

January 6, 2019

Holy Theophany

The Epistle Reading is: Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7. The Gospel Reading is Matthew 3:13-17. These Readings may be found on pages 1357 & 1149 in the Holy Bible or on pages 126 & 127 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

Today we remember: St. Basil Liturgy ~ The Divine Theophany of our Lord, God, and Saviour Jesus Christ.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- Irene Kaputsos *in loving memory of* her husband, Marshall who fell asleep in the Lord 2 years ago. May his memory be eternal.

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

- Roula Passon-Paterakis *in loving memory of* her son, Peter Passon. May his memory be eternal.
- Irene Vavas & Family *in loving memory of* husband, father & grandfather, Spencer Vavvas who fell asleep in the Lord 15 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Martha Sinis *for the health & welfare of* her children & grandchildren. Best wishes to Philip on the occasion of his 18th birthday. I love you all.
- Martha Sinis and her father and her sister, Barbara *in loving memory of* their mother, grandmother and great-grandmother, Aikaterini Kalothi who fell asleep in the Lord 9 years ago in Athens. Their father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Marinos Kalothis who fell asleep in the Lord and their grandmother, great-grandmother and great, great-grandmother, Aikaterini Kalothi who fell asleep in the Lord. May their memories be eternal.

The Vasilopita Breads cut in church today were generously donated by: Gus, Ritsa & Georgia Economakis, *in loving memory of* their son & her brother, Chris Economakis.

The Altar Bread was prepared by: Katherine Diafokeris, Kriss Cocoros & Toula Woods

Coffee Hour: Coffee Hour will take place in our Hermes Rafailides Center following Liturgy. It will be sponsored & served by our Philoptochos Ladies Society, We are always looking for new volunteers. Please contact Maria Antonakas at 410-995-0353 to add your name, family, or ministry to the list.

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

Oath of Office: We will be administering the Oath of Office to our 2019 Parish Council today, **Sunday, January 13th**. Please join us as we welcome the newest Parish Council members.

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 and to either return it to a Parish Council member or slip it under the Church Office door.

Orthodox Studies: A brand new year is upon us, start your year off right by learning more about your Orthodox Faith!! Join us this **Friday, January 11th**, at 9:30am in the board room. Please be advised that if Balto. County Public schools are closed or delayed due to weather we will not meet. For more information contact Kate Cocoros at 410-692-7590.

Upcoming Recognition Sundays: Sunday, January 13th, 2019 ~ All Baptisms & Confirmations over the last 50 years; **Sunday, January 27th, 2019** ~ Demetrakia Dance Troupes, all dancers over the last 50 years; **Sunday, February 3rd, 2019** ~ Parish Council, all members over the last 50 years.

2019 Calendars: Today, **Sunday, January 7th** we will be distributing the 2019 Ecclesiastical Calendar & Daily Bible Reading Guides to all Stewards of Saint Demetrios. The calendars will be available after the Divine Liturgy in the Hermes Rafailides Center. Please pick-up your calendar so that we can reduce the cost of mailing them. Because we have a limited number of calendars, to ensure that everyone receives their calendar, only **one** calendar will be given per family.

2018 Stewardship Pledge Reminder: The Stewardship Committee extends our appreciation to our Stewards who have met their 2018 pledge commitment. Stewardship is the lifeblood of our Community and we thank you! If you are not current in your 2018 commitment, we ask that you fulfill your pledge by **January 14th, 2019**. Any payments received after that date, will be applied to 2019. End of Year 2018 Statements will be mailed mid to end of January.

50th Anniversary: Our next meeting is planned for **Monday, January 28th, 2019** at 7:00pm in the boardroom. Please join us and be a part of all the exciting plans in the making!

New Spring Dates Released for Family Photo Sessions: Lifetouch Photography will be back at Saint Demetrios on **Friday, April 12th** and **Saturday, April 13th** for the final two opportunities to get your family photos for our upcoming 50th Anniversary Commemorative Album. More details to come.

