

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE: Our Lady of Lourdes will hold its Advent Reconciliation Service, including individual confessions, on **Saturday, December 13 from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.** As we prepare the way for the Lord this Advent season, all are invited to join us for this time of prayer, reflection, and renewal. Parking will be available at 494 Edgewood Ave.

2026 CONFIRMATION INFORMATION MEETING: Teens interested in receiving the sacrament of confirmation in May 2026 are invited, along with their parents/guardians, to attend a Confirmation Information Meeting on **Sunday, January 11, 2026, at 9:15 a.m.** in the parish hall. *Teens eligible to receive the sacrament must be at least 16 years old at the time of Confirmation in May; have received their baptism, reconciliation and first communion; and have two years of religious education in 9th and 10th grade, either at a parish or Catholic school.* For questions or more information, email Samantha Smith at samantha.smith1534@gmail.com.

INVITATION FOR ADVENT ROSARY AND PRAYERFUL WITNESS: The Aquinas Center of Theology & Catholic Studies @ Emory invites you to join us as we pray the rosary, **each Friday during Advent at 9:30 am at the Atlanta ICE Field Office** in solidarity with our immigrant brothers and sisters. For more details and to sign up, please see: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/20FoD4AABA822A46-60633726-advent#/>

2025 ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: If you still have a pledge balance to the 2025 Archbishop's Annual Appeal, please complete your payments as soon as possible. For IRS purposes, **gifts must be postmarked by December 31**, in order to be included in your 2025 tax letter. **Lourdes Goal - \$109,600.** It is very important that your pledges are paid so that our parish will reach and, hopefully, exceed our goal. Once the pledge payments have surpassed our goal, all of the additional funds are returned to our parish for use in our ministries. If there is a shortfall, the outstanding balance will need to be made up from the church's operating budget, a situation we wish to avoid. Please consider completing your pledge online at donate.archatl.com, **no later than 9PM (EST) on December 31**, to ensure it is received by 11:59PM. Thank you for your generosity!

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER: For Christians in areas of conflict. Let us pray that Christians living in areas of war or conflict, especially in the Middle East, might be seeds of peace, reconciliation and hope.

MEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT. Have you ever considered the possibility of serving God as a priest? Come pray and explore if this could be the vocation God has prepared for you. Join us for our annual Men's Discernment Retreat, December 26-28, at the Monastery of the Holy Spirit. Register at calledbychrist.com/events/discernment-retreat. Thank you for your support of vocations. I ask for your prayers for the retreat and for the vocations' work in the Archdiocese of Atlanta. May God bless you in your ministry.

COUPLES CELEBRATING 50TH AND 60TH WEDDING ANNIVERSARY IN 2026

The Archdiocese of Atlanta would like to honor couples married in 1976 and 1966 with an invitation to a golden/diamond Wedding Anniversary Mass on Saturday, February 14, 2026, at 11 a.m. at Saint Brigid Catholic Church. Please go to <http://tiny.cc/anniversarymass> to RSVP for this event and for additional information.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL, conveniently located near I-85 in northeast Atlanta, is seeking a part-time **middle school classroom assistant (parapro)** to begin in January 2026. Duties include student supervision, grading and assisting teachers with projects and daily classroom operations. This position works Monday through Friday, 7:45-11:45 am. Immaculate Heart of Mary School offers a competitive salary, and a faith-based, family-oriented work setting. Our school is a drug-free environment and in full compliance with federal statutes for non-discrimination in its employment practices. Interested candidates should email a resume to Laura Cichanski, principal, at lcichanski@ihmschool.org.

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

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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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OUR LADY of LOURDES
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 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.

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We are committed
We are LOURDES

Be active. Your time, your talent, your Church.



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Flocknote

Join our online community on **Flocknote** by texting LOURDESATL to 84576 to sign up for a ministry and receive our weekly e-newsletter!

Celebration of the Eucharist
Saturdays: 5PM
Sundays: 8:00AM & 10:30AM

Livestream Mass
Sundays: 10:30 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturdays at 4:30pm and
By appointment 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 the Church Office
For Prayer/Visit Email: 404-522-6776
Meet: 2nd Saturday of the month at 10:30AM {Virtual}

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{ 2nd Sunday of Advent }

Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-9
Gospel: Matthew 3:1-12

Next Sunday’s Readings{ 3rd Sunday of Advent }

Isaiah 35:1-6a,10; James 5:7-10
Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

Mass Intentions

Sunday 8am for the repose of the soul of †Carol Leach
Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul of †Ursuline Adams

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (11/29/25 - 12/05/25) \$25,090
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (11/29/25 - 12/05/25) \$3,823
Online Offertory (11/29/25 - 12/05/25) \$21,267
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 (12/05/25) \$53,198
Over/(Under Goal) (\$56,402)

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

Thoughts on Stewardship

Our time, talent, and treasure are gifts from God. What we do with these gifts is our gift back to Him. What gifts are you planning to give to the Lord during this upcoming Christmas season?

