

January 18, 2015

12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke

The **Epistle Reading** is Hebrew 13:7-16. The **Gospel Reading** is Luke 17:12-19. These Readings may be found on pages 1369 & 1225 in the **Holy Bible** or page 112 in the **Divine Liturgy Book**.

**Today we remember:** Athanasios the Great and Cyril, Patriarchs of Alexandria; Theodoule, Martyr.

**The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:**

- Jerry & Elaine Sackleh & Family *in loving memory of* their father & grandfather, Salim Sackleh, who fell asleep in the Lord 6 years ago. May his memory be eternal.

**The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:**

- The Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Community *for special blessings and the health & welfare of* our Psalti, Sotirios Mitilineos. May God continue to bless him.
- Chris Spanos & Family *for the continued health & welfare of* her husband, their father and grandfather, Jimmy Spanos.
- The family & friends of Basilios A. Trintis, for his *continued health & welfare*. May God continue to bless him.
- Mrs. Helen Conits & Family *in loving memory of* husband, father & grandfather, George Conits, who fell asleep in the Lord 4 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Mrs. Georgia Eliopoulos & Family *in loving memory of* husband, father & grandfather, James Eliopoulos. May his memory be eternal.
- Mrs. Georgia Eliopoulos & Family *in loving memory of* parents & grandparents, Nicholas & Eugenia Courtalis. May their memory be eternal.-
- Mrs. Georgia Eliopoulos *in loving memory of* her brothers Pete & Gus Courtalis and her niece, Gina Courtalis. May their memory be eternal.
- Bill & Niki Papageorgopoulos *in loving memory of* his mother Dimitra, who fell asleep in the Lord 4 years ago and his father, George Papageorgopoulos, who fell asleep in the Lord 24 years ago. May their memory be eternal.

**The Altar Bread was prepared by:** Ritsa Economakis.

**Coffee Hour:** Everyone is invited to the Coffee Hour that will be held in the Hermes Rafailides Center directly following the Divine Liturgy and served by Sandy Dzwonczyk, Lucy Kosmos & Leslie Sarantinos.

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

**Orthodox Studies:** Do you feel the need to learn more about your Orthodox Faith! Join us on Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup> at 9:30 am in the board room. Please remember that if Baltimore County Public Schools are closed or delayed due to weather, we will not meet. For more information contact Kate Cocoros at 410.692.7590.

**Godparent/Godchildren Sunday:** Godparent's Sunday will be observed on the following dates in the following churches. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

- Sunday, February 1<sup>st</sup> ~ Cathedral of the Annunciation
- Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup> ~ Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church
- Sunday, February 15<sup>th</sup> ~ Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church
- Sunday, February 22<sup>nd</sup> ~ SS. Mary Magdelene & Markella Greek Orthodox Church

**TICKETS ARE NOW AVAILABLE** for the Suburban Players 40<sup>th</sup> Production ~ “*Shrek The Musical*”. Show dates are **February 13<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 15<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup> & 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2015**. Tickets are \$45/pp and we are excited to announce that we have added a **Saturday matinee on February 21<sup>st</sup>** for \$20/pp at 11:00 am with light fare for purchase. See Harriet Hatzidimitriou in the Hermes Rafailides Center after Divine Liturgy or call her at 410.248.0582 to purchase your tickets. A delicious meal and wonderful show await you! **Ad space in all sizes is also available** in our program book. This is an inexpensive way to advertise your business, send well wishes to fellow stewards and support your church. See Dottie Ganer in the Hermes Rafailides Center after Diving Liturgy or call her at 410.866.7336 to purchase your ad. **Deadline for all ads is January 16<sup>th</sup>, 2015.**

**Cemetery Cleaning:** Please be advised that the cemetery will be cleared of all Christmas decorations the **week ending January 23<sup>rd</sup>**. If you have any artificial decorations that you would like to save for future use, kindly remove them before this date.

**Calendar and Use of the Facility Procedures:** This is a reminder that the Church Office must clear all events, meetings, food preparation, rehearsals and hall/kitchen dates on the parish calendar. Please call the church office at 410.661.1090 x202 and schedule your building usage.

