July 3, 2016 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Matthew

**The Epistle Reading is:** Roman 2:10-16. The Gospel Reading is Matthew 4:18-23. These Readings may be found on pages 1295 & 1149 in the Holy Bible or on pages 66-67 in the Divine Liturgy Book. The Apolitikion for today can be found on page 80 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 62-27.

**Today we remember:** Martyr Hayacinth Theodote, Martyr; Anatolios, Patriarch of Constantinople; Righteous Neomartyr Gerasimos the Younger; Righteous Ioakeim of Notena.

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

• Pete, Joanna, Anthony, Maria & Deanie Beleos *in loving memory of* father & grandfather, Panagiotis A. Makris, who fell asleep in the Lord 16 years ago. May his memory be eternal.

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

- Vasiliki Makris *in loving memory of* her husband, Panagiotis A. Makris, who fell asleep in the Lord 16 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Antonia Courtalis & Family *in loving memory of* husband, father & grandfather, Gus Courtalis, who fell asleep in the Lord 13 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Antonia Courtalis *in loving memory of* her father-in-law, Nicholas Courtalis, who fell asleep in the Lord 28 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Mr. & Mrs. Elias Rallis *in loving memory of* her brother, Panagiotis Makris, who fell asleep in the Lord 16 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Mr. & Mrs. Elias Rallis *in loving memory of* their son, Anastasios, who fell asleep in the Lord 2 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Mr. Tony Rallis & his children, Maria & Jannette *in loving memory of* brother & uncle, Anastasios Rallis, who fell asleep in the Lord 2 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Roula Passon-Paterakis *in loving memory of* her son, Pete. May his memory be eternal.

#### The Altar Bread was prepared by: Mary Tsakiris

**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.

**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.

**Congregational Singing:** Today, we continue our Congregational Singing during the Divine Liturgy and we will continue until September. 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."

Fourth of July Observation: The office will be closed on Monday, July 4<sup>th</sup> to observe the Fourth of July.

**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.

Saint Nicholas Shrine at Ground Zero: We have had a great beginning, as of today we have collected \$5,795, towards our committed gift of \$10,000 for the re-building of Saint Nicholas Shrine at Ground Zero. We are appealing to each family of our parish to give a gift of \$50. *If you are unable to gift the \$50, any amount to help us reach our goal is appreciated.* Please consider joining us in assisting our sister church. Make your check payable to Saint Demetrios, memo it as "SNS" and return in the enclosed self-addressed envelope or bring it to the church. We thank you for helping to re-build the only church that was destroyed on 9/11.

**Saint Demetrios Pre-School Registration**: We are accepting Registration Forms for the 2016-2017 School Year, for the Saint Demetrios Pre-School (ages 2 & 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 us via phone: 410.661.1090 x204 or email: <a href="mailto:sdpreschool@comcast.net">sdpreschool@comcast.net</a>.

Camp Good Shepherd Chesapeake Bay (formerly CYC): Will take place <u>July 18<sup>th</sup>-22<sup>nd</sup></u> at scenic Camp-Wo-Me-To in Jarrettsville, MD., additionally, Day Camp will be held on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>July 21<sup>st</sup></u> for children between the ages of 5-7. Register online at goannun.org., click on 2016 Summer Camp. Don't delay space is limited & camp fills up quickly! For more information, pick-up a flier from the Narthex table or contact Kate Cocoros at 443.564.6618 / <u>painterkateart@gmail.com</u>.

**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 16<sup>th</sup> & Wednesday, August 17<sup>th</sup> from 9:00am until 12:00 noon.** Join Jennie Kegel and Tina Pedrick for mornings of Orthodox Fellowship. This Music Ministry event is free to all. More information and registration sheets to come!

Call for Associate Producers: Have you ever considered getting more involved in the life of our Saint Demetrios parish? Here's your opportunity to become an Associate Producer for the Suburban Players 2017 production of Beauty and the Beast. This call is placed in consideration of all Parish members and their talents to ensure the longevity of this long-standing and successful fund-raiser. The Associate Producer(s) will assist and learn the role to transition to Producer for future productions. Please contact the Church Office (410-661-1090) and ask to speak with Father Lou.

The Book & Knitting Club will be meeting on Tuesday July 12<sup>th</sup>, 2016 at 9:00am - 12:00 pm at Mary Tsakiris' house. If you would like to join us just give me a call at 410-245-1291 for directions. All are welcomed whether you knit, crochet, sew or just like some nice conversation. The book of choice is *The Life We Bury by Allen Eskens*.

