

PRAYER CALL: All are invited to join our Lourdes Prayer Call via Zoom on **Wednesday, October 8, 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 link: us02web.zoom.us/j/8230
Meeting ID: 823 0907 4451
Passcode: Prayer

PARISH FINANCIAL UPDATE: A Year of Faith, Growth, of Generosity - We are pleased to share the results of our fiscal year, which ended June 30 and were reviewed by the Shared Accounting Services of the Archdiocese of Atlanta.

Highlights from the fiscal year include:

- \$90,000 year-end surplus: Lourdes ended the fiscal year with a \$90,000 surplus, exceeding the budgeted surplus of \$64,000. This marks the eighth consecutive year that Lourdes has completed the fiscal year with a positive financial result.
- Building financial reserves: These surplus funds have helped us establish a "rainy-day" fund to address emergencies and unexpected expenses. They have also allowed the parish to address urgent maintenance needs and make important campus improvements. The most recent projects include upgrading the church sound system, completing the replacement of the parish hall floor in the St. Katharine Drexel Community Center, and repairing and waterproofing the rear wall behind the sacristy.
- Strong offertory support: Annual offertory donations exceeded \$1.5 million, reflecting the continued generosity and commitment of our parish community.

Capital Campaign success: We successfully launched the next phase of our Capital Campaign, securing more than \$6 million in pledges and donations to support the construction of our new church. These accomplishments would not be possible without our parishioners' continued generosity. Every contribution, large or small, reflects your commitment to Lourdes, its mission, and its ministry. We are deeply grateful for your continued support and stewardship. If you would like additional information on the fiscal year, please contact Dawn Leaner-Hall, Finance Council Chairperson, at ollfinancecouncil@lourdesatlanta.org

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS TRAINING for **ALL current Extraordinary Ministers and those interested in becoming Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion** on **Saturday, November 14 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>. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend.

2026 ANNUAL COMMUNITY HEALTH FAIR: Our Lady of Lourdes is proud to host our Annual Community Health & Wellness Fair on Sunday, November 15th, from 10 AM to 2 PM in the Drexel Center. This event is created especially for you - our parishioners, your families, your friends, and our neighbors throughout the local community. We'll have free health screenings, cooking demonstrations, a Kids Zone, flu and COVID vaccines, fresh fruit and vegetable bags and of course raffle giveaways! It's a joyful day of wellness, fellowship, and community care. Please show your support for this effort and stop by after either Mass on Sunday, November 15th — we look forward to seeing you there! Volunteers also needed! For more information contact, Audrey Ngaleu, Health Fair Coordinator. See [Bulletin Flyer](#) for more information.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE FRANCIS INTENTIONS FOR OCTOBER: For mental health ministry: Let us pray that the mental health ministry be established throughout the Church, helping to overcome the stigma and discrimination of persons with mental illnesses.

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



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-EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 11, 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. LeRel 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
WELCOME BACK

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
parenting@lourdesatlanta.org

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)
mr Gibbs63@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 25:6-10a; Philippians 4:12-14,19-20
Gospel: Matthew 22:1-14

Next Sunday’s Readings

Isaiah 45:1,4-6; 1 Thessalonians 1:1-5b
Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21

Mass Intention

Saturday 5pm for repose of the souls +Percy Walker & Robert Burrows Jr.
Sunday 10:30am for the repose of the soul +Augustine Udisi

Lourdes Stewardship

Church Support (10/03/26 - 10/09/26) \$26,634
In-Pew & Mailed In Offertory (10/03/26 - 10/09/26) \$4,989
Online Offertory (10/03/26 - 10/09/26) \$20,937
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 (10/09/26) \$48,245
Over/(Under Goal) \$88,996

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

Thoughts on Stewardship

God really does provide for those who are grateful and generous. This is very difficult for people that don’t live a stewardship lifestyle to believe. People are skeptical and say it’s just coincidence. If you are skeptical, try living a stewardship lifestyle for just one month – be generous with your gifts of time in prayer, talent in charitable works, and treasure, then see how God provides for your needs.

Please pray for our sick and shut in members: Our Sick and Shut-In List is updated monthly. If you would like to remain on the list, please contact the Church Office at 404-522-6766.

Karen Allen, Kennan Allen, Cherry Banez, Susie Bell, Deanna Blasingame, K. Renee Bowens, David Brower, Edward Branch, Charles 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.

NEWS AT LOURDES

LOURDES BIBLE STUDY: Join us on Tuesday, October 13 from 7:00–8:30 p.m. Eastern as we study Luke 6. Jesus calls the twelve apostles and teaches us about love, mercy, and putting his words into practice. Please read Luke 6 before we meet if possible.

Join the Bible Study Zoom Meeting link:
us02web.zoom.us/j/8798
Meeting ID: 879 8148 0659 Passcode: Bible

IMPORTANT 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.

ANNUAL IN REMBERANCE VIDEO: During the month of November, we remember loved ones we have lost especially in the past year. We invite you to submit pictures of your loved ones who died during the last year, November 1, 2025 - October 31, 2026, to be included in a remembrance video that will be shown during all weekend Masses on **October 31/ November 1**. **Picture requirement:** Please ensure that all pictures are High Resolution - (no thumbnail photos) PNG or JPEG format. Please label the photo with the deceased's name and upload to the Dropbox <https://www.dropbox.com/request/jeopyi7ac6szgxg5tfz8>. Questions? Email to Carol Ann Pinard (cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org). **DEADLINE: WEDNESDAY OCTOBER 14th. NO Extensions.**

BELOVED @ LOURDES: Announcing the formation of Beloved @ Lourdes, a ministry fostering welcome and belonging at Our Lady of Lourdes for LGBTQ+ Catholics, their families, and friends. **Centered on faith, community, and love. Official launch: Sunday, October 18, following the 10:30 a.m. Mass in the parish hall.** Light bites and beverages provided. Please mark your calendar and join us to learn more. Hope to see you at the launch. Scan the QR code on flyer at <https://lourdesatlanta.org/2026/01/06/bulletin-2026/> for more information.

LOURDES BIRTHDAYS

October 11 Arionne Coleman Jr. Angela Goddard-Davis Ebonie Crawford Joseph Goodman Karen McEwan Rachel Buckle Yolanda Ferman	Ronald Johnson Valentino Luscap	Tiffany Wright	Virginia Penn William Beckham
October 12 Christina Washington Clifford Gunthel Cynethea Alexander David Reed III Eric Holland Gabriella Salinas Ishola Gaba Joanne Breaugh	October 13 Adair Johnson Arthur Jones Brandon Rimbort Jeffrey Rock Kabri Harris Rita Madden Yvette Hubbard	October 15 Clio GrandPierre Henry Reed Lawanna Shepard Lola Martinez Mariah Jacks PJ Lemuel William Powell	October 17 Alyce Farry Darren Connor Errol Mague Jennifer Macke Foster Katelynn Villari Khadeja Johnson Mary Ferguson Stephanie Elder
October 14 Carlotta Austin Courtney Prevost Jerome Gizani Marlon Rainey Maxwell Chester	October 16 Austin Smith Emma Butler-Coleman Jackson Roach Leonard Hope Marty Fashina Regina Hardin		

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
1st Saturday of the month
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