

August 28, 2016

10th Sunday of Matthew

The Epistle Reading is: I Corinthians 4:9-16. The Gospel Reading is Matthew 17:14-23. These Readings may be found on pages 1310 & 1165 in the Holy Bible or on pages 79-80 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 62-67.

Today we remember: Righteous Moses of Ethiopia; Diomedes, Damon, and Lavrentios, Martyrs.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- Manuel & Maria Antonakas & Family *in loving memory of* their parents, grandparents & great grandparents, Antigone, who fell asleep in the Lord 8 years ago, and Peter Chekouras-Wood, who fell asleep in the Lord 44 years ago. May their memories be eternal.

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

- Stephen & Chrisoula Kucharski *in honor of* Albert Freeburger, on the occasion of his Chrismation.
- Tom & Smaro Cook *for the health & welfare of* their children, Tom, Elena & Andrew.
- Martha Sinis & Family; Barbara Miller & the children & grandchildren of Aris Kalothis, *in loving memory of* their brother, uncle, father & grandfather, Aris Kalothis, who fell asleep in the Lord 3 months ago, in Nafplion, Greece.
- Roula Passon-Paterakis *in loving memory of* her son, Pete. May his memory be eternal.

Chrismation: Please join us as we welcome Albert Freeburger to our Orthodox family. Pray that God continues to look over him.

The Altar Bread was prepared by: Ritsa Economakis.

Coffee Hour: The Coffee Hour is sponsored today by Stephen & Chrisoula Kucharski *in honor of* Albert Freeburger, as he celebrates his Chrismation into the Orthodox Faith. The Ladies of Philoptochos will be serving coffee.

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 on **October 7th, 2016**. See you in Church! For more information, contact Kate 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.

Adult Choir: The Saint Demetrios Adult Choir will begin the new Ecclesiastical Year by resuming their singing for the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, September 11th**. The Choir is always looking for additional members. The first rehearsal will be held on **Thursday, September 8th 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.

Church School Registration: Will be held on **Sunday, September 11th** from 9:55am – 12:00pm in the Church's main hallway. Registration forms can be found on the Narthex Table. Church School classes will begin on **Sunday, September 18th** at 9:55am.

Saint Nicholas Shrine at Ground Zero: We have had a great beginning, as of today we have collected **\$6,495**, 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 \$50, any amount to help us reach our goal is appreciate and tax-deductible.*** Please consider joining us in assisting our sister church. Make your check payable to: Saint Demetrios, memo it as "SNS" and return it to the church. We thank you for helping to re-build the only church that was destroyed on 9/11.

Greek School Registration: Our Greek School Classes ~ After School Program Schedule for the 2016-2017 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.

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: sdpreschool@comcast.net.

Saint Demetrios Pre-School Spaghetti Dinner: The Saint Demetrios Pre-School will hold its 13th Annual Spaghetti Dinner on **Tuesday, August 30th** 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.***

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.

The Book & Knitting Club will be meeting on **Tuesday September 13th, 2016** at 9:00 am - 12:00 pm All are welcomed whether you knit, crochet, sew or just want some nice conversation.

The Hellenic Heritage Museum & Archives of Maryland, Inc. is planning a bus tour to see the blockbuster exhibition ~ **THE GREEKS: AGAMEMNON to ALEXANDER THE GREAT** at the National Geographic Museum in Washington, D.C., on **Saturday, September 17th, 2016**. The price is \$75.00 per person, includes the fees for the bus, museum entry, special guided tour by a docent and lunch at a D.C. restaurant. Leaving from the Annunciation Cathedral North Parking Lot, 9:00am and return approximately 4:30pm. Make checks payable to "**HHMAM**" and mail to: Stacy Kosmides, 11936 Mays Chapel Road, Timonium, MD. 21093. Contact Stacy at 410.560.1095 for more information.

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

Philoptochos General Meeting ~ Monday, September 12th, at 6:30pm ~ Due to the festival using the Philoptochos room our meeting will be upstairs in the Art Room.

CALLING ALL WOMEN OF ALL AGES FROM SAINT DEMETRIOS!! Please join us for the first Philoptochos general meeting of the new ecclesiastical year. **WE WELCOME NEW AND RETURNING MEMBERS** to join us as we continue our good works to be “friends of the poor”. Come and share your ideas. Light refreshments will be served. Childcare is available by calling Presvytera Alice at 410-817-9651 before **September 10th**.

Back to School Supplies: A big, “Thank You” to everyone who donated to the Back-to-School project. With your help and generosity, we were able to donate 60 backpacks along with all the needed supplies. Also thank you to Kelly and Sophia for all their help organizing the distribution in Elaine’s absence. We wish Elaine a speedy recovery.

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

Save the Dates: Saint Demetrios’ Greek Festival 2016 is just around the corner ~ **September 22nd, 23rd, 24th & 25th**. Please mark your calendars.

Festival Committee: Our festival meetings will be on **Wednesday, September 7th and Wednesday, September 14th**, beginning at 7:00 - 8:30pm.

Festival Ad Book: Make your business shine with ad Ad in the Greek Festival Ad Book. To place an Ad in this year’s book, please contact Amanda Albright at avlangas@gmail.com.

Contact People: Festival Chair: Cathy Xanthakos 410.952.3576; **Kitchen Help:** Manuel Vendelis, 410.409.3047; **Festival Ad Book:** Amanda Albright avlangas@gmail.com.

Volunteers: We are always looking for volunteers. See Cathy Xanthakos at Coffee Hour or call her at 410.952.357

Father’s Attic: We are accepting donations for Father’s Attic. All donations can be placed in the Philoptochos room, please drop off your donations **Monday thru Friday between 9:00 am & 3:00 pm.**

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! Saint Demetrios will be kicking off their Festival weekend with “Greeks Got Talent!” All acts and ages are welcomed and encouraged to participate. 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 2016 Saint Demetrios Greek Festival right! For additional information and to sign up please email Irene Giannaros at igiannaros@aol.com.

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	\$299,976	\$216,624	403
2016	\$375,000	\$579,300	\$305,688	\$229,445	400

*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

<u>Monday, August 29th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am Sweet Adelines	<u>Wednesday, August 31st</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) GOYA Basketball, 6:00pm (H/G)	<u>Friday, September 2nd</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C)
<u>Tuesday, August 30th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am Pre-School Spaghetti Dinner, 6:00pm (H/G/K) The Way Committee Mtg., 6:30pm (B)	<u>Thursday, September 1st</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Men’s Basketball, 6:30pm (H/G)	<u>Sunday, September 4th</u> 11th Sunday of Matthew Orthros, 9:00am Divine Liturgy, 10:00am

UPCOMING EVENTS

Pre-School Spaghetti Dinner ~ August 30th at 6:00pm
The Way Committee Meeting ~ August 30th @ 6:30pm
Labor Day ~ September 5th ~ Office & Pre-School Closed
Parish Council Meeting ~ September 6th @ 7:00pm
Adult Choir Rehearsal ~ September 8th @ 7:00pm
GOYA Shake-Up ~ September 10th
Home |School Co-Op (1st day) ~ September 12th @ 9:30am
Philoptochos General Meeting ~ September 12th @ 6:30pm (in the Art Room)
Book / Knitters Club ~ September 13th @ 9:00am (L)
Exaltation of the Holy Cross Divine Liturgy ~ September 14th at 10:00am