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November—STEWARDSHIP MONTH

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My Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

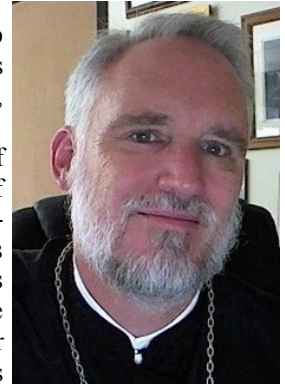
For our parish, the month of November has become "stewardship month", where we ask all of you, the faithful, to reexamine all that God has done for you over the past year, and make a commitment of your time, talent, and treasure for the ministries of St. Demetrios.

The miracle of Jesus Christ feeding the 5,000 (John 6:4-14) is the theme of our Stewardship Program for 2016. The story is centered upon the offering of a boy of all that he had – five loaves and two fish, which in turn were multiplied by the Lord to feed 5000 men, with 12 large baskets full of leftovers after everyone had eaten. This boy did his best with what he had, and Jesus used it to perform an incredible miracle. Just like the boy who offered the loaves and the fish, if we offer what we have – however great or small our gift – God will receive our gifts and multiply them to feed and care for His people.

Benjamin D. Williams and Michael T. McKibben, in their book Oriented Leadership, which is about leadership in the Orthodox Christian Church, define stewardship as "The call of the faithful to share willingly the gifts that God has bestowed on them, including sharing these gifts for God's work. Stewardship is devotion and service to God and His Church as persons, as families, as a Parish, as a Metropolis, as a National Church, and as the Church Universal. Stewardship is our active commitment to use ALL our time, talent and treasure for the benefit of humankind in grateful acknowledgement of Christ's redeeming love. Stewardship is caring for the needs of others. Stewardship is offering one's self to God as He offered Himself to us. Stewardship is what a person does after saying "I believe..." as proof of that belief."

As part of our Stewardship campaign for 2016, the parish council has decided to make a fundamental change in how we collect stewardship. In the first century, Saint Paul wrote the following to the Christians in Corinth: "On every Lord's Day, each of you should put aside something from what you have earned during the week, as God has prospered you" (1 Corinthians 16:2). This commandment by St. Paul is the source of our tradition whereby we bring our "gifts" to the church on Sundays, though the passing of trays in churches in seeking the offerings of the faithful in general has its roots in 19th century American Protestantism. What we have decided to do differently is to no longer pass a tray for the general offering. We will still pass trays for special appeals, however, but that will be the exception. While it is certainly true that there are many modern ways in which we can make our gifts to the church which many of our parishioners already take advantage of, whether through automatic credit card withdraws, electronic checks, paypal and the like, we felt that the practice of passing trays, though it has become customary and acceptable, has the potential to portray the church as begging for necessary funds to succeed. Stewardship is a privilege whereby we are blessed to participate in the mission of the church and the salvation of the world. Our parish council desires to continually create a more spiritual environment and worship experience for everyone. By not passing a tray, we felt that we will enhance the atmosphere whereby the faithful are giving not because they are forced to through a tray being passed as those close by watch, but

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CHURCH SERVICES, EPISTLE AND GOSPEL READINGS

Date	Church Service	
Nov. 1st	5th Sunday of Luke—Sts, Cosmas and Damian	5η Κυριακή Λουκά - Αγίων Κοσμά και Δαμιανού
Nov. 8th	7th Sunday of Luke	7η Κυριακή Λουκά
Nov. 9th	St. Nektarios	Αγίου Νεκταρίου
Nov. 11th	St. Menas the Great Martyr	Αγίου Μηνά
Nov. 13th	St. John Chrysostom	Αγίου Ιωάννου Χρυσοστόμου
Nov. 15h	8th Sunday of Luke	8η Κυριακή Λουκά
Nov. 21st	Presentation of the Theotokos Great Vespers, 5 pm	Τα Εισόδια της Θεοτόκου Μέγας Εσπερινός, 5 μ.μ.
Nov. 22nd	9th Sunday of Luke	9η Κυριακή Λουκά
Nov. 25th	St. Katherine, Great Martyr. Great Vespers, 6 pm Vespers D. Liturgy for Thanksgiving, 7 pm	Αγίας Αικατερίνης, Μεγαλομάρτυρος, Μέγας Εσπερινός, 6 μ.μ. Εσπερινή Θεία Λειτουργία, 7 μ.μ.
Nov. 28th	Great Vespers, 5 pm	Μέγας Εσπερινός, 5 μ.μ.
Nov. 29th	13th Sunday of Luke	13η Κυριακή Λουκά
Nov. 30th	St. Andrew (Services at St. Andrew, in Arlington)	Αγίου Ανδρέα (Ορθρος και Θεία Λειτουργία στον Άγιο Ανδρέα)

ALTAR SERVERS

Nov. 1st, 15th & 29th Jack Hillman, Paul Dudunakis, Peter Dudunakis, Nicholas Biros, Stassi Tsantilas, Yiannis Tsantilas, Nasi Contoravdis, Niko Contoravdis, Anthony Sampson, Phillip Stamolis, James Konugres, Omar Mallouk, Stavros Panos, and Nicholas Marcu-Visan.