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Joseph Allen,	Christian Doute,	PJ Lemuel,	Scindy Stewart,
Karen Allen,	Gloria Dworet,	Gloria Manson,	Wendy Stewart,
Kennan Allen,	Angela Etson	James McEwan,	Johnnie Strong,
Cherry Banez,	Joyce Foley,	Melody McIntyre	Jean-Luc Tahou,
Sandy Bell,	Barbara Hagan,	Jeremy Moon,	Gwendolyn Thompson,
Susie Bell,	Pamela Haley,	Peggy Neeson,	Frank Tighe,
Deanna Blasingame,	Frank Howard,	Evette Oates,	Sandra Turner,
Gerrard 'Aviel' Boyd,	Georgia Hutchinson,	Katie Price,	Helen Vance,
David Brower,	Jackson Igou,	Eisenhower Raines,	Josette Walker,
Edward Branch,	Geraldine Jackson White,	Josephine Rosario,	Valerie West,
Frederick Cannon,	James Jordan,	Mildred Rucker,	Michelle Wilkinson
Luella Chambers,	Felix Lawrence,	Alana Shepard,	
Sam Cooper,	Janet Lawrence,	Barbara Smith,	
Betty Davis,	Kyle Anderson,	Kevin Smith,	

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

#iGIVE CATHOLIC: We are thrilled to report that our #iGiveCatholic campaign was an overwhelming success. Once again, the Lourdes community generously stepped up: **78 donations totaling \$5,765 against a goal of \$4,500**. The project to introduce an emergency response team trained in CPR and AED administration is fully funded! Please be on the lookout for more information on this initiative. Our fullest gratitude is extended to all who supported the fundraiser. Lourdes is truly blessed.

ONE NIGHT ZOOM SEMINAR: ‘Reading Mary’s Magnificat as an Ode to Divine Reversal’, a refreshing inspiring look at Mary’s Revolutionary song - Tuesday, December 9 from 7pm - 8:30pm. Presented by Brother Minlib Dallh, O.P., a Dominican Brother at the St. Augustine House with the Dominican Friars of Atlanta. Register at <https://form.jotform.com/LourdesAtlanta/readingmarysmagnificat>. For more information see the Bulletin Flyer 11/30/25 .

LOURDES PRAYER CALL: All are invited to join our Lourdes Prayer Call via Zoom on **Wednesday, December 10, 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**.
Join Zoom Meeting us02web.zoom.us/j/8230
Meeting ID: 823 0907 4451 **Passcode:** Prayer

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS (SECOND COLLECTION): Thousands of senior sisters, brothers and religious order priests served for years in Catholic schools, hospitals and parishes—often for little to no pay. Many religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for aging members who are frail and need assistance. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for the Religious helps to provide medications, nursing care and more. Please give generously to today’s second collection. Thank you for your continued support and generosity. For more information, visit lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

December 7 Adalyn Turner Carol Elam James Patrick Jonathan Feazell Julie Johnson Kimberly Leach Renaldo Chambers Scott Culpepper	December 09 Giovanni Moon Herrera Isaac Baroi Kingston Parker Marvin Pastel Rachael Woung Rachelle Hutchinson Tanicia Jean-Pierre	December 11 Adele Johnson Ava Cooper-Cadres Avila Nilon Brendan Flannery Christina Jamerson Elliott Weaver Myrna Cubilette	Phillip Boykin Jr.
December 8 Adrianna Ambeau Anthony Smith Gabrielle Johnson Ileana Kuran John Keane Jonathan Robertson Joshua Brewington Samuel Kuran	December 10 Arielle Cadet Bridgette Jenkins Cassie Slaughter Lanier Ewing Nancy Verre Nia Dural Susan Berry Velda Roberts Wanda Paige	December 12 Anabell Buggage Charles Johnson Chuks Odikpo Deloris Ward Estela Niyonyshu Harold Guidry Khalia McCray Lamme Savane Miquelle Bowers Nicholas Haynes	December 13 Dejon Alexander Emerson Gibson James Haydel Jennifer Halicki Mariano Rojas Mark Zeigler Mary Pitra Nanci Pearson Owen MacLaverty Raynell Evans Sandra Jean Victoria Hardy Willie Harris



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