

November 10, 2019

8th Sunday of Luke

The Epistle Reading is Galatians 2:16-20. The Gospel Reading is Luke 10:25-37. These Readings may be found on pages 1330 and 1216 in the Holy Bible or on pages 98 and 106 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

Today we remember: Olympas, Rodion, Sosipatros, Tertios, Erastos and Kouartos of the 70 Apostles; Greatmartyr Orestes, Martyr of Tuane; Righteous Theosteriktos, Righteous Arsenios of Cappadocia; Milos of Babylon.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- Colonel & Mrs. John E. Gavrilis & Family (Patricia, Kelly, Kristyn, Dave, Yianni & Sophia) *in loving memory of* their brother and uncle, Nicholas E. Gavrilis who fell asleep in the Lord 90 days ago. May his memory be eternal.

The Vigil Lamp of the Iconostasion is lit by:

- Devoted husband George Mavronis & children: Steve Angelo & Michiele, Evangelos & Despina Papavasiliakis; Chris & Nikki Kazakos, and all their grandchildren, *in loving memory of* their wife & grandmother Irene Mavronis, *who fell asleep in the Lord* 6 years ago. *May her memory be eternal.*

The Altar Bread was prepared by: Ritsa Economakis

Coffee Hour: There will not be a coffee hour today, due to the 50th Gala Celebration last night.

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

We have been experiencing telephone difficulties if you need to reach the church office please call 410.661.0685 or email us at: saintdemetrios@comcast.net.

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 (candle stand) and to either return it to a Parish Council member or slip it under the Church Office door.

Orthodox Studies: Learn more about your Orthodox Faith. Please join us at 9:30 am on **Friday, November 15th** in the board room. We love new members! For more information, contact Kate Cocoros at 443-564-6618 / painterkateart@gmail.com.

Parish Council Elections: The elections for the Saint Demetrios Parish Council Members will be held next **Sunday, November 17th** directly after the Divine Liturgy, in the board room. Make an effort to vote for the Parish Council Members needed to serve for the years 2020, 2021 & 2022. There are five Stewards running for the five (5) open positions. They are: Smaro Cook, Gus Serevetas, Gus Stamatopoulos, Mary Triandafilou & Lambros Venetos. **Please plan to join us for this very important election!**

Parish Assembly: A Parish Assembly will be held on **Sunday, November 24th**, immediately following the Divine Liturgy in the Hermes Rafailides Center. Please remember that a quorum of forty (40) Stewards in good standing is required. Voting privileges will be extended to those who are fulfilling their 2019 Stewardship commitment. Please make every effort to attend this meeting. As Stewards of our parish, your attendance and participation in our Parish Assembly Meeting is essential to the future growth and direction of our Parish. The Philotochos Ladies will be offering lunch for sale at the meeting.

Upcoming Recognition Sundays: November 17th ~ 50 Years of Stewardship of the Year. November 24th ~ GOYA, Presidents, Advisors & Basketball Coaches.

Saint Catherine Divine Liturgy: Saint Demetrios Church will celebrate Saint Catherine with a Divine Liturgy on **Monday, November 25th** at 10:00 am. Please plan to join us.

Thanksgiving Divine Liturgy: Saint Demetrios Church will celebrate Thanksgiving with a Divine Liturgy at 9:00 am. Please plan to join us on **Thursday, November 28th** so that we may thank God for His many Blessings as a church family.

Saint Demetrios Christmas Card/Flower Donation forms have been mailed to all Stewards but can also be found on the Narthex table. The cost of sharing your good wishes in the Christmas card is \$20.00 per family. Donations for the flowers and decorations necessary to dress our Church for the season are needed as well. Please return the form to the church office by **November 27th**. Checks should be made payable to: Saint Demetrios. ***No orders for the card will be accepted by phone. No exceptions!***

Cemetery Committee: We are looking to add an additional Civil Engineer who would be willing to assist with the current and future needs of the Church. For additional information please contact, Manuel Vendelis at 410.409.3047.

