September 6, 2015

14th Sunday of Matthew

The **Epistle Reading** is II Corinthians 1:21-2:4. **The Gospel Reading** is Matthew 22:2-14. These Readings may be found on pages 1321 & 1170 in the **Holy Bible** or on pages 86-87 in the **Divine Liturgy Book.** The Apolitikion for today can be found on page 85 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: Commemoration of the Miracle in Chonai by the Archangel Michael; Andronikos, Martyr; Eudoxios, Zenon, and Makarios, Martyrs; Martyr Kalodote; Romylus, Martyr.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

• Regis & Jennie Kegel *in loving honor of* their granddaughter, Addison Marie Clancy, on the occasion of her birth. May God always grant her and her family, health & happiness.

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

• Roula Passon *in loving memory of* her son, Peter. May his memory be eternal.

The Altar Bread was prepared by: Mary Karavedas.

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.

Congregational Singing: Today is our final Sunday for Congregational Singing during the Divine Liturgy. Everyone is encouraged to participate in singing the responses and hymns of the Liturgy. Please pick up your green Hymnals from the Pangari. We look forward to hearing everyone "Make a Joyful Noise Unto the Lord."

Orthodox Studies: Start the new Ecclesiastical year off right; learn more about your Orthodox Faith. Join us on Friday mornings at 9:30am, beginning **September 11th.** For more information, contact Kate Cocoros 410.692.7590.

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

The Orthodox Christian Way: Coming Soon! The fall series of the Orthodox Christian Way program will take place on Tuesday evenings, **October 6th**, **13th**, **20th** and **27th**. We are busy planning the programs, but the format will remain the same: we will begin with a light supper at 6:15pm, followed promptly at 7:00pm by the evening's presentation. You are encouraged to bring your children, as BABYSITTING will be provided at <u>ALL</u> sessions, and we promise to wrap things up by 8:30pm. Cost is \$20 for all four sessions. Please call the church office to register at <u>410-661-1090 ext. 202</u>.

Adult Choir: The Saint Demetrios Adult Choir will begin the new Ecclesiastical Year by resuming their singing for the Divine Liturgy on Sunday, September 13th. The Choir is always looking for additional members. The first rehearsal will be held on Thursday, September 10th at 7:00pm in the music room. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!! So place these dates on your calendar and come and share in musical fellowship. For more information contact Jennie at jcocorosk@aol.com.

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.

Saint Demetrios Pre-School Spaghetti Dinner: The Saint Demetrios Pre-School will hold its 12th Annual Spaghetti Dinner on **Tuesday, September 15th** in the Hermes Rafailides Center. Spaghetti Dinners will be served from 6:00pm until 7:30pm. Ticket prices are as follows: Adults \$14, Adult double plate \$20, Children 10 to 14 \$8, Children 3-9 \$5, Carry-Outs (no salad) \$12. Bring all your family and friends and support our school!! For more information or to purchase/reserve tickets, call 410.661.1090 x204 or *pick up a flyer from the Narthex Table*.

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: It's hard to believe that summer is coming to an end. Schools have started and the days are getting shorter, fall is on its way. The Library has many books and DVD's to help the children with their homework, and Church school projects. Stop by and see what we have to offer. Do you have a couple of hours a month to volunteer? We would love for you to be a part of our winning team. No experience necessary. You get hands on training. Stop by and say hi; we would love to meet you.

Book / Knitting Club: The book & knitting club will be meeting on Tuesday, September 15th, 2015 from 9:00am until 12:00noon. 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.

Play Producer: Interested in becoming a producer for the Suburban Players? If so, please contact Demetrios or Rena Makres at 410-823-4805.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Labor Day ~ Office & Pre-School Closed, September 7th
Divine Liturgy ~ Holy Cross, September 14th at 10:00 am
Home School Co-Op, September 14th at 9:30 am
Book/Knitters Club, September 15th at 9:00 am
Pre-School Annual Spaghetti Dinner, Tuesday, September 15th
Festival Meeting, September 16th at 7:00 pm

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	\$323,834	\$241,590	462
2015	\$395,000	\$612,300	\$302,961	\$225,209	408

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Thursday, September 10 th Pastries, 8:00 am (K) Pastries, 8:00 GOYA Shake
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PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS



Calling all women of Saint Demetrios . . . Please join us for our "Welcome Back from Summer" meeting on Monday, September 14th, 2015 at 6:30pm in the Philoptochos Room with refreshments and door prizes, (babysitting will be available). We encourage everyone to bring their daughters, granddaughters, and friends to learn about our dynamic organization.



