

April 10, 2016

Sunday of Saint John Calimachus

The Epistle Reading is: Hebrews 6:13-20. The Gospel Reading is Mark 9:17-31. These Readings may be found on pages 1362 & 1189 in the Holy Bible or on page 141-143 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

Today we remember: Fourth Sunday in Lent, commemorating John Callimachus, author of “Steps of Virtue”; Retentions, Pompey, Africans, Maxims and their 36 companions, Martyrs; Alexander and his forty companions martyred with him; Gregory the Vetch, Patriarch of Constantinople, Holy martyr Gregory was hanged in his patriarchal vestments by the Turks on Easter, Sunday, April 4, 1821); Demos, Geometry.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- Anthe Papapavlou & Daughters, Maria & Chrisanthe *in loving memory of* husband & father, Pavlos Papapavlou, who fell asleep in the Lord 10 years ago. May his memory be eternal.

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

- Irene Peltsems & Family *in loving memory of* husband, father & grandfather, Parris Peltsems, who fell asleep in the Lord 10 years ago and father, grandfather & great grandfather, James Filipides, who fell asleep in the Lord 29 years ago. May their memory be eternal.
- Dimitra Zozos-Eleftheriou *in loving memory of* grandmother, Dimitra Skleres, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago; *in loving memory of* George Skleres, who fell asleep in the Lord 16 years ago; *in loving memory of* Ekaterina Zozos, who fell asleep in the Lord 17 years ago; *in loving memory of* Dimitri Zozos, who fell asleep in the Lord 20 years ago; Antoni Zozos, who fell asleep in the Lord 35 years ago; and Stella Eleftheriou, who fell asleep in the Lord 7 years ago. May their memory be eternal.
- The Apostolou & Angelos Families *in loving memory of* their mother & grandmother, Fannie Angelos, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May her memory be eternal.
- The Janssen Family *in loving memory of* mother & grandmother, Mary Lemberos, who fell asleep in the Lord 9 years ago and aunt, Catherine Magras, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May their memory be eternal.
- Roula Passon-Paterakis *in loving memory of* her son, Pete. May his memory be eternal.
- Jennie Kegel & Lisa Mitsos *for the health & welfare of* Joanne Mavromihalis.
- The Saint Demetrios Adult Choir *in loving memory of* those who have served in the choir over the years and have fallen asleep in the Lord. We thank them for sharing their time and talents, their dedication, and their guidance throughout the years for the Glory of God. Today we sing to honor them. May their memory be eternal.

40-Day Blessings Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rybny, will present their 2nd child, a daughter, for the traditional 40-day blessing.

Memorial Service: The memorial service is being chanted today *in loving memory of* Parris Peltsems, James Filipides, Dimitra Skleres, George Skleres, Ekaterina Zozos, Dimitri Zozos, Antoni Zozos, Stella Eleftherious, Fannie Angelos, Cathereine Magras, Mary Lemberos, Constantine (Gus) Alexion, Presvytera Anna Gallos, Thomas Hagepanos, Anna Lozos, Edith Makres, Steve Makres, Petro Mavromihalis, Plato “Tom” Pappas, Pauline Prevas and Cleopatra Stamidis. May their memory be eternal.

The Altar Bread was prepared by Anthi Papapavlou.

Coffee Hour: Coffee hour is sponsored today by the families of Parris Peltsems, Fannie Angelos & Dimitra Skleres in their memory. It will be served by the Ladies of Philoptochos.

Flowers for the Virgin Mary: The basket of flowers gracing the Icon of the Virgin Mary for the Salutations to the Theotokos was donated by Mr. & Mrs. George Lambros & Family *in loving memory of* their parents and grandparents and *for the health & welfare of* their family.

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

Akathyst Hymn to the Most Holy Theotokos: This Friday, **April 15th**, we will be singing praises to the Virgin Mary at the fifth and final Salutations titled the **Akathyst Hymn**. The service will begin at 7:00pm in the church. This is a beautiful service and all are encouraged to attend.

Holy Week Books: Are available for purchase for \$30.00. Please stop by the church office or see a Parish Council member on Sunday. Holy Week Schedules are available on the Narthex table. Please mark your calendars and make plans to attend. Philoptochos Easter Flower Donations may be dropped off in the white basket on the Narthex table and the Easter Offering envelopes may be given to a Parish Council member at the Pangari or dropped off at the church office.

Palm Making: Please plan to join us on Saturday, April 23rd, directly after the 10:00am Divine Liturgy (**Lazarus Saturday**), for Palm Making in the Hermes Rafailides Center. All are invited to attend and lunch will be provided.

Orthodox Studies: During this Lenten season make your spiritual journey more meaningful; learn more about your Orthodox Faith! Join us on Friday, April 15th at 9:30am in the board room. For more information contact Kate Cocoros at 410.692.7590.

