

November 8, 2020

7th Sunday of Luke

The Epistle Reading is Hebrews 2:2-10. The Gospel Reading is Luke 8:41-56. These Readings may be found on pages 1359 and 1213 in the Holy Bible or on page 104 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

Today we remember Commemoration of the Archangel Michael and the other Bodiless Powers: Archangel Gabriel, Raphael, Uriel, Salaphiel, Jegudiel and Barachiel; Righteous Symeon the Translator.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit:

- Athos and Nancy Alexandrou and Family *in loving memory of* father, grandfather and great-grandfather, Pantelis Alexandrou, who fell asleep in the Lord 40 days ago. May his memory be eternal.

The Vigil Lamp is lit:

- The family of Michael Tsamouras, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his memory be eternal.
- The family of Kostantinos Frangos, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Angela Kanaras and Andrew Kanaras, Vasili and Anna Kanaras *in loving memory of* Elias George Kanaras, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Calliopi Prodromou and Family *in loving memory of* husband, father, grandfather and great-grandfather Prodromos (Pete) Prodromou, who fell asleep in the Lord 3 years ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Cathy, Michael, Manuel, Gabriel and Anthony Pizanis *in loving memory of* their cousin and uncle, Elias Kanaras, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his member be eternal.
- Costa Pizanis *in loving memory of* his Godfather, Elias Kanaras, who fell asleep in the Lord 1 year ago. May his memory be eternal.
- Cathy, Michael, Manuel, Gabriel, Anthony and Costa Pizanis *in honor of* their father, son, uncle and grandfather (Michael and Gabriel) on their Nameday.
- The Triandafilou, Adams and Satorius families *in loving memory of* their brother-in-law, uncle and great-uncle, Mark Edward Davis, who fell asleep in the Lord on October 30, 2020. May his memory be eternal.

Memorial Service is being chanted today *in loving memory of* Pantelis Alexandrou (40 days), Michael Tsamouras (1 year), Kostantinos Frangos (1 year), Elias George Kanaras (1 year) and Prodromos (Pete) Prodromou (3 years). May their memories be eternal.

The Altar Bread was prepared by: Ritsa Economakis

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 410.661.1090 ext. 202 (office) or ext. 204 (pre-school) or email us at: saintdemetriusmd@gmail.com

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.

Saint John Chrysostom Divine Liturgy: Saint Demetrios Church will celebrate Saint John Chrysostom with a Divine Liturgy on **Friday, November 13th** at 10:00 am. Please plan to join us.

Parish Assembly: A Parish Assembly will be held on **Sunday, November 22nd**, 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 2020 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. Boxed lunches available for purchase ~ sponsored by Philoptochos.

Saint Katherine Divine Liturgy: Saint Demetrios Church will celebrate Saint Katherine with a Divine Liturgy on **Wednesday, 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 26th** 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 **Monday, November 30th**. Checks should be made payable to: Saint Demetrios. ***No orders for the card will be accepted by phone. No exceptions!***

Stewardship News: We pray that you are well and safe! Thank you for your continued support of our beloved Saint Demetrios Church during these trying times! To date, we have received 95% of the 2020 Stewardship Pledges! Please help us to get to 100%. Our 2021 Stewardship drive is upon us. You should have already received your pledge card in the mail for your 2021 commitment. Our financial security is dependent upon Stewardship, and we ask that you carefully consider your 2021 pledge. Due to the pandemic, we were unable to hold our annual Saint Demetrios Greek Festival and other fundraising activities and our Church Play may also be affected. Unfortunately, our church expenses essentially remained the same. Please prayerfully consider increasing your 2021 Stewardship Pledge to help support our beloved Saint Demetrios Church. Our ultimate goal is to support 100% of our operating budget through Stewardship. Won't you do all you can to bring this goal to fruition? Please strive to submit your 2021 commitment prior to the close of 2020. Let's start 2021 strong!

Saint Demetrios Green Team: It's Fall Cleanup Time! Everyone is invited to participate in our first project! We will tour our lovely grounds to remove unwanted items (okay, let's call it what it is, trash). The Green Team will supply the bags and after-Liturgy snacks as we take this chance before the arrival of colder weather to beautify our Saint Demetrios environment. Wear your masks, garden gloves, and bring a change of clothes and a water bottle and join us for some fun and fellowship. All ages are welcome! Sunday, November 15th from 12:00 noon to 1 pm. Call Nicole Katsikides at 443-322-6762 for more information.

