

October 28, 2018

7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke

**The Epistle Reading is:** Hebrews 9:1-7. The Gospel Reading is Luke 8:41-56. These Readings may be found on pages 1364 & 1213 in the Holy Bible or on page 104 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

**Today we remember:** Veil (Holy Protection) of the Theotokos; Martyrs Terentios, Neonilla his Spouse, and their Seven Children; Martyr Eunike; Athanasios of Androusa, Patriarch of Constantinople; Angeles, Manouel, George and Nicholas, Neomartyrs of Rethymnon; Righteous Steven of Sabbaitos, the poet.

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

- The Kosmas, Stamas & Trintis families *in loving memory of* their mother, grandmother & great-grandmother, Maritsa Kosmas who fell asleep in the Lord 2 years ago. May her memory be eternal.

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

- Lou & Mary Triandafilou *for the health and welfare of* their new baby granddaughter, Lucie Marie, born in Chicago on October 20<sup>th</sup> to their son, Nick; daughter-in-law, Kristen; granddaughter, Leah; and grandson, Evan.
- Roula Paterakis *in loving memory of* her son Peter Passon.

**The Artoclasia** for our Great Vespers and Saint Demetrios Nameday Celebration is offered *for the health & welfare of* the entire Saint Demetrios Community and was prepared by Ritsa Economakis, Diamando Sarigianis, Georgia Kerasiotes, Maria Andreyev and Vula Stamatopoulos.

**The Altar Bread** was prepared by: Ritsa Economakis & Diamando Sarigianis.

**Flowers:** The baskets of flowers that adorn the Solea for our Great Vespers and Saint Demetrios Nameday Celebration have been donated by the following:

- Diamando Sarigianis *in honor of* her grandson, James Nicholas Galanakis, on his Nameday.
- Dr. & Mrs. Robert Padousis *for the health and welfare of* their family.
- Gus & Ritsa Economakis & Georgia *in loving memory of* their son and her brother, Chris Economakis.

**Saint Demetrios Icon:** The decorated Saint Demetrios Icon that adorns the Solea for our Great Vespers and Saint Demetrios Nameday Celebration has been donated by:

- Irene Peltsems *for the continued health & welfare of* the Peltsems, Stavrakis, Dawson & Soutar Families.

**Flowers:** The flowers that adorn the tables in the Hermes Rafailides Center for the reception, in celebration of our Great Vespers and Saint Demetrios Nameday, sponsored by our Ladies of Philoptochos have been donated by the following:

- Tom and Smaro Cook *for the health & welfare of* their children.
- Cathy Xanthakos *in loving memory of* her mother, Cleo Xanthakos
- Erene Kariotis *in loving memory of* her parents, Eugenia & Peter Kariotis.
- Angie & Jerry McQueeney *for the health & welfare of* their families.

**Coffee Hour:** The Coffee Hour today is sponsored and served by our Ladies of Philoptochos.

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

**Synaxis of the Archangel Divine Liturgy:** Saint Demetrios Church will celebrate the Synaxis of the Archangel with a Divine Liturgy on **Thursday, November 8<sup>th</sup>** at 9:00am. Please plan to join us.

**Thanksgiving Divine Liturgy:** Saint Demetrios Church will celebrate Thanksgiving with a Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am. Please plan to join us on **Thursday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>** so that we may thank God for His many Blessings as a church family.

**Stewardship Sunday:** Please join us on **Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>** as we recognize our **2018 Steward of the Year**. Please remember to bring your 2019 commitment card with you, as we will collect them when we pass trays. Stewardship sustains us and we thank you!

**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.

**Parish Council Elections:** The elections for the Saint Demetrios Parish Council Members will be held in the boardroom on **Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>** directly after the Divine Liturgy. Please mark your calendars and make an effort to be in attendance to vote for the Parish Council Members needed to serve for the years 2019, 2020 & 2021. There are five Stewards running for the five (5) open positions. They are: Peter Beleos, Maria Serevetas Chirgott, Bob Garrish, Helen Stamidis Pentikis & Mary Tsakiris. **Again, the date is: Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to join us for this very important election!**

**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. Our next meeting will be held on **Monday, November 26<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm.**

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Book:** The 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Committee is working on the production of a new Album that will be completed in celebration of our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. This keepsake album will feature our history, family photos, ministries, personal ads, and memorial tributes. To prepare for the album creation, we are beginning the process of family photo shoots so that your family will be featured in this new album. Lifetouch photographers will be on site to take family photos during this spring season. Appointments can be made during coffee hour or online through our website. [www.stdemetriusmd.org](http://www.stdemetriusmd.org). Each family will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait with their photo purchase!