Visiting our Parish Today? We pray that your visit here will be uplifting. Welcome cards can be found at the Pangari (candle stand). Please fill the cards out and return them to one of our Parish Council members after today’s Divine Liturgy. Also, please join us at the Coffee Hour downstairs in the Hermes Rafailides Center after the liturgy. At Saint Demetrios we don’t pass trays every Sunday. We ask that stewards include tray contributions in their annual commitment. For the convenience of visitors, a pink envelope is provided in the pews if you wish to contribute to our parish.

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.

CYC Camp 2016: Campers and Volunteers wanted!! Save the date: July 18th-22nd, 2016, at scenic Camp Wo.Me.To in Jarresttsville, Md. Day Camp will be held on Thursday, July 21st, 2016 for children ages 5-7. For more information, contact Kate Cocoros at 443-564-6618 / painterkate@zoominternet.net.

The Book and Knitting Club will meet on Tuesday, April 12th, 2016 at 9:00am. The book of choice is Orphan # 8 by *Kim van Alkemade*. All is welcomed whether you knit, crochet, embroider or sew. We are a fun group and we look forward to meeting you.

Calling all kids ~ the Library is sponsoring a jelly bean guessing contest! Come and see our giant jar of jelly beans and guess how many there are in it. The closest guessers will win a prize. EVERYONE is a winner when you check out books and DVD’s from our library. We have more books than we do jelly beans and there is a special one just for you. Let us help you find the one that will become your favorite. Contest ends April 17th and winners will be called after that. Stop in today!!

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE OF THE WEEK:

“TIME ~ TALENT ~ TREASURE”

As part of our Stewardship Program at Saint Demetrios we don't pass trays. Stewardship commitment cards and envelopes are available at the pangari.

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
2015	\$395,000	\$612,300	\$273,924	\$120,163	347
2016	\$375,000	\$579,300	\$253,389	\$108,069	309

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p>Monday, April 11th Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Home School, 9:00am (C) Greek School, 4:30pm (C) Sweet Adelines (H/G)</p> <p>Tuesday, April 12th Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Pre-School Mother's Tea, 6:30pm (H/G)</p>	<p>Wednesday, April 13th Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Greek School, 4:30pm (C) 5th Pre-Sanctified Liturgy, 6:00pm GOYA Basketball, 7:00pm (H/G)</p> <p>Thursday, April 14th Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Adult Choir, 7:00pm (M) Men's Basketball 6:00 PM (H/G)</p> <p>Friday, April 15th Pre-School 8:45 AM Orthodox Studies, 9:30am (B) Akathyst Hymn, 7:00pm</p>	<p>Saturday, April 16th GOYA Boys Basketball, 11:30am (H/G) Hall Rental, 3:00pm (H/G)</p> <p>Sunday, April 17th <i>Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt</i> Orthros, 9:00am Divine Liturgy, 10:00am Church School, 9:55am Pre-School Pancake Breakfast</p>
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*In order to provide meeting space for all ministries, please take notice as to where your ministry is scheduled to meet within the facility.

Library News: St. John Climacus is celebrated on March 30th. He is celebrated today because of his book The Divine Ladder of the Ascent. John was surnamed Climacus “the ladder” because of his book. His book teaches the seeker after salvation how to lay a sound foundation. The Christian gradually ascends the heights of spiritual perfection in thirty steps. We are human there are many temptations and diversions from the path of Christianity. his book will help us with the diversions set by Satan and help us find virtues and Godlike piety. You can read about St. John and many other saints by visiting our library. We have books to guide you through Lent. We also have DVD's and Lenten Cookbooks. A lot of children books and young adult books too!

SCHOLARSHIP CORNER

Scholarships: Anyone interested in endowing an academic scholarship at Saint Demetrios, please contact the Church Office at [410.661.1090](tel:410.661.1090) x202 or saintdemetrios@comcast.net. If you have a 2.5 GPA or higher and wish to apply for a 2016 scholarship, application packets are now available on the table in the Church Narthex. **PLEASE NOTE:** A high school/college transcript, letter of acceptance/of good standing, and recommendations from the Parish Priest and **two faculty members under whom you have studied** must be included. **NO OTHER** letters of recommendation will be accepted. All applications must be postmarked or hand delivered to the Church office by June 6, 2016. Scholarship recipients will be determined by July 1, 2016 and scholarships will be presented after the Divine Liturgy on Sunday, August 7, 2016. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

Order of AHEPA ~ Lord Baltimore #364: College Scholarship Applications for the Academic Year 2016-2017 are now available. Stop by the Narthex table and pick up an application. The application must be post-marked no later than May 1st, 2016.

FESTIVAL CORNER

Anyone who is interested in assisting with our Annual Grecian Festival, please join us on **Monday, April 11th** at 7:00pm in the Philoptochos room. This meeting is open to the entire community and we need your input. For more information, please contact Cathy Xanthakos at 443.952.3576.

