

NEWS AT LOURDES

OCIA (FORMERLY RCIA) ANNOUNCEMENT: Anyone interested in the sacrament of Baptism and Confirmation for adults please contact Kimberly Parrish. OCIA is in need of sponsors for our current and future candidates at Confirmation this season and the Easter Vigil in 2027. Please contact Kimberly Parrish, OCIA Director (kaparrish@hotmail.com).

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION: Online Registration for **2025-2026 Sunday School Year** continues. Please **register online** at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/register/>. **Classes begin Sunday, September 27 from 9:00am -10:15am.** **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.

YOUTH LECTORS: Lourdes members ages 8–18 are invited to proclaim the Word at Mass on the 4th or 5th Sunday each month. No experience is required, and we'll prepare your child every step of the way. Here's how it works:

1. **About a week ahead**, we send you the reading to preview.
2. **A few days before**, we hold a short prep call — usually 20–25 minutes.

On the day, arrive 30 minutes early for a final read-through and to learn how and when to approach the altar. Interested, or want to know more? Contact John Ujda at 404-825-5316 or john@ujda.net.

SECOND COLLECTION LOURDES CONFERENCE ST. VINCENT DE PAUL (GREEN ENVELOPES): The second collection this weekend supports the Lourdes Conference of St Vincent de Paul. They provides assistance to Lourdes members and those in our community experiencing a temporary set-back due to illness or unemployment. The most common needs of our clients are rent, utility bill payment and emergency food provisions. Your donations allow us to help them and give them hope. Donations can be made online at <https://www.osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/giving/funds/lourdes-conference-st-vincent-de-paul>. Thank you for your continued support.

TASTE OF LOURDES IS BACK! Join us for the music ministry fundraiser 'Taste of Lourdes' on **Sunday October 4, following the 8 and 10:30 Masses**. Don't cook after church. Come and eat with us instead! Sign-up outside after Mass to [contribute a favorite dish or a special recipe from your heritage](#). And [pre-pay](#) today to avoid the lines on October 4. Plates are \$15 each and take-away is available. Bring your appetite, your family, and friends. You'll leave with a full stomach and the joy of knowing you helped support our music ministry. We are holding this in memory of Mizette Coakley who sang with us for decades and was passionate in her leadership of The Taste of Lourdes.

PARENT AND FAMILY MEETING - OCTOBER 18: Lourdes Sunday School will shift to family faith formation in the 2027-2028 school year. Join us for an important parent and family meeting on **Sunday, October 18, from noon -1 p.m. (after 10:30 a.m. Mass)** in the church to learn about the process and coming changes. For questions, contact Theresa Bowen, Director –Religious Education, at tbowen@lourdesatlanta.org.

TASTE OF HAITI 2026! The Sister Parish (Haiti Ministry) is inviting you to partake in their fundraiser, **Taste of Haiti on Sunday, October 25 after all Sunday Masses**. See Flyer at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/2026/01/06/bulletin-2026/> for more details.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR SEPTEMBER: For the Care of Water Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.to the temptation of confrontation for ethnic, political, religious or ideological reasons.

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

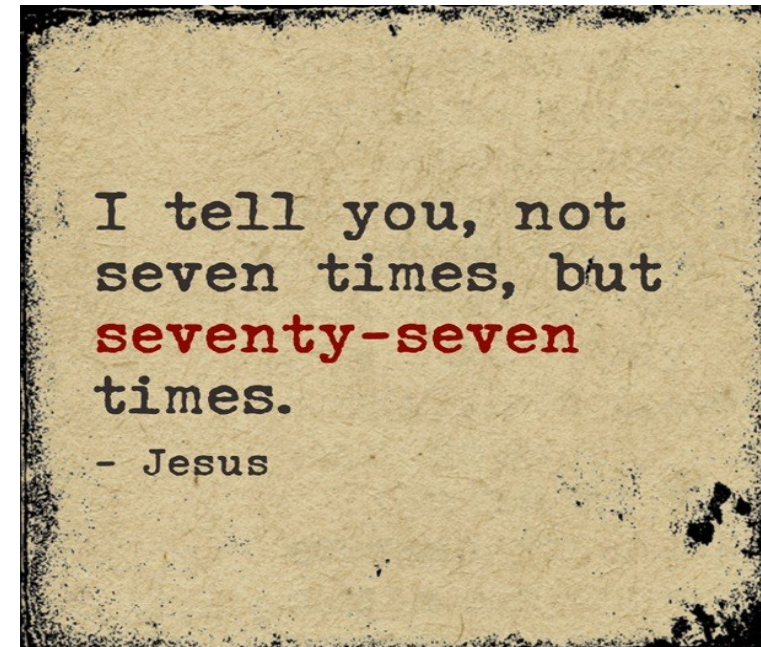
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25 Boulevard, N.E.
Atlanta, GA 30312
404.522.6776
www.lourdesatlanta.org
Office Hours:
Monday-Friday 10am - 5:30pm
Closed for Lunch: 1pm-2pm

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

September 13, 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.