**Saint Demetrios Pre-School Chick-fil-A Fund Raiser:** Help support our Pre-School by joining us on Tuesday, January 27<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 – 8:00 pm at Chick-fil-A in Parkville for a ***Spirit Night Fundraiser!*** Dine in or carry out and the Pre-School will earn 20% of ticketed sales. ***Pick up the required flyer from the Narthex Table and Eat Mor Chikin!!***

**Saint Demetrios Pre-School Registration:** We are continuing to accept Registration Forms for the 2014-2015 School Year, for the Saint Demetrios Pre-School (age 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 Kiria Betty via phone: 410.661.1090 x204 or email: [sdpreschool@comcast.net](mailto:sdpreschool@comcast.net).

**Please support our Pre-School** with a \$2 donation for a bumper sticker, “Learning through God’s eyes”. Available at coffee hour through the pre-school or by contacting: Kelly MacDonnell at 410.917.2992.

**Library News:** St. Athanasios, was born in Alexandria in 296 AD. Athanasios’ pastoral ministry lasted 46 years; and 16 of those years were spent in exile. He was the writer of the symbol of faith “The Creed.” He fought the whole world defending Orthodoxy. You can read about St. Athanasios and other Orthodox Saints by visiting our library. We have a lot of new books and DVDs. If you have a few hours to donate we are always looking for new volunteers.

**The Book & Knitting Club** will be meeting on Tuesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015 at 9:00 a.m. The book of discussion this month will be “*The Witness*” by Nora Roberts.

**The Maryland Greek Independence Day Parade Committee** will hold its Annual Parade Dance on Saturday, January 31, 2015, at Greektown Square, 701 South Ponca Street, Baltimore, MD., (across from Saint Nicholas Church) at 8:00 pm. Direct from Greece, Vaggelis Konitopoulos and his orchestra playing “Nisiotika” on violin and laouto will entertain. Tickets are \$55 for adults, students under 20 years old \$35. Mezedakia are included. Cash bar. For tickets, reservations or more information, please contact Georgia Vavas, 410-583-0068, [gvavas@comcast.net](mailto:gvavas@comcast.net), Manoli Theoharris, 410-790-7542 or DCGreeks.com. The Parade will take place on April 19, 2015.

**Spirit:** The deadline for all “*Spirit*” article(s) is January 30<sup>th</sup>. Share your news with the community. Please email your article(s) to: [saintdemetrios@comcast.net](mailto:saintdemetrios@comcast.net).

**STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE OF THE WEEK:  
“TIME ~ TALENT ~ TREASURE”**

If you are visiting Saint Demetrios today, thank you for worshipping with us. We invite you to fill out the welcome card that can be found at the *Pangari*. For your convenience, Stewardship commitment cards and envelopes can also be found at the *Pangari*.

Dear Stewards, remember that at Saint Demetrios we don't pass trays every Sunday because we ask you to include your tray contributions in your annual commitment.

**Your Stewardship Dollars at Work:** As you think about your Stewardship commitment, remember that our monthly utilities (electricity, propane & water) average **\$5,917**.

Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ walked among us for 33 years. Could you add 33 cents a day to your pledge to help maintain His home at Saint Demetrios? That would be an additional \$9 a month to your pledge. Think of what you have, and remember what He gave up for you.

**STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS**

	<b>Budget Commitment</b>	<b>Goal ~ Total Operating Budget *</b>	<b>Total Commitments to Date</b>	<b>Collections to Date</b>	<b># of Stewards</b>
<b>2015</b>	\$395,000	\$612,300	\$184,285	\$23,584	183

