

**November 11, 2018**

**8<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke**

**The Epistle Reading is:** II Corinthians 4:6-15. The Gospel Reading is Luke 10:25-37. These Readings may be found on pages 1323 & 1216 in the Holy Bible or on pages 88 & 106 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

**Today we remember:** Greatmartyr Menas of Egypt; Martyrs Viktor and Vikentios the Deacon; Martyr Stephanis; Righteous Theodore Studites, Confessor.

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

- Diane Stavros *in loving memory of* her husband, George who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his memory be eternal.

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

- Tricia, Chuck, Charles & Sofia Konkolics *in loving memory of* their father & grandfather, George Stavros who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Tina, Jerry, Alexandra & Christopher Hodges *in loving memory of* their father & grandfather, George Stavros who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Betsie & Sam Boutselis *in loving memory of* their brother-in-law, George Stavros who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his memory be eternal.
- The family of Prodromos Prodromou who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Chris Spanos *in loving memory of* her brother, Konstantine Markakis who fell asleep in the Lord 2 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Roula Paterakis *in loving memory of* her son Peter Passon
- Despina & Alec Pulianas *in loving memory of* Alex Pulianas who fell asleep in the Lord 10 years ago; Michael Pulianas who fell asleep in the Lord 3 years ago and Carolyn Pulianas who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May their memories be eternal.
- Georgia Lambrinos & Family *in loving memory of* husband, father & grandfather, Louis Lambrinos who fell asleep in the Lord 20 years ago; parents & grandparents, Panagiotis Tountas who fell asleep in the Lord 51 years ago & Regina Tountas who fell asleep in the Lord 25 years ago and sister-in-law & aunt, Anastasia Tountas who fell asleep in the Lord 37 years ago. May their memories be eternal.
- Sam, Mary & George Tsakiris *in loving memory of* father & grandfather, Georgios S. Tsakiris who fell asleep in the Lord 24 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- For God's blessings upon our newest granddaughter, Sophia Helen & her family, Kristyn, Dave & Little Yianni Oliphant from Colonel John E. & Patricia Gavrilis.
- For the health & welfare of my Godparents, Lieutenant Commander John Vasilarakis, USCG and Miss Carmella Helmuth from Sophia Helen Oliphant.
- For the health & welfare of my Godparents, Dr. Emmanuel Vasilarakis and Miss Kelly Gavrilis from Little Yianni Oliphant.
- Jim & Lisa Mitsos & Family *in honor of* father & grandfather, James Stroumbis on his 91<sup>st</sup> birthday and for his health & welfare.

**40-Day Blessing:** Mr. & Mrs. David Oliphant will present their 2<sup>nd</sup> child, a daughter for the traditional 40-day blessing. Please join me in prayer as we ask God to watch over and protect this family.

**The Memorial Service** is being chanted today *in loving memory of* George Stavros, who fell asleep in the 1 year ago; Alex Pulianas who fell asleep in the Lord 10 years ago; Michael Pulianas, who fell asleep in the

Lord 3 years ago; Carolyn Pulianas, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago; Louis Lambrinos, who fell asleep in the Lord 20 years ago; Panagiotis Tountas who fell asleep in the Lord 51 years ago; Regina Tountas who fell asleep in the Lord 25 years ago; Anastasia Tountas who fell asleep in the Lord 37 years ago and Georgios S. Tsakiris who fell asleep in the Lord 24 years ago. May their memories be eternal.

