

July 7, 2019

3rd Sunday of Matthew

The Epistle Reading is Galatians 3:23-4:5, The Gospel Reading is Matthew 6:22-33. These Readings may be found on pages 133 and 1152 in the Holy Bible or on page 68 in the Divine Liturgy Book. The Apolitikion for today can be found on page 81 in the green Hymnal Book. The responses to the Liturgy are sung in Greek except for the following pages where English is sung: pages 38-53 and pages 62-27

Today we remember Greatmartyr Kyriaki; Evangelos, Martyr; Neomartyr Polykarp; Righteous Thomas of Malea.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- Father Lou & the Parish Council *for the health & welfare of* the entire Saint Demetrios Community. May God watch over you and keep you safe during your summer travels.

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.

The Altar Bread was prepared by Anthi Papapavlou

Coffee Hour: The Philoptochos will not be sponsoring or serving coffee during the remaining summer Sundays, with the exception of Memorial Sunday's.

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.

Congregational Singing: Today, we continue our Congregational Singing during the Divine Liturgy and we will continue until September. Everyone is encouraged to participate in singing the responses and hymns of the Liturgy. The Apolitikion for today can be found on page 81 in the green Hymnal Book. The responses to the Liturgy are sung in Greek except for the following pages where English is sung: pages 38-53 and pages 62-27. Please pick up your green Hymnals from the Pangari.

Orthodox Dress Etiquette: With the warm weather quickly approaching, we would like to remind you that you are attending an Orthodox Christian Church and modesty and humility should always be in your forethought. Therefore, **shorts, flip-flops, spaghetti straps, short skirts, etc. are not acceptable**. Please remember that this is a House of God and dress accordingly.

Vacation Bible School: Mission to Mars: Register Today! Saint Demetrios Vacation Bible School will be held **August 26th - 30th**, 9:00am – 12:00pm, Ages 4 to 5th grade. Volunteers needed ~ to register please visit: vbspro.events/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 contacting 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: There are many strong women in our Orthodox faith and in the Bible. One is Saint Kyriaki. She was named Kyriaki because she was born on a Sunday, the day of our Lord. She suffered many torments because of her faith, and she was condemned to be beheaded. She was allowed time to pray first. She made her prayer and gave up her soul in peace. Our church chapel is named in her honor. You can read about her and many other strong and faithful women by visiting our Library. If the library is closed you can visit our Little Library and it is right next to our mailbox. How convenient is that. You take a book and replace it with one of your books. Don't have a book to share no worries take what you like anyway we have plenty to share.

The Book and Knitting Club will be meeting on **Tuesday July 9th, 2019** at 9:00am-12:00pm at the Library. The book on the month is *Stone Flower Garden* by *Deborah Smith*. All are welcome whether you knit, crochet, or just want some good conversation.

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).

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 runs from July 8th 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: Camp will be held on **July 15th – 19th, 2018** at Camp Wo Me To, in scenic Rocks State Park. Day Camp will be held on **Thursday, July 18th, 2019**. **Thank you to all of our volunteers, Campers and families.** For more infor. please contact Kate Cocoros at 443-564-6618.

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).

Saint Demetrios, The Guys & Dolls Senior Social Group is sponsoring a bus trip to the **“Sight & Sound Millennium Theatre”** in Strasburg, PA. to see the live presentation of **“Jesus”** on **Thursday, October 3rd, 2019**. Bus leaves at 10:30am and returns at 7:30pm. Cost is \$115 per person which includes, Transportation, buffet lunch (Arthur’s Terrace), reserved seats for the show, all taxes and trips, including the driver. Full payment is due by **September 3rd, 2019**. Make checks payable & mail to Despina Panageotou, 8614 Sherington Road, Nottingham, MD. 21236 or Irene Vavas, 9601 Amberleigh Lane, Unit N, Perry Hall, MD. 21128. For more information please contact Desi at 410.256.8593 / despian5@gmail.com or Irene at 410.529.2653 / imvavas@yahoo.com.

