

**October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

**6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke**

The **Epistle Reading** is Galatians 2:16-20. **The Gospel Reading** is Luke 8:27-39. These Readings may be found on pages 1330 & 1212 in the **Holy Bible** or on pages 98 & 102 in the **Divine Liturgy Book**.

**Today we remember:** Markianos and Martyrios the Notaries, Martyrs; Chrysaphos, Martyr; Chrysantho and Tabetha the Merciful, Martyrs.

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

- The Kosmas, Stamas & Trintis families *in honor & celebration of* their mother, grandmother and great grandmother, Maritsa Kosmas, on the occasion of her 90<sup>th</sup> birthday.

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

- Pete Karsos & Family *in loving memory of* mother and grandmother, Kyriaki Karsos, who fell asleep in the Lord 40-days ago. May her memory be eternal.
- Roula Passon-Paterakis *in loving memory of* her son, Pete. May his memory be eternal.
- Joanne & Gabriel Pantelides *in loving memory of* her brother, Phillip Arnas, Jr., who fell asleep in the Lord 40-days ago. May his memory be eternal.
- John Xecominos & Family *in loving memory of* wife, mother, grandmother, great grandmother and sister, Hoberta Xecominos. May her memory be eternal.
- Antonia Courtalis *in loving memory of* her daughter, Gina and her husband, Gus. May their memory be eternal.

**The Memorial Service** is being chanted today *in loving memory of* Kyriaki Karsos, who fell asleep in the Lord 40-days ago. May her memory be eternal.

**The Artoclasia** for our Great Vespers and Saint Demetrios Nameday Celebration is offered *for the health & welfare of* the entire Saint Demetrios Community and was prepared by Ritsa Economakis, Georgia Kerasiotes, Diamando Sarigianis and Maria Andreyev.

**The Altar Bread was prepared by:** Ritsa Economakis & Diamando Sarigianis.

**Flowers:** The baskets of flowers that adorn the Solea for our Great Vespers and Saint Demetrios Nameday Celebration have been donated by the following:

- Diamando Sarigianis *in honor of* her Grandson, James Nicholas Galanakis, on his Nameday.
- Maria Andreyev *for the health & welfare of* her family.
- Bob & Kitsa Padousis *for the health & welfare of* their family.
- Thorina Trintis *in loving memory of her husband*, Basilios “Bill” Trintis.
- Gus & Ritsa Economakis & Georgia *in loving memory of* their son and her brother, Chris Economakis.

**Saint Demetrios Icon:** The decorated Saint Demetrios Icon that adorns the Solea for our Great Vespers and Saint Demetrios Nameday Celebration has been donated by:

- Anna Moshonisiotis *for the health & welfare of* The Moshonisiotis Family.

**Flowers:** The flowers that adorn the tables in the Hermes Rafailides Center for the reception, in celebration of our Great Vespers and Saint Demetrios Nameday, sponsored by our Ladies of Philoptochos have been donated by the following:

- Basil & Margo Lambros *for God’s blessing for the health & welfare of* their mother, children and grandchildren.
- Angela Koutsoutis *for the continued good health of* the Ladies of Philoptochos.
- Jerry & Angie McQueeney *for God’s blessing for the health & welfare of* their children, nieces and their families.
- Irene Peltsems & Family *in loving memory of* the Peltsems & Filipidis Families and Jimmy Lekakis
- Andrew & Sophia Vendelis *in loving memory of* their parents, Emmanuel & Anastasia Maggelakis and Emanuel & Helen Vendelis and beloved sister, Cina Daskalakis.

**The Coffee Hour:** Coffee hour is sponsored by the Karsos Family and served by Marie Andreyev and Kitsa Padousis.

**The Coffee Hour:** Coffee hour following the Saint Demetrios Divine Liturgy on Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup> will be served by Ritsa Economakis & Diamando Sarigianis.

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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.**

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**Great Vespers & Divine Liturgy:** This evening, **Sunday, October 25<sup>th</sup>**, we will celebrate The Great Vespers for the Saint Demetrios Feast Day beginning at 6:00pm. The Philoptochos will be hosting coffee & a reception in the Hermes Rafailides Center following the Vespers. Please plan to attend.

