

May 19, 2019

Sunday of the Paralytic

The Epistle Reading is Acts 9:32-42. The Gospel Reading is John 5:1-15. These Readings may be found on pages 1271 and 1240 in the Holy Bible or on pages 50-52 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

Today we remember: The Fourth Sunday of Paschal Season, the Paralytic; Holymartyr Patrikios, Bishop of Prusa, with Akakios, Menander, and Polyaenios, Priests and Martyrs; Phileteros, Martyr.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- Irene Vavas and family *in loving memory of* Despina Kaitis *who fell asleep in the lord* 3 years ago. *May her memory be eternal.*

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

- Irene Peltsems *in honor of* her granddaughter, Ourania Stavrakis, on the occasion of her graduation from Towson University. You make me proud.
- Lambros & Lisa Venetos *in honor of* Alicia Messick on the occasion on the birth of her son, David James Messick. Yiayia & Papou are thankful for God's Blessing.

The Altar Bread was prepared by: Dimitria Psihopedas and George Kerasiotes

40-Day Blessing: Mr. & Mrs. Stephen Nichols will present their 1st child, a son, for the traditional 40-day blessing. Please join me in prayer as we ask God to watch over and protect this family.

AHEPA will sponsor a free will breakfast today, **Sunday, May 19th** in the Hermes Rafailides Center. Please join us. All proceeds will benefit Saint Demetrios.

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

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: Christos Anesti! Learn more about your Orthodox Faith with fun and fellowship; join us on **Friday, May 24th** at **9:30 a.m.** in the board room. All are invited to attend, and we love new members!! For more information contact Kate Cocoros at 443-564-6618 / painterkateart@gmail.com.

Library News: The Library is a very active ministry and we are always looking for volunteers. We have the Book and Knitting Club, monthly visits from the Day School, weekly visits from the Church School, daily visits during VBS, a yearly lecture, and we give a scholarship. Last year over 800 books were checked out. Going to Greece for a vacation? We have books to help you get ready for your trip. Don't have time to stop by the Library? No worries! We have the Little Library right next to the mailbox. You take a book; you give a book. Don't have a book? Take one anyway, we have plenty to spare.

The Book and Knitting Club will be meeting on **Tuesday June 11th, 2019** at 9:00 A.M.

St. Demetrios Greek Festival: **September 26th, 27th, 28th, 29th.** Authentic Greek Foods, Desserts, Dancing, Music, Church Tours, and more! "Glendi on the Hill After Party Saturday Night." Free admission and on-site parking.

Festival: What is the famous saying "One Man's Trash is Another Man's Treasure." Spring Cleaning is here, and we are getting rid of stuff. Don't go to Good Will we are collecting gently used stuff for Father's Attic, 100% goes to St. Demetrios. You can bring with you on Sundays.

Saint Demetrios Pre-School: *Has moved the date of their 20th year heritage celebration and talent show from Saturday, May 11th, 2019 to Saturday, October 12th, 2019* from 4:00-8:00pm/ Calling all alumni to participate in the talent show. There will be Greek DJ's & Dancing, Procession of Greek Flags all while we honor past administrators, teachers, alumni & students. All You Can Eat Food for \$15; children ages 5-11~\$15, under 4 are free! For more information, contact Betty at 410.661.100 ext. 204.

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.

Save the Date: St. Demetrios 50th Anniversary Luncheon on **Sunday, December 1st** in the Hermes Rafailides Fellowship Hall immediately following Divine Liturgy and hosted by the Koritsia group. Tickets will go on sale in early September through **Sunday, November 17th**, and will **NOT** be sold at the door, so make sure to purchase them prior to **November 17th!** More information to follow.

Camp Good Shepherd Chesapeake Bay: Registration is now open for campers and volunteers. Camp will be held on **July 15th – 19th, 2019** at Camp Wo-Me-To in scenic Rocks State Park in Jarrettsville, Maryland. Day Camp will be held on **Thursday, July 18th, 2019**. To register a camper or to volunteer, please use the following link: <http://app.campdoc.com/register/goodshepherd>. For more information please contact Kate Cocoros at 443.564.6618 / painterkateart@gmail.com.

Save the Date: Saint Demetrios Vacation Bible School will be held, **Monday, August 26th – Friday, August 30th ~ 9am-12pm**. Ages 4 to 5th grade. Volunteers needed ~ to register please visit: vbspro.events/p/saintdemetrios19. Any questions please contact: Kelly MacDonnell at: 410.917.2992 or via email at: kellymacdonnell@hotmail.com.

Hellenic Heritage Museum of Maryland Book Club: You are invited to join the **HHMM Book Club**. Both men and women are welcome as we discuss a variety of Greek and Greek American topics focused on History, travel, fiction and non-fiction, poetry & culture. We meet on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 3:00pm at the home of Helen Sarafidis. For more information please contact Helen at 410.825.8532.

