

August 16, 2015

11th Sunday of Matthew

The **Epistle Reading** is Corinthians 9:2-12. The **Gospel Reading** is Matthew 18:23-35. These Readings may be found on pages 1313 & 1166 in the **Holy Bible** or on pages 80-82 in the **Divine Liturgy Book**. The Apolitikion for today can be found on page 81 in the Green Hymnal Book. The responses to the Liturgy are sung in Greek except for the following pages where English is sung: pages 38-53 and pages 62-67.

Today we remember: Post-Koimisis; Recovery at Edessa the not-human created Portrait of Jesus Christ, know as the Sacred Veil; Martyrs Diomedes and Alkiviades; Righteous Martyr Gerasimos the Wonderworker of Kephallenia; Timothy, Bishop of Euripos, builder of the Holy Monastery at Pentele; Nikodemos and Apostolos the Younger of Pelion; Neomartyr Stamatios, Neomartyrs.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- The Cocoros & Sady Families with love and prayers for Peter Cocoros & Alice Sady, as they begin their married life together on August 22, 2015. May God grant them many years of blessings and joy!

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

- The Saint Demetrios Community *for the health & welfare of* Father Lou, as he recovers from recent surgery. May God keep him safe and provide him a speedy recovery.
- Christopher & Helen Makres *in honor of* their grandson, Mathew Polites, on the occasion of his birthday. May God grant him many more.
- Dr. Andrew & Sophia Vendelis & Family *in loving memory of* their parents, grandparents and great grandparents, Emmanuel & Anastasia Maggelakis. May their memory be eternal.
- Pete & Flora Christ *in loving memory of* their son, Pete H. Christ, Jr., on the occasion of his birthday.
- Argie, Panagiotis & Erini Christ *in loving memory of* husband & father, Peter H. Christ, Jr., on the occasion of his birthday.
- Paul & Maria Christ & Family *in loving memory of* brother & uncle, Peter H. Christ, Jr., on the occasion of his birthday.
- Roula Passon *in loving memory of* her son, Peter. May his memory be eternal.
- Thorina Trintis & Family *in loving memory of* Basilios A. Trintis, beloved husband, father & grandfather, as we remember his passing three months ago. His memory is our treasure.

40-Day Baby Blessing: Mr. & Mrs. John Oliphant will present their 1st child, a son, for the traditional 40-day blessing.

The Altar Bread was prepared by: Maria Andreyev & Maria Antonakas.

Coffee Hour: The Philoptochos will not be sponsoring or serving coffee during the remaining summer Sundays, except for Memorial family requests. If another ministry would like to sponsor coffee hour, please contact the church office.

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

Warm Welcome: We welcome Rev. Milan Sturgis to Saint Demetrios today, who is celebrating the Divine Liturgy for Father Lou, who is recovering from his routine out-patient surgery.

Save the Date: The Saint Demetrios Music Ministry will sponsor An Orthodox Celebration: A journey through Worship Music, Iconography & Instrumental Music for adults & children ages 5 and up. This event will be held on **Tuesday, August 18th & Wednesday, August 19th from 9:00 a.m. until 12:00 noon.** Join Jennie Kegel and Tina Pedrick for mornings of Orthodox Fellowship. This Music Ministry event is free to all. For more information please email jcocoros@aol.com.

Church School Registration: Will be held on **Sunday, September 13th from 9:55am – 12:00pm** in the Church's main hallway. Registration forms are coming soon. Church School classes will begin on **Sunday, September 20th at 9:55am.**

Orthodox Studies: We are currently on summer break, we will resume in the fall. See you in church! For more information contact Kate at 410.692.7590.

Palikaria: The Palikaria are looking for a few good men to join them on Tuesdays & Thursdays as they make general repairs to the church. If you have experience in plumbing, electricity or are a handy man and are interested in joining them, please contact: Pete Sorvalis at: 410.661.2366 or Gus Stamatopoulos at: 410.663.6547.

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 via phone: 410.661.1090 x204 or email: sdpreschool@comcast.net.

Spaghetti Dinner: The Saint Demetrios Pre-School will hold its Annual Spaghetti Dinner on **Tuesday, September 15th** in the Hermes Rafailides Center. Keep watching for more information.

GOYA will be accepting registrations throughout the summer for the 2015-2016 GOYA calendar year. To join our GOYA, the child's family must be members in good standing here at Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church, the child must be 13 or older, or be 12 and in the 7th grade as of September 1st, 2015. Please email paulrizas.saintdemetriosgoya@gmail.com for a registration form.

Greek School Registration: Our Greek School Classes ~ After School Program Schedule for the 2015-2016 school year is complete. The schedule & registration forms are available and can be found on the Narthex table. Please call the Church office 410.661.1090 x 202, if you have any questions.