Share your Photos and Memories of Saint Demetrios Church! As we get closer to our 50th Anniversary, we are looking to highlight our history. You, our parishioners, are a very special part of the decades that have unfolded here at 2504 Cub Hill Road since 1969. So, tell us what Saint Demetrios means to you. What is your favorite memory? Did you get married here? Were you children baptized here? What ministries do you enjoy the most? Please email us your short responses and/or photos to our dedicated anniversary email address at: stdemetrios50@gmail.com Responses may be shared on our Facebook page and in our 50th marketing and promotion material.

Handicap Parking Spaces: We are taking a poll to see how many handicap spaces are used on a regular basis. Please contact the church office at 410-661-1090 or drop us an email at: saintdemetrios@comcast.net and let us know if you feel that there is a need for more spaces.

Book / Knitting Club: The Book and Knitting Club will meet on **Tuesday, January 8th, 2019** at Mary Tsakiris' house. The book of choice for this month is *The Fall of Marigolds* by Susan Meissner. Our Book & knitting club has grown from 3 members to 13 members. You don't have to knit or crochet, you can come and just have some nice conversation. All are welcomed.

Library News: The Library ministry would like to wish everyone a Happy, Healthy New Year!

The Little Free Library: Don't forget to stop by The Little Free Library and take a book on the way to your car. If you do not have a book to give in return no problem bring one when you can and if you forget no worries. We love sharing our knowledge.

Cemetery Cleaning: Please be advised that the cemetery will be cleared of all Christmas decorations the week ending **February 1st**. If you have any artificial decorations that you would like to save for future use, kindly remove them before this date.

GOYA NEWS

Old School Throwback Reunion ~ Bull & Oyster Roast: Join us for a night of dancing to the oldies with the Koko Brothers, great food, great friends, great times, games & prizes! **Saturday, January 19th from 8-12pm**. For more information pick-up a flyer from the Narthex Table or contact Paul Rizas at 410.365.1703 / email paulrizas@gmail.com

KORITSIA NEWS

Godparents Sunday: This year, Saint Demetrios will be celebrating Godparents Sunday on **February 10th** and The Koritsia Group will be hosting the Godparents 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, Christina Tsakiris at cmt726@gmail.com or Natalie Alatzas nalatzas@slateenclave.com to purchase your tickets. Tickets are \$17 for adults and \$12 for children if purchased prior to the event. If purchased at the door, tickets will be \$22 for adults and \$17 for children. We look forward to seeing you there and we thank you for your support!"

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 or 443.280.2690 with any questions.

PHILOPTOCHOS

Board Meeting: January 7th at 6:30pm in the Philoptochos Room
General Meeting: January 15th Tuesday at 6:30pm in the Philoptochos Room –
Rolling out our 2019 budget

Due to scheduling conflict the Vasiloptia Spaghetti Luncheon following Divine Liturgy today is cancelled. We'll be taking a collection for St. Basil's instead of the luncheon. Anyone who already purchased a ticket will be refunded on Sunday. Thank you for your understanding and support.

Fundraiser: Come out and enjoy an evening out for dinner and at the same time you will be helping those less fortunate. It's the Philoptochos fundraiser at the Texas Roadhouse in White Marsh on **January 14th** from 4:00 pm to 10:00 pm. Pick up a flyer (must show the flyer at the restaurant) after church service and join us for an evening of fun and fellowship. We are also selling gift cards. Please Contact Mary Tsakiris 410-245-1291 with any questions or see her at coffee hour.

PHILOPTOCHOS MEMBERSHIP: Happy New Year! Begin 2019 by accepting the Philoptochos invitation to join and update your stewardship commitment to our local Philoptochos chapter. Join the team of friendly, hardworking members spreading joy to those in need of a helping hand, kind words of encouragement and smiles. Membership is open to all stewards of Saint Demetrios, 18 years of age and older. Membership is per calendar year and based on Philoptochos Stewardship donations. When considering your stewardship, please be aware that \$23 of your donations will be applied to your National and your Metropolis membership, while the remainder will be used to support the various local charity projects. Pick up a Membership Form at the Narthex Table and return it to the church office Attention: Philoptochos Membership. Questions? Contact Elaine 410.472.3458.

Philoptochos is: ~PHILANTHROPY~FELLOWSHIP~FAITH IN ACTION!



The Saint Demetrios Suburban Players
presents
Mamma Mia!