Nov. 8th & 22nd Joseph Dumont, Nicholas Christianson, Theodore Looney, Demetre Teodosiadis, Alex Rotar, Manoli P. Tramountanas, Manoli A. Tramountanas, Johnny Tramountanas, Peter Ales, Jonathan Poiana, Ethan Weigle, Steven Stanos, John Christofilis, and Peter Economou Grunder.

PARISH COUNCIL SERVERS

Nov. 1st, 15th & 29th Georgine Looney, George Papanastasiou, George Constantine, Thomas Dudler, Vicky Christianson, Bob Read, Louis Kotsakis

Nov. 8th & 22nd John Ales, Stephanos Margaritis, Jim Kost, John Kapelouzos, George Tramountanas, Dale Hazapis, Christos Psichos

EPISTLE READERS—ARTHUR SARIDAKIS—INSTRUCTOR; CHRIS MACRIS— ASSISTANT

November 1st	Jack Hillman, in Greek and Chris Macris, in English
November 8th	Evangelia Koceski, in Greek and Alexandra Koceski, in English
November 15th	Nikos Biros, in Greek and James Konugres, in English
November 22nd	John Dumont, in Greek and Athan Dumont, in English
November 29th	Manoli P. Tramountanas, in Greek and Demetre Teodosiadis, in English

Fasting Type	November
Winer & Oil Allowed	13, 25
Strict Fast	4, 6, 11, 18, 20, 27
Fish Allowed	15-17, 19, 21-24, 26, 28-30

Sunday Offerings for October 2015	
October 4	\$ 5,263.18
October 11	\$ 2,743.00
October 18	\$ 4,596.40
October 25	\$ 3,751.19
Total	\$ 16,353.77

THE ST. DEMETRIOS COMMUNITY OF SEATTLE
TOGETHER WITH THE BLESSING OF THE
METROPOLIS OF SAN FRANCISCO

CORDIALLY INVITE YOU TO ATTEND A SPECIAL
EVENING

CELEBRATING

*Father Photios Dumont,
Protopresbyter*

HONORING THE TWENTY-FIFTH YEAR ANNIVERSARY
OF
FATHER PHOTIOS' MINISTRY AND SERVICE
IN THE GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF
SAN FRANCISCO

***Sunday, November 22, 2015
St. Demetrios Cultural Center
2100 Boyer Avenue East
Seattle, Washington***

*5:00 PM Appetizers and Fellowship
6:00 Dinner and Presentations*

*\$35 per person
Reservations Required*

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PHILOPTOCHOS NEWS NOVEMBER 2015

Message From President Nina

Even though our festival is an all parish event, Philoptochos ladies contribute greatly to its success. Baking all summer, collecting and preparing items for the This~n~That Shop, working in many of the festival booths all three days, they are amazing. A huge thank you to everyone who helped this year!

On November 1st, Philoptochos celebrates the Name Day of our Patron Saints Cosmas and Damian. We take this opportunity to celebrate and remember our departed Sisters in our Philoptochos. Our chapter has a rich history of the love of so many who have paved the way for us, caring for people in need in our Church and in the community we live in. May their memory be eternal!

Philoptochos and the Sunday School Children Make a Difference

Thank you to all of the Philoptochos ladies, Sunday School teachers and students who participated in our first joint Make-A-Difference Day adventure! This year our Philoptochos Chapter joined other Philoptochos chapters across the country, elementary schools nationwide and even in Greece. The goal was to engage in this "cross-generational" initiative (i.e., Philoptochos and children), during the entire month of October not only to make a difference but also to do so in honor of His Eminence Archbishop Demetrios' Name Day which is on October 26th.

Philoptochos ladies provided Christmas cards in which Sunday School students wrote "Thank You" messages to veterans for their service. The cards will be sent to the local VA hospital for distribution. The children also made "Get Well" cards for patients at nearby Seattle Children's Hospital.

As members of the Greek Orthodox Ladies Philoptochos Society, we have always acted to alleviate suffering and provide comfort to all. Indeed, as Philoptochos chapters and members distinguished by a long history of making a difference, we are the ideal partners for our children in this initiative, bringing together the energy of our youth and the talent and teaching of the Philoptochos.

**** If you have Christmas or other cards that you know you will not use, please bring them to church and mark them for 'Philoptochos Make-A-Difference Day'. We will use them next year, if not sooner. Again, our heartfelt thanks!

Please Join Us for the Sinatra Chocolate Wine Ball

Sunday, November 15th please join Camp Agape Northwest for an elegant evening at Herban Feast. Our 7th annual celebration will feature a seasonal dinner menu, Washington wines and chocolatiers, and the music of Frank Sinatra. Proceeds from the event will benefit Camp Agape, a camp for children with cancer and their families. **This year there will not be an auction.** Tickets are available at www.brownpapertickets.com for \$100 or at the Sunday coffee hour. Tables of 10 are available for \$875. For more information, contact susanreichmann@yahoo.com or call 425.772.1605.

