

**January 28, 2018**

***Sunday of the Publican & Pharisee***

**The Epistle Reading is:** II Timothy 3:10-15. The Gospel Reading is Luke 18:10-14. These Readings may be found on pages 1355 & 1226 in the Holy Bible or on pages 128-129 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

**Today we remember:** Triodhion begins; The Pharisee and the Tax Collector; Righteous Ephraim the Syrian; Righteous Palladios; Martyr Charitos.

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

- The Saint Demetrios Community *in loving memory of* Sotirios Mitilineos, who passed to eternal rest 3 years ago. May his memory be eternal.

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

- Georgia Kerasiotes & Family *in loving memory of* husband, father & grandfather, Nicholas Kerasiotes, who fell asleep in the Lord 14 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Georgia Kerasiotes *in loving memory of* her sister-in-law, Georgia Skopas, who fell asleep in the Lord 40-days ago. May her memory be eternal.
- The Triandafilou family *in loving memory of* their father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Louis Triandafilou, who fell asleep in the Lord 10 years ago. May his memory be eternal.

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

**Coffee Hour:** The Coffee Hour today is sponsored by our Ladies of Philoptochos and served by: Mary Antonas, Mary Triandafilou, and Sophia Vendelis.

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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:** Due to the pilgrimage to the Holy Land of many of our members, we will not have any further classes in January, please join us as we resume on **Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup>**. Please remember that if Baltimore County Public Schools are closed or delayed due to weather, we will not meet. For more information contact Kate Cocoros at 443.564.6618.

**Godparent/Godchildren Sunday:** Godparent's Sunday will be observed on the following dates in the following churches. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

**February 4<sup>th</sup>** ~ Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church

**February 19<sup>th</sup>** ~ Cathedral of the Annunciation

**February 25<sup>th</sup>** ~ Saints Mary Magdalene & Markella

**Salutations to the Virgin Mary:** For five consecutive Friday's beginning **February 23<sup>rd</sup>**, we will be singing praises to the Virgin Mary. It has been a tradition here at Saint Demetrios to adorn the Icon of the Panaghia with a flower arrangement each Friday. If you are interested in donating one of these arrangements, please call the church office at 410.661.1090 x202 to reserve a Friday. Your tribute will be listed in the Sunday bulletin.

**Holy Unction:** Lent begins on **Monday, February 19<sup>th</sup>** and Holy Unction will be offered at 7:00pm.

**The Orthodox Christian Way returns Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup>, in the Hermes Rafailides Center at 6:15 pm., more information coming soon.**

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**2018 Calendars:** If you were unable to pick-up the 2018 Ecclesiastical Calendar and would like to have one, you can call the Church office at 410.661.1090 ext. 202 and request that the calendar be mailed to you. Only calendars that are requested will be mailed.

**Godparents Sunday:** Saint Demetrios will be celebrating Godparent Sunday on **February 4<sup>th</sup>, 2018**, and The Koritsia will be hosting the Godparent Sunday Luncheon that afternoon in the Hermes Rafailides Center immediately following church. Tickets will be on sale during coffee hour. You can also contact Stephanie Gavrilis at [spadousis@hotmail.com](mailto:spadousis@hotmail.com) or Christina Tsakiris at [cmt7226@gmail.com](mailto:cmt7226@gmail.com) to purchase tickets. Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$12 for children if purchased prior to the event. If purchased at the door, tickets will be \$20 for adults and \$15 for children. We look forward to seeing you there and we thank you for your support!"

**50 YEARS OF SAINT DEMETRIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH ~ November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2019** will commemorate the **50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary** of our beloved Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church. Please join our journey to embrace and celebrate this hallmark milestone for our community. We need you . . . Hearts and Hands Together . . . to honor 50 Years of Saint Demetrios. For more information, please contact Stephanie & Stephen Christ at 410-529-5927 or email: [stephanie2twins@yahoo.com](mailto:stephanie2twins@yahoo.com).

**Greek Independence Day Parade:** Join us for the Maryland Greek Independence Day Parade on **Sunday, March 25<sup>th</sup>** at 2 pm, in Baltimore's historic Greek Town! The parade will showcase ethnic, cultural, religious and musical groups from Maryland and surrounding states, with continuous music by the Hellenic Philharmonic Society of New York. Visit [www.greekparade.com](http://www.greekparade.com) to register to participate as a marching group, to donate to the parade or for more information. Youth and young adults interested in representing regions of Greece in this year's parade or participating on parade floats, please email [info@greekparade.com](mailto:info@greekparade.com) by March 1<sup>st</sup>. Young men interested in becoming an Evzone, please contact Stavros Katsas at 443.835.5276 or [skatsas@yahoo.com](mailto:skatsas@yahoo.com).