Lifetouch Photographers are coming on **November 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>** to take photos of our stewards. Please book an appointment online [www.stdemetriusmd.org](http://www.stdemetriusmd.org). Each family gets a free 8x10. We are also in need of volunteers to assist the photographers, if you can give us a couple of hours that would be greatly appreciated. Contact Simone Volikas for any questions, [srintis@hotmail.com](mailto:srintis@hotmail.com)

**Orthodox Studies:** Learn more about your Orthodox Faith!! Please join us on **Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup>** at 9:30 am in the Board Room. We love new members! For more information, contact Kate Cocoros at 443-564-6618 / [painterkateart@gmail.com](mailto:painterkateart@gmail.com).

**Festival chairperson:** If you are interested in chairing the **2019 Festival** please contact the church office at 410-661-1090.

**The Orthodox Christian Way:** The final session of the Way series continues on **Tuesday, October 30<sup>th</sup>** with a special guest speaker Dr. Harry Boosalis, Professor of Theology and Spirituality at St. Tikhon's Orthodox Seminary. The session is sponsored by the Craig Jon Arambiges Memorial Lecture Fund. It is a two - part lecture entitled, "**The Power of Human Freedom.**" Please join for a light supper in the Hermes Rafailides Center at 6:15 pm. Presentation begins at 7:00 pm. You can register today during coffee hour or call the Church Office at 410-661-1090.

**Bell Choir / Junior Chorus:** We are seeking bell ringers and singers to perform with the Adult Choir on **Sunday, December 23<sup>rd</sup>** for the Advent Program. All are invited to participate! Rehearsals will be held in the Music Room directly after the Divine Liturgy. The first rehearsal will be held on **Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup>** and will continue on the following Sundays: November 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and December 2<sup>nd</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup>. We ask that each child attend as many of these rehearsals as possible. All youth between the ages of 5-18 are strongly encouraged to share their talents. Please contact Miss Jennie at 410-657.9772 for more information.

**Saint Demetrios Pre-School Registration:** We are accepting Registration Forms for the 2018-2019 School Year, for the Saint Demetrios Two-Year-Old Program, Pre-School, and Pre-Kindergarten. Registration forms can be found on the Narthex Table. 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)

**Saint Demetrios Pre-School Gourmet Brunch:** Please make plans to join us on **Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup>, \*\*New Date\*\*** for a Gourmet Brunch, directly following the Divine Liturgy in the Hermes Rafailides Center. All proceeds will benefit our Pre-School. For more information, please contact Betty: 410.661.1090 ext. 204.

**The Spirit:** If you have any news that you would like to share in "**The Spirit**" please send your news to the Church office via: e-mail at: [SaintDemetrios@comcast.net](mailto:SaintDemetrios@comcast.net), we will gladly add it in the next issue. **The deadline for all articles is November 5<sup>th</sup>.** This issue will cover all upcoming events from November to the end of December.

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## **PHILOPTOCHOS**

**Board Meeting: November 6<sup>th</sup> - 6:30pm in the Philoptochos Room**  
**General Meeting: November 12<sup>th</sup> - 6:30pm in the Philoptochos Room**

**Special Thank you** to Smaro Cook for chairing Vespers and everyone who helped make our Vespers reception such a beautiful and wonderful evening.

**Holiday Food Drive:** During the Thanksgiving and Christmas Holiday Season, please help us spread joy to families in the community! There are several ways to help: Adopt a Family; Donate Food Items to be distributed to families in need. Items may be placed in the Philoptochos Blue Bin in the church building hallway; Monetary Contributions are welcome to purchase needed food. For monetary donations: Please make checks payable to Saint Demetrios Philoptochos and on memo line, designate "Food Baskets". If you have any questions, please contact Elaine Sackleh 410.472.3458 or Mary Tsakiris, 410.592.7319. Please check the Narthex table for a list of specific items requested by the families.

