The Epistle Reading is: II Timothy 4:5-8. The Gospel Reading is Mark 1-1:8. These Readings may be found on pages 1355 & 1180 in the Holy Bible or on pages 125-126 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

Today we remember: Pre-Theophany; Gordius, Martyr; Malachi the Prophet; Righteous Thomais.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- Thorina Trintis & Family ***in loving memory of*** her husband, their father & grandfather, Basilios (Bill) Trintis, on the occasion of his nameday.

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

- Roula Passon-Paterakis ***in loving memory of*** her son, Pete. May his memory be eternal.
- The Sorvalis Family ***in loving memory of*** mother, grandmother & great grandmother, Mary Sorvalis, who fell asleep in the Lord 3 years ago. May her memory be eternal.

The Altar Bread for today 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. The coffee hour will be served by: Ritsa Economakis, Diamando Sarigianas and Carolyn VanRoden.

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: Join us as we learn more about our Orthodox Faith on **Friday, January 8th at 9:30am** in the boardroom. For more information please contact Kate Cocoros at: 410.692.7590.

2016 Calendar: Today, Sunday, January 3rd, will be our final day distributing the 2016 Ecclesiastical Calendar to all Stewards of Saint Demetrios. The calendars are available after the Divine Liturgy during the coffee hour in the Hermes Rafailides Center. Please pick up your calendar so that we can reduce the amount of postage for sending them through the mail.

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.

Tickets are available for the Suburban Players 41st Production - ***"Wizard of Oz"*** Dates are February 19, 20, 21, 26, 27, 28, 2016. Tickets are $48/pp and we are excited to announce that we have added a Saturday matinee on February 20th for $20/pp at 11:00am 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 Demetri or Rena in the Hermes Rafailides Center after Divine Liturgy or call 410-823-4805 to purchase your ad. Deadline for all ads is **January 22, 2016.**

Suburban Players Committee Need Help: We are trimming dolmades leaves on **Wednesday, January 13th at 6pm** in the Church Kitchen. If you can help, please contact Rena Makres at 410.823.4805. Thank you!

Festival Chairperson: If anyone would like to chair our Annual Grecian Festival. Please send a letter of intent, explaining your qualifications to the Parish Council at saintdemetrios@comcast.net

Help Needed ~ Many hands are needed! We will be rolling Dolmades for the Suburban Players Dinner Theatre on **Saturday, January 16th, 2016 from 9:00am to 12:00pm**. If you would like to participate please contact Katherine Strakes at 410.828.4125.

Cemetery Cleaning: Please be advised that the cemetery will be cleared of all Christmas decorations the week ending **January 23rd.** 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.

The PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation's scholarships and educational programs are available to undergraduate students of Hellenic descent from all 50 United States. The Foundation provides recognition and financial assistance while also offering life-changing cultural and leadership programs. The PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation is proud to announce that it will again offer $250,000 in Awards to eligible Greek American undergraduate students, and is currently accepting applications. To download an application, please go to their website at: **http://panhellenicscholarships.org/apply.php**. The application deadline is **Monday, February 1st, 2016**. Please be sure to read the instructions and requirements very carefully.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pre-School Resumes ~ Monday, January 4th, 8:45am
Greek School Resumes ~ Monday, January 4th, 4:30pm
Pre-School Board Meeting ~ Monday, January 4th, 6:00pm
Sweet Adelines Resume ~ January 4th
Eve of the Feast of Epiphany & Blessing of the Waters ~ Tuesday, January 5th, 10:00am
Parish Council Executive Board Meeting ~ Tuesday, January 5th, 7:00pm
Feast of the Epiphany ~ Blessing of the Waters Divine Liturgy, Wednesday, January 6th, 10:00am
GOYA Basketball Resumes ~ Wednesday, January 6th
Feast of Saint John the Baptist Divine Liturgy, Thursday, January 7th, 10:00 am
Orthodox Studies Resumes ~ Friday, January 8th, 9:30am
Pre-School Chik-Fil-A Fundraiser, Joppa Road, Tuesday, January 12th, 5pm
Pre-School Brunch ~ Sunday, January 24th, 12:00pm

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.

Are you actively serving God, sharing Him with others? Do you worship regularly? Take a moment to evaluate your life in light of 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
2014	$392,000	$693,000	$346,446	$321,069	486
2015	$395,000	$612,300	$320,861	$299,568	425

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, January 4th
Pre-School, 8:45am (C)
Greek School, 4:30pm (C)
Pre-School
Board Mtg, 6:00pm (B)
Sweet Adelines (H/G)

Tuesday, January 5th
Pre-School, 8:45am (C)
Eve of the Feast of Ephphany
Divine Liturgy, 10:00 am
Parish Council Mtg., 7:00pm (B)
Goya Soccer, 6:00pm (H/G)
Play Rehearsal, 7:30pm (H/G)

Wednesday, January 6th
Pre-School, 8:45am (C)
Feast of the Epiphany
Divine Liturgy, 10:00am
Greek School, 4:30pm (C)
Goya Basketball (H/G)

Thursday, January 7th
Pre-School, 8:45am (C)
Saint John the Baptist
Divine Liturgy, 10:00am
Play Rehearsal, 7:00pm (H/G)

Friday, January 8th
Pre-School, 8:45am (C)
Orthodox Studies, 9:30am (B)
Men's Basketball, (H/G)

Saturday, January 9th
Play Rehearsal, 12:00pm (H/G)

Sunday, January 10th
Sunday after Theophany
Orthros, 9:00am
Divine Liturgy, 10:00am
Memorial Sunday
Church School, 9:55am
Vasilopita Bread Cutting /
Saint Basil Collection
Play Rehearsal, 2:00pm (H/G)

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Board Meeting: Tuesday, January 12th in the Philoptochos room at 6:30pm

General Meeting: Monday, January 18th in the Philoptochos room 6:30 to 8:00pm

Saint Nicholas Shrine: Our next report for the Saint Nicholas Shrine will be sent on **January 15th, 2016.** If you haven't already supported this worthy cause and celebration of Orthodoxy, here's another chance! Become a part of this historical undertaking.

Chapter Challenge: The Next Chapter Challenge meeting will be held in the Philoptochos Room on **Tuesday, January 12th at 5:30 pm** sharp. Everyone is welcome to join us as we discuss the next phase of our computer literacy/recycling project.

Feast of the Holy Theophany of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ

The Feast of the Holy Theophany (Epiphany) of our Lord God and Savior Jesus Christ is celebrated each year on January 6th. The Feast commemorates the Baptism of Christ and the divine revelation of the Holy Trinity. At the Baptism of Christ, all three Persons of the Holy Trinity ~ Father, Son and Holy Spirit ~ were made manifest. Thus, the name of the Feast is Epiphany, meaning manifestation, or Theophany, meaning manifestation of God.

To read the entire Biblical story of the Baptism of Christ, visit:
www.goarch.org/special/listen_learn_share/epiphany