Library News: Taking a trip to Greece this summer want to see where the interesting places are to visit? Stop by the library and check out a book or a CD. We have a lot of books and CD's that will help guide you. Want to take a good book on vacation so you can do some summer reading while you are basking in the sun. We have books that have been recommended by the Book and Knitting Club. Some of the books are The Last Christian, The Harbinger, The Yellow Crocus, The Shack, The First Phone Call From Heaven, Proof of Heaven and many more. We have something for everyone of all ages. We would like to thank all the children who participated in the Summer Reading Program but if you did not complete your reading it is not too late to come to the library and check out some books or finish your books and bring your completed list and collect your prize. I would like to thank Mary Triandafilou for donating her time, experience in keeping the children interested in their visit to the library. I would also like to thank Kelly MacDonnell for organizing this fun and wonderful event. The library will be opened on the Second and Last Sunday of July and August. If you need to visit the library when we are closed please don't hesitate to call Mary Tsakiris 410-245-1291 and I will be happy to accommodate you. If you would like to donate some time we are always looking for volunteers.

#### **SCHOLARSHIP CORNER**

**Scholarship Sunday:** Please make plans to join us on *Sunday*, *August 7<sup>th</sup>*, *2016* as we honor our Scholarship recipients. We wish to thank all scholarship donors and ask God to bless them for their generosity.

**The Ladies Panchian Society "Chios"** is offering scholarships. If you are interested in applying, please pick up a scholarship packet from the Narthex Table. Please be advised that the deadline for accepting applications is **Friday**, **July 8<sup>th</sup>**, **2016**. The scholarships will be awarded on **July 17<sup>th</sup>**, **2016** at Saints Mary Magdalene & Markella. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Perdika Stroumbis 410.327.8234.

**United Chios Societies of Baltimore Scholarship:** For over 50 years the United Chios Societies of Baltimore have awarded scholarships to young people within our community. Selection is determined by scholastic achievement and financial need. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply regardless of church affiliation or regional heritage. Stop by the Narthex table and pick-up an application. Application deadline is **July 17**th, **2016.** 

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Clergy-Laity (Nashville) ~ July 2<sup>nd</sup> – July 8<sup>th</sup>

Memorial Sunday ~ July 10<sup>th</sup>

Book / Knitting Club ~ July 12<sup>th</sup>

Parish Council Meeting ~ July 12<sup>th</sup>

GOYA Basketball ~ July 13<sup>th</sup>

Men's Basketball ~ July 14<sup>th</sup>

Scholarship Sunday ~ August 7<sup>th</sup>

A Journey through Worship Music & Iconography ~ August 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup>

#### PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

**FAMILY NIGHT AT CAMDEN YARDS:** Join us in the St Demetrio's Section on <u>August 19<sup>th</sup></u> to watch the Orioles take on the Houston Astros. Stay in your seat afterwards for a spectacular fireworks display that is included in our ticket price. Our seats are great for both the game and the fireworks. Section 66 in the lower level, each ticket is \$33. Please contact Lisa Jones Venetos (410-529-9428) to reserve your seats Before <u>July 25<sup>th</sup></u> to ensure you are with the group!

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 all weekend, Friday, August 26<sup>th</sup> through Sunday, August 28<sup>th</sup> at each Macy store. You'll receive 25% off\* on regular, sale and clearance merchandise, including designer brands, usually excluded 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 \$2,000 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.

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 August, just a few short months away. A sample of supplies needed: 60 Backpacks; pocket folders - red, blue; black marble composition notebooks; loose leaf paper; rulers; #2 pencils and pencil cap erasers; colored pencils; 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 list of supplies needed is available on the Narthex table or contact Elaine Sackleh, 410.472.3458 or Lisa Jones Venetos (410-529-9428). We ask you drop off your school supply donations throughout the summer to the Philoptochos Blue Bin in the church building. Monetary donations are also being accepted to purchase needed supplies. Mail check to the church and make checks payable to Philoptochos, Attention: Elaine/Backpack Project and note on the check memo line 'backpack program'.

**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, keyboards, mice, 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.

