

NEWS AT LOURDES

ADULT CHOIR AUDITIONS: Auditions for the 2026-2027 Choir season will be held in the sanctuary between 5pm and 7pm in 15 Minute Timeslots on the following dates:

- August 4th, 5th, & 6th

Please prepare a 30 second song cut of your choice. You will be asked to match pitch and hold harmonies during your audition slot. If you have any questions or would like to schedule a time slot, please Email: Bryan Montemayor (Music Ministry Administrative Assistant) at musicadmin@lourdesatlanta.org.

2026-2027 LOURDES YOUTH CHOIR: First Rehearsals for new members - August 8th, 15th, & 29th
First Official Rehearsal with old and new members - September 5th, 12th, 19th, 26th

OUR LADY OF LOURDES' WRITERS' GROUP Information meeting: Sunday, September 27, 2026 after 10:30am Mass until 1:30pm in the Parish Hall in the Katherine Drexel Center.

- Are you interested in sharing your creative writing (poetry, stories, essays, novels, memoir pieces) with others in the Lourdes community?
- Do you engage with your spirituality when writing?
- Would you like to meet with others to work on writing prompts together and respond to one another's work in a writing workshop format?

Come to our organization meeting on **September 27 after the 10:30am Mass** to join this creative initiative! Send a note to express your interest or to ask any questions to Renée Schatteman (rtschatteman@gmail.edu) or just come to the meeting to find out about the group.

YOUTH ALTAR SERVER TRAINING: Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church invites **all youth in grades 4-12** to become part of our Altar Server Ministry! Serving at the altar is a wonderful opportunity to grow in faith while assisting the priest and deacon during the celebration of the Holy Mass. **Training will be offered on the following dates:**

Wednesday, August 26, 2026 at 7:00 PM

Saturday, August 29, 2026 at 12:00 Noon

Both sessions will cover the same material, so participants only need to attend one training. Parents are encouraged to attend with their child. If your child is interested in becoming an altar server or would like more information, please contact Angela Guidry at lourdesaltarservers@gmail.com

SAVE THE DATE! EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING: We will hold an in-person training for all current Extraordinary Ministers and those interested in becoming Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on **Saturday, September 19**. You must be a fully initiated Catholic, having celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation to serve.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR AUGUST: For mutual coexistence. Let us pray that societies where coexistence seems more difficult might not succumb to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

HOLY MASS FOR THE INTENTIONS OF SEPARATED AND DIVORCED CATHOLICS AND MORNING OF REFLECTION: Bishop John Tran will be celebrating Holy Mass for the Intentions of Separated and Divorced Catholics on **Saturday, October 3**, at Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church. In addition to the Mass, Bishop Tran will also be participating in an associated Morning of Reflection. Registration is not needed for the Mass. All are welcome. There is no charge for the morning of reflection; however, we ask interested people to sign up to support planning, including materials and food. Details for the Day of Reflection and the Mass can be found at [TINY.CC/MORNINGREFLECTION](https://tiny.cc/morningreflection). Contact oed@archatl.com if you have questions.

To report abuse by church personnel:

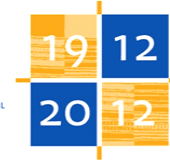
888.437.0764 Archdiocese of Atlanta 24 Hour Reporting Hotline

Free Pregnancy Test – Pregnancy Aid Clinic – 404.763.4357 or Optionline.org



A CENTURY OF WITNESS – A FUTURE OF COMMITMENT
OUR LADY of LOURDES
CATHOLIC CHURCH

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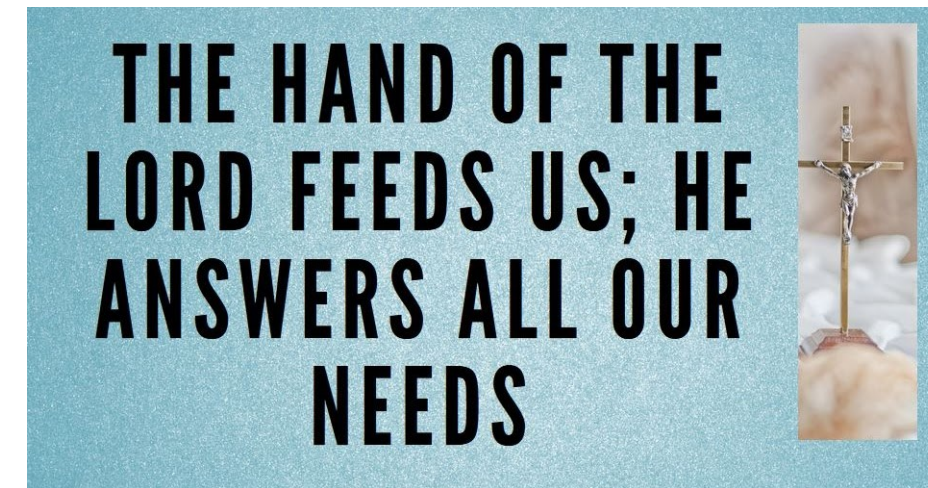
Office Hours:

