

**April 23, 2017**

## ***Sunday of Thomas***

**The Epistle Reading is:** Acts 12:1-11. The Gospel Reading is John 20:19-31. These Readings may be found on pages 1261 & 1236 in the Holy Bible or on page 47 in the Divine Liturgy book.

**Today we remember:** *Second Sunday of the Paschal Season, New or Thomas Sunday;* Saint George the Great, Martyr, the Victorious, Glykerios, Martyr; Neomartyr George; Lazaros, Neomartyr; Patriarch Dionysios the Wise.

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

- Elaine and Jerry Sackleh and family *in loving memory of* their family friend, Scott Kingsley Neff, who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. May his memory be eternal.

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

- Marcie Lambros and children *in honor of* husband and father George, and grandson and nephew George in celebration of their nameday, Hronia Polla

**The Altar Bread** was prepared by: Diamando Sarigianis.

**Coffee Hour:** Coffee Hour will be held in the Hermes Rafailides Center and is sponsored and served by the Ladies of Philoptochos.

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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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**Orthodox Studies:** Christos Anesti! Learn more about your Orthodox Faith! Please join us this **Friday, April 28<sup>st</sup> at 9:30 a.m.** in the board room. All are invited to attend. For more information contact Kate Cocoros at 443.564.6618.

**Church School Graduation (Apofoitisi):** Due to a scheduling conflict Church School graduation **will not** be held on **Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**. New date for graduation will be **Sunday, May 21<sup>st</sup>**.

**It's a Celebration! - Save the Date:** On **Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017**, we will have a celebratory Coffee Hour *in honor of* Fr. Lou and his 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of his Ordination (and also his birthday). Please plan to join us in the Hermes Rafailides Center directly after the Divine Liturgy to offer your congratulations. All are invited to attend. Anyone interested in helping please contact Jennie Kegel at 410-256-2143 or [jcocoros@aol.com](mailto:jcocoros@aol.com).

**The Koritsia of St. Demetrios** invite you to join them at Boordy Vineyards for an evening of wine tasting, music and silent auction on **April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2017** from **6:00-9:30pm**. Light appetizers will be included in the \$20 admission fee and the Mr. Souvlaki food truck will have food for cash sale. Tickets are available for sale at Sunday's church coffee hour or you can contact Stephanie Gavrilis ([spadousis@hotmail.com](mailto:spadousis@hotmail.com)). We hope to see you there!

**The Koritsia of St. Demetrios** is a growing ministry of young women working to build community and to financially support our church. If you are interested in participating in this ministry, please join us for a meeting on **Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, 2017**, directly after Divine Liturgy. Please contact Simone Volikas ([stintis@hotmail.com](mailto:stintis@hotmail.com)) for more information.

**Mother's Day Brunch:** GOYA will be hosting their traditional Mother's Day Brunch on **Sunday, May 14<sup>th</sup>**. Please join us after Divine Liturgy on that day as we honor all Mothers in our community. Along with a wonderfully prepared brunch for the community our GOYA youth will also be hosting the coffee hour on that day. We hope to see everyone there.

**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](mailto:sdpreschool@comcast.net).

**Make Fun Factory VBS Sign up NOW!** <https://vbspro.events/p/events/197f7a> ~ **June 19<sup>th</sup> to 23<sup>rd</sup>** 9am-12 pm. All children 4yrs.-12yrs. welcome. Cost per participant is \$20 (before June 1st) \$25 (after June 1st) Checks made payable to Saint Demetrios Church. Please log on to sign up for participating/volunteering. Please contact Kelly MacDonnell ([kellymacdonnell@hotmail.com](mailto:kellymacdonnell@hotmail.com)) for more information.

**Camp Good Shepherd:** Save the date: **July 17<sup>th</sup> - 21<sup>st</sup>**. Stay tuned for more details, for more information please contact Kate Cocoros at 443.564.6618.

**Bulletin Deadline:** Please be reminded that the deadline to submit bulletin articles is on Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. Please be sure to have all information to the office by that day and time. Thank you.

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## **SCHOLARSHIP**

**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](mailto: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 5<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. Scholarship recipients will be determined by **July 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017** and scholarships will be presented after the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017**. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

**Order of AHEPA ~ Lord Baltimore #364:** College Scholarship Applications for the Academic Year 2017-2018 are now available. Stop by the Narthex table and pick up an application. The application must be post-marked no later than **April 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017**.

