

February 17, 2019

Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee

The Epistle Reading is: 2 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 and 129 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

Today we remember: Triodhion begins, The Publican and the Pharisee; Greatmartyr Theodore of Tyron; Marcian and Pulcheria, Emperor and Empress, “the Pious”; Neomartyr of Byzantium Theodore of Mytilene, and Michael; Righteous Euxiphios; Mariam, Equal to the Apostles; Righteous Theosteriktos.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- Maria, Tina and George, Andreana & Kosta, Athanasi, Andrea & Maria *in loving memory of* husband, father & grandfather, Andrei Andreyev who fell asleep in the Lord 3 months ago. May his memory be eternal.

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

- Cleo Cocoros & Family *in loving memory of* husband, father, brother & grandfather, Arthur “Archie” Cocoros who fell asleep in the Lord 40-days ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Christopher & Helen Makres *in honor of* their granddaughter, Eleni Polites, on the occasion of her birthday. May God grant her many blessings.
- Val & Sandy Dzwonczyk *in loving memory of* their aunt, Sophia who fell asleep in the Lord 31 years ago and *in loving memory of* their sister, Maria who fell asleep in the Lord 3 years ago. May their memories be eternal.
- Despina Courtalis & Family *in loving memory of* husband, father & grandfather, Peter Courtalis who fell asleep in the Lord 10 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: Ritsa Economakis.

The Memorial Service is being chanted today *in loving memory of* Archie Cocoros who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. May his memory be eternal.

Coffee Hour: Coffee Hour is sponsored *in loving memory* by the family of Archie Cocoros and served by the Philoptochos Ladies Sisterhood. It will take place in the Parish Council Boardroom following Divine Liturgy.

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

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

February 25th ~ Saints Mary Magdalene & Markella

Salutations to the Virgin Mary: Beginning on **Friday, March 15th** we will be singing praises to the Virgin Mary at the *Salutations to the Virgin Mary Service* beginning at 7:00pm in the church. Salutations to the Virgin Mary will continue each Friday until **April 12th**. It is a beautiful service, and all are invited to attend.

Lent begins on Monday, March 11th. Please mark your calendars!

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.

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 wonderful opportunity to learn more about your Orthodox Faith!! Join us this **Friday, February 22nd**, 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 info. contact Kate Cocoros at 443-564-6618.

50th Anniversary: Our next meeting is planned for **Monday, February 25th, 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.

30th Anniversary of the Ordination of Father Manuel J. Burdusi: You are cordially invited to celebrate the 30th Anniversary of the Ordination of Father Manuel J. Burdusi on **Sunday, March 10th, 2019 at 3:00pm** at Ikaros Restaurant, 4901 Eastern Avenue, Baltimore, MD. Tickets are \$50 per person (includes dinner, music and a gift for Father Manuel). Seats are limited and the deadline to reserve them is **March 1st, 2019**. Please reserve yours today by sending your check made payable to: Burdusi 30th Anniversary, c/o Presvytera Alice Noplos ~ Saint Denetrios Church, 2504 Cub Hill Road, Baltimore, MD. 21234. For more information, please contact Presvytera Alice at 443.417.0975 or anoplos@comcast.net.

Greek Independence Day Parade: Join us for the Maryland Greek Independence Day Parade on **Sunday, March 31, 2019, at 2:00 PM**, in Baltimore’s historic Greektown. The parade features dance groups in ethnic costumes, children groups, and Orthodox Clergy from the Baltimore-Washington area. The parade route proceeds from Haven Street, up Eastern Avenue, turns right onto Ponca Street and ends two blocks past 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.

Demetrakia 2019 Season: Registration for the 2019 Demetrakia Dance Troupe session continues today during coffee hour, *outside boardroom*. Dance is free for all parishioners and open to anyone interested, ages 4 and up. The first practice will be on **Sunday, March 3rd**. Contact Emily at 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 or contact Emily to coordinate a pick-up time, 443.838.1248 or ELiadakis@aol.com. Any and all pieces, in any condition, from any time period will be happily accepted, no questions asked. Thank You!

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 12:00pm 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: ~February is the month of eternal LOVE~ Join the team of friendly, hardworking members spreading joy to those in need of a helping hand, kind words of encouragement and smiles. Consider your 2019 stewardship commitment to our local Philoptochos chapter.