AXION CHARITY EVENTS PRESENTS . . . Nikos Oikonomopoulos: Sunday, September 29th at the Marriott Baltimore Waterfront ~ 700 Aliceanna Street, Baltimore. Doors open at 6pm. Show begins at 7:30pm. General tickets on sale **June 7th** at DCGreeks.com (all tickets include Lite Appetizers, Free Parking & Cash Bar). Proceeds to Benefit The Greek Orthodox Churches In the Baltimore Area. For more information call Eleni Roros 443.621.0587/ AxionCharityEvents@gmail.com; like us on Facebook @axioncharityevents.

Axion Charity Events brings you . . . "Cruizin with the Greeks" on the Carnival Pride to the Bahamas and Turks & Caicos Islands - **Sailing Sunday, June 21st - Sunday, June 28th, 2020** from Baltimore. Join us for a fun filled 7 Day Cruise with several planned events sponsored by Axion Charity Events. A \$50/person deposit is required by **July 15th** to reserve your cabin. For stateroom pricing and info. contact AxionCharityEvents@gmail.com. To pay your deposit, contact Effie Karabelas at Going Places Travel Agency at [410-284-9200/effie@goingplacesinc.com](tel:410-284-9200).

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

Scholarships: Anyone interested in endowing an academic scholarship at Saint Demetrios, please contact Lou Triandafilou 410.528.1589 or ltrianda28@gmail.com or the Church Office at 410.661.1090 x202 or saintdemetrios@comcast.net.

PLEASE NOTE: If you have a 2.5 GPA or higher and wish to apply for a 2019 scholarship, applications packets are now available on the table in the Church Narthex. A high school/college transcript, letter of acceptance, letter of good standing, and recommendations for the Parish Priest and two faculty members under whom you have studied must be included. **NO OTHER** letters of recommendation will be accepted.

All applications must be post-marked, or hand delivered to the Church office by **Monday, June 3rd, 2019**. Scholarship recipients will be determined by **July 1st, 2019** and scholarships will be presented after the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, July 28th, 2019**. If you have any questions, please call the Church office, or contact Lou Triandafilou at 410.528.1589 or ltrianda28@gmail.com.

United Chios Society of Baltimore: College Scholarship Applications for the Academic Year 2019-2020 are now available. Stop by the Narthex table and pick-up an application. **The application must be post-marked no later than July 12th, 2019.** *Recipients or their representatives **MUST** be present during church services at Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church located at 520 S. Ponca Street, Baltimore, Maryland on Sunday, July 21st, 2019, where presentations will be made.*

FAITH Scholarship for Academic Excellence: Applications are available to be downloaded at: thefaithendowment.org/scholarships. To be eligible, applicants must be a member of a Greek Orthodox parish and graduating high school senior enrolling in a 4-year accredited U.S. university this Fall. Application deadline is **June 17th, 2019**.

KORITSIA NEWS

WE ARE LOOKING FOR NEW MEMBERS: We are a group of busy women who are trying to develop community and raise funds for our Church. No fee to be a part of this group and there is only one meeting a year scheduled for this **Sunday, May 19th**, immediately following Divine Liturgy in the board room. All are invited. For more details please contact Simone Trintis at strintis@hotmail.com.

PHILOPTOCHOS

End of Year Dinner: Join us on June 17th at Red Brick Station on the Avenue at White Marsh as we celebrate our Mother and Father of the year. Tickets will be on sale during coffee hour and the price is \$31.00. Space is limited to get your tickets early.

Calling All Graduates: On **June 9th**, all graduates of the Saint Demetrios Community will be honored at Graduate Sunday.

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	\$262,428	\$137,013	307
2019	\$382,000	\$791,705	\$307,187	\$162,137	385

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p><u>Monday, May 20th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Pre-School Hearing & Vision, 8:30am (C) Greek School, 4:30pm (C)</p> <p><u>Tuesday, May 21st</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Pre-School Paint Night, 6:30pm (H/G) Parish Council Board Mtg., 7:00pm</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, May 22nd</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Greek School Closing Program 5:00pm (CH/H/G) GOYA Basketball 6:00pm (H/G)</p> <p><u>Thursday, May 23rd</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Adult Choir, 7:00 pm (M) Men’s Basketball, 6:00pm (H/G)</p>	<p><u>Friday, May 24th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Orthodox Studies, 9:30am (B) Hall Rental (Concert)</p> <p><u>Sunday, May 26th</u> <i>Sunday of the Samaritan Woman</i> Orthros, 9:00am Divine Liturgy, 10:00am Hall Rental</p>
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*Each of you should give what you have decided in your heart to give, not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver. ~ **2 Corinthians 9:7***