

May 22nd, 2016

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 & 1240 in the Holy Bible or on pages 50-52 in the Divine Liturgy Book.

Today we remember: Fourth Sunday of the Paschal Season, the Paralytic; Martyr Basilicas; John the Emperor; Martyr Zacharias the Younger; Demetrios & Paul, Neolatry's of Tripoli and Clarita, Peloponnesus; Paul.

The Altar Table Lamp is lit by:

- Stergos & Lucy Kosmos *for the health & welfare of* her cousin, Anne Hardy, who is recovering after surgery, in NSW Australia. May God watch over & keep her in His care.

The Vigil Lamps of the Iconostasion are lit by:

- Roula Passon-Paterakis *in loving memory of* her son, Pete. May his memory be eternal.

40-Day Baby Blessing: Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Forest will present their 1st child, a son, for the traditional 40-day baby blessing. May God continue to bless this family.

The Altar Bread was prepared by: Anthi Papapavlou

Coffee Hour: Coffee will be served by the Philoptochos Ladies.

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

Orthodox Studies: Learn more about your Orthodox Faith. Join us in the board room at 9:30am on Friday mornings. We are winding down for the summer; our final Orthodox Studies session will be **Friday, May 27th**. We will resume in the fall. For more information, contact Kate at 410.692.7590.

Visiting our Parish Today? We pray that your visit here will be uplifting. Welcome cards can be found at the Pangari (candle stand). Please fill the cards out and return them to one of our Parish Council members after today's Divine Liturgy. Also, please join us at the Coffee Hour downstairs in the Hermes Rafailides Center after the liturgy.

Saint Nicholas Shrine at Ground Zero: By now you should have received a special and sacred appeal letter in the mail. Saint Demetrios Community has committed to gift \$10,000 towards the re-building of Saint Nicholas Shrine at Ground Zero. We are appealing to each family of our parish to give a gift of \$50. If we come together and give a gift of \$50 we can reach our goal of \$10,000 to complete and endow to Saint Nicholas. Please consider joining us in assisting our sister church. Make your check payable to Saint Demetrios, memo it as "SNS" and return in the enclosed self-addressed envelope or bring it to the church. We thank you for helping to re-build the only church that was destroyed on 9/11.

Saint Demetrios Pre-School Registration: We are continuing to accept Registration Forms for the 2015-2016 School Year, for the Saint Demetrios Pre-School (age 3) and Pre-Kindergarten (age 4). Registration forms can be found on the Narthex Table. To set up a visit, or for more information about this wonderful academic, spiritual and cultural educational program, please contact via phone: 410.661.1090 x204 or email: sdpreschool@comcast.net.

CYC Camp 2016: Campers and Volunteers wanted!! Save the date: **July 18th ~ 22nd** at scenic Camp Wo.Me.To in Jarresttsville, Md. Day Camp will be held on Thursday, July 21st for children ages 5-7. For more information pick up a flyer from the Narthex table or contact Kate Cocoros at 443-564-6618 / painterkateart@gmail.com.

Learn to Greek Dance! The Demetrakia instructors will offer adult dance lessons for anyone interested on **Thursday, May 26th, 7-8:30 pm**, \$5 donation. No experience necessary! Beginner, intermediate and advanced dances will be covered. Come and bring a friend!

SAVE THE DATE! Hope/Joy Family Fitness Night. Our Hope/Joy ministry will be holding their 2nd annual Zumba Family Fitness Night on **Friday, May 27th beginning at 6:00pm**. Please join us for food, fun and exercise! A Healthy Body = A Healthy Heart. For more information or to register, please pick-up a flyer from the Narthex table or contact Kelly MacDonnell at kellymacdonnell@hotmail.com.

Cave Quest ~ Vacation Bible School June 20th - 24th 9am-12pm Saint Demetrios Church, \$20 per child. This summer at Cave Quest VBS, kids will go on an over-the-top underground adventure where they'll discover Jesus can be their trusted guiding light through life! Be a part of Vacation Bible School at Saint Demetrios. It's an adventure that'll help *everyone* involved to begin or grow in their relationship with Jesus! Register online <https://www.groupvbspro.com/vbs/hl/stdemetrios2015/gpgs/home.aspx> or return completed registration forms (include checks payable to Saint Demetrios Church memo VBS) to Kelly MacDonnell, 9404 Good Spring Drive, Perry Hall, MD 21128 or during Church Coffee Hour. For more information or questions call Kelly at 410.917.2992.



 **Scholarships**



Scholarships: Anyone interested in endowing an academic scholarship at Saint Demetrios, please contact the Church Office at [410.661.1090](tel:410.661.1090) x202 or saintdemetrios@comcast.net. If you have a 2.5 GPA or higher and wish to apply for a 2016 scholarship, application packets are now available on the table in the Church Narthex. **PLEASE NOTE:** A high school/college transcript, letter of acceptance/of good standing, and recommendations from 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 postmarked or hand delivered to the Church office by June 6th, 2016. Scholarship recipients will be determined by **July 1st, 2016** and scholarships will be presented after the Divine Liturgy on **Sunday, August 7th, 2016**. If you have any questions, please call the church office.

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 8th, 2016**. The scholarships will be awarded on **July 17th, 2016** at Saints Mary Magdalene & Markella. For more information or if you have any questions, please contact Perdika Stroumbis 410.327.8234.

