

June 9, 2019

Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council

The Epistle Reading is Acts 20: 16-18, 28-36 The Gospel Reading is John 17:1-13. These Readings may be found on pages 1284 and 1255 in the Holy Bible or on pages 60-62 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

Today we remember: Seventh Sunday of the Paschal Season, commemorating the 318 Holy Fathers of the First Ecumenical Council in Nicea; Sunday Post-Ascension; St. Cyril, Patriarch of Alexandria; Pelagia and the three Virginmartyrs of Chios; Virginmartyrs Thecla, Ennatha, Maramne, Martha and Mary.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- The Rafailides Family *in loving memory of* husband, father, grandfather and brother, Pete Rafalides *who fell asleep in the Lord* 40-days ago. May his memory be eternal.

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

- Maria Rallis and family *in loving memory of* husband, father and Papou, Elias Rallis *who fell asleep in the Lord* 6 months ago. May his memory be eternal
- Mihail Makris and family *in loving memory of* wife, mother and grandmother, Penelope Makris, *who fell asleep in the Lord* 3 years ago. May her memory be eternal.
- John Koutrakos and family *in loving memory of* sister & Theo, Penny Makris, *who fell asleep in the Lord* 3 years ago. May her memory be eternal
- Maria Rallis and Family *in loving memory of* son, brother, and uncle, Anastasios “Andy” Rallis *who fell asleep in the Lord* 5 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Antonia Courtalis *in loving memory of* Penelope Makris, *who fell asleep in the Lord* 3 years ago. May her memory be eternal.
- Helen Foudos and family *in loving memory of* husband, father, and grandfather, Louis J. Foudos, *who fell asleep in the Lord* 5 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Elaine and Jerry Sackleh and family *for the health and welfare of* son and brother, Nicholas for quick healing.
- Basil and Margo *in honor of* the high school graduation of their grandson, Nickolas and on the achievement of becoming an Eagle Scout.
- Sterqos and Lucy Kosmos *in loving memory of* her brother, Nicholas, *who fell asleep in the Lord* 6 years ago today. You are greatly missed.
- Sterqos and Lucy Kosmos *in honor of* their grandson, Alec, who graduates with honors from the Science and Math Academy, and who is blessed with a full scholarship to the University of Maryland in chemical engineering.

The Altar Bread was prepared by Mary Tsakiris

40 Day Blessing: Mr. & Mrs. Stilianos Pigiaditis 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.

The Memorial Service is being chanted today *in loving memory of* Pete Rafalides (40 days); Elias Rallis (6 months ago); Penelope Makris (3 years ago); John Narlis (3 years ago); Anastasios “Andy” Rallis (5 years ago) and Louis John Foudos (5 years ago). May their memories be eternal.

Coffee Hour: The families of Pete Rafalides, Elias Rallis, Penelope Makris, and Anastasios Rallis are **hosting the coffee hour today.**

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: We are currently on summer break, please join us when we resume in the fall. All are welcome, we LOVE new members!! For more information 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.

50th Anniversary Golden Gala: Tickets are now available for the *St. Demetrios 50th Golden Gala* to be held on **Saturday, November 9th** at the Hermes Rafailides Center. Tickets are \$125 per person (\$80 for ages 18 and under). The evening is one that you won't want to miss. Ticket price includes: Appetizers, Catered Meal, Dessert, Open Bar, Music by Zephyros and a Commemorative Souvenir. Tickets are available by contact Presvytera Alice 443.417.0975 (anoplos@comcast.net). Reserve your tables now! Seating will be limited!

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.

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 your 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.

Library News: Graduating from High School and getting ready for College. We have many books to help you get ready for the new chapter in your life. This makes good Summer Reading. We have a lot of new books for young and old. Our Library has a brand-new look so please stop by and check us out. Don't have time to visit the Library? No worries we now have the Little Library right next to the mailbox. You take a book and give a book. Don't have a book? Just take whatever you like we have plenty to spare.

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

Saint Demetrios Pre-School 2019-2020 Teacher/Senior Staff Needed: (2) Positions in the Infant/Toddler Room ~ Senior Staff Qualified Hours: 8am-3pm (7 hours daily/ 35 hours weekly) & 1pm-6pm (5 hours daily / 25 hours weekly) Start Date: **Thursday, September 5, 2019** (Year-Round Position). (1) 2 year old Teacher: Hours: 8am-4pm (8 hours daily / 40 hours weekly) Start Date: **Wednesday, August 28, 2019** Requirements: 90 Hour Certificate (High School with student teaching) and / or Associates Degree in Early Education: (1) 3 year old Teacher ~ Hours: 8am-3pm (7 hours daily/ 35 hours weekly) Requirements: Associates Degree in Early Education or Bachelor's Degree. Requirements for ALL POSITIONS: We are seeking high energy, motivated individuals that will incorporate our Motto of Faith, Family and Education into their teaching practices. All applicants will be required to complete a medical report prior to employment (Office of Child Care).

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 drop off your items Monday-Friday from 9:00am-3:00pm or on Sundays. All items will be placed in the computer lab, which is located across the hall from the Library.

