

**February 3, 2019**

**16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew**

**The Epistle Reading is:** 2 Corinthians 6:1-10. The Gospel Reading is Matthew 25:14-30. These Readings may be found on pages 1363 & 1324 in the Holy Bible or on pages 89 and 90 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

**Today we remember:** Post-Presentation; Holy and Just Symeon the Theiotochos (“who received God”); Prophetess Anna; Nicholas, Stamatios, and John, Neomartyrs of Spetsai; Holy martyr Abraham; The Mothers of the Three Hierarchs: Emmelia (Basil), Nona (Gregory), and Anthousa (Chrysostom).

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

- Sam, Mary and George Tsakiris *in loving memory of* aunt, Sevasti Eliadis, who fell asleep in the Lord 13 years ago. May her memory be eternal.

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

- Joanne Pantelides *for the health and welfare of* her husband, Gabriel Pantelides on the occasion of his 93<sup>rd</sup> birthday.
- The Antonas family *in loving memory of* George Antonas, beloved husband of the late Frances Antonas, loving father of Karen, Toni and Leah, dearest brother of Nicholas Antonas and his wife Mary, loving grandfather of Gabriela, Paul, George and Luke, who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. May his memory be eternal.
- John, Harriet, Marisa, Nicolette & Johnny Hatzidimitriou in loving memory of our uncle & Godfather George Antonas. Forever in our hearts.
- The Karas, Amentas and Liakos family *in loving memory of* mother and aunt, Chryssi Karas who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. May her memory be eternal.
- Maria Rallis *in loving memory of* her beloved husband Elias Rallis who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Tony, Maria and Jeannette Rallis *in loving memory of* his father and their papou, Elias Rallis who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Sam Macris and family *in loving memory of* brother-in-law and uncle, Elias Rallis who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Mihail Makris and family *in loving memory of* brother-in-law and uncle, Elias Rallis who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Bessie Makris and family *in loving memory of* her brother-in-law and their uncle, Elias Rallis who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. May his memory be eternal.
- The Balis and Balis-Shurin families *in loving memory of* mother and grandmother, Sophia Balis who fell asleep in the Lord 9 months ago. May her memory be eternal.
- John, Debbie, Argiro, David and Kathy and their families *in loving memory of* mother, grandmother and great grandmother, Leslie Sarantinos, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May her memory be eternal.
- Esther Williams and Mary Cross *in loving memory of* their brother, Sam Bates who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his memory be eternal.
- George F. Marmaras, Maria Giannakis and family *in loving memory of* wife, mother, grandmother and great grandmother, Peggy Marmaras who fell asleep in the Lord 3 years ago. May her memory be eternal.
- Mrs. Eftychia Levas and Alex Levas *in loving memory of* son and brother John who fell asleep in the Lord 4 years ago. May his memory be eternal.

- The Makrodimitris and Sola Families *in loving memory of* their mother, grandmother, wife and daughter-in-law, Ioanna Tsigarida Neel-Sola who fell asleep in the Lord 10 years ago. May her memory be eternal.
- Monica Makrodimitris and family *in loving memory of* mother and grandmother, Ioanna Tsigarida Neel-Sola who fell asleep in the Lord 10 years ago. May her memory be eternal.
- The Triandafilou family in memory of their father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Louis Triandafilou, who fell asleep in the Lord 11 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Roula Passon-Paterakis *in loving memory of* her son, Peter Passon. May his memory be eternal.

**The Altar Bread was prepared by:** Mary Antonas, Gloria Koukoulas, Barbara Nicolaidis, Kitsa Padousis and Toula Woods.

**The Memorial Service** is being chanted today *in loving memory of* George Antonas who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago; Chryssi Karas, who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago; Elias Rallis, who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago; Sophia Balis, who fell asleep in the Lord 9 months ago; Samuel Bates, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago; Leslie Sarantinos, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago; Peggy Marmaras, who fell asleep in the Lord 3 years ago; John Levas, who fell asleep in the Lord 4 years ago; Ioanna Tsigarida Neel-Sola who fell asleep in the Lord 10 years ago; Sevasti Eliadis, who fell asleep in the Lord 13 years ago. May their memories be eternal.

