

NEWS AT LOURDES

2026 KPCLA SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION CYCLE IS NOW OPEN! The Knights of Peter Claver Ladies Auxiliary (KPCLA) Our Lady of Lourdes Court 300 is pleased to announce the 2026 cycle for the KPCLA Court 300 annual scholarship is open. The scholarship is open to graduating high school seniors and college freshmen completing their first year of studies at a college/university or other post-secondary educational institution. The 2026 KPCLA Our Lady of Lourdes Court 300 Scholarship application can be accessed at the QR code in the Bulletin Flyer Insert at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/2026/01/06/bulletin-2026/> or the following link [2026 KPCLA Scholarship Application](#). Applications for 2026 are **due Sunday, May 31, 2026 (DEADLINE EXTENDED)**. Contact Lady Keia Benefield at court300kpcla@gmail.com with any questions.

GRADUATE RECOGNITION SUNDAY! Lourdes will celebrate our Class of 2026 graduates on **Sunday, June 28, during our 10:30am Mass**. If you are a graduate of any level, we would like to recognize you. Submit a **high-resolution photo** (not a thumbnail) and preferably in PNG format with the Graduate's name and information to the **2026 GRADUATION RECOGNITION SIGNUP FORM**: <https://form.jotform.com/261254622334148>. **NOTE:** The filename of the photo needs to match the name of the graduate so we can pair the photo to the information correctly.. All submissions will be due no later than (NLT) **11:59pm on Monday, June 15, 2026. Late submissions will not be included.**

PILGRIMAGE TO FATIMA, LOURDES AND PARIS: Join Fr. Jeffery Ott and Deacon Lenny Alexander on a 12 day Pilgrimage to Fatima, Lourdes and Paris from October 5 –16, 2026. For more information visit <https://reserve.goodshepherdtravel.com/tours/fatima-lourdes-paris-pilgrimage-with-fr-jeffery-ott-dcn-lenny-alexander-october-2026/> or Bulletin Insert Flyer at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/2026/01/06/bulletin-2026/>.

ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL: Thank you for your generous participation in the 2026 Archbishop's Annual Appeal. Please fulfill your pledges so that together, our parish will reach and hopefully exceed our goal. Once pledge payments have surpassed our goal, additional funds are returned to our parish for use in our ministries. To Donate online: lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR MAY: That everyone might have food. Let us pray that everyone, from large producers to small consumers, be committed to avoid wasting food, and to ensure that everyone has access to quality food.

THE WAY FOR MEN is a three-day retreat for adult male survivors of abuse offered by the Archdiocese of Atlanta's Victim Assistance Program. It will be June 12-14 at Carmel Retreat Center in Hoschton, GA. **The registration deadline is Monday, June 1.** Please contact Sue Stubbs at 404-920-7554 or sstubbs@archatl.com.

OUR LADY OF THE ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC SCHOOL, a PK-8 twice-recognized National Blue-Ribbon School of Excellence in Brookhaven, is seeking a full-time **paraprofessional** to provide one-on-one support to a student for the 2026-27 school year. This role is essential in helping the student access the curriculum, build independence and fully participate in the school day through individualized academic, social and behavioral support. Qualified candidates have a high school diploma, experience working with children, strong communication skills, patience, compassion and the ability to consistently implement teacher-designed accommodations and behavior strategies. College or relevant coursework, experience working with children, especially those with disabilities, is highly valued. Our Lady of the Assumption offers a drug-free environment and is in full compliance with federal statutes for non-discrimination in its employment. Interested candidates must submit a cover letter and resume to Mandy Crock, principal, at mcrock@olaschool.org. ****For a listing of available vacancies within the Archdiocese of Atlanta visit <https://archatl.com/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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404.522.6776

www.lourdesatlanta.org

Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 10am - 5:30pm

Closed for Lunch: 1pm-2pm

THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

May 17, 2026



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
ON SUMMER BREAK

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: 404-522-6776

Meet: 2nd Saturday of the month at
10:30AM {Virtual}

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*
Mr. Bryan Montemayor, *Music Ministry Administrator*
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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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

3Ds (Drexel's Dynamic Disciples)
Randy Gibbs (Lead)
mrgibbs63@gmail.com
404-956-9730

Finance Council
Quarterly Meetings
Dawn Leaner-Hall, Chairperson
ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org

Green Team
Shelli Stewart,
stewartshelli@yahoo.com

Haiti Ministry
3rd Sunday after the 10:30am Mass
Ron Apollon
ronapollon@gmail.com
404-441-3032