**The Memorial Service** is also being chanted *in loving memory of* our departed Philoptochos sisters and brothers: Koula Kostopoulos, Theodora Konstant, Demetra Panteloukas, Paraskevi Arambiges, Basiliki Theodoropoulos, Cleopatra Stamidis, Irene Diacoyanis, Mary Dontas, Venetia Adas, Styliani Mitsos, Styliani Maniatis, Diane Ferdinalis, Pauline Prevas, Pota Economakis, Margaret Pizanis, Elaine Pantelides, Eugenia Kariotis, Mary Beleos, Helen Polites, Calliopi Theodore, Sevasti Makres, Olga Livanion, Despina Sakell, Eleni Foudos, Irene Arnas, Georgia Bouris, Anastasia Maggelakis, Katherine Canelos, Paraskevi Metaxas, Kathryn Michalos, Anna Stroumbis, Vasiliki Handakas, Cornelia Rogers, Mary Hayes, Theodora Kapsambelis, Anastasia Koutrakos, Sevasti Eliadis, Faye Varlas, Frances Antonas, Demetra Tsambikos, Mary Antonakos, Tassia Stratigakos, Anna Lozos, Ann Loucas, Eitsa Geoca, Cina Daskalakis, Georgia Karkoulas, Diana Stratos, Betty Tselepis, Evangeline Frangos, Angela Merriken, Irene Lewis, Mary Sorvalis, Elaine Vardavas, Helen Amentas, Joan Sayers, Cleo Xanthakos, Helen Vendelis, Basilios Trintis, Emily Koulepis, Helen Foudos, Despina Panteloukas, Katherine Thoupas Strittmater, Angelina Vakoutis, Florence Stefanou & Mary "Maritsa" Kosmas, Elaine Pikounis & Eva Macris. Penny Makris, Leslie Sarantinos, Sophia A. Balis, D.D.S., Katherine Strakes and Adrienne Houzouris May their memories be eternal.

**The Memorial Koliva** today is prepared by: Mary Tsakiris *in memory of* our departed Philoptochos sisters and brothers.

**The Artoclasia** is being chanted today *for the health and welfare of* the Saint Demetrios Philoptochos Ladies and the entire Saint Demetrios community served by Philoptochos and was prepared by Ritsa Economakis, Georgia Kerasiotes, Diamando Sarigianis, Maria Andreyev & Vula Stamatopoulos.

**The Altar Bread was prepared by:** Ritsa Economakis.

**Coffee Hour** is sponsored today *in loving memory* by the families of Louis Lambrinos, Panagiotis, Regina and Anastasia Tountas; George Stavros and Alex, Michael and Carolyn Pulianas. It will take place in our Hermes Rafailides Center and served by our Associate Philoptochos members: Manuel Antonakas, Valiant Dzwonczyk, Basil Lambros and Louis Triandafilou.

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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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**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 try 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>.** If you are unable to attend, please contact the church office at 410.661.1090 and request a mail-in ballot.

**Parish Assembly:** Our final Parish Assembly for 2018 will be held on **Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup>,** immediately following the Elections, in the Hermes Rafailides Center. A quorum of forty (40) Stewards in good standing is required. Voting privileges will be extended to those who are fulfilling their 2018 Stewardship commitment. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. The Philoptochos Ladies will be offering lunch for sale at the meeting.

**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.

**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.

**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.stdemetriosmd.org](http://www.stdemetriosmd.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.stdemetriosmd.org](http://www.stdemetriosmd.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 16<sup>th</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 on/or before **November 18<sup>th</sup>, 2018.**

**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. Rehearsal will be held today, **Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>** and will continue the following Sundays: November 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.

**Nativity Pageant:** Our Church School's ANNUAL NATIVITY PAGEANT will be held following Divine Liturgy in the Church Nave on **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 16<sup>th</sup>**. For more information please contact George Zaverdinos at 410.638.2637.

**New Year's Eve Celebration:** The Demetrakia Dance Troupe will host a NYE Celebration in honor of Saint Demetrios' 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with live music by Mortes. Adults 21 & over ~\$35; under 21 ~ \$20; kids 5 & under ~ FREE!! Tickets include party favors, champagne toast & Vasilopita! Cash bar & mezedakia platters for purchase. For more information contact Emily at [ELIadakis@aol.com](mailto:ELIadakis@aol.com) / 443.838.1248 or any Demetrakia instructor. Tickets will be on sale soon! Proceeds will benefit the St. Demetrios Mortgage Fund.