Nativity Pageant: Our Church School's ANNUAL NATIVITY PAGEANT will be held following the Divine Liturgy in the Church Nave of **SUNDAY, DECEMBER 15th**. For more information please contact George Zaverdinos at 410.638.2637.

Bell Choir / Junior Chorus: We are seeking bell ringers and singers to perform with the Adult Choir on **Sunday, December 22nd** for the Advent Program. All are invited to participate! Rehearsals will be held in the Music Room directly after the Divine Liturgy. The first rehearsal will be held today **Sunday, November 10th** and will continue on the following Sundays: November 17th, 24th and December 1st & 8th. We ask that each child attend as many of these rehearsals as possible. All youth between the ages of 5-18 are strongly encouraged to share their talents. Please contact Miss Jennie at 410-657.9772 for more information.

NOT YOUR YIAYIA'S BINGO ~ Saturday, November 23rd. Featuring Designer Handbags and a Few Manly Man Prizes. BIG NEWS . . . This year GOYA will use proceeds from our Bingo to pay the February Mortgage for our Church!!! Please stop by the GOYA table during Coffee Hour to purchase tickets, reserve a table or to sponsor one of our many fantastic Bingo Prizes!!! Thank you for supporting our GOYA!!!

GOYA HELPING THE NEEDY: Our GOYA will be collecting various items to assist the needy. The month of November GOYA will be collecting canned goods. Please help us help the needy. You can drop off your donations Monday thru Friday from 9am-3pm or on Sunday's after Liturgy in the boxes outside the Hermes Rafailides Center.

January 25th ~ Our 4th Annual Adult Basketball Tournament & Throwback Bull Roast/Dance Featuring the KOKO Brothers playing your favorite music from the 50's through the 90's (proceeds to go towards a Mortgage payment for Church and securing a Bus for our GOYA Trip to Boston during Lent to visit The Holy Cross Hellenic College Holy Cross School of Theology)

Did You Hear the News? Our wonderful GOYA has pledged to pay a mortgage payment (February) for our Church!!! By using proceeds from their annual "Not Your YiaYia's Bingo", as well as from their annual Throwback Old School Basketball Tournament and Bull & Oyster Roast. Let's help them by supporting their bingo on **November 23rd**. Tickets are on sale every Sunday at coffee hour. Would you like to sponsor one of the prizes? Let them know!

Festival chairperson: If you are interested in chairing the **2020 Festival** please contact the church office at 410-661-1090 on/or before **November 18th, 2019.**

Library News: Our Library began in the 1980's. At that time, the Library was made up of Father Ernie's generous donation of books and videos from the archdiocese. In 1991, in order to make the collection accessible to the parish the Library ministry was formed. Today because of our parish's support and generous donations we went from a cart of books to over 6,500 books, CD's, DVD's and we have a Greek section. We would like to continue this very important ministry and you can help. If you have a couple of hours a month we would love for you to join this fun group. The Library will have a short meeting after church on **Sunday, November 17th.** If you are interested in our ministry, stop in and introduce yourself. Don't have time to visit the Library? No problem! We now have the Little Library right next to the mailbox. You just take a book and replace it with one of your books. Don't have a book, no worries we have plenty to spare.

The Book and Knitting Club will meet on **Tuesday November 12th, 2019 at 9:00am-12:00 pm** at the Library. All are welcomed whether you knit, crochet or just want some nice conversation.

Tuesday, January 28, 2020 the Library will be hosting a Greek cooking class in the Library at 6:30 pm. All are welcomed to attend for free.

PRE-SCHOOL NEWS

We Are Buzzing With Excitement ~ Our Infant & Toddler Room (6 weeks – 24 months) opened on **Monday, September 30th.** Hours: Monday - Friday 7:30am-5:30pm (\$320 wk.) / Monday - Friday 8:30am-3:30pm (\$245). For tours and registration call 410.661.1090 ext. 204 / sdpreschool@comcast.net.