**Make a Difference Day:** On **Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup>**, our Church School children in conjunction with the Ladies of Philoptochos will hold a **“Make a Difference Day.”** Instructions on this day will give children greater insight of Orthodox traditions and how offering their **Time, Talent & Treasure** makes a difference. To feed those less fortunate on Thanksgiving, children are asked to bring in **canned good items**. Following Divine Liturgy, a **bake sale** will be held in our fellowship hall and **monetary donations** are also welcomed. All proceeds will be donated towards **rebuilding** the St. Nicholas Church / Shrine at Ground Zero, NYC. **We humbly ask for the support and encouragement from all Church School parents & parishioners.**

**The Orthodox Christian Way:** The Orthodox Christian Way program concludes on October 27<sup>th</sup> with “Grief, Death, and Paradise,” a discussion on the Orthodox funeral service, and with a presentation entitled “Helping Ourselves and Others Who are Grieving” by Laurel Goodrick, MS, LCPC, NCC, CT, from Gilchrist Hospice Care's Grief Services Department. Ms. Goodrick has been employed as a Clinical Bereavement Counselor with Gilchrist Hospice Care since 2007, working with grieving individuals and families. She earned an M.S. degree in Pastoral Counseling from Loyola College in Maryland, is a Licensed Clinical Professional Counselor in the state of Maryland and holds the credential Certified in Thanatology from the Association for Death Education and Counseling. She is an experienced speaker on local, regional and national levels. During this talk, Ms. Goodrick will cover how to cope with losses and best support friends who are grieving. She will present what grieving people have found to be helpful and how to avoid saying or doing things that may be hurtful. The sessions begin with a light supper at 6:15 pm, followed promptly at 7:00 by a live presentation. You are encouraged to bring your children as **BABYSITTING** will be provided at ALL sessions, and we promise to wrap things up by 8:30 pm. Cost is \$20 for all four sessions. Please call the church office to register, 410-661-1090, or stop by the registration table after the Liturgy.

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

**Adult Choir:** The Choir is always looking for additional members; our rehearsals are held on Thursday's at 7:00pm. **NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY!!** For more information call Jennie at 410.256.2143.

**Suburban Players Are Back:** Dust off your vocal chords and shine up your shoes! Suburban Players announce **Auditions** for "*Wizard of Oz*" will be held on Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup> from 12pm to 3pm and Monday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 7pm to 9pm. Show dates are February 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, 2016. Come be a part of this fantastic musical. Bring your family and friends! We'd love to have you join us! For more information, please contact Demetri or Rena Makres at 410.823.4805.

**Unable to come to Church:** If you or someone you know is unable to come to Church, but would like to receive a weekly bulletin via mail. Please call the church office at 410.661.1090 or drop an email to [saintdemetrius@comcast.net](mailto:saintdemetrius@comcast.net) and we will gladly send you a bulletin.

**Saint Demetrios Christmas Card/Flower Donation** forms can be found on the Narthex table. The cost of sharing your good wishes in the Christmas card is \$20.00 per family. Donations for the flowers and decorations necessary to dress our Church for the season are needed as well. Please return the form to the church office by November 23<sup>rd</sup>. Checks should be made payable to: Saint Demetrios. **No orders for the card will be accepted by phone. No exceptions!**

**Saint Demetrios Pre-School Registration:** We are continuing to accept Registration Forms for the 2015-2016 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](mailto:sdpreschool@comcast.net).

**Greek School Registration: It isn't too late to register.** Kindergarten, 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> grades meet on Mondays and 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grades meet on Wednesdays. Stop by the Narthex Table to pick up the schedule and registration form(s), or complete the form(s) when you drop your children off for class.

**Youth Ministry:** Saint Demetrios Hope/Joy Halloween Event, Friday, Oct. 30<sup>th</sup>, 2015 from 6-8pm. Free, Fun, Food, Entertainment, Costumes welcome (Church Appropriate). Bring a decorated pumpkin for judging. RSVP to Kelly MacDonnell during Coffee Hour or email [kellymacdonnell@hotmail.com](mailto:kellymacdonnell@hotmail.com) by Oct. 19<sup>th</sup> to help with the head count. All children 0-12 welcome with an adult.