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!**  
**~MAY GOD BLESS YOU AND YOUR LOVED ONES THIS HOLIDAY SEASON~**

## **SUBURBAN PLAYERS**

*Suburban Players ~ Mamma Mia: Show Dates: February 16<sup>th</sup> thru 18<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> thru 25<sup>th</sup>.*

**Don't want to be on stage but still want to help?** Join the production crew by contacting Smaro Cook at 410.340.4990. Currently we are looking for someone to be the Dining Room Coordinator and Food Line Coordinator, as well as several other production crew roles. All are welcome to help.

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## **KORITSIA NEWS**

**Koritsia:** The following events are sponsored by the Koritsia and all proceeds will help to pay down the mortgage of the church. Please show your support for Saint Demetrios!! If you have any questions, feel free to contact Simone Volikas at [stintis@hotmail.com](mailto:stintis@hotmail.com).

**Flyers can be found on the Narthex Table, pick-up a packet and share with a friend**

### **Savers Thrift Store**

Clean out your closets of old clothes, towels & bedding. Place all items in a trash bag and drop them off between **Now & December 14<sup>th</sup>**.

Savers Thrift Store will pay the church 20 cents for every pound of items.

### **Script Gift Cards**

Simply buy gift cards to retailers where you already shop, and SCRIPT rebates a percentage to the Church. All you need to do is complete the Family Order Form, attach a check payable to Saint Demetrios and mail or drop off the form (w/check) to the church office or to the white "Gift Card Box" on the Narthex table. 100% of the proceeds will go directly towards the Church Mortgage.

Please contact Maria Angelos at [mvailas@aol.com](mailto:mvailas@aol.com) or 443.280.2690 with any questions.

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## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

**The Way ~ October 30<sup>th</sup>**

Stewardship Sunday ~ November 4<sup>th</sup>

Philoptochos Board Meeting ~ November 6<sup>th</sup>

**Divine Liturgy ~ Synaxis of the Archangels ~ November 8<sup>th</sup> at 9:00am**

Pre-School Bull Roast / Silent Auction ~ November 10<sup>th</sup>

Philoptochos Make-A-Difference Day ~ November 11<sup>th</sup>

**Memorial Sunday ~ November 11<sup>th</sup>**

**Veterans Day ~ November 12<sup>th</sup> ~ Office Closed**

Philoptochos General Meeting ~ November 12<sup>th</sup>

Book / Knitting Club ~ November 13<sup>th</sup>

Parish Elections ~ November 18<sup>th</sup>

Pre-School Thanksgiving Program/Dinner ~ November 20<sup>th</sup>

**Divine Liturgy ~ Thanksgiving ~ November 22<sup>nd</sup> at 9:00am**

**Thanksgiving Holiday ~ Office Closed ~ November 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup>.**

Philoptochos Breakfast with Santa ~ November 24<sup>th</sup>

Christmas Card / Flower Donations Due ~ November 28<sup>th</sup>

Philoptochos Christmas Bazaar ~ December 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>

Preschool Brunch ~ December 9<sup>th</sup>

Philoptochos Christmas Dinner ~ December 11<sup>th</sup>

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**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**

	<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>2017</b>	\$378,600	\$659,042	\$314,557	\$262,384	382
<b>2018</b>	\$380,000	\$727,395	\$351,444	\$301,405	448

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

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

<p><b><u>Monday, October 29<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Greek School, 4:30-7:30pm (C)</p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday, October 31<sup>st</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) <b>NO GREEK SCHOOL</b> GOYA Basketball, 6:00pm (H/G)</p>	<p><b><u>Sunday, November 4<sup>th</sup></u></b> <i>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke</i> <b>Orthros 9:00am</b> <b>Divine Liturgy, 10:00am</b> <b>Stewardship Sunday</b> Church School, 9:55am (C) Nativity Bell/Chorus</p>
<p><b><u>Tuesday, October 30<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) The Way, 6:15pm (H/G)</p>	<p><b><u>Thursday, November 1<sup>st</sup></u></b> Pre-School 8:45am (C) Men’s Basketball, 6:30pm (H/G) Adult Choir, 7:00pm (M)</p> <p><b><u>Friday, November 2<sup>nd</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Orthodox Studies, 9:30am</p>	