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.**

ST. PHOTIOS GREEK ORTHODOX SHRINE ~ 2019 ANNUAL ESSAY CONTEST: The Essay Contest Program is generously supported through the estate of Mrs. Katie D'Anna and AHEPA Socrate Chapter #6, located in Jacksonville, Florida. The St. Photios Foundation, Inc. invites all teenagers 13-19 years of age to submit a 1,000-word essay to the St. Photios Essay Committee to participate in the annual Essay Contest. Prizes are awarded to the top three essays: 1st place wins \$500; 2nd place wins \$250 and 3rd place wins \$100. The Committee accepts submissions through **January 6th, 2020**. The essays are judged by an independent panel. To learn more about this contest and for the essay topic please pick-up a flyer from the Narthex Table or visit our website: <http://www.stphotios.org/>

PHILOPTOCHOS

Collection of Back-to-School Supplies has begun and will continue through Mid-August. Supplies can be deposited in the Philoptochos blue bin in the church building during regular church office hours or on Sunday at Liturgy. On the Narthex table you will find a list of supplies that will be needed for the local schools. If you'd like more information, please contact Lisa Jones-Venetos, danskliese1@aol.com or Elaine Sackleh, 410.472.3458. Thank you for your generous donations!

KORITSIA

Summer Restaurant Night #1: Saint Demetrios Summer Restaurant Nights ~ organized by the Koritsia. Eat at a local restaurant while helping to support our church! Pick-up a flyer from the Narthex Table and show it to the restaurant and 25% of all proceeds will be donated back to Saint Demetrios. Our next restaurant night is: **Tuesday, July 23rd** from 11:00am to 10:00pm at **Bertucci's**, located at 9081 Snowden River Parkway, Columbia, MD. If ordering on-line, please select “Pay at Restaurant, present flyer when picking up your order to ensure Saint Demetrios receives your donation. Hope to see you there!

Summer Restaurant Night #2: Saint Demetrios Summer Restaurant Night at The All-American Steakhouse, 3615 E. Joppa Road, Perry Hall, MD. On **Monday, August 12th** from 4:00pm-9:00pm. The All-American Steakhouse will give back 10% of all the sales from Saint Demetrios Parishioners. Pick-up a flyer from the Narthex Table and show it to the restaurant to ensure Saint Demetrios receives your donation.

FESTIVAL NEWS

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.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- July 8th ~ July 31st ~ Crusader's Kids Summer Program, 7:30am
 - July 9th ~ Book/Knitting Club, 9:00am
 - July 11th ~ Men's Basketball
 - July 12th ~ Exploring Greece, 9:30 am Kindergarten to 5th Grade
 - July 14th ~ Memorial Sunday**
 - July 15th -19th ~ Camp Good Shepard
 - July 18th ~ Men's Basketball
 - July 19th ~ Exploring Greece, 9:30 am Kindergarten to 5th Grade
 - July 23rd ~ Parish Council Meeting, 7:00pm
 - July 25th ~ Men's Basketball
 - July 26th ~ Exploring Greece, 9:30 am Kindergarten to 5th Grade
 - July 28th ~ Scholarship Sunday**
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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	\$283,503	\$178,440	336
2019	\$382,000	\$791,705	\$319,613	\$208,176	414

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<u>Monday, July 8th</u> Crusader Kids Summer Program 7:30am-5:30pm	<u>Wednesday, July 10th</u> Crusader Kids Summer Program 7:30am-5:30pm	<u>Friday, July 12th</u> Crusader Kids Summer Program 7:30am-5:30pm Exploring Greece, 9:30am <i>(Kindergarten to 5th Grade)</i>
<u>Tuesday, July 9th</u> Crusader Kids Summer Program 7:30am-5:30pm Book/Knitting Club, 9:00am (L)	<u>Thursday, July 11th</u> Crusader Kids Summer Program 7:30am-5:30pm Men's Basketball, 6:30pm (H/G)	<u>Sunday, July 14th</u> <i>Fathers of the 4th</i> <i>Ecumenical Council</i> Orthros, 9:00 am Divine Liturgy, 10:00am <i>Memorial Sunday</i>

Summer is in full swing.

That means trips to new, exotic places or maybe trips to visit friends in old familiar places.

Either way, summer often means being away from home for some period of time,

and that means not being home for Sunday Liturgy.

So, what do you do when you're traveling on a Sunday?

It doesn't matter how you do it, just keep GOD in your summer plans!