**GOYA:** Toys for Tots: Please help fill our Toys for Tots boxes for our Saint Demetrios annual toy drive for the U.S. Marines Toys for Tots Program. Please drop off new unopened and unwrapped toy(s) in our Toys for Tots boxes, which are located throughout the church. Last year, with your help, we collected and donated over 300 toys. Monetary contributions can be made to Saint Demetrios GOYA memo Toys for Tots. A representative from the U.S. Marines will be at our church on **Sunday, December 13<sup>th</sup>** to pick up all the toys.

**The Spirit:** If you have any news that you would like to share in "**The Spirit**" please send your news to the Church office via: e-mail at: [SaintDemetrius@comcast.net](mailto:SaintDemetrius@comcast.net), we will gladly add it in the next issue. **The deadline for all articles has been extended to October 26<sup>th</sup>.** This issue will cover all upcoming events from November to the end of December. In this newsletter, we would like to start an "Archives" column, we invite those who were involved and who can recall the efforts that went into beginning the church; that we now know as our Saint Demetrios Church to assist with getting our history out to the younger parishioners.

**Library News:** Saint Tabitha was always doing good work and acts of charity. Tabitha is a Syrian name and translated to Greek in Dorcas which means "Deer." Dorcas was a specialized weaver and manufactured tunics and garments that she would sell. Dorcas would give all the proceeds to the poor, widows and orphans. When the Apostle Peter was spreading the gospel, Dorcas fell ill and was ready for her burial. Peter was notified when he arrived and went to her room he was moved. He asked everyone to leave and knelt and prayed. He then said "Tabitha rise up." She was resurrected. Tabitha lived to a ripe old age doing good works and acts of charity. You can read about the many Saints by visiting our Library. Come and see what we have to offer. We can always use new people with some new ideas to join our library.

**Book / Knitting Club:** The Book and Knitting club will be meeting on **November 10<sup>th</sup>, 2015** at 9:00am - 12:00pm. The book of choice is to be determined. All are welcomed whether you knit, crochet, sew or just want to join in on some pleasant conversation.

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## 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.

Bags of old, tattered bills were being returned to the United States Treasure. A ONE DOLLAR BILL and a FIFTY DOLLAR BILL stuck up a conversation. \$50 dollar bill: "I went to many places ~ nice stores, good restaurants, clubs, exotic places. How about you? Where have you been?" The \$1 bill replied: "All I ever did was go to church." And the \$50 dollar bill asked: "What is a church?"

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## STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

	Budget Commitment	Goal ~ Total Operating Budget *	Total Commitments to Date	Collections to Date	# of Stewards
2014	\$392,000	\$693,000	\$332,395	\$278,443	471
2015	\$395,000	\$612,300	\$313,386	\$258,599	421

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

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Parish Council Executive Board Meeting ~ November 9<sup>th</sup> @ 6:30pm*  
*Stewardship Sunday & Steward of the Year ~ November 8<sup>th</sup>*  
*Divine Liturgy ~ St. John Chrysostom ~ November 13<sup>th</sup> @ 10:00 am*  
*Honoring Demetrakia Dancers ~ November 15<sup>th</sup>*  
*Thanksgiving Divine Liturgy ~ November 26<sup>th</sup>*

## PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS



**Paint Nite:** The Ladies Philoptochos is sponsoring a Paint Nite on **Friday, November 6<sup>th</sup>**. Food and drinks will be available. All painting supplies and instructions included. Join us for a fabulously fun evening. Tickets (\$45) for the event will be available during coffee hour or by calling Presvytera Alice at 410-817-9651 or Lisa Jones-Venetos at 410-529-9428