**Order of AHEPA ~ Worthington Chapter #30:** Scholarship Applications for the Academic Year 2017-2018 are now available. Stop by the Narthex table and pick up an application. The application must be post-marked no later than **June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017**.

**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 16<sup>th</sup>, 2017**.

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## PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

### **Xristos Anesti!**

Philoptochos Board Meeting: Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 6:30pm

Philoptochos General Meeting and elections: Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup> 6:30pm  
If you are running for the board you must be present at the meeting.

**Bingo:** A Big Fat Greek Bingo Night....Join us on Friday, May 5<sup>th</sup> (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 Ronald McDonald House and 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.

**End of year Dinner:** Join us as we bring the year to an end and celebrate our Mother and Father of the year at the Bowman Restaurant on June 20<sup>th</sup> at 6:00pm. The Bowman is located at 9306 Harford Road, Baltimore, MD 21234. We will have dinner on the first floor, Main Dining room. Please contact Georgia Vavas (410-583-0068 gvavas@comcast.net) to make your reservation. See her at coffee hour after liturgy starting on April 30th. Tickets are \$25.00 per person. Tickets must be purchased by June 11<sup>th</sup>.

**SAVE THE DATE: Thursday, June 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017.** The Hellenic Heritage Museum of Maryland, Inc., is hosting a trip to Onassis Cultural Center, NYC, to view the exhibit "A World of Emotions: Ancient Greece 700 B.C. – 200 A.D." View more than 130 masterpieces from leading museums, including the Louvre, the British Museum and the Vatican Museums. The price \$130 per person, includes bus transportation, a docent tour and a three-course dinner at the Fig and Olive Restaurant. Museum entry is free. For reservation and information, contact George Lintzeris at 410.235.1696 or [petrafineart@gmail.com](mailto:petrafineart@gmail.com)

### PARISH DIRECTORY

**IF YOU HAVEN'T RETURNED YOUR PARISH DIRECTORY FORM, PLEASE DO SO, ON/OR BEFORE APRIL 28<sup>TH</sup>. YOUR INFORMATION WILL NOT BE INCLUDED IN THE DIRECTORY IF THIS FORM IS NOT RETURNED TO THE CHURCH OFFICE.**

## **STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE OF THE WEEEK** **"TIME ~ TALENT ~ TREASURE"**

**Welcome:** If you are visiting Saint Demetrios today, we welcome you and 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 (candle stand) and to either return it to a Parish Council member or slip it under the Church Office door. Please also join us downstairs in fellowship at the Hermes Rafailides Center after Liturgy.

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 God that He will be able to continue His forgiving, healing, liberating, transfiguring ministry through the Church.

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

	<b>Budget Commitment</b>	<b>Goal ~ Total Operating Budget</b>	<b>Total Commitments to Date</b>	<b>Collections to Date</b>	<b># of Stewards</b>
<b>2016</b>	\$395,000	\$681,485	\$266,249	\$130,656	342
<b>2017</b>	\$378,600	\$657,842	\$265,298	\$122,605	314

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p><b><u>Monday, April 24<sup>th</sup></u></b> <b><i>A.P.C. meeting</i></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Home School, 9:00am (C) Greek School, 4:30pm (C)</p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday, April 26<sup>th</sup></u></b> <b><i>A.P.C. meeting</i></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Greek School, 4:30pm (C) GOYA Basketball, 7:00pm (H/G)</p> <p><b><u>Thursday, April 27<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Adult Choir, 7:00pm (M) Men's Basketball, 6:00pm (H/G)</p> <p><b><u>Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Orthodox Studies, 9:30am (B) GOYA Dance Set-Up (H/G) <b>Wine Event &amp; Silent Auction @ Boordy Vineyards, 6:00pm</b></p>	<p><b><u>Saturday, April 29<sup>nd</sup></u></b> GOYA Basketball Tournament GOYA Dance (H/G)</p> <p><b><u>Sunday, April 30<sup>rd</sup></u></b> <b><i>Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearers</i></b> <b>Memorial Sunday</b> <b><i>Orthros, 9:00am</i></b> <b><i>Divine Liturgy, 10:00am</i></b> Church School, 9:55am GOYA Basketball Tournament</p>
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