~ 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 ~ Need additional information? Contact Elaine 410.472.3458. **Philoptochos is: ~ PHILANTHROPY ~ FELLOWSHIP ~ FAITH IN ACTION!**

Save the Date: Bingo: May 10th A Big Fat Greek Bingo Night . . . Join us on **Friday, May 10th** (doors open at 6pm) for a fun evening and win great prizes. Refreshments will be available. Tickets are \$20.00 in advance or \$25.00 at the door. Proceeds benefit the many charities of the Ladies Philoptochos Society. If you are holding a table, tickets must be paid for in advance. Last day to by discounted ticket is **May 5th**. See Mary Tsakiris during coffee hour to purchase your tickets. You may also call her at 410-245-1291.

KORITSIA NEWS

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

THE WAY

The Orthodox Christian Way: Coming in March!! The Way series will be held on the following Tuesday evenings, **March 5th, 12th, 19th & 26th**. Presentations will begin at 7:00pm following the 6:15pm light supper. Cost for the 4 sessions is \$35, or \$10 each session. Child care will be provided as needed. Call the church office at 410.661.109 for more information.

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.

REGISTER TODAY for the 25th Annual Nicholas Tsakalos Growing in Faith Retreat which will be held on **Saturday, March 23rd, 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. 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 22nd, 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, bullock@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 on **Sunday, March 3rd** 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.

FAITH, HOPE & LOVE: Axion Charity Events Presents Private Pre-Screening of **FAITH, HOPE & LOVE, A film by Robert Krantz** on **Thursday, March 14th, 2019.** Landmark Theaters ~ Harbor East, 645 S. President Street, Baltimore, MD. 21202, doors open at 6:15pm, showing begins at 7:00pm, ticket price is \$26.00. For information & tickets: axioncharityevents@gmail.com or Eleni Roros 443.621.0587 or Olga Paterakis 410.491.4066. Flyers are on the Narthex Table. ***All proceeds to benefit the Greek Orthodox Churches of Baltimore.***

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 18th ~ President's Day, Office, Pre-School and Greek School closed
February 19th ~ Parish Council General Board Meeting ~ 7:00pm
February 20th ~ Book/Knitting Club ~ 9:00am
February 22nd ~ Mamma Mia ~ Doors Open: 6:00pm / Show Time: 8:00pm
February 23rd ~ Mamma Mia ~ Doors Open: 5:30pm / Show Time: 7:30pm
February 24th ~ Mamma Mia ~ Doors Open: 4:00pm / Show Time: 6:00pm
Monday, February 25th ~ 50th Anniversary meeting ~ 7:00pm
February 26th ~ Pre-School Paint Night ~ 6:30pm
February 28th ~ Adult Choir ~ 7:00pm
March 3rd ~ Dance Practice & Philoptochos **Go RED** Sunday
March 4th ~ Texas Roadhouse Fundrasier
March 5th ~ The Way ~ 6:15pm light fare / 7:00pm presentation
March 10th ~ 30th Anniversary of the Ordination of Father Manuel J. Burdusi
March 11th ~ Lent Begins
March 14th ~ FAITH, LOVE & HOPE ~ 6:15pm doors open / 7:00pm show time
March 31st ~ Greek Independence Day Parade / 2:00 pm

The Saint Demetrios Suburban Players
Presents



Ticket Sales

ONLY THREE SHOWS LEFT!
LAST CALL FOR TICKETS
CALL ELENI 410.679.5622

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

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

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	\$235,545	\$63,814	255
2019	\$382,000	\$791,705	\$248,712	\$66,570	272

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p><u>Monday, February 18th</u> President's Day Office closed Pre-School closed Greek School closed</p> <p><u>Tuesday, February 19th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Parish Council Board Mtg., 7:00pm (B)</p> <p><u>Wednesday, February 20th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Book/Knitting Club, 9:00am (L) Greek School, 4:30pm (C) No GOYA basketball</p>	<p><u>Thursday, February 21st</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Adult Choir, 7:00pm (M) No Men's Basketball</p> <p><u>Friday, February 22nd</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Orthodox Studies, 9:30am (B) Mamma Mia Doors Open: 6:00pm Show Time: 8:00pm</p> <p><u>Saturday, February 23rd</u> Mamma Mia Doors Open: 5:30pm Show Time: 7:30pm</p>	<p><u>Sunday, February 24th</u> Sunday of the Prodigal Son Orthros, 9:00am Divine Liturgy, 10:00am No Coffee Hour Church School, 9:55am No Dance Practice Godparents Sunday at Saints M&M. Mamma Mia Doors Open: 4:00pm Show Time: 6:00pm</p>
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