**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. Please contact Betty: 410.661.1090 ext. 204.

**Saint Demetrios Christmas Card/Flower Donation** forms have been mailed to all Stewards but can also be found on the Narthex table. The cost of sharing your good wishes in the Christmas card is \$20.00 per family. Donations for the flowers and decorations necessary to dress our Church for the season are needed as well. Please return the form to the church office by **November 28<sup>th</sup>**. Checks should be made payable to: Saint Demetrios. ***No orders for the card will be accepted by phone. No exceptions!***

**Book / Knitting Club:** The Book and Knitting club will be meeting on **November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2018** at 9:00am - 12:00pm. Everyone is welcomed whether you knit, crochet, sew or just want to join in on some pleasant conversation.

**AHEPA Worthington Chapter #30 ~ 2018 Scholarship Awards:** The Worthington Chapter #30 is proud to announce the award of \$1,000 scholarships to the following members of the St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox parish: Ms. Vanessa Stamas, Ms. Georgia Mavrophilipos, Ms. Athena Sackleh and Ms. Sophia Sackleh. We congratulate these young women on the award and wish them well in their studies and future endeavors. In the last 25 years, the Worthington Chapter has awarded over \$250,000 in scholarships to deserving sons and daughters of the Baltimore Greek community.

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## **SUBURBAN PLAYERS**

### **Mamma Mia Show Dates:**

- **Friday February 15, 2019** - Doors Open at 6:00pm; Show Starts at 8:00pm
- **Saturday February 16, 2019** - Doors Open at 5:30pm; Show Starts at 7:30pm
- **Sunday February 17, 2019** - Doors Open at 4:00pm; Show Starts at 6:00pm
- **Friday February 22, 2019** - Doors Open at 6:00pm; Show Starts at 8:00pm
- **Saturday February 23, 2019** - Doors Open at 5:30pm; Show Starts at 7:30pm
- **Sunday February 24, 2019** - Doors Open at 4:00pm; Show Starts at 6:00pm

***Tickets will be on sale end of November! ~ Purchase your ad space now in our Program Book!***

The Suburban Players Program book is now accepting ads for Mamma Mia. Purchase your space now to advertise your business or organization. Program Books are passed out each night of the show. To purchase a space in our Program Book please contact Tom Cook at 410-790-9370 or [cook@bpointwellness.com](mailto:cook@bpointwellness.com).

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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 [srintis@hotmail.com](mailto:srintis@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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## PHILOPTOCHOS

**General Meeting: November 12<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:30pm in the Philoptochos Room**  
**Please make an effort to attend as we will be voting on a few items**

**Philoptochos Sunday – November 11<sup>th</sup>**: All the past presidents of Philoptochos will be called to the Solea today for a group photo. We will take a member’s photo of everyone in the hall or outside. As we celebrate Philoptochos Sunday, the ladies of Philoptochos will be taking a collection in church for the Ecumenical Patriarchate. This is a commitment on our budget set forth by National Philoptochos. We hope that you can give generously. Thank you!

**Thanksgiving Food Baskets**: Thanksgiving Food collections is now. If you haven’t had a chance to donate and wish to help those less fortunate, you can still give a monetary donation, sponsor a family or leave a bag of goodies in the blue bin! Please make checks payable to St Demetrios Philoptochos, memo line: Food Baskets. We will gladly accept your donation during coffee hour today. Questions: contact Mary Tsakiris 410-245-1291, Elaine Sackleh 410-472.3458.

**Breakfast with Santa**: Purchase tickets to have breakfast with Santa!!!! Saturday November 24th, doors open at 9am, breakfast is served from 9:30am to 10:30am. Includes craft and photo with Santa for each child. Tickets - adults age 12 and older \$15, children 11 and under \$10. Please pick up your tickets during coffee hour! Make check payable to St. Demetrios Philoptochos.

