

NEWS AT LOURDES

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

LOURDES FAMILY — JOIN US FOR A TASTE OF THE MIDWEST on Sunday, August 16, after the 10:30am Mass. We'll be on the grill serving up some of the best German-style sausages, bratwurst, and hot dogs—fresh off the grill! It's summertime, so treat yourself...or treat someone else! Combo meals available! Each combo includes chips and a drink. \$10. Pre-order in advance by ordering online: <https://tastysausagellc.square.site/>. Then simply pick up your order in the cafeteria after the 10:30 AM Mass.

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING: SAVE THE DATE! EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING: Save the date! 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

OLL WRITERS' GROUP INFORMATION MEETING: Sunday, September 27, 2026 from 12:00pm -1:30pm in the Parish Hall, Katharine Drexel Center.

- Are you interested in sharing your creative writing (poetry, stories, essays, novels, memoir pieces, etc.) 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 27th to join this creative initiative! Send a note to express your interest or to ask any questions to Renée Schatteman (rtschatteman@gmail.com) or just come to the meeting to find out about the group.

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.

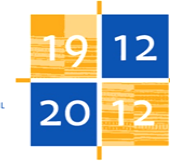
HOLY MASS FOR THE INTENTIONS OF SEPARATED AND DIVORCED CATHOLICS AND MORNING OF REFLECTION: Bishop John Tran will be celebrating Holy Mass for the Intentions of Separated and Divorced Catholics on **Saturday, October 3**, at Our Lady of the Assumption Catholic Church. In addition to the Mass, Bishop 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.

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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



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

FOUNDED THROUGH
THE GENEROSITY OF
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25 Boulevard, N.E.
Atlanta, GA 30312
404.522.6776
www.lourdesatlanta.org
Office Hours:
Monday-Friday 10am - 5:30pm
Closed for Lunch: 1pm-2pm

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 9, 2026



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.

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We are committed
We are LOURDES

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



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Flocknote

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
RESUMES: SEPTEMBER 27, 2026

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}

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

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

Next Sunday’s Readings

Isaiah 56:1,6-7; Romans 11:13-15,29-32
Gospel: Matthew 15:21-28

Mass Intentions

Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul+ Jhamal Smith

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (08/01/26 - 08/07/26)	\$30,040
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (08/01/26 - 08/07/26)	\$6,788
Online Offertory (08/01/26 - 08/07/26)	\$23,252
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 (08/07/26)	\$43,471
Over/(Under Goal)	(\$93,769)

For more information or to donate online

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

Thoughts on Stewardship

When you hear Jesus calling, do you responded immediately and trust that He knows what He’s doing? If so, you are walking on water! When we say “yes” to Jesus, we feel the power of his presence in our lives. We can feel the freedom it gives us! Listen how Jesus is calling you to live the extraordinary life He has intended for you.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members:

Karen Allen, Kennan Allen, Cherry Banez, Susie Bell, Deanna Blasingame, K. Renee Bowens, David Brower, Edward Branch, Charles Bowen, Noah Bowen, Frederick Cannon, Luella Chambers, Sam Cooper,	Betty Davis, Christian Doute, Angela Etson Joyce Foley, Chester Griffin, Barbara Hagan, Pamela Haley, Anne Haase, Frank Howard, Georgia Hutchinson, Jackson Igou, James Jordan, Felix Lawrence,	Janet Lawrence, Kyle Anderson, Gloria Manson, James McEwan, Melody McIntyre Jeremy Moon, Evette Oates, Katie Price, Eisenhower Raines, Josephine Rosario, Mildred Rucker, Alana Shepard, Barbara Smith,	Kevin Smith, Wendy Stewart, Johnnie Strong, Jean-Luc Tahou, Gwendolyn Thompson, Frank Tighe, Sandra Turner, Josette Walker, Marc Wallace, Valerie West, Michelle Wilkinson, Teresa Williams
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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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SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION: Online Registration for **2025-2026 Sunday School Year** has begun. Please **register online** at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/register/>. **Classes begin Sunday, September 27** from 9:00am -10:15am. If you receive the message "**No Organization License**", you are attempting to access the ParishSOFT My Own Church app, for which Our Lady of Lourdes does not have a license. This will open the ParishSOFT website, where you will have full access to all the features needed to complete the Religious Education registration and/or update your Our Lady of Lourdes parish membership information.

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:

LOURDES ANNUAL PICNIC: Lourdes Family! Mark your calendars for our **Annual Church Picnic on Sunday, September 20, 2026!** Each year our parish picnic gets bigger and better, and we'd love for you to be a part of making this year's event another great success. Anyone interested in volunteering to assist with planning and helping make this year's parish picnic a wonderful event, is invited to attend a Zoom planning meeting.

Church Picnic Planning Meeting

Date: Thursday, August 13, 2026

Time: 7:00 PM

Zoom Meeting Link:

<https://us06web.zoom.us/j/82741378997?pwd=5bq9MEermCYLbQFI5ZH5jgPYrv8cBp.1>

If anyone has questions, 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!

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

August 9

Ambra Hannah
Autumn Lee
Cameron Brown
Caroline Smith
Guyron Snow
Ilse Moon
Sherri Kelly

August 10

Blaise Wooden
Dimon Burnam
Gabrielle Verre
Gregory Verre
Jenna Montgomery
Shanny Burge
Stephen Ashby
Tammy McHugh

August 11

Farrah Coleman

Jullian Nash

Meredith Arra
Randy Abbott

August 12

Charlie Hickey
Dominic Fernandez
Evette Bradford
Gloria Manson
Jala Dillard
Kieran Ferguson
Lekeisha Johnson
Leotha Eaglin
Lucas Lopez
Tasgola Bruner
Tiffany Yarn
Tyra Montour
Zoe Romnus

August 13

Annemarie Cardell

Anthony Woods
Benjamin Maxwell
Edwin Cotton
George Simpson
Noree McCord
Rwanda Holmes

August 14

Aba Rogers
Alfonso Hernandez
Artiane Saintil
Bryce Honore
Donar Thomas
Lori Bell
Maddox Williams
Muriel Coles

August 15

Caelan Rose
Derek Baudy
John Schwenkler

Hillary Wilson
Kai Cain
Madison Banks
Matthew Clauss
Michele Hudgins
Mikhaela Singleton
Natacha McLeod
Sally Scardasis



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 Mooror
nmoorers154@gmail.com

Young at Heart (Seniors)
Contact the Church Office