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!

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}

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

Sirach 27:30 -28:7; Romans 14:7-9
Gospel: Matthew 18:21-35

Next Sunday’s Readings

Isaiah 55:6-9; Philippians 1:20c-24,27a
Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16a

Mass Intention

Sunday 10:30am for repose of the soul +Winer Archer

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (09/05/26 - 09/11/26)	\$23,966
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (09/05/26 - 09/11/26)	\$7,660
Online Offertory (09/05/26 - 09/11/26)	\$16,306
Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Yr. 26-27):	\$28,846

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 (09/11/26)	\$46,483
Over/(Under Goal)	(\$90,758)

For more information or to donate online
visit lifeofthechurch.com/donate. Thank you for your generosity.

Thoughts on Stewardship

The essence of stewardship – everything we have and everything we are is a gift from God. We aren’t “owners” of anything, we are merely “stewards” of the gifts that God has given us, especially our very own lives. Pray to God, daily, and ask Him how He is calling you to the live the life that He intended for you.

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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LOURDES BIBLE STUDY will resume on **Tuesday, September 15**, from **7:00pm – 8:30pm EST via Zoom**. This year, we will journey through the **Gospel of Luke** and encounter Jesus as the compassionate Savior who brings good news, welcomes those on the margins, and extends God’s mercy and salvation to all. Using our **Observation–Interpretation–Application** method, we will explore what the text says, what it means, and how God is calling us to respond. We encourage everyone to begin reading the Gospel of Luke or to read as much as possible before our study begins. This will provide a helpful overview and prepare us for our journey through Luke’s Gospel together. Invite a friend!

Join the Bible Study Zoom Meeting link:

us02web.zoom.us/j/8798

Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659

Passcode: Bible

We look forward to reconnecting and growing together in God’s Word!

EUCCHARISTIC 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 from 9:30am -12:30pm**. You must be a fully initiated Catholic, having celebrated the Sacraments of Baptism, First Eucharist and Confirmation to serve. Sign-up at <https://form.jotform.com/262326689188169>.

LOURDES ANNUAL PICNIC - Sunday, September 20, at 1:00pm at Grant Park! We’re looking forward to a wonderful afternoon of **food, fellowship, fun, and time together as a parish family!** We'll provide the main meal (chicken, hamburgers, hot dogs and drinks, and parishioners are encouraged to bring a **favorite side dish or dessert to share**. We are encouraging everyone to **RSVP** at <https://form.jotform.com/262306202325141>, so we can get a good idea of how many people to expect. For more information and Flyer [Lourdes Bulletin 2026](#).

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

September 13 Emi Douglas Gloria Frank Kathy Harbaugh Keith Williams Kiara Holmes Phillip Miles	September 8 Austin Farmer Carolyn Dixon Charlene Flournoy Elan Martinez Pamela Turner-Jones	Corinne Rodriguez Eathan Kepp Gregory Sims Jr. Kelly Register Luther Davis Stephanie Everstz Suzanne Kinsel	Suganthi Simon Trinity Jalloh
September 7 Angela Thornton Aria Rogers Cheryle Harrison Edna Buckle Kamryn Thomas Lisa Austin Morgan Batie Nicholas Harris Obi Okwara Ren Van Voorhis	September 9 Alain Poiraud Clarice Moon Mary Gray Robbie Foster-Brown Ron D. Segura Simon Dunham Tobias Boyd William Boley Zoe Stephens	September 11 Brianna Brown Cherry Banez Delores Davis Elizabeth Wagar Gregory Galloway James Walker Kathleen Davis Logan Nunan Margaret Francois Morgan Gause Simon May	September 12 Alana Barlaan Abinsay Avery Abbott Daniel Jansen Jackson Kester Johnny Neal Liam Ferguson Louis Hubbard Marvin Howard Nadia Giordani Stanley Legrand Tabitha Hoooge Winston Bowers

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