**Coffee Hour:** The Coffee Hour is sponsored, *in loving memory*, by the families of George Antonas, Chryssi Karas, Elias Rallis, Sophia Balis, Leslie Sarantinos, Peggy Marmaras and Tsigarida Neel-Sola. Coffee will be set-up and served by our Philoptochos Ladies: Mary Antonas, Barbara Nicolaidis, Kitsa Padousis and Toulitsa Woods in our Hermes Rafailides Center following Liturgy.

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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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Godparents Sunday will be observed on the following dates in the following churches. Please mark your calendars accordingly.

**February 3<sup>rd</sup>** ~ Cathedral of the Annunciation

**February 10<sup>th</sup>** ~ Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church

**February 17<sup>th</sup>** ~ Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church

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

**Salutations to the Virgin Mary:** For five consecutive Friday's beginning **March 15<sup>th</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 Panagia 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.

**Lent begins on Monday, March 11<sup>th</sup>.** Please mark your calendars!

**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.

**Blessed Icons:** Many parishioners have placed icons under the altar to have them blessed. Many of these icons have been in the altar table for years. We have placed these icons on a table near the baptismal font so that you may take them home with you. The majority of these icons have the names of the owners on them. If you have placed an icon to be blessed, please come forward after the Divine Liturgy and take your icon home.

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary:** Our next meeting is planned for **Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019** at 7:00pm in the boardroom. Please join us and be a part of all the exciting plans in the making!

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

**Share your Photos and Memories of Saint Demetrios Church!** As we get closer to our 50<sup>th</sup> 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](mailto:stdemetrios50@gmail.com) Responses may be shared on our Facebook page and in our 50<sup>th</sup> marketing and promotion material.

**Greek Independence Day Parade:** Colorful, traditional costumes and ethnic pride of both young and old will fill the streets of Baltimore on **Sunday, March 31, 2019, at 2:00 PM,** as the Greek-American Community commemorates Greek Independence Day with a festive parade in Baltimore's historic Greektown. The parade features dance groups in ethnic costumes, children groups, and Orthodox Clergy from the Baltimore-Washington area. These groups come from as far away as Ocean City, Hagerstown, and Frederick, Maryland, Washington, D.C., Falls Church and Fredericksburg, Virginia, as well as Lancaster and York, Pennsylvania. Delicious ethnic food will also be available. The parade route proceeds from Haven Street, up Eastern Avenue, turns right onto Ponca Street and ends two block s past the Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church at Fait Avenue. We encourage all groups who would like to participate in our parade to [register on-line](#). For more information call the Parade Hotline at **443-267-4735**, email us at [info@greekparade.com](mailto:info@greekparade.com).

**Demetrakia 2019 Season:** Registration for the 2019 Demetrakia Dance Troupe session begins today during coffee hour. Dance is free for all parishioners and o en to anyone interested, ages 4 and up. The first pract ice will be on **Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>**. Contact Emily at [ELiadakis@aol.com](mailto:ELiadakis@aol.com) or 443.838.1248 with any questions.

**Dance Costumes of the Past:** If you or any of your family or friends have Demetrakia Dance costumes at home, please turn them into a dance teacher of contact Emily to coordinate a pick-up time, 443.838.1248 or [ELiadakis@aol.com](mailto:ELiadakis@aol.com). Any and all pieces, in any condition, from any time period will be happily accepted, no questions asked. Thank You!

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## **PHILOPTOCHOS**

**Board Meeting: No meeting this month**

**General Meeting: No meeting this month**

**Go Red Sunday March 3rd:**

As the 50th Anniversary Recognition Sundays continue in February, the local Saint Demetrios Philoptochos has chosen to celebrate "GO RED SUNDAY" next month on Sunday, March 3rd. SAVE THE DATE FOR OUR ANNUAL -- WEAR RED-- GROUP PHOTO.

**Rescheduled 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 March 4th** 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. Please Contact Mary Tsakiris 410-245-1291 with any questions or see her at coffee hour.

**PHILOPTOCHOS MEMBERSHIP:** Now accepting 2019 stewardship commitments 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. Payments accepted: Check, Cash, Credit Card (see Treasurer, Presvytera Alice) or by paypal at [Philoptochos2504@gmail.com](mailto:Philoptochos2504@gmail.com). Questions? Contact Elaine 410.472.3458.

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

## **KORITSIA NEWS**

**Godparents Sunday:** This year, Saint Demetrios will be celebrating Godparents Sunday on **February 10<sup>th</sup>** 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](mailto:spadousis@hotmail.com), Christina Tsakiris at [cmt7226@gmail.com](mailto:cmt7226@gmail.com) or Natalie Alatzas [nalatzas@slateenclave.com](mailto: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!"