Saint Demetrios Pre-School Pancake Brunch

Sunday, April 17, 2016

(following Divine Liturgy)

\$5.00 / per person

Bagels

Pancakes

Eggs

Cinnamon Apples

Juice / Coffee



For more information about our school, for an application, and/or to

Visit during our Open House ~ April 17th – 22nd

Please contact: Betty Boteler, Director

410.661.1090 ext. 204 / sdpreschool@comcast.net

or visit <http://www.stdemetriosmd.org>

An outstanding Early Education Program in a secure Christian Environment

~ All proceeds benefit Saint Demetrios Pre-School. Please come support our children ~

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Philoptochos Board Meeting: Tuesday, April 12th at 6:30pm

Philoptochos General Meeting: Monday, April 18th at 6:30-8:00pm

Special guests at the April 18th Philoptochos General Meeting: Please join us to hear how our Chapter Challenge project, "Bridging the Digital Divide" is helping poor families in the Baltimore area. Ms. Rachael Neill, director of GEDCO Cares at St. Mary's Church in Baltimore and Ms. Suzanne Lawson, Project Director, Senior Community Service Employment Program, Family and Children's Services in Baltimore will join us to share their mission and how we are greatly improving the lives of their clients. Their testimony and that of their clients will make you proud.

The Philoptochos ladies are busy as ever! To see everything what we're currently involved in, please visit our bulletin board downstairs, located next to the Philoptochos room.

We invite you to become a Philoptochos Member or Associate Member (for the men in our community)

- ~ Pick up a Membership Form at the Narthex Table and return it to the church office. Attention 'Philoptochos Membership' on the envelope.
- ~ Remember that \$22 of your donation will be sent to National and Metropolis, the rest will be used to support the various local charity projects.
- ~ For more information contact the Membership Committee, Elaine Sackleh 410.472.3458.

Easter Bread: Order your Easter Bread during coffee hour starting this week. Pick up for your Easter Bread order will be on Sunday, April 17th. Please call Georgia Kerasiotes 410.821.9545 or Dottie Ganer at 410-866-7336 to order your breads or if you can help with the baking which will be on Thursday April 14th starting at 8:00am.

Easter Candy: The Philoptochos Easter Candy Sale is now underway. Order your Easter candy now! Your candy will be guaranteed fresh! Delivery dates are April 17th and April 24th for pre-orders. See Presvytera Alice at coffee hour after Liturgy to order.

Bingo: A Big Fat Greek Bingo Night....Join us on Friday, May 6th (doors open at 6pm) for a fun evening and win great prizes such as Vera Bradley, Longaberger Baskets, Ravens items and much more. Refreshments will be available. Tickets are \$15.00 in advance or \$20.00 at the door. Proceeds benefit the many charities of the Ladies Philoptochos Society. See Mary Tsakiris during coffee hour to purchase your tickets. You may also call her at 410-245-1291.

Chapter Challenge/Project Reboot: If you have a business or work for a business that may be doing a computer upgrade, please ask if the retired equipment could be donated to our cause. We take laptops, CPU's, flat screen monitors, printers, speakers, and power cords. All of these donations will make a difference in the lives of those in need. Thank you for helping us help others! Call Mary Triandafilou, 410-528-1589, or mtrianda28@gmail.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

5th Pre-Sanctified Liturgy ~ April 13th @ 6:00pm
The Akathyst Hymn ~ April 15th @ 7:00pm
Pre-School Pancake Breakfast ~ April 17th following Divine Liturgy
Saturday of Lazarus ~ April 23rd @ 10:00am
Palm Sunday ~ April 24th @ 10:00am

Saint Demetrios Ladies Philoptochos
presents

A Big Fat Greek Bingo Night

To Benefit the many charities of the Philoptochos
including Beans & Bread, Ronald McDonald
House, local school children & families in need

Friday, May 6th, 2016
St. Demetrios Hermes Rafailides Center
2504 Cub Hill Road
Baltimore, Maryland 21234

Tickets: \$15 in advance
\$20 at the door
Doors 6pm; First game at 7pm

Refreshments will be available
Extra cards and special games will be available

FOR TICKETS:
Please call Mary 410.245.1291
or the church office 410.661.1090

Join us for a fun evening and win great prizes for all
(Vera Bradley, Longaberger and more!!)



The Annunciation Senior Center

Invites you to a

“Caregiver Breakfast Seminar”

Saturday, April 16th from 10:00am – 12:00pm ~ Annunciation Orthodox Center

As a caregiver where do you find support to learn how to stay healthy, manage stress, juggle work and care giving and address financials?

With the right help and support, you can be an effective, loving caregiver without having to sacrifice yourself in the process.

Dr. Kostas Lykens's and Mr. Paul Bridge will provide information and lead a Q&A session.

For additional information contact Gus Strata is, gus@mjbrown.com