Library News: Abgar rules of Edessa was suffering from Leprosy. Hearing of Jesus' miracles he sent his messenger Ananius, though him asking the Savior to be healed. The Lord seeing his pure heart and soul he asked for water. The Lord washed his divine face and when he dried it, it left an imprint on the Holy Napkin. When Abgar received the Holy Napkins his leprosy was healed with exception of his forehead. After the Lord's Resurrection and Ascension the Apostle Thaddeus came to Edessa and baptized Abgar and the remaining leprosy was healed. You can read the many miracles of Jesus and read about the different saints and apostles by visiting the library.

Book / Knitting Club: The book & knitting club will be meeting on **Tuesday, September 15, 2015 from 9:00 am. until 12:00 noon.** Everyone is welcomed whether you knit, crochet, sew, or just want to come and join in some conversation. The book of choice is: *The Island* by: Victoria Hislop,

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE OF THE WEEK:

“TIME ~ TALENT ~ TREASURE”

WELCOME! If you are visiting Saint Demetrios today 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 pangari and to join us in fellowship at the Hermes Rafailides Center after liturgy.

For your convenience, Stewardship commitment cards and envelopes are also at the pangari. Remember that at Saint Demetrios we don't pass trays every Sunday because we ask that you include your tray contributions in your annual commitment.

Stewardship can shape our world. We can experience God's grace, love, communion and joy. A steward is a manager who looks after someone else's property. We are all managers in God's kingdom, and we have a responsibility to protect and **grow** God's gift.

STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

	Budget Commitment	Goal ~ Total Operating Budget *	Total Commitments to Date	Collections to Date	# of Stewards
2014	\$392,000	\$693,000	\$318,654	\$227,972	458
2015	\$395,000	\$612,300	\$298,216	\$206,860	398

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p>Monday, August 17^h Sweet Adelines (H/G)</p> <p>Tuesday, August 18^h Orthodox Music/Icon Workshop, 9:00 am Moussaka, 9:00 am (K) GOYA Soccer, 6:00 pm (Field) Parish Council Mtg., 7:00 pm (B)</p>	<p>Wednesday, August 19^h Orthodox Music/Icon Workshop, 9:00 am Moussaka, 9:00 am (K) Pre-School Meet & Greet, 11:00 am (C) Basketball, 7:00 pm (H/G) Festival Meeting, 7:00 pm (B)</p>	<p>Thursday, August 20th Moussaka, 9:00 am (K) Men's Basketball, 6:30 pm (H/G)</p> <p>Friday, August 21st Pastries, 8:00 am (K)</p> <p>Sunday, August 23rd <i>12^h Sunday of Matthew</i> <i>Orthros, 9:00 am</i> <i>Divine Liturgy, 10:00 am</i></p>
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Parish Council Meeting, August 18th at 7:00 pm
Orthodox Music / Icon Workshop, August 18th & 19th at 9:00 am
Pre-School Meet & Greet, August 19th at 11:00 am
Festival Meeting, August 19th at 7:00 pm
Pre-School Orientation, August 24th
Pre-School Begins, August 26th at 8:45 am
Shop For A Cause, August 29th
Parish Council Executive Board Meeting, September 1st @ 7:00 pm
Parish Council Meeting, September 8th at 7:00 pm
GOYA Shake-Up, September 11th & 12th
Pre-School Annual Spaghetti Dinner, Tuesday, September 15th

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS



School Supplies Collection ~ It's that time of year to be on the watch for school supply sales over the summer. We will once again assist students in need, by filling backpacks with the required supplies to begin a new school year in September, just a few short months away. A sample of supplies needed: 50 Backpacks; Binder Divider Tab Sets (5 tab set); pocket folders ~ red, blue; black marble composition notebooks; 2" binders; loose leaf paper; rulers; #2 pencils and pencil cap erasers; colored pencils; washable colored markers; yellow highlighters; lunchbox; pencil box/zippered pencil pouch; box (24) crayons; red pens; glue sticks; scissors; Clorox cleanup wipes; Kleenex tissues; quart size baggies. Flyers with a more complete list of supplies needed is available on the Narthex table or contact Elaine Sackleh, 410.472.3458. We ask you drop off your school supply donations throughout the summer, in the Philoptochos Blue Bin in the church building.



Do you have a computer in working order you are no longer using? Is your company upgrading the computers or laptops for the employees? If the answer is YES, then we can help recycle computer hard drives, monitors, keyboards and laptops. The Saint Demetrios Philoptochos Chapter is linking computer access and literacy to the underprivileged of the Baltimore metropolitan area. We have teamed up with Project Reboot and Baltimore social service agencies ~ connecting eligible families with low cost computers from Project Reboot, a non-profit organization that refurbishes unwanted working computers and sells them to qualified parents, students, and single people seeking to better their lives in today's world of technology. Drop off your unwanted and working computer monitors keyboards, cords, hard drives and laptops in the Philoptochos Green Bin. For more information on how you can help with this project, contact Mary Triandafilou, 410.528.1589.