**Annual Christmas Bazaar**: December 1st and 2nd, we have secured more than 35 crafters/vendors. We have Lilla Rose hair jewelry & accessories, Scentsy, YiaYia’s Treasures, homemade Christmas items, a Glass Blower, Icons, Tastefully Simple, Fresh Greens, Jeweled Candles and more!!! We hope to have the Bell Choir and Greek Dancers join us for some entertainment as well. Please come out and support this event! Have friends and family come for lunch (avgolemono soup!!!) contact Lisa Jones Venetos 410-529-9428 or Joanna Beleos 410-458-1547 for questions.

**YiaYia’s Treasures**, while everyone is in the “Cleaning Mode” please begin bringing in your unwanted or gently-used Christmas items for YiaYia’s Treasures! Donations will be collected in the Philoptochos room until November 29<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Thorina Trintis at 410-866-2127.

**Greek American Sweets**: Please bring in your sweets of all kinds to Ritsa Economakis and crew. The more the merrier. Please contact Ritsa at 410-256-0953 if you have any questions.

**Stockings of Joy**: Now accepting items to stuff into stockings for Veterans at Perry Point Veterans Hospital. Gloves, hats, scarfs, \$5 Dunkin Donut gift cards, handheld games, decks of cards, combs, flashlights, crossword and search word books etc. Place items into blue bins in hallway. please contact Lisa Jones Venetos 410-529-9428.

**Christmas Families**: The Philoptochos will be supporting local families for the Christmas season, each family will need food and gifts. If you would like to sponsor a family or a child. please contact Mary Tsakiris 410-245-1291, Elaine Sackleh 410-472-3458 or Lisa Jones 410-529-9428.

**SAVE THE DATE (more information to follow):**

**December 11<sup>th</sup> – Christmas Dinner – in the Hermes Rafailides Center**

## 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	\$315,127	\$273,961	387
<b>2018</b>	\$380,000	\$727,395	\$353,520	\$310,399	450

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

### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p><b><u>Monday, November 12<sup>th</sup></u></b>  <b><i>Veterans Day ~ Office Closed</i></b>            Pre-School, 8:45am (C)            Greek School, 4:30-7:30pm (C)            Philoptochos General Meeting,            6:30pm (P)  <b><i>Mamma Mia Rehearsal,</i></b>  <b><i>7:00pm</i></b></p> <p><b><u>Tuesday, November 13<sup>th</sup></u></b>            Pre-School, 8:45am (C)            Book / Knitting Club,            9:00am (L)            Adult Greek Dance Lessons,            7:00pm (H/G)</p>	<p><b><u>Wednesday, November 14<sup>th</sup></u></b>            Pre-School, 8:45am (C)            Greek School, 4:30-7:30pm (C)            GOYA Basketball, 6:00pm (H/G)  <b><i>Mamma Mia Rehearsal,</i></b>  <b><i>7:00pm</i></b></p> <p><b><u>Thursday, November 15<sup>th</sup></u></b>  <b><i>Nativity Fast Begins</i></b>            Pre-School 8:45am (C)            Pre-School Parent / Teacher            Conferences, 5:00-8:00pm (C)            Men’s Basketball, 6:30pm (H/G)            Adult Choir, 7:00pm (M)</p>	<p><b><u>Friday, November 16<sup>th</sup></u></b>  <b><i>Pre-School Closed</i></b>            Pre-School Parent / Teacher            Conferences, 9:00am-2:00pm (C)            Orthodox Studies, 9:30am</p> <p><b><u>Sunday, November 18<sup>th</sup></u></b>  <b><i>9<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke</i></b>  <b>Orthros 9:00am</b>  <b>Divine Liturgy, 10:00am</b>  <b>Parish Elections / Assembly</b>            Church School, 9:55am (C)            Nativity Bell/Chorus            Demetrakia Dance, 12:00pm  <b><i>Mamma Mia Rehearsal,</i></b>  <b><i>2:00pm</i></b></p>
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### UPCOMING EVENTS

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