The Book and Knitting Club will meet on **Tuesday November 10th, 2020 at 9:00am-12:00 pm** at the Library. All are welcomed whether you knit, crochet or just want some nice conversation

SUBURBAN PLAYERS

*The Suburban Players proudly announces that this year's 46th production will be
'Legally Blonde, The Musical'*

Show Dates: February 13th & 14th, 19th thru 21st and 26th & 27th

*Tickets go on sale November 15, 2020 * Dinner Theater - \$55.00 / Matinee - \$25.00 / Cash Bar*

Visit our website: www.suburbanplayers.com



PHILOPTOCHOS

General Meeting: November 9th – 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. *There is a detailed list on the Narthex Table.* Please make any checks payable to Saint Demetrios Philoptochos ~ Please memo your check to Thanksgiving Food Donations. If you have any questions, please contact Mary Tsakiris 410.245.1291

Annual Christmas Bazaar/Visit with Santa ~ Saturday, November 28th, 9am to 8pm & Sunday, November 29th, 12pm -3pm

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. Contact Joanna Beleos 410.458.1547.

Via Yia's Treasures: Is accepting donations of gently used Christmas decorations/ornaments and small gifts to sell at the Bazaar. Please bring your donations to the Church Office.

KORITSIA

GOT SNEAKERS FUNDRAISER: 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. Please drop off your **“SHOE DONATION”** under the Portico. Contact Simone Volakis at strintis@hotmail.com for any further information of details.

Food Truck Fridays: The final Food Truck event will be Friday, November 13th from 4pm to 8pm. BYOBlanket and chairs. Social distancing and masks are required. For more information, contact Simone Volikas at strintis@hotmail.com.

Food Trucks for Friday, November 13th: Mr. Souvlaki (Greek), Breaking the Border (Mexican), Baltimore Crab Cake Company, Boss Burger (American), Diner on the Go (American/Greek) and Miss Twist (Soft-Serve Ice Cream). Vendors: Dimitri's Olive Oil and Color Street Nails. Entertainment by: The Greek DJs.

The Orthodox Christian WAY: Beginning Tuesday, November 10th in the Hermes Rafailides Center, we will feature our first presentation for our Fall Series. Stephen Kucharski will present a two-part series: **“Monasteries and Monastics ~ A look into the history, function and lifestyle of these special Orthodox Christians.”** Part 1 will take place on Tuesday, November 10th and Part 2 will follow on Tuesday, November 17th. Registration forms are on the Narthex Table as you walk out from the right exit doors. **Call Maria Antonakas for more information (410-978-9244).** We begin at 6:15pm with a light supper and the presentation will begin at 7 pm. Looking forward to seeing everyone. As a participant, you are required to wear a mask. COVID protection regulations will be followed.

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
2019	\$382,000	\$791,705	\$345,688	\$294,733	457
2020	\$380,000	\$682,704	\$340,160	\$310,305	435

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

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<u>Monday, November 9th</u> Pre-School, 8:30am Greek School 4:30pm-7:30pm Philoptochos General Mtg, 6:30pm (P) Legally Blonde Rehearsal, 7:00pm (H)	<u>Wednesday, November 11th</u> <i>Veterans Day Office Closed</i> Pre-School, 8:30am Greek School 4:30pm-7:30pm Legally Blonde Rehearsal, 7:00pm (H)	<u>Friday, November 13th</u> <i>Saint John Chrysostom</i> Divine Liturgy, 10:00am No Pre-School (conferences) Child Care Open Food Truck Friday, 4:00pm-8:00pm Yia Yia's Treasures, 4:00pm-8:00pm
<u>Tuesday, November 10th</u> Pre-School, 8:30am Book/Knitting Club, 9:00am (BR) THE WAY, 6:15pm (H)	<u>Thursday, November 12th</u> Pre-School, 8:30am Yia Yia's Treasures Set-Up	<u>Sunday, November 15th</u> <i>8th Sunday of Luke</i> Orthros, 9:00am Divine Liturgy, 10:00am Virtual Church School Legally Blonde Rehearsal, 2:00pm

UPCOMING EVENTS

THE WAY, November 10th and 17th
November 11th, Veterans Day ~ Office Closed
Food Truck Fridays, November 13th
November 13th, Saint John Chrysostom Divine Liturgy, 10:00am (Register online or through the office)
November 18th, Parish Council Meeting, 7:00pm ***New Date***
November 22nd, Parish Assembly Meeting
November 25th, Saint Katherine Divine Liturgy, 10:00am (Register online or through the office)
November 26th, Thanksgiving Day Divine Liturgy, 9:00am (Register online or through the office)