Crusader Kids Summer Program ~ to be held at Saint Demetrios Church. Children 2 years to 5th grade is eligible to participate. Drop-In / Part-time / Full-time ~ hours of operation are 7:30am-5:30pm daily. Summer Program begins June 17th and runs thru August 23rd. \$50.00 **Non-Refundable** Registration Fee (excludes registered Pre-School students). Topics include Babylon, God's Green Earth, Christmas in July, Dino-Mite & Shipwrecked. There will also be Arts & Cooking, Outdoor Activities, Thematic Activities; Music and Fieldtrips. Snacks will be provided. To register or for more information pick up a flyer from the Narthex table or contact the Saint Demetrios Pre-School at 410.661.1090 ext. 204 or sdpreschool@comcast.net.

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.

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).

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, so get your tickets early. ***This is your last Sunday to purchase tickets for this event at coffee hour.*** Contact Presvytera Alice at 410-817-9651 or anoplos@comcast.net or Angie McQueeney at 443-286-4234 or angie3a@aol.com. Cut off to purchase tickets is **June 13th, 2019** as we need to give the guarantee to the caterer.

Graduate Sunday: Congratulations to all high school and college graduates being honored today. We are thankful to God for your successful Graduation. It is the result of your sincerity, hard work and patience.

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

Saint Demetrios Scholarships: “Give instructions to a wise man and he will be yet wiser; teach a just man and he will increase in learning. The fear of the Lord is the beginning of wisdom, and the knowledge of the Holy is understanding.” ***Please make plans to join us on Sunday, July 28th, as we honor our Scholarship recipient.***

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: thefaihindowment.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**.

The Ladies Panchian Society “Chios” is offering scholarships. If you are interested in applying, please pick-up a scholarship packet from the Narthex Table. Please be advised that the deadline for accepting applications is **Friday, July 7th, 2019**. The scholarships will be awarded on **July 21st**, at Saint Nicholas Greek Orthodox Church. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Kiki Stroumbis 410.952.3679 or kikistroum@msn.com.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 10th ~ Ronald McDonald House

June 11th ~ Book & Knitting Club

June 12th ~ Pre-School Graduation

June 13th-June 16th ~ St. Theodore's Greek Festival

June 14th-June 16th ~ 13th Annual Bel Air Greek Festival

June 15th ~ Saturday of Souls Divine Liturgy @ 9:00am ** (TIME CHANGE) ******

June 16th ~ Father's Day Luncheon

June 16th ~ 50th Anniversary Recognition of all Father's

June 17th ~ Scholarship Committee Meeting

June 17th ~ Philoptochos End-of-Year Dinner

June 17th to August 23rd ~ Crusaders' Summer Program

June 18th ~ Parish Council Meeting

June 29th ~ Apostles of Peter & Paul ~ Divine Liturgy @ 10:00am

Saint Nicholas Greek Folk Festival ~ B'More Greek! Celebrating our Greek Orthodox faith & culture by sharing our love of music, dance, art & authentic Greek food. Come & enjoy great food, wine, music, dance and our famous Greek hospitality. **June 8th-9th, 2019** at Greek Town Square & Events Center, 701 S. Ponca Street, Baltimore, MD. Hours are: Saturday: Noon to 11pm & Sunday: Noon to 10pm. For more information, please call 410.633.5020.

Saints Mary Magdalene & Markella 13th Annual Bel Air Greek Festival ~ June 14th-16th at The John Carroll School, 703 E. Churchville Road, Bel Air, MD. Hours are Friday: 4pm-10pm, Saturday: 12pm-10pm & Sunday: 12pm-6pm. Free admission & on-site parking. We'll have Greek Food & Desserts, Greek Music & Dancing, Beer, Wine & Spirits, etc. For more information, please pick-up a flyer from the Narthex Table or call 410.457.0303.

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	\$279,658	\$162,785	332
2019	\$382,000	\$791,705	\$316,343	\$189,802	406

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<u>Monday, June 10th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Ronald McDonald House	<u>Thursday, June 13th</u> Pre-School Closed Men's Basketball, 6:00pm (H/G) St. Theodore's Greek Festival	<u>Sunday, June 16th</u> Holy Pentecost Orthros, 9:00 am Divine Liturgy, 10:00am
<u>Tuesday, June 11th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Book and Knitting Club 9:00am (L)	<u>Friday, June 14th</u> Pre-School Closed Flag Day St. Theodore's Greek Festival	Father's Day Father's Day Lunch (Sponsored by: Philoptochos) 50 th Anniversary Recognition of all Father's Last Choir Sunday
<u>Wednesday, June 12th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Pre-School Graduation, 1:00pm (Church)	<u>Saturday, June 15th</u> Saturday of Souls ~ Divine Liturgy, 9:00am*** (Note Time) St. Theodore's Greek Festival	St. Theodore's Greek Festival

Saint Theodore Greek Orthodox Church Greek Festival: Come join us & Go Greek ~ **June 13th-16th** (Father's Day Weekend). Hours are Thursday: 11am-7pm / Friday & Saturday: 11am-9pm / Sunday: 11am-7pm. Festival will be held rain or shine! We'll have Greek Food, Greek Music, Greek Dancing, Vendors & Crafts. Saint Theodore's is located at: 7101 Cipriano Road, Lanham, Maryland 20706. For questions visit: festival@sttheodores.org, for more information visit: #sttheogreekfest2019. Hope to see you at the festival!