

May 28, 2017

Fathers of the 1st Ecumenical Council

The Epistle Reading is: Acts 20:16-18, 28-36. The Gospel Reading is John 17:1-13. These Readings may be found on pages 1284 & 1255 in the Holy Bible or on pages 60-62 in the Divine Liturgy book.

Today we remember: *Seventh Sunday of the Paschal Season;* the 318 Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council in Nicea; Sunday Post-Ascension; Holy martyr Eutyches, Bishop of Melitene; Helikonis, Martyr; Righteous Andrew.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- Jerry Focas *in loving memory of* his father, Dennis J Focas, *who fell asleep in the Lord* 40 days ago, May his memory be eternal.

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

- Antonia Courtalis & family *in loving memory of* daughter, sister, and aunt, Gina Courtalis, *who fell asleep in the Lord* 26 years ago. May her memory be forever eternal.
- Martha Sinis & family and her sister Barbara Miller *in loving memory of* their brother and uncle Aris Kalothis *who fell asleep in the Lord* one year ago in Nafplion, Greece.
- Martha Sinis and family *in loving memory of* her beloved husband and best friend, father and grandfather, Stamatios, *who fell asleep in the Lord* twelve years ago.
- Marth Sinis *in loving memory of* mother in law, grandmother and great grandmother, Eleni Sinis, *who fell asleep in the Lord* in Keratea, Greece fifteen years ago. And *in loving memory of* grandmother, great grandmother, and great great grandmother Eleni, *who fell asleep in the Lord* one hundred three years ago in Nikomedia, Asia Minor. May their memories be eternal.
- Martha Sinis *in honor of* her daughter Katia-Elena in celebration of her birthday and nameday and *in honor of* her daughter Spyrihoula in celebration of her birthday. Hronia Polla to both of them. Health and Happiness.

Memorial Service: The memorial service is being chanted today *in loving memory of* Dennis J. Focas, *who fell asleep in the Lord* 40 days ago. May his memory be eternal.

The Altar Bread was prepared by: Mary Tsakiris

Coffee Hour: The coffee hour is sponsored *in loving memory of Dennis Focas* by his family along with the Philoptochos Ladies. Serving will be Sandy Dzwonczyk, Linda Goodman, Lucy Kosmas and Vula Stamatopoulos.

50 YEARS OF SAINT DEMETRIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH ~ November 29th, 2019 will commemorate the **50th Anniversary** of our beloved Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church. Please join our journey to embrace and celebrate this hallmark milestone for our community. We need you...Hearts and Hands Together... to honor 50 Years of Saint Demetrios. For more information, please contact Stephanie and Stephen Christ at 410-529-5927 or email: stephanie2twins@yahoo.com.

Make Fun Factory VBS ~ Excitement is building ~ The best week of the summer! New Friends, Amazing Experiments, Creative Games, Lip-Smacking Snacks, Surprising Adventures & Incredible Music. Sign up NOW! <https://vbspro.events/p/events/197f7a> ~ June 19th to 23rd 9am-12 pm. All children 4yrs.-12yrs. welcome. Cost per participant is \$20 (before June 1st) \$25 (after June 1st) Checks made payable to Saint Demetrios Church. Please log on to sign up for participating/volunteering. Please contact Kelly MacDonnell (kellymacdonnell@hotmail.com) for more information.

Camp Good Shepherd: Will be held: **July 17th ~ 21st** at scenic Camp Wo.Me.To in Jarrettsville, Md. Day Camp will be held on Thursday, July 21st for children ages 5-7. Campers and Volunteers wanted!! Register now at www.goannun.org, don't miss out, space is limited!! **Early Bird Discount ends June 1st!!** For more information pick up a flyer from the Narthex table or contact Kate Cocoros at 443-564-6618 / painterkateart@gmail.com

Orthodox Studies: We are currently on summer break. For more information contact Kate Cocoros at 443.564.6618.

Bulletin Deadline: Please be reminded that the deadline to submit bulletin articles is on Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. Please be sure to have all information to the office by that day and time. Thank you.

The Saint Demetrios Pre-School is looking for qualified Early Education Educators for their expanding Pre-School Program. Greek language teachers are a plus! Please submit your resume to: sdpreschool@comcast.net for the 2017-2018 school year.

Saint Demetrios Pre-School Registration: We are accepting Registration Forms for the 2016-2017 School Year, for the Saint Demetrios Pre-School (ages 2 & 3) and Pre-Kindergarten (age 4). Registration forms can be found on the Narthex Table. To set up a visit, or for more information about this wonderful academic, spiritual and cultural educational program, please contact us via phone: 410.661.1090 x204 or email: sdpreschool@comcast.net.

Learn to Greek Dance!!! Open to Adults of All Ages! Drop-in lessons include beginner, intermediate and advance dances. Come to practice dances you know, learn new ones, and have fun! No Experience Necessary. \$5.00 Donation. Lesson held on August 22nd, in the Hermes Rafailides Center, 7:00-8:30pm.

SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, June 1st, 2017. The Hellenic Heritage Museum of Maryland, Inc., is hosting a trip to Onassis Cultural Center, NYC, to view the exhibit "*A World of Emotions: Ancient Greece 700 B.C. – 200 A.D.*" View more than 130 masterpieces from leading museums, including the Louvre, the British Museum and the Vatican Museums. The price \$130 per person, includes bus transportation, a docent tour and a three-course dinner at the Fig and Olive Restaurant. Museum entry is free. For reservation and information, contact George Lintzeris at 410.235.1696 or petrafineart@gmail.com

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

End of year Dinner: Join us as we bring the year to an end and celebrate our Mother and Father of the year at the Bowman Restaurant on June 20th at 6:00pm. The Bowman is located at 9306 Harford Road, Baltimore, MD 21234. We will have dinner on the first floor, Main Dining room. Please contact Georgia Vavas (410-583-0068 gvavas@comcast.net) or Angela Koutsoutis at 410-825-2765 to make your reservation. See Georgia or Angela at coffee hour after liturgy to purchase tickets, which are \$25.00 per person. Tickets must be purchased by June 11th.

SCHOLARSHIP

Scholarships: If you have a 2.5 GPA or higher and wish to apply for a 2017scholarship, application packets are available on the table in the Church Narthex. **PLEASE NOTE:** A high school/college transcript, letter of acceptance/of good standing, and recommendations from the Parish Priest and two faculty members under whom you have studied must be included. **NO OTHER** letters of recommendation will be accepted. All applications must be **postmarked or hand delivered** to the Church office by **June 5th, 2017**. Scholarship recipients will be determined by **July 1st, 2017** and scholarships will be presented after the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, July 30th, 2017**. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

Order of AHEPA ~ Worthington Chapter #30: Scholarship Applications for the Academic Year 2017-2018 are now available. Stop by the Narthex table and pick up an application. The application must be post-marked no later than **June 30th, 2017**.

United Chios Societies of Baltimore Scholarship: For over 50 years the United Chios Societies of Baltimore have awarded scholarships to young people within our community. Selection is determined by scholastic achievement and financial need. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply regardless of church affiliation or regional heritage. Stop by the Narthex table and pick-up an application. Application deadline is **July 16th, 2017**.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Memorial Day ~ Office & Pre-School Closed ~ May 29th

Pre-School Community Flea Market ~ **June 3rd**

Rock into Summer Concert ~ **June 3rd**

Pre-School Last Day ~ **June 7th**

Philoptochos End-of-Year Dinner ~ June 20th

Vacation Bible School ~ June 19th – 23rd ~ 9am-12pm

For more information about the events listed in the bulletin, please look for literature on the Narthex Table or call the church office.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE OF THE WEEK

“TIME ~ TALENT ~ TREASURE”

Welcome: If you are visiting Saint Demetrios today, we welcome you and thank you for worshipping with us. We pray that your visit here is uplifting. We invite you to fill out the welcome card that can be found at the pangamic (candle stand) and to either return it to a Parish Council member or slip it under the Church Office door. Please also join us downstairs in fellowship at the Hermes Raphaelites Center after Liturgy.

In every Liturgy God brings words of eternal life through the Scripture readings and the sermon. Through the Sacrament of Communion, He comes to be born again and again in the shabby stables of our hearts. He God that He will be able to continue His forgiving, healing, liberating, transfiguring ministry through the Church.

Are you actively serving God, sharing Him with others? Do you worship regularly? Take a moment to evaluate your life considering these principles. We are called to apply our gifts, training, abilities, education and skills to the tasks that God places before us. If we do this humbly and prayerfully the body of Christ will function to its full potential.

STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

	Budget Commitment	Goal ~ Total Operating Budget *	Total Commitments to Date	Collections to Date	# of Stewards
2016	\$395,000	\$681,485	\$284,509	\$162,239	372
2017	\$378,600	\$657,842	\$281,823	\$156,573	342

**Our goal as Christian Stewards is to fund 100% of the Church operating budget*

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p><u>Monday, May 29th</u> <i>Memorial Day, office closed</i> <i>Pre-School closed</i></p> <p><u>Tuesday, May 30th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C)</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, May 31st</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Pre-School beach day</p> <p><u>Thursday, June 1st</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Men's Basketball, 6:00pm (H/G)</p> <p><u>Friday, June 2nd</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C)</p>	<p><u>Saturday, June 3rd</u> <i>Saturday of souls</i> Pre-School Flea Market Rock into Summer Club Night, 7:00pm (H/G)</p> <p><u>Sunday, June 4th</u> <i>Holy Pentecost</i> <i>Orthros, 9:00am</i> <i>Divine Liturgy, 10:00am</i></p>
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