Ticket Sales

Show A: Friday, February 15, 2019
Doors Open ~ 6:00pm
Show ~ 8:00pm

Show B: Saturday, February 16, 2019
(Matinee)

Doors Open ~ 12:00 noon
Show ~ 12:30pm
(Refreshments will be sold during intermission)

Show C: Saturday, February 16, 2019
Doors Open ~ 5:30pm
Show ~ 7:30pm

Show D: Sunday, February 17, 2019
Doors Open ~ 4:00pm
Show ~ 6:00pm

Show E: Friday, February 22, 2019
Doors Open ~ 6:00pm
Show ~ 8:00pm

Show F: Saturday, February 23, 2019
Doors Open ~ 5:30pm
Show ~ 7:30pm

Show G: Sunday, February 24, 2019
Doors Open ~ 4:00pm
Show ~ 6:00pm

Ticket Prices

Matinee ~ \$20.00

Dinner Theater:

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

To purchase, or reserve tickets, please contact
Eleni Libertini at 410.679.5622 or
elibertini@comcast.net

Ad Book

Purchase your ad space now in our Program Book! The Suburban Players Program book is now accepting ads for Mamma Mia.

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Purchase your ad space now to advertise your business or organization.

Program books are passed out each night of the show.

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To purchase a space in our Program book,
Please contact:
Tom Cook at 410.790.9370
or
tcook@bpointwellness.com

Thank you for your support!!!

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
2018	\$380,000	\$727,395	\$186,647	\$12,015	180
2019	\$382,000	\$791,705	\$191,044	\$21,703	178

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p><u>Monday, January 7th</u> <i>Feast of Saint John the Baptist ~ Divine Liturgy, 9:00am</i> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Greek School, 4:30pm (C) Philoptochos Board Meeting, 6:30pm (P) Mamma Mia Rehearsal, 7:00pm</p> <p><u>Tuesday, January 8th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Book/Knitting Club, 9:00am Dance Practice, 6:30pm</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, January 9th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Greek School, 4:30pm (C) Mamma Mia Rehearsal, 7:00pm</p> <p><u>Thursday, January 10th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Pre-School Race to the Top, 11:30am (H/G) GOYA Basketball, 6:00pm, (H/G)</p> <p><u>Friday, January 11th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Orthodox Studies, 9:30am (B) Pre-School Race to the Top, 11:30am (H/G) Pre-School Movie Night, 6:00pm (H/G)</p>	<p><u>Sunday, January 13th</u> <i>Sunday after Holy Theophany Orthros, 9:00am</i> <i>Divine Liturgy, 10:00am</i> Memorial Sunday <i>Recognition Sunday ~ Baptisms and Confirmations</i> Church School, 9:55am Dance Practice, 12:00pm Mamma Mia Rehearsal, 2:00pm</p>
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, January 14th ~ Philoptochos Texas Roadhouse Fundraiser
Tuesday, January 15th ~ Philoptochos General Meeting, 6:30pm
Saturday, January 19th ~ GOYA Throwback Basketball Tournament, 8:00am
Saturday, January 19th ~ Saint Demetrios Bull & Oyster Roast, 8:00pm
Wednesday, January 30th ~ Three Hierarchs Divine Liturgy ~ 9:00am

FAMILY MOVIE NIGHT!

BRING YOUR BLANKETS AND PILLOWS WHILE WE SNUGGLE UP TOGETHER AND WATCH . . .



FROZEN

Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church

Friday, January 11, 2019

Please arrive at 6:15pm ♦ Showtime at 6:30pm

Free admission!

Light refreshments will be served!

We will have a bake sale where all proceeds will support our growing Pre-School.



Reserve your tickets for ANGST, a new documentary about anxiety. We want to start a conversation! **#AngstMovie**. Contact: kellymacdonnell@hotmail.com

January 15th, 2019

Hermes Rafailides Center

Doors open at 6:30pm ~ Concessions available ~ Movie begins at 7:00pm

With discussion to follow

“No tickets sold at the door” ~ Appropriate for children 10+
 Candid interviews w/real teens about anxiety, tools that help and hope.

ANGST movie screening details here (Ticket Link):

<https://www.showclix.com/event/angst-saint-demetrius-church>