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Office Hours: Monday - Friday, 10 a.m.-5:30 p.m. Closed for lunch, 1-2 p.m.



Rooted in African American Catholic history, Our Lady of Lourdes celebrates the Living Word, embraces inclusiveness and inspires social action.

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

Celebration of the Eucharist

Saturdays at 5 PM
Sundays at 8 AM & 10:30 AM

Livestream Mass

Sundays at 10:30 AM on YouTube

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 4:30 PM and by appointment. Contact the church office at 404-522-6776

Pastoral Care

Contact church office for prayer at 404.522.6776

Becoming Catholic

Join Order of Christian Initiation for Adults (OCIA) Contact Ms. Kimberly Parrish at 404.247.6628 or email kaparrish@hotmail.com

WEEKLY READINGS

SUNDAY READINGS

Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Gospel: Matthew 25:14-30

NEXT SUNDAY READINGS

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17
1 Corinthians 115:20-26, 28
Gospel: Matthew 25:31-46

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, 5 PM: + Yvette Jenkins
Sunday, 8 AM: + Ronnie Horton, Sr.
Sunday, 10:30 AM: + Gertrude Maxwell

DEADLINES

Deadline for Bulletin and The Lourdes Connection (email) content is **Wednesday at noon**. Send announcements to cpinard@lourdesatlanta.org. Bulletins are available at https://lourdesatlanta.org

LOURDES STEWARDSHIP

Oct 31 - Nov 6, 2026

Church Support	$26,994
In Pew & Mailed In Offertory	$5,485
Online Offertory	$21,509
Weekly Church Budget (Fiscal Year 2026-2027)	$28,846

Give online at
osvhub.com/lourdesatlanta/giving/funds

2026 Annual Appeal

Lourdes Parish Goal	$137,241
Amount Paid	$56,907
Goal Progress	($80,334)

For more information and to donate, visit lifeofthechurch.com/donate

Thank you for your generosity!

THOUGHTS ON STEWARDSHIP

God calls us to nurture and develop the gifts He has given us and then generously return a portion with increase. He doesn't want us to waste or hoard the gifts He has given us. He expects us to grow our gifts, to use them wisely, and to be generous with them. God asks us to be generous with all our gifts, especially the one that means the most to you.

PARKING

Parking for Lourdes is available at 494 Edewood Ave. Additional parking is available on Sundays 8:30A - 1:30P at 560 Edgewood Ave.

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK AND SHUT IN MEMBERS

Karen Allen
Kennan Allen
Kyle Anderson
Cherry Banez
Susie Bell
K. Renee Bowens
David Brower
Charles Bowen
Noah Bowen
Edward Branch
Frederick Canon
Luella Chambers
Sam Cooper
Betty Davis
Christian Doute
Angela Etson
Joyce Foley
Chester Griffin
Pamela Haley
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Georgia Hutchinson
Gloria Manson
James McEwan
Melody McIntyre
Jeremy Moon
Evette Oates
Katie Price
Mildred Rucker
Johnnie Strong
Gwendolyn Thompson
Marc Wallace
Gina Wimberly
Valerie West
Michelle Wilkinson
Teresa Williams

This list is updated monthly. To remain on the list, contact the church office at 404.522.6776.

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Pre K - Grade 12
Sundays, 9:00 - 10:15 AM

Visit our website for updates and learn about Family Faith Formation:
sites.google.com/view/ollsundayschool/

Mrs. Theresa Bowen
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Ms. Sheena White
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LOURDES CELEBRATIONS

We joyfully welcome our newly baptized infants, Elijah Harris and Haven Nichols, and extend our heartfelt congratulations to their families as they celebrate this special blessing!

Happy 98th birthday to two beloved members of our Lourdes family, **Georgia Hutchinson** and **Peggy Jackson-Edwards**, who recently celebrated this wonderful milestone! May God continue to bless you both with good health, joy, and many more years. We celebrate you!

Thanksgiving Eve Mass

Wednesday, November 25
7:00p



NEWS AT LOURDES

LOURDES BIBLE STUDY

Join us on Tuesday, November 17, from 7-8:30 PM EST via Zoom
ZOOM info: us02web.zoom.us/j/8798
🆔 **Meeting ID**: 879 8148 0659
🔒 **Passcode**: Bible

iGIVE CATHOLIC

Advance Giving Begins Monday, November 16

For more than 33 years, the Parenting Ministry at Our Lady of Lourdes has nurtured Catholic families and strengthened our children's connection to their faith and African American heritage.
This April, 50 members will journey to Chicago (April 10-14, 2027), exploring important sites including the Obama Presidential Center and DuSable Black History Museum, and celebrating Mass at St. Benedict the African Catholic Church.
An opportunity exists to help make this meaningful pilgrimage possible, starting November 16 through December 1. To learn more about the project and make a donation, please go to igivecatholic.org and type in the search box 'Our Lady of Lourdes Catholic Church'. Thank you for supporting the Lourdes Parenting Ministry!

LOURDES LUNCH GIFTS OF WARMTH

The Lourdes Lunch Ministry is very grateful for how generously, you donated t-shirts for our guests. There was a variety of sizes and colors which were greatly appreciated by our people.We are asking that you share scarves, caps, gloves hand warmers and warm socks for our guests.

