyn Primovic	October 30 Jan Cecelia Kennedy Jayla Black Lawrence Harris Malcolm Berkley Michelle Griner-Griffie Parker Jennings Yvonne Keith	November 1 Deacon Chester Griffin Eric Gibson Eric Howard Michelle Know Natalia Byse Nicole Lee Nicole Tuggle Steven Camille Taurean Childs Ubachukwu Ibeanu
October 27 Caren Smith Chima Umeakunne Collin Cadet Darrion Dickerson Kelsey Wright Lashawn Cortes Stephanie Waters Tiren Wheeler	October 29 Alanna Deigni Camy Maignan Brown Genevieve Barber Jerelyn Morton Kaaba Johnson Lorraine Wargo Neil Brogan Olivia Volkert Sabina Sims	October 31 Christa Traviesa Eddie Bourgeois III Hayden Turner Hollis Turner Michael Farry Quita Barton Serenityanne Momon-Lawson Thomas Ryan	

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 &
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 Mooror
nmoorers154@gmail.com

Young at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office