Saint Demetrios Pre-School Registration: We are accepting Registration Forms for the 2019-2020 School Year, for the Saint Demetrios Infant & Toddler Program, Two-Year-Old Program, Pre-School, and Pre-Kindergarten. Registration forms can be found on the Narthex Table. For more information about this wonderful academic, spiritual and cultural educational program, please contact us via phone: 410.661.1090 x204 or email: sdpreschool@comcast.net

Need some help this Holiday Season? We have Your Answer! Saint Demetrios Pre-School is now accepting reservations for drop-in-care for infants and toddlers. We are open for drop-in care from 9:00am to 3:00pm Monday thru Friday ~ Cost per day (6 hours) \$50 / Cost per hour \$10. For more information please pick-up a flyer from the Narthex Table or contact Betty at 41.661.1090 ext. 204.

SUBURBAN PLAYERS

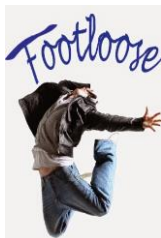
The Suburban Players proudly announces that this year's 45th production will be

"Footloose"

Show Dates: February 14th thru 16th and 21st thru 23rd.

Pre-Sale: **Now thru November 15th, 2019!**

Have a favorite table? As a thank you to our community members and long-time supporters, we're extending a chance to secure seating before tickets go on sale to the public. Dinner Theater: \$50 (Friday Shows: \$45) / Matinee: \$25 / Cash Bar All Shows.



PHILOPTOCHOS

General Meeting: November 11th – 6:30pm

Thanksgiving Food Drive: Philoptochos will be collecting food and monetary donations for Thanksgiving families in need. Please place any donations in our blue bin located in the Church building hallway. The following items are needed: Canned goods, stuffing, cranberry sauce, gravy, turkey and ham. Please make any checks payable to Saint Demetrios Philoptochos – Please memo your check to Thanksgiving Food Donations

Breakfast with Santa: November 30, 2019 - 9am -12pm – Please reserve your seat today!! Please contact Lisa Jones-Venetos – danskliese1@aol.com or 410.529.9428

Stockings of Joy: Now accepting items to stuff into stockings for Veterans – Items needed are gloves, hats, scarves, hand-held games, cards, combs, flashlights, crossword and search word books, decorative blankets etc. Full size Toiletries: Shampoos, toothpaste, hair gel, shaving cream, razors etc. Please place items into the blue bins in the hallway - Please contact Mary Tsakiris with any questions 410.245.1291

Annual Christmas Bazaar: December 7th and 8th - Vendors are still being accepted. Applications are in the Narthex. We do not duplicate vendors so sign up early. Please bring the whole Family for a fun filled event.

Cemetery Wreaths and Crosses: Are available for pre-order – Order forms are available on the Narthex table. Pricing remains the same as last year - \$33.00 which includes the stand. Please give order form and payment to – Lisa Jones Venetos, Joanna Beleos or leave in the Church office

Via Yia's Treasures: Is accepting donations of gently used Christmas decorations/ornaments and small gifts to sell at the Bazaar – Donations will be collected in the Philoptochos room till December 1st. Please call or email Lisa Jones-Venetos with any questions at danskliese1@aol.com or 410.529.9428.

Greek and American Sweets: Please contact Ritsa Economakis if you would like to donate deserts for the desert table – 410.256.0953

There is detailed information available on the Narthex table for all upcoming Philoptochos events

Save the date: December 16th - Philoptochos Christmas Dinner – Details to follow

The Hellenic Heritage Museum of Maryland expresses its appreciation to the community for the opportunity to adapt space within the Theodore George Library of the Annunciation Orthodox Center to exhibit parts of the museum's extensive collection. The museum will be hosting the Cathedral's community coffee hour on **Sunday, November 24th** and invites everyone to join us at the AOC to view a selection of regional costumed dolls of Greece, a display of antique icons and some highlights of the Paul S. Sarbanes Collection recently donated to HHMM by the retired U.S. Senator . Please take a few minutes to view the temporary display of "A THREAD THROUGH TIME: Regional Embroidery Techniques of Greece" in the William Donald Schaefer Room and consider becoming a member of the museum. Everyone is welcome.