**Demetrakia Registration & Costumes:** Registration for the new dance season will take place during coffee hour on Sundays, **February 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>**. Practices will begin on **Sunday, February 25<sup>th</sup>**. Registration is **FREE** for all Saint Demetrios Stewards. Dancers must be at least 4 years old. Please contact Emily at [ELiadakis@aol.com](mailto:ELiadakis@aol.com) with any questions. Dancers, who have costumes at home, please bring these in on **Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup>**. Thank you!

**Tickets are available for the Suburban Players 43<sup>rd</sup> Production ~ "Guys and Dolls."** Dates are: **February 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 16<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018**. Ticket prices for Dinner Theatre are \$46 (Adults); \$45/pp for 10 or more tickets; \$25 (Children under 12); Saturday matinee on February 10<sup>th</sup> for \$20/pp at 11:00am with light fare for purchase. Contact: Eleni Libertini via email at: [elibertini@comcast.net](mailto:elibertini@comcast.net) or phone at 410.679.5622. A delicious meal and wonderful show awaits you!

**Save the Date:** Saint Demetrios Vacation Bible School (Babylon) will be held, **Monday, June 18<sup>th</sup> - Friday June 22<sup>nd</sup> 9am-12pm**. Ages 4 to 5 grade. Volunteers Needed. Registration will begin shortly. Email [kellymacdonnell@hotmail.com](mailto:kellymacdonnell@hotmail.com) for more information/to register/or to volunteer.

**Technology Team:** Please stop by the Hermes Rafailides Center today to update your contact information, as we begin the migration process to email-based communications. For more information, contact members of the Technology Team: Irene Kaikis Lericos, Catherine Xanthakos, Maria Stamas, Stephen Kucharski or Stephen Christ.

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## PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

**Board Meeting: Monday, February 5<sup>th</sup>**

**General Meeting: TUESDAY, February 13<sup>th</sup>**

**MEMBERSHIP: Philoptochos is ~PHILANTHROPY~FELLOWSHIP~FAITH IN ACTION! JOIN THE TEAM OF FUN LOVING, HARD WORKING MEMBERS SPREADING JOY TO THOSE WHO NEED A KIND WORD, SMILE AND ENCOURAGEMENT!** We invite you to become a Philoptochos Member or Associate Member (for the men in our community). Membership is open to all Stewards of Saint Demetrios, 18 years of age and older. Membership is per calendar year and is based on Philoptochos Stewardship donations. When considering your stewardship donation, please be aware that \$23 of your donation will be applied to your National and Metropolis membership, while the remainder will be used to support the various local charity projects such as Beans & Bread, Ronald McDonald House, school children in need and the Baltimore Rescue Mission. For more information: Please contact Elaine 410.472.3458, stop by the Philoptochos table during coffee hour or complete and return a Membership Form from the Narthex table.

**Guys and Dolls:** To all Philoptochos Members. The Guys and Dolls committee needs our help once again this year with set-up. The dates and times are as follows:

Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> – 8:00am and then again after the matinee

Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> – After church service

Friday, February 16<sup>th</sup> – 3:30pm

Saturday, February 17<sup>th</sup> 3:30pm

Sunday, February 18<sup>th</sup> – After Divine Liturgy

Please contact Smaro Cook at [smaro.cook@wellsfargo.com](mailto:smaro.cook@wellsfargo.com) or call her at 410-340-4990.

**Camp Good Shepherd:** Camper Registration is now open. Camp will be held on **July 16, 20, 2018** at Camp Wo Me To in Rocks State Park. Use this link to register [https://goo.gl/forms/Sdewr2w\\*UbHsEvqN2](https://goo.gl/forms/Sdewr2w*UbHsEvqN2) Staff are also needed in all areas. Follow this link to register to help make a child's Camp experience wonderful!! Register at the following link <https://goo.gl/forms/o@NYbmDnaE7uJ8b9q>. For more information please contact Kate Cocoros at 443.564.6618.

**Koritsia:** We all have to eat, so why not eat out at one of the following restaurants and raise funds to help pay the mortgage of our beloved Saint Demetrios Church.

**January 30<sup>th</sup>, 2018 ~ Texas Roadhouse in White Marsh.** 10% is donated back to church. **February 20<sup>th</sup>, 2018 ~ Uncle's Hawaiian Grindz in Fallston.**

**SAVERS:** Parish Council approved a spring Savers fundraiser event. Items are now being accepted, the donated items can be placed into the Grade 4 Church School classroom, which is located across from the library. Please label the items with SAVERS. The end date for this is **May 18<sup>th</sup>**. Help is needed on **Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00am, when Savers does the pick-up. So clean out those closets!!