**Chapter Challenge ~ Computers Wanted! Chapter Challenge Project: Saint Demetrios Community:** Have you recently updated your computer equipment? Wondering what to do with your old equipment? Our landfills are overflowing with equipment that can be salvaged and refurbished and made available to those in need. Project Reboot in Rockville accepts donations of computer equipment and refurbishes this hardware for those on public assistance. The cost for a system to qualified customers is around \$45 for a complete desktop system, \$65 for a laptop. More than 13,000 systems have been distributed in this way. You can help us in our project to lessen the digital divide by donating your usable computer monitors, keyboards, CPU's, cords, hard drives, and mice. Laptops are especially desirable. Place your donations in the Philoptochos Green Bin near the bridge during regular weekly office hours and Sundays after the Liturgy. For more information on how you can help, contact Mary Triandafilou, 410.528.1589, or [mtrianda28@gmail.com](mailto:mtrianda28@gmail.com).



The Thanksgiving and Christmas season is right around the corner. The Ladies Philoptochos Society will be supporting our community near and far to the best of our abilities. Please consider saving unused travel hotel items to send to soldiers, shelters and elder care facilities. Nonperishable food items will also be needed so keep looking for those deals. If you see a great deal, please call and let us know as we will also be stuffing food baskets and stockings.

If you are a seamstress (novice, pro or just interested) and would like to participate please contact Lisa Jones Venetos @ 410-529-9428. Committee gathering will commence after the festival but ideas are always accepted!



THE Giving Tree

**Christmas Gift Giving.** One of our local schools that we support with back to school supplies has reached out to us for assistance during the Christmas holiday season. The social service committee of this Title One Howard County School that is also a "refugee school" for Burmese children has requested gift cards to Target and Wal-Mart in the amounts of \$5.00 or \$10.00 increments. The gift cards will be given to the children who are the most in need. If you are able to support this project, you can make a tax deductible monetary donation or write a check to Saint Demetrios Philoptochos and in the memo portion thereof write School Christmas Gift Card. Of course, you may also purchase the gift cards yourself. Stop by the Philoptochos Table during coffee hour for more information regarding this worthwhile endeavor.

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p><b><u>Monday, October 26<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Home School Co-Op, 9:30 am (C) <b><i>Divine Liturgy ~ St. Demetrios,</i></b> <b>10:00 am</b> Greek School, 4:30 pm (C) Sweet Adelines, (H/G)</p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday, October 28<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45 am (C) Greek School, 4:30pm (C) GOYA Basketball, 6:00 pm (H/G)</p>	<p><b><u>Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup></u></b> Hall Rental, 9:00 am Wizard of Oz Auditions, 12pm (M&amp;B)</p>
<p><b><u>Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) The Way, 6:15 pm (H/G)</p>	<p><b><u>Thursday, October 29<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45 am (C) Men's Basketball, 6:30 pm (H/G) Adult Choir, 7:00 pm (M)</p>	<p><b><u>Sunday, November 1<sup>st</sup></u></b> <b><i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke</i></b> <b><i>Orthros, 9:00 am</i></b> <b><i>Divine Liturgy, 10:00 am</i></b> <b><i>Philoptochos Sunday</i></b> Church School, 9:55am (C) Church School / Philoptochos <b><i>"Make a Difference Day"</i></b></p>
	<p><b><u>Friday, October 30<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45 am (C) Orthodox Studies, 9:30 am (B) Hope/Joy Halloween Event, 5:00 pm (H/G)</p>	

***SAVE THE DATE***

**OUR FAMOUS  
FALL FEST BINGO  
VERA BRADLEY BAGS,  
LONGABERGER BASKET &**



**SELLS OUT EVERY YEAR! GET YOUR TICKETS EARLY**



**HOSTED BY  
SAINT DEMETRIOS GOYA  
FRIDAY NOVEMBER 20<sup>TH</sup> AT 7:00PM**

**Doors open at 6:00 pm**  
Tickets \$15 in Advance or \$20 at the Door

To Reserve a Table Please Contact  
Paul Rizas [paulrizas\\_SaintDemetriosGoya@gmail.com](mailto:paulrizas_SaintDemetriosGoya@gmail.com) 410-365-1703

**THANK YOU FOR SUPPORTING OUR YOUTH GROUP!!**