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

**WEEKLY CALENDAR**

<p><b><u>Monday, January 19<sup>th</sup></u></b>  <i>Martin Luther King Jr., Day</i>  <b>Pre School, Closed</b>  <b>Greek School, Closed</b>                      Play Food Prep, 9:00 am (K)                      Sweet Adeline's (H/G)</p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday, January 21<sup>st</sup></u></b>                      Pre School, 8:45 am (C)                      Greek School, 4:30 pm (C)                      GOYA Basketball (H/G)                      Philoptochos Board Mtg., 6:30 pm (P)                      Play Rehearsal, 7:00 pm (M)</p>	<p><b><u>Saturday, January 24<sup>th</sup></u></b>                      Play Rehearsal, 1:00 pm (H/G)</p>
<p><b><u>Tuesday, January 20<sup>th</sup></u></b>                      Pre School, 8:45 am (C)                      GOYA Soccer, 5:30 pm (H/G)                      Parish Council Mtg., 7:00 pm (B)                      Play Rehearsal, 7:00 pm (H/G)</p>	<p><b><u>Thursday, January 22<sup>nd</sup></u></b>                      Pre School, 8:45 am (C)                      Men's Basketball, 7:00 pm (H/G)</p> <p><b><u>Friday, January 23<sup>rd</sup></u></b>                      Pre School, 8:45 am (C)                      Orthodox Studies, 9:30 am, (B)</p>	<p><b><u>Sunday, January 25<sup>th</sup></u></b>  <i>15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke</i>  <b>Orthros, 9:00 am</b>  <b>Divine Liturgy, 10:00 am</b>                      Church School, 9:55 am                      Play Rehearsal, 1:30 pm (H/G)</p>

**\*In order to provide meeting space for all ministries, please take notice as to where your ministry is scheduled to meet within the facility.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

*Three Hierarchs Divine Liturgy ~ Friday, January 30<sup>th</sup>, 10:00 am*  
*Save the Date ~ “The Way” series will be returning on Tuesday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>!*

**PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS**



**\*\*January Charity Initiative:** The second semester has begun and our adopted schools are in need of replenishing supplies again. During the month of January Philoptochos will be collecting baggies - sandwich, quart and gallon sizes; Kleenex tissues and hand sanitizers (it's cold and flu season). Please drop off the items into the Philoptochos Blue Bin in the church building.



**\*\*January is the time to remember to make your stewardship commitment to Philoptochos.** Pick up a Membership Form at the Narthex Table and return it to the church office. Attention: Philoptochos Membership on the envelope. Please specify "Philoptochos Stewardship" on the memo line of your check. For more information contact our Membership Chairs, Thorina Trintis 410.866.2127 or Violette Cocoros 410.256.6283.



**\*\*Manny's Special Meatloaf, Oven Pot Roast, Slow Cooker Chicken-Merlot Mushrooms . . .** these are just a sampling of the warming comfort foods you can make during these cold winter days. Learn how by purchasing your copy of Kali Orexi IV. There are also plenty of seafood recipes to help you get more fish and shellfish into your diet. Check it out for yourself by visiting our table in the Hermes Rafailides Center after Sunday Liturgy or call Mary Triandafilou, 410.528.1589 to order a book today! Individual books are available for \$20 per copy and individual aprons are \$15 each. The sales of the cookbooks and aprons support the many charities Philoptochos supports throughout the year.



**\*\*Saint Nicholas National Shrine at Ground Zero ~** Philoptochos is asking each of the 27,000 Philoptochos members along with our family and friends, to contribute \$100 per person, to make a total Philoptochos commitment of more than \$2 million towards this worthy project. Please direct your donation to 'Saint Demetrios Philoptochos . . . and specify in the memo line on the check to earmark for the 'Saint Nicholas Shrine'. The chapter liaison to National Philoptochos for this project is Margo Lambros, our Assistant Treasurer. When making your donation please put "attention: Margo Lambros" on the envelope. Saint Nicholas National Shrine will be the only religious structure at Ground Zero and it will be ORTHODOX.

*Money becomes a sacrament when it is offered to God.  
 It becomes a visible expression of our commitment, faith and love for Jesus.  
 Once given to God, our gifts are consecrated by the Holy Spirit,  
 who translates them into works of mercy that bring glory to God.*