**Welcome OCMC/OCF Spring Break Albania:** the best alternative to everything else out there. Sign up for a week in which you will see a nation that has risen from the ashes of atheism. A week where you will see what it means to desire Christ first through your interactions with the youth, the youth leaders, the faithful and the church leadership. Apply for the 2018 OCMC/OCF Spring Break trip to Albania at [www.ocmc.org](http://www.ocmc.org) or by calling 1-877-643-6784 and open your heart to participate in the Best Spring Break Destination EVER.

## **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 is 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 considering 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
<b>2017</b>	\$378,600	\$659,042	\$223,235	\$39,577	234
<b>2018</b>	\$380,000	\$727,395	\$209,428	\$36,187	212

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

## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p><b>Monday, January 29<sup>th</sup></b> Pre-School, 8:45am Greek School, 4:30pm <b>Guys &amp; Dolls Rehearsal, (Act 1, Full Cast, No Cameo Kids), 7:00pm (H/G)</b></p> <p><b>Tuesday, January 30<sup>th</sup></b> Pre-School, 8:45am Pre-School Daddy Donut Day <b>Divine Liturgy ~ Three Hierarchs), 9:00am</b> <b>Guys &amp; Dolls Rehearsal, (Act 2, Full Cast, No Cameo Kids), 7:00pm</b> <b>Koritsia ~ Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday, January 31<sup>st</sup></b> Pre-School, 8:45am Greek School, 4:30pm NO GOYA Basketball <b>Guys &amp; Dolls Rehearsal, (Pit) 7:00pm (H/G)</b></p> <p><b>Thursday, February 1<sup>st</sup></b> Pre-School, 8:45am <b>Guys and Dolls Rehearsal, (Leads A,B,C), 7:00pm (H/G)</b> NO MEN'S BASKETBALL</p> <p><b>Friday, February 2<sup>nd</sup></b> <b>Divine Liturgy ~ Presentation of Our Lord, 9:00am</b> Pre-School, 8:45am</p>	<p><b>Saturday, February 3<sup>rd</sup></b> <b>Guys &amp; Dolls Rehearsal, (H/G)</b> <b>Cameo Kids, 1:00-2:00pm</b> <b>Full Cast, 1:30-3:30pm</b> <b>Dancers, 2:30-4:30pm</b></p> <p><b>Sunday, February 4<sup>th</sup></b> <b>Sunday of the Prodigal Son</b> <b>Orthros, 9:00am</b> <b>Divine Liturgy, 10:00am</b> <b>NO CHURCH SCHOOL</b> <b>Godparents Sunday &amp; Luncheon</b> <b>Guys &amp; Dolls Rehearsal (Leads &amp; Cameo Kids, 11:45am)</b> <b>(Presentation Remaining Cast &amp; Pit) 1:00-3:00pm (H/G)</b></p>
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

*Three Hierarchs Divine Liturgy ~ January 30<sup>th</sup> @ 9:00am*

*Presentation of our Lord ~ Divine Liturgy ~ February 2<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00am*

*Lent begins on February 19<sup>th</sup>*

*Presidents Day ~ February 19<sup>th</sup> Office, Pre-School & Greek School will be closed*

*Saturday of Souls ~ Divine Liturgy ~ February 10<sup>th</sup>, 17<sup>th</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am*

*Pre-Sanctified Liturgies ~ February 21<sup>st</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> @ 6:00pm*

*Salutations to the Virgin Mary ~ February 23<sup>rd</sup> @ 7:00pm*



*The Saint Demetrios Suburban Players Presents*

## *“Guys and Dolls”*

### **Tickets on Sale NOW!**

**Show A: Saturday, February 10, 2018**

(Matinee)

Doors Open ~ 10:15am

Show ~ 11:00am

(Refreshments will be sold during intermission)

**Show B: Saturday, February 10, 2018**

Dinner ~ 6:30pm

Show ~ 8:00pm

**Show C: Sunday, February 11, 2018**

Dinner ~ 3:30pm

Show ~ 5:00pm

**Show D: Friday, February 16, 2018**

Dinner ~ 6:30pm

Show ~ 8:00pm

**Show E: Saturday, February 17, 2018**

Dinner ~ 6:30pm

Show ~ 8:00pm

**Show F: Sunday, February 18, 2018**

Dinner ~ 3:30pm

Show ~ 5:00pm

### **Ticket Prices**

Matinee ~ \$20.00

Dinner Theatre:

Adults ~ \$46.00 (Table of 10 ~ \$45.00 each)

Children under 12 ~ \$25.00

To purchase, or reserve tickets, please contact  
Eleni Libertini at 410.679.5622 or  
[elibertini@comcast.net](mailto:elibertini@comcast.net) or during coffee hour in  
the Hermes Rafailides Center

Checks, cash and credit cards accepted.

Return check fee: \$35.00

Tickets are sold by assigned tables.

All sales are final.

No Refunds.

For Dinner Shows ~ Doors open

30 minutes before

Dinner is served!

*Thank you for your support!!!*