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Upcoming Meeting Schedule:

All are welcome to attend our meetings and events:

- November 1st – Memorial for departed Philoptochos Sisters
- November 10th – regular meeting at church **Tuesday at 7:00 PM**
- November 19th – cook for St Martin de Porres Men's Shelter
- November 25th – potluck dinner for Jubilee Women's Center
- No regular meeting in December
- December 17th – cook for St Martin de Porres Men's Shelter
- December 23rd – cook for Jubilee Women's Center
- December 31st – cook for St Martin de Porres Men's Shelter
- January 10th – regular meeting at church after Divine Liturgy

Your Sister in Christ,
Susan Reichmann, Philoptochos Advisor
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WE WANT YOU!

For the All Saints Camp Annual Fundraising Dinner

JANUARY 30TH, 2016

FOR MORE INFORMATION GO TO ALLSAINTSCAMP.COM

FROM YOUTUBE TO YOU



BEE-TREAT!

GOYA Fall Retreat

November 20-22nd

Camp Angelos Retreat Center in Sandy, Oregon

Registration Deadline is Friday,
November 13

Join us for a weekend of fun, spiritual discussions, fellowship, reflection, campfire, games, and more!

Begins: Friday, November 20th.

Meet at 6 pm at St. Demetrios for the bus

Ends: Sunday, November 22nd at noon.

*The bus will return to St. Demetrios
between 3:30 and 4:30 pm.*

For: Jr. & Sr. GOYAns in Grades 7-12

Cost: \$130 per person (\$90 Retreat & \$40 Transportation) Registration forms available at

www.saintdemetrios.com

No Late Registrations will be accepted.

LED BY STEVEN CHRISTOFOROU

"Be the Bee" is a weekly YouTube series exploring how we can focus on what is good and beautiful in our lives. Visit youtube.com/y2am to learn more!



Sunday School Christmas Play Rehearsal Schedule:

All children that receive a narrator, actor, or musician part will be expected to make all of the rehearsals.

- Sunday, November 8, during Sunday School, large hall/stage
- Sunday, November 15, during Sunday School, large hall/stage
- Sunday, November 22, during Sunday School, large hall/stage
- Sunday, December 6, during Sunday School, large hall/stage
- Sunday, December 13, during Sunday School, large hall/stage - dress rehearsal
- Silent Night play: Sunday, December 20, meet in large hall, w/ costumes on



Ionian Village Opportunity

Registration opens on Nov. 2nd

"Give the Gift of Ionian Village" is the perfect way to tell your camper that they are going to have the best summer of their lives! With only 25 spots per session available, the "Give the Gift of Ionian Village" gift box is only an additional \$100.00 to the full price of tuition, and guarantees your campers a spot at Ionian Village this summer. This IV swag-filled gift box makes for an amazing Christmas morning and will most definitely get them excited for the summer!

The dates for our two sessions, that are identical in program and travel, are:
Session One: June 19 - July 8, 2016
Session Two: July 17 - August 5, 2016

Give the Gift registration opens on November 2nd at 9:00 a.m. and will be available first come, first served.

For more information

visit www.ionianvillage.org/summer-camp or call the Office of Ionian Village at 212-570-3536.

Don't miss out on this awesome opportunity!

2015 Upcoming Youth Events

November

2 - Ionian Village Early Registration

13 - **Retreat Registration Deadline**

20-22 GOYA Winter Youth Retreat in Portland

22 - GOYA Thanksgiving Pie Sale

December

13 - HOPE & JOY Ornament Making

20 - Sunday School Christmas Play and Pictures with Santa

21 - Christmas Caroling followed by Hot Chocolate and a Charity Project

31 - New Year's Eve Celebration

STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

2016 Stewardship Campaign

Our Stewardship Campaign for 2016 begins this month. You will be receiving your stewardship packets and we ask that you take time to complete the stewardship card and reflect on what time, talent and treasury that you can donate this year. We currently have 487 stewards who have returned their signed pledge cards and have pledged \$455,821.

Please note these dates:

November 8th - Ministry Sunday and Stewardship Kickoff

November 22nd - Turn in signed stewardship cards

Thank you! The Stewardship Committee

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Katherine Ales
Andrew and Vicky Aliferakis
Dina Anast
Rothopi Andrews
Fr. John and Presv. Anna Angelis
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Kostas and Linda Avlonitis
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William (Corky) and Dina Bakamus
Josh and Eleni Banchemo
Sara Baraki
Christa Barbas
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George and Frances Barnecut
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Gabriel Bayouk
George and Alice Bayouk
Lena Bayouk
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Hristos and Diamando Bekris
Konstantinos Bekris
Helen Benis
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Margo Christophilis
Kosta and Maria Christopoulos
Dino and Heather Christothoulou
George and Rachel Christothoulou
Edward and Anastasia Clarke
Cathleen Clinger
Jeffrey and Katie Comstock
Madeline Conom
David and Alexis Constantine Solis
O. George and Kay Constantine
G. Paul Constantine
Tom and Evelyn Contoravdis
Olivia Contos
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Maria Cooper
Jerry and Eva Costacos
Barbara