ENVIRONMENT MINISTRY

The Liturgical Environment Ministry is looking for a few volunteers to help care for the beauty of our worship space. Responsibilities include arranging flower decorations and preparing altar linens for Mass.
The team meets on two Thursdays at 5:30pm or Fridays at 4:00pm in the church. No prior experience is needed—just a willing heart!
Interested in helping? Please contact Mr. Marion Lewis at 404-593-3282.

November 15, 2026

NEWS AT LOURDES

WOMEN'S COUNCIL

We are currently looking to reactivate the Women's Council right here at Lourdes, and we need your voice, your talents, and your fellowship to make it happen.

While the date and time for our inaugural meeting are still being finalized, you can take action today! If you are interested in joining us or learning more, please leave your name and contact information (email and/or phone number) with the church office.

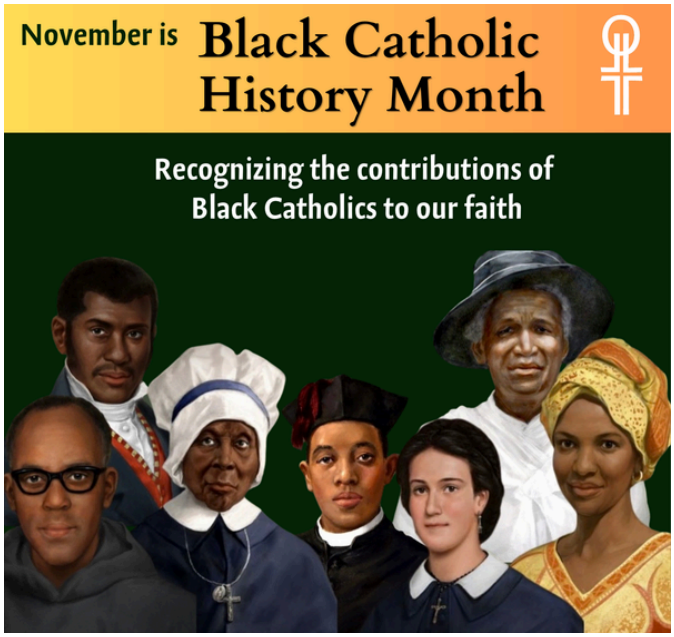
ARCHBISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

The 2026 Archbishop's Annual Appeal ends on December, 31, 2026. 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. We are short of the Archbishop's assessment of $137,241. If there is a shortfall, the outstanding balance will need to be made up from the church's operating budget, a situation we wish to avoid.

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.



For more information and to donate, visit lifeofthechurch.com/donate



You can view the Newsletter for the Subcommittee on African American Affairs of the USCCB visit https://conta.cc/4i1FbTe.

FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Family Faith Formation (F3) is a religious education program that helps both parents and children (including grandparents) grow stronger in their Catholic faith. This program equips parents to pass on the Catholic faith to their children and grow in their faith together as a family.

Our Lady of Lourdes will adopt the F3 program for Sunday School beginning in 2027-2028.

Click here to learn more.

TEEN CONFIRMATION 2027

Parent and Candidate Meeting:

Sunday, January 10, 2027 at 9:15am in the Parish Hall. Parents and Candidates must attend.

Questions? Contact Ms. Samantha Smith at samantha.smith1534@gmail.com.

HONORING OUR HISTORY- BUILDING OUT FUTURE

Getting to $6,360,167 has been made possible you! We kindly encourage everyone who has made a pledge to start and/or continue fulfilling their commitment. If you have a remaining pledge balance, you can make a payment here: Fulfill Your Pledge.

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

POPE'S MONTHLY INTENTION

For the proper use of wealth: Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

LEAVING A LASTING LEGACY

A planned gift-such as a bequest in your will or a gift from your retirement plan —is a powerful way to secure Our Lady of Lourdes' future for generations to come. To learn more about leaving a legacy, please visit https://cfnga.org/freewill or call North Georgia Catholic Foundation at 404.497.9440.

RELICS OF ST. BERNADETTE OF LOURDES to visit Atlanta Thursday to Sunday, Nov. 19-22. The faithful throughout the Archdiocese of Atlanta are invited to Holy Spirit Catholic Church for a special opportunity to venerate the relics of St. Bernadette of Lourdes. Mass with the anointing of the sick celebrated by Archbishop Gregory J. Hartmayer, OFM Conv., on Friday, Nov. 20, at 7 p.m.
For the complete schedule, veneration hours and registration information, visit www.hsccatl.com/lourdes.

OUR MINISTRIES AND ORGANIZATIONS

Alumni Association (OLL): 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 (Virtual): Tuesdays, 7pm - 8:30pm, Nyrva Cadet, 404-522-6776

Beloved @ Lourdes: LGBTQ+ Ministry

Book Store: Contact church office at 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

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 Fr. Jeffery Ott, jott@lourdesatlanta.org

Men's Ministry: Deacon Kenneth Bell, Facilitator; Contact church office, 1st Saturdays, 404-522-6776

Parenting Ministry: Sundays at 9am, PJ 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 Sundays after 10:30am Mass, Nathaniel Papillion, Chair, SVDP Hotline: 678-892-6163

Millen-Z Ministry (Young Adult Group): Nikki Moorer, nmoorer5154@gmail.com

Young at Heart (Seniors): Contact church office, 404-522-6776

2027 Commemorative CALENDAR

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