United Chios Societies of Baltimore Scholarship: For over 50 years the United Chios Societies of Baltimore has awarded scholarships to young people within our community. Selection is determined by scholastic achievement and financial need. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply regardless of church affiliation or regional heritage. Stop by the Narthex table and pick-up an application. Application deadline is **July 17th, 2016**.

PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS

ALL YOU CAN EAT!!!! PANCAKE BREAKFAST ~ Saturday June 4th, 8am to 10am, Applebee's on Joppa Road Towson. Take DAD out for an early Father's Day breakfast or just kick off summer with a friends and family breakfast before you head off to start your day!!! Tickets are \$8 per person. Children 6 and under are only \$6. Proceeds benefit the charities of the Ladies Philoptochos Society. See Lisa Jones for tickets at coffee hour or call 410-529-9428 or email Presvytera Alice (anoplos@comcast.net).

Philoptochos End of year Dinner: Join us as we bring the year to an end and celebrate our Mother and Father of the year at the Bowman Restaurant on June 20th at 6:00pm. The Bowman is located at 9306 Harford Road, Baltimore, MD 21234. We will have dinner on the first floor, Main Dining room. Please contact Georgia Vavas (410-583-0068 gvavas@comcast.net) or Kitsa Padousis (410-687-2318) to make your reservation. See them at coffee hour after liturgy. Tickets are \$25.00 per person.

Chapter Challenge/Project Reboot: If you have a business or work for a business that may be doing a computer upgrade, please ask if the retired equipment could be donated to our cause. We take laptops, CPU's, flat screen monitors, printers, speakers, keyboards, mice, and power cords. All of these donations will make a difference in the lives of those in need. Thank you for helping us help others! Call Mary Triandafilou, 410-528-1589, or mtrianda28@gmail.com.

Sts. Mary Magdalene & Markella Greek Festival: Join us on June 3rd, 4th & 5th, 2016 at The John Carroll School, 703 E. Churchville Road in Bel Air, Maryland as we host the annual Greek Festival. Come out and enjoy our Greek food, desserts, music, amusements for the children and vendors. Free Admission and Free On-Site Parking. Our festival will be held rain or shine. For more information, please call 410.457.0303 or check out our website: www.stsmm.org. Hope to see you at the Festival.

St. Nicholas Greek Folk Festival: Be Greek for a Day! Or an entire Weekend . . . Join us the weekend of June 9th, 10th, 11th & 12th, 2016 at Saint Nicholas' Annual Greek Folk Festival, to be held at Greektown Square & Events Center, located at 701 S. Ponca Street, Baltimore, Maryland 21224. Come out and enjoy four days of non-stop Greek fun! Indulge in authentic Greek food while enjoying live music & dancing. There's something for everyone . . . kid's zone (featuring Arts & Crafts & Kiddie Rides); regional Greek dance troupe performances; Greek wine & beer; baklava & loukoumades; fire roasted lamb souvlaki & gyro; and back by popular demand the Veggie Kitchen. Eat, Drink & Dance Under the Stars. Free Admission & Parking. For more information, visit our website: GreekFolkFestival.org or call the church office at 410.663.5020. Make plans to join us. Rain or Shine.

Library News: Graduations, weddings, vacations are coming at us very quickly. Our library has a lot to offer. We have books that give marriage tips and interfaith books. We have cookbooks & CD's for your vacation/honeymoon to Greece. We have so much to offer. Stop in on your way to coffee hour for a visit.

Moving? Please help us reduce the costs and update our database. Please provide us with your updated information by calling the Church Office at 410.661.1090 or via email at saintdemetrius@comcast.net.

Bulletin Deadline: Please be reminded that the deadline to submit bulletin articles is on Wednesdays at 3:00pm. Please be sure to have all information to the office by that day and time. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP MESSAGE OF THE WEEK:

“TIME ~ TALENT ~ TREASURE”

Are you actively serving God, sharing Him with others? Do you worship regularly? Take a moment to evaluate your life in light of 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
2015	\$395,000	\$612,300	\$283,324	\$152,410	373
2016	\$375,000	\$579,300	\$283,599	\$159,974	371

*In order to provide meeting space for all ministries, please take notice as to where your ministry is scheduled to meet within the facility.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

<p><u>Monday, May 23rd</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Sweet Adelines (H/G)</p> <p><u>Tuesday, May 24th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Pre-School Board Meeting, 6:00pm (B)</p>	<p><u>Wednesday, May 25th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) GOYA Basketball</p> <p><u>Thursday, May 26th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Adult Choir, 7:00pm (M) Greek Dance Lessons, 7:00pm (H/G)</p>	<p><u>Friday, May 27th</u> Pre-School, 8:45am (C) Orthodox Studies, 9:30am (B) <i>Hope/Joy Zumba Event, 6:00pm H/G</i></p> <p><u>Sunday, May 29th</u> <i>Sunday of the Samaritan Woman</i> <i>Orthros, 9:00am</i> <i>Divine Liturgy, 10:00am</i></p>
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Memorial Day ~ May 30th (Office & Pre-School Closed)
Last Day for Pre-School ~ June 8th
Philoptochos All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast ~ June 4th
Deadline for Scholarship Applications ~ June 6th
Holy Ascension ~ June 9th
Saturday of Souls ~ June 18th
Philoptochos End-of-Year Dinner ~ June 20th
Scholarship Committee Meeting ~ June 23rd