Macy's "Shop For A Cause" ~ Our Philoptochos is partnering again this year with Macy's "Shop For A Cause" charity event. We will be selling savings passes to this event, which will take place on **Saturday, August 29th** at each Macy store throughout the country. "Shop For A Cause" on **Saturday, August 29th, 2015**, you'll receive 25% off on regular, sale and clearance merchandise, including designer brands you love, throughout the store, as well as 10% off electronics, furniture, mattresses and area rugs. And, you will be eligible to win a \$500 gift card, no purchase necessary. We were able to generate over \$1500 the last few years from this event, which helped fund our various outreach programs, as well as the Benevolent and Emergency Funds. Tickets are \$5 each and Philoptochos will keep 100% of the proceeds. They are available by contacting Violette Cocoros at 410-256-6283. Buy savings passes for your family and friends to use...good at all Macy's stores throughout the United States!



Save the Date ~ **Saturday, September 12th**. A dinner event to benefit the Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church and National Shrine at the World Trade Center. Under the auspices of His Eminence Metropolitan Evangelos of New Jersey, you are invited to attend 'An Evening of Reflection, Hope & Unity; at The Clarion Historic Hotel, 1500 East Market Street, Leesburg, Virginia. The special guest speaker will be Larry Michael, 'The Voice of the Redskins'. Dinner Ticket Donation \$100. For tickets please contact Margo Lambros, 410.465.3071; Elaine Sackleh, 410.472.3458; or Maria Antonakas, 410.995.0353.

FESTIVAL CORNER

Save the Dates: Saint Demetrios' Greek Festival is just around the corner ~ September 24th, 25th, 26th and 27th. Please mark your calendars.

Volunteers: We are looking for volunteers.

Moussaka ~ We will be making Moussaka on **August 18th, 19th & 20th**. If you wish to help, please contact Sophia Vendelis at 410.252.9062.

Kitchen ~ If you wish to help in the kitchen during the festival, please contact Smaro Cook at smaro.cook@wellsfargo.com or 410.342.1000.

Festival Committee: We are looking for volunteer help with several booths. We need someone to take charge of the kitchen. Please contact Smaro Cook at smaro.cook@wellsfargo.com or 410-342-1000 as soon as possible. Thank you for any help you can provide. Our next committee meeting is **Wednesday, August 19th at 7:00 pm.**

Father's Attic: We are accepting donations for Father's Attic. All donations can be placed in the 1st floor classroom between the Philoptochos Room & the Church School Office of the educational building, please drop off your donations Monday thru Friday between 9:00am & 3:00pm.

Festival Ad Book: Make your business shine with an ad in the 42nd Annual Greek Festival ad book. To place an ad in this year's Ad Book please contact Amanda Albright at stdemetriosads@gmail.com.

Festival Silent Auction: Items are now being accepted for the festival silent auction. Please consider donating a new item by contacting Presvytera Alice at anoplos@comcast.net.

Barely Worn Clothes Booth: We are accepting donations for our Barely Worn Clothes Booth. All donations can be placed in the 1st floor classroom between the Philoptochos Room & the Church School Office of the educational building, please drop off your donations Monday thru Friday between 9:00am & 3:00pm

Greeks Got Talent! Do you have a hidden talent you'd like to showcase? Always thought you could do something unique and would like for all to see? Then we've got the event for you! For the first time ever, Saint Demetrios will be kicking off their Festival weekend with "Greeks Got Talent!" All acts and ages are welcomed and encouraged to participate. 1st, 2nd & 3rd place prizes will be awarded; all will receive a medal for participating. Whether you're participating or want to come have a fun night out supporting our community and enjoying great food with friends and family, we're waiting for you to kick-off the 2015 Saint Demetrios Greek Festival right! Doors open at 5pm, event begins at 7pm. Free Admission. For additional information and go sign up please email Irene Giannaros at igiannaros@aol.com



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SEPTEMBER 24, 25, 26, & 27

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THURSDAY* 9/24 5PM - 11PM
FRIDAY 9/25 12PM - 11PM
SATURDAY 9/26 12PM - 11PM
SUNDAY 9/27 12PM - 8PM

*[INDOOR ONLY]

Free Admission & Free On-Site Parking

2504 Cub Hill Road, Baltimore MD 21234

For more information visit: stdemetriosmd.org/festival or call 410.661.1090

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