Today's Sunday Readings

Acts of the Apostles 1:1-11; Ephesians 1:17-23
Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Next Sunday's Readings { Pentecost }

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13
Gospel: John 20:19-23

Mass Intention

Sunday 8am for the 30th Wedding Anniversary) Michael & Keia Benefield
Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul+ Michael Variano

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (05/09/26 - 05/15/26)	\$25,974
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (05/09/26 - 05/15/26)	\$10,347
Online Offertory (05/09/26 - 05/15/26)	\$15,627
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

2026 Archbishop's Annual Appeal

"We are One Body in Christ. Called to Serve"

Lourdes Parish Goal:	\$137,241
Amount Paid (05/15/26)	\$38,407
Over/(Under Goal)	(\$98,834)

For more information or to donate online

visit lifeofthechurch.com/donate. *Thank you for your generosity.*

Thoughts on Stewardship

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation - not just our last resort. It has been said that teaching someone how to pray is the best gift you can give someone.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

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

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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OCIA will resume today, Sunday, May 17, for anyone seeking the Sacraments of Baptism & Confirmation. Sessions will meet 9:00am -10:15am in the Parish Hall (Auxiliary room). Contact Kim Parrish at kpar-ish@hotmail.com.

CONGRATULATIONS to Lourdes Teens- Lucas Beckford, Gillian Brown, Xavier Brown, Natalia Byse, Joseph Carpenter, Habonimana Clothinde, Oyindoubra Ebimobowe Porbeni, Peyton Hamilton, Kaydence Johnson, Valentino Luscap Jr., Morgan McCrainey, Imani Neeson, Lourdes Nyaku, Major O'Neal Cowthorn, Corinne Rodriguez, and Sean Williams who received the **Sacrament of Confirmation from Bishop John Nhàn Trần on Wednesday, May 13**, here at Our Lady of Lourdes. Thank you to Catechists, Samantha Smith, Sheena White and Ambra Hannah who prepared our teens.

EXHALE WOMEN'S GROUP: In celebration of Women's Health Month, the OLL Health Promotions Ministry will host weekly sessions at Lourdes for women to connect and reset. Sessions will be held in between Masses from **9:15am - 10:15am, in the Cafeteria**. Today, **Sunday, May 17**, the topic will be 'Changes - Physical, Mental and Emotional'. Child care and Light breakfast will be provided. Next, **Sunday, May 24** the theme will be 'Boundaries without guilt'.

IN CELEBRATION OF PENTECOST, next weekend, Saturday May 23 & Sunday May 24, we invite everyone to wear **RED** or **cultural attire** of your homeland to show the international nature of the Lourdes family.

PENTECOST SUNDAY: Do you speak a foreign language? As we prepare to celebrate Pentecost next weekend, **May 23 and May 24**, we are seeking volunteers to proclaim a portion of the First Reading at our Masses (5:00pm, 8:00am, and 10:30am). If you would like to volunteer, please complete the signup form <https://form.jotform.com/261204989448165>. Include your name, contact information, the foreign language you speak and the Mass you will be attending.

THE CHURCH OFFICE will be closed from **2pm on Friday, May 22 through Monday, May 25**, in observance of the Memorial Day holiday. We will re-open on Tuesday, May 26. The church office is **not open** on weekends.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

May 17

Janet Bennett
Tamara Huntley
William Ducloux
William Haley

May 18

Aisling Cleary
Flavia Marin
James Primus
Max Montour
Renee Alladin
Rosalie Jean-Enard
Scott Spaulding
Wilbert White
Xavier Semien

May 19

Akia Olds
Funmilayo Rachal
Helen Iheonye
Jeannine Harris
Kelley Nduom

May 20

Anthony Peoples
Carla Gardner
Joyce T. Murray
Lisa Skinner
Michael Evans
Patricia Okonta
Valencia Burwell

May 21

Irmay Garcia Maisonet
Jackson Cannon
Joseph McClary
Julian Corado
Kevin Linder
Patricia Miles Donner

May 22

Gabriella Okoro
Lena Buckle
Stella Clauss
Tanya Blanchard
Victoria Pazdzinski
Vonyetta Hollomon

May 23

Adrienne Bradford
Brianna Thompson
Deborah Snow
Freddie Valdez II
Jack Schlairet
Kila Smith
Nicholas Butler
Steven Benjamin



Ministries & Organizations

Health Promotions Ministry
4th Sunday after the 10:30am Mass
LaSheka Morris (Lead)
ollhealthpromotionmin@gmail.com

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
Lennin 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

Millen-Z Ministry (Young Adult Group)
Nikki Mooror
nmoorers154@gmail.com

Young at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office