Hope / Joy Christmas Party

Friday, December 20th

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Save the Date ~ Details coming soon!!

KORITSIA

Koritsia will be hosting CPR, First Aid & AED Training at Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church on January 4, 2020 or February 29, 2020, check in time is 9:00am. Class promptly begins at 9:30am until 1:30pm. (Bring your own snacks, this will be a working lunch). You will not receive credit for being certified if you are not at the entire class. Certification Cards will be handed out at the end of class. Any person age 9 or up are encouraged to attend. Cost of class is \$85.00 per person ~ make checks payable to St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church and memo check as CPR class. To register please contact Simon Volikas at strintis@hotmail.com or 410.510.7557. There are only 25 seats per day available, deadline to register is January 2nd and February 20th. For more information please pick up a registration form from the Narthex Table.

GOT SNEAKERS FUNDRAISER: Back by popular demand . . . Saint Demetrios has partnered with Got Sneakers, a sneaker recycling organization, which will compensate us \$1.00 for every wearable sneaker and 10¢ for every other type of shoe. This includes adult and children's shoes and any gender. Please drop off your shoes in the bin marked "**SHOE DONATION**" in the hall by the ladies' room. Contact Simone Volikas at strintis@hotmail.com for any further information of details.

Script Gift Cards: Simply buy gift cards to retailers where you already shop, and SCRIPT rebates a percentage to the Church. All you need to do is complete the Family Order Form, attach a check payable to Saint Demetrios and mail or drop off the form (w/check) to the church office or to the white "Gift Card Box" on the Narthex table. 100% of the proceeds will go directly towards the Church Mortgage. Please contact Maria Angelos at mvailas@aol.com or 443.280.2690 with any questions.

Saint Demetrios Ladies Philoptochos presents



Saturday, November 30th ♦ 9:00am to 12noon

Tickets: (12 yrs. & up) \$15.00

(11 yrs. & under) \$ 8.00

Tickets include: breakfast, craft and photo with Santa for each child

For tickets contact Lisa Jones-Venetos ~ 410.529.9428

Presvytera Alice ~ 410.817.9651

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	\$353,520	\$310,399	450
2019	\$382,000	\$791,705	\$345,688	\$294,733	457

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p><u>Monday, November 11th</u> <i>Veterans Day Office Closed</i> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Greek School, 4:30-7:30pm (C) Philoptochos General Meeting 6:30pm (P) Footloose Rehearsal, 7:00pm (M)</p> <p><u>Tuesday, November 12th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Book/Knitting Club, 9:00am (L)</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, November 13th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Greek School, 4:30-7:30pm (C) GOYA Basketball, 6:00pm (H/G) Footloose Rehearsal, 7:00pm (M)</p> <p><u>Thursday, November 14th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Men’s Basketball, 6:30pm (H/G) Adult Choir, 7:00pm (M)</p> <p><u>Friday, November 15th</u> <i>Nativity Fast Begins</i> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Orthodox Studies, 9:30am (B)</p>	<p><u>Sunday, November 17th</u> <i>9th Sunday of Luke</i> Orthros, 9:00 am Divine Liturgy, 10:00am <i>Memorial Sunday</i> <i>Parish Elections</i> <i>Recognition Sunday~</i> <i>50 years of Stewards</i> Church School, 9:55am (C) Advent Bell Choir/Junior Chorus Footloose Rehearsal, 2:00pm (H/G) Demetrakia Dance, 12:00pm(C)</p>
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UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 17th & 24th ~ Advent Bell Choir / Junior Chorus
- November 17th ~ Memorial Sunday / Parish Elections
- November 17th ~ Recognition Sunday ~ 50 years of Stewards
- November 19th ~ Pre-School Thanksgiving Dinner, 6:00pm
- November 23rd ~ Not Your YiaYia’s Bingo
- November 24th ~ Recognition Sunday ~ GOYA, Presidents, Advisors & Basketball Coaches.
- November 24th ~ Parish Assembly
- November 25th ~ Saint Catherine Divine Liturgy, 10:00am