Monday-Friday 10am – 5:30pm

Closed for Lunch: 1pm-2pm

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 2, 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

Isaiah 55:1-3; Romans 8:35, 37-39
Gospel: Matthew 14:13-21

Next Sunday’s Readings

1 Kings 19:9a, 11-13a; Romans 9:1-5
Gospel: Matthew 14:22-33

Mass Intentions

Sunday 8:00am for the repose of the soul+ Fr. Bruce Schultz
Sunday 10:30am for special Intention (60th Birthday) Fr. Jeffery Ott

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (07/25/26 - 07/31/26)	\$24,340
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (07/25/26 - 07/31/26)	\$4,475
Online Offertory (07/25/26 - 07/31/26)	\$19,865
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 (07/31/26)	\$43,216
Over/(Under Goal)	(\$94,025)

For more information or to donate online

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

Thoughts on Stewardship

How often do we really place our trust in Jesus when the situation looks grim? With Jesus, no gift is too small or insignificant when offered with love. But, we have to do our part. We should trust that Jesus will provide all that we need. We need to believe that Jesus has a better plan in store for us.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

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

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HAPPY 60TH BIRTHDAY FR. JEFFERY! May the Lord bless you richly on your today and in the years ahead. May he continue to guide your steps and fulfill every purpose He has for your life.

ARCHBISHOP’S ANNUAL APPEAL: We are half way through the 2026 Archbishop's Annual Appeal which ends on **December, 31, 2026**. We are incredibly grateful to all our parishioners who have already joined together in pledging their gift to the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal. Please fulfill your pledges so that together, our parish will reach and hopefully exceed our goal. We still need your help to reach our parish goal. Every parishioner counts, and every donation matters. Not everyone can give the same size gift, but every contribution adds up to make a sizable difference. A percent-age of the money collected above our parish goal will be returned to our church community! To learn more about the impact of our support on the appeal and to donate online, visit lifeofthechurch.com/donate.

SAVE THE DATE, Lourdes Family! Mark your calendars for our **Annual Church Picnic on Sunday, September 20, 2026!** Each year our parish pic-nic gets bigger and better, and we'd love for you to be a part of making this year's event another great success. Planning will begin during the second week of August, and we're looking for volunteers to help with all aspects of the picnic. If you're interested in volunteering, please contact **Allyson Blue** at **404-542-5017** or allysonbthomas@yahoo.com. We hope you'll join us as we prepare for a wonderful day of fellowship, food, and fun!

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION: Online Registration for **2026 - 2027 Sunday School Year** opened on **August 1. Classes begin Sunday, September 27, 2026** from 9:00am -10:15am. See flyer at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/2026/01/06/bulletin-2026/>.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

August 2

Anthony Hannah
Darryl Woods
Gail Holmes
Helen Greenfield
Ian Daniels
Imani Jenkins
Fr. Jeffery Ott
Jennifer Harper
Kathy Daly
Mary Moon
Mary Ujda
Mason Gause
Noemie Saintil
Omari Joseph

August 3

Benton Oliver
Berdean Simmons
Brandon Davis
Christopher Hillsman
Clarissa Priore
Frank Fashina
Jaia Alli

Johnathan Roberts
Josh Casbon
Patrick Turner
Paula Gaffney
Thomas Boyle
Tometra McClendon

August 4

A'liyah Ray
Bernard Eustache
Brooklyn Dean
Christopher Miller
Elizabeth Labat
Erica Dunbar-Smith
Meon Ingram
Miranda Louis
Sianna Simmons
Wendy Strassner

August 5

Adam Harris
Cassandra Tavarez
Dorothy Johnson
Ketiwe Zipperer

Kimberly Dickerson
Maria Lizarraga
Shana Laster
Tonii Dean
Tori Moore
Wynnetta Simmons

August 6

Damany Ransom
Erika Ducloux
Kenneth Slade
Kiran Flenaugh
Lamond Godwin
Lily Flenaugh
Nerimiah Emmett
Nicholas Stracke
Reginald Turner
Tanya Iluyomade

August 7

Ashley Morgan
Cole Bergantino
Kelsy Hood
Manirakiza Joseph

Martine Ridore

August 8

Andrette Francois
Anthony Jones
Irving Williams
Margaret Kratz
Myles Blouin
Rita Figaro
Shontelle Conner
Terrence Turner
Travis Young
Cecilia Paprocki
Christopher Spencer
Elizabeth Craig
Marcus Smith Jr.



Ministries & Organizations

Health Promotions Ministry
3rd Wednesdays at 7pm virtually.
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
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

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

Young at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office