Philoptochos Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 8th at 6:30pm in the Philoptochos Room.



Thank you to everyone who donated to the Back-to-School supplies "Fill a Backpack" project. 50 Students benefited from your generosity. Philoptochos philanthropic sponsored projects such as this assists those in need throughout our community.



Save the Date - Thursday, September 17th, 11:30am - 1:00pm, Boscov's White Marsh Mall, 8200 Perry Hall Blvd, Baltimore, Maryland. Stephanie Apostolou, Chef & Owner of Tastefully Gourmet Catering, LTD, will present basics of Greek cooking, including how to handle phyllo

dough, how to stuff grape leaves and many other hints and tips. Learn by doing and tasting in this hands-on demonstration. Cost: \$5.00. Register at the White Marsh Boscov's Courtesy Desk or call the Courtesy Desk at 410-931-2005. All of the class recipes can be found in the book, Kali Orexi Book IV, the new cookbook from the Saint Demetrios Ladies Philoptochos Society. All proceeds from the sale fund the many Philoptochos philanthropic activities, including Beans and Bread, the Baltimore Rescue Mission, Ronald McDonald House, local public schools, and many more.

THE HELLENIC HERITAGE MUSEUM and ARCHIVES of MARYLAND, INC. ~ Sunday, October 11th, following Liturgy at the Annunciation Cathedral in Balto., the HHMAM Committee will host a free will coffee hour and a nearly new collectibles sale to benefit the works of the museum, in the Father Constantine M. Monios Hall at 12:30pm, everyone is invited to proceed to the AHEPA Room to view, free of charge, the extraordinary documentary film by *Maria Iliou*, "Smyrna: The Destruction of a Cosmopolitan City ~ 1900-1922." This documentary pays tribute to their world. Historians from the United States and Europe present the big picture while first, second and third generation Smyriots narrate personal stories from the years of cosmopolitanism to the time of the destruction. The film runs approximately 90 minutes. For more information, please call Anna Z. Pappas, 410.435.445.

Saint Andrew Orthodox Church 75th **Anniversary** ~ The parish of Saint Andrew Orthodox Church in Baltimore, Maryland is celebrating its 75th anniversary on **Saturday, October 24**th, **2015** with His Beatitude Metropolitan Tikhon and His Eminence Archbishop Michael. A full day of celebration is planned that includes a Hierarchical Divine Liturgy at St. Andrew in the morning, followed by a luncheon in our Fellowship Hall. We return to our church for Great Vespers in the late afternoon and complete our celebration with a dinner and banquet that evening in The National Aquarium in downtown Baltimore. All are invited to attend. For more information please contact the Church at 410.276.3422.

FESTIVAL CORNER

<u>Save the Dates:</u> 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.

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

<u>Festival Committee</u>: We are looking for volunteer help with several booths. Please contact Smaro Cook at <u>smaro.cook@wellsfargo.com</u> or 410-342-1000 as soon as possible. Thank you for any help you can provide. Our next committee meeting is **Wednesday**, **September 16**th at 7pm.

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.

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

2nd Annual Baklava 5k Run/Walk: Run/Walk with your friends to support the Saint Demetrios Greek Festival on **Saturday, September 26th at 8:00am.** Fees: \$25.00 pre-registration, \$30.00 day-of-race. Prizes awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd place. First 50 registrants/participants will receive a medal and a goodie bag. For more information or to register contact: Presvytera Alice 443.417.0975 or email at: anoplos@comcast.net or pick up a flyer from the Narthex table.

SAINT DEMETRIOS CHURCH SCHOOL



NEW CHURCH SCHOOL YEAR

(2015 - 2016)

*In-Person Registration: (Upstairs Main Hallway – Across Bridge)
Sunday, September 13, 2015 @ 9:55a.m. – 12:00p.m.

*NOTE: Parents who mailed or faxed a completed, signed Registration Form for the upcoming CS year to the Church office, do not have to come on this date.



Classes Begin: September 20, 2015 @ 9:50a.m.

Classes End: May 15, 2016

GRADE LEVELS

**PRE-SCHOOL (3 years old) through HIGH SCHOOL SENIOR (18 years old)

**Children under age three (3) by the class start date of the current year cannot be enrolled.

Orthodox Christian parents of Saint Demetrios Church, in good standing, may enroll their child(ren) into our Church School Ministry Program at no cost.

For more information, please contact: George Zaverdinos, Church School Director (410) 638-2637 / zavirag@verizon.net