**SAVE THE DATE:** An evening at Boordy Vineyards ~ **Friday, May 17, 2019**. Please mark your calendar.

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**Orthodox Studies:** A wonderful opportunity to learn more about your Orthodox Faith!! Join us this **Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup>**, at 9:30am in the board room. Please be advised 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.

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**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](mailto:saintdemetrios@comcast.net) and let us know if you feel that there is a need for more spaces.

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**2019 Calendars:** If you were unable to pick-up the 2019 Ecclesiastical Calendar and would like to have one, the calendars can be picked-up from the Church office during regular business hours. (Monday thru Friday, 8:00am to 4:00pm), or you can call the Church office at 410.661.1090 and request that the calendar be mailed to you. Only calendars that are requested will be mailed. Because we have a limited number of calendars, to ensure that everyone receives their calendar, only **one** calendar per family.

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REGISTER TODAY for the twenty-fifth Annual Nicholas Tsakalos Growing in Faith Retreat which will be held on Saturday, March 23, 2019. The Retreat Masters are Father Nicholas and Presvytera Roxanne Louh of Saint John the Divine Greek Orthodox Church in Jacksonville, Florida. The topic for the retreat is “*Daily principles you can apply to make 2019 the best year of your life, spiritually.*” For information, contact Jeanne Tsakalos, 410-252-6021 or [Jeannetsakalos@hotmail.com](mailto:Jeannetsakalos@hotmail.com). The early registrations cost for the retreat is \$30.00, until March 11. Our youth are invited to an evening with Father Nicholas and Presvytera Roxanne on Friday, March 22, 2019, following the Salutations to the Virgin Mary, beginning at 6:30 PM. Dinner and discussion to follow. There is no charge for this, but registration is required by contacting Trevor, [tbullock@goannun.org](mailto:tbullock@goannun.org) or 410-727-1831.

**The Hellenic Heritage Museum of Maryland, Inc.**, is offering a special program, which will include a documentary film and lecture today **Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>** at the Fr. Constantine M. Monios Hall at the Annunciation Cathedral in Baltimore. The topic will be the famous Greek heroine, Laskarina Bouboulina, whose flagship “Agamemnon” raised the first revolutionary flag in the Greek War of Independence, in 1821. The presenter will be April Kalogeropoulos Householder, Ph.D. award winning documentary filmmaker. A light lunch will be served at 12:15pm and the lecture begins approximately 1:00pm. For more information please contact Anna Pappas at 410.296.2522.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

*Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup> ~ Parish Council Executive Board Meeting ~ 7:00pm*

*Monday, February 18<sup>th</sup> ~ President’s Day, Office, Pre-School and Greek School closed*

*Tuesday, February 19<sup>th</sup> ~ Parish Council General Board Meeting ~ 7:00pm*

*Monday, February 25<sup>th</sup> ~ 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary meeting ~ 7:00pm*

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## 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](mailto: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

[tcCook@bpointwellness.com](mailto:tcCook@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**

	<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>2018</b>	\$380,000	\$727,395	\$209,428	\$36,187	193
<b>2019</b>	\$382,000	\$791,705	\$216,402	\$39,638	219

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

**WEEKLY SCHEDULE**

<p><b><u>Monday, February 4<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Pre-School Library Day Greek School, 4:30pm (C) Mama Mia Rehearsal, 7:00pm</p> <p><b><u>Tuesday, February 5<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Parish Council Executive Board Mtg., 7:00pm (B)</p> <p><b><u>Wednesday, February 6<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Greek School, 4:30pm (C) No GOYA basketball Mamma Mia Rehearsal, 7:00pm</p>	<p><b><u>Thursday, February 7<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) No Men’s Basketball</p> <p><b><u>Friday, February 8<sup>th</sup></u></b> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Orthodox Studies, 9:30am (B)</p>	<p><b><u>Sunday, February 10<sup>th</sup></u></b> <i>16<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the Canaanite</i> <i>Orthros, 9:00am</i> <i>Divine Liturgy, 10:00am</i> <i>Memorial Sunday</i> <i>Recognition Sunday ~</i> <i>Parish Council</i> Church School, 9:55am Godparents Sunday at St. Demetrios 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Recognition Sunday ~ Koritsia Mamma Mia Rehearsal, 2:00pm</p>
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