#### **FESTIVAL CORNER**

<u>Save the Dates:</u> Saint Demetrios' Greek Festival is just around the corner ~ <u>September 22<sup>nd</sup>, 23<sup>rd</sup>, 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. Please mark your calendars.</u>

**Father's Attic:** We are accepting donations for Father's Attic. All donations can be placed in the stairwell of the narthex in the educational building, please drop off your donations **Monday thru Friday between 9:00 am & 3:00 pm.** 

# STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE OF THE WEEK: "TIME ~ TALENT ~ TREASURE"

In every liturgy God brings words of eternal life through the Scripture readings and the sermon. Through the Sacrament of Communion, He comes to be born again and again in the shabby stables of our hearts. He comes through prayer, through the many ministries of His church. It is by offering our blessings **back** to God that He will be able to continue His forgiving, healing, liberating, transfiguring ministry through the Church.

#### STEWARDSHIP STATISTICS

	Budget Commitment	Goal ~ Total Operating Budget *	Total Commitments to Date	Collections to Date	# of Stewards
2015	\$395,000	\$612,300	\$292,309	\$186,130	389
2016	\$375,000	\$579,300	\$296,884	\$192,842	385

<sup>\*</sup>In order to provide meeting space for all ministries, please take notice as to where your ministry is scheduled to meet within the facility.

#### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Monday, July 4th	Thursday, July 7th	
4 <sup>th</sup> of July	Clergy Laity (Nashville)	
Office Closed	Men's Basketball, 6:30pm (H/G)	
Clergy Laity (Nashville)		
	Friday, July 8 <sup>th</sup>	
Tuesday, July 5 <sup>th</sup>	Clergy Laity (Nashville)	
Clergy Laity (Nashville)		
	Sunday, July 10 <sup>th</sup>	
Wednesday, July 6 <sup>th</sup>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Matthew	
Clergy Laity (Nashville)	Orthros, 9:00am	
GOYA Basketball, 6:00pm (H/G)	Divine Liturgy, 10:00am	
	Memorial Sunday	

27<sup>th</sup> Annual Greek Festival: St. George Greek Orthodox Church in Ocean City, Maryland will be hosting their 27<sup>th</sup> Annual Greek Festival the weekend of **July 29<sup>th</sup> – August 1<sup>st</sup>** at the beautiful Roland E. Powell Convention Center, 41<sup>st</sup> & Coastal Highway. Fun for the whole family ~ All your favorite Greek Dishes & Desserts. Live Greek Music by The Golden Flames and don't miss the Folk Dancing Performances. So, if you are in Ocean City stop on by, we'd love to see you. For more information, please visit our website at: http://www.stgeorgebythesea.org/greek-festival.

### PROPER CHURCH ETIQUETTE

Probably the most important duty that we each have as worshippers attending church Services is to do all that is in our power to see that a proper decorum and atmosphere is maintained so that all of the congregation is able to pray sincerely, peacefully and meaningfully.

It is with this fact in mind that we set forth the following guidelines:

Upon entering the Church, at all times, but especially during Services, an individual should remember that he or she is in the *House of God.* Reverence and good manners are required so as not to disturb those who are already engaged in prayer, but, even more important, as an expression of sincere faith and awareness of the presence of the Lord. No irrelevant conversations should take place, either in the *Narthex* or in any other part of the Church.

There are various parts of the Service during which no one should be moving about. Wherever a person happens to be at these moments, he or she should stop and stand reverently, until the proper time to proceed. These parts of the Service are:

- 1. During the Procession of the Priest & the Altar Boys with the Holy Gospel.
- 2. During the reading of the EPISTLE and the GOSPEL.
- 3. During the Cherubic Hymn & the Procession of the Priest & the Altar Boys with the Holy Gifts.
- 4. During the recitation of the CREED (in which the whole Congregation should participate).
- During the Lord's Prayer (in which the Congregation should participate).
- 6. During the Se Ymnoumen & the prayers of the Consecration of the Holy Gifts.
- 7. During Holy Communion.
- 8. During the SERMON.
- 9. During the Dismissal Prayer.
- 10. During any special Services (Memorial Services, Processions, Prayers)
- 11. During distribution of the Antidoron.

One basic rule to follow is that, whenever the Priest is outside of the Altar either with the Censer of giving the Blessing, everyone should stand wherever they are.

According to actual Church Service procedures, each & every member of the Congregation is required to be seated in the pews at the beginning of the Service. It is only by leniency that anyone is allowed to enter the Church once the Services have begun. Thus this behooves us not to take undue advantage of his leniency.

Please remember that the Parish Council members are required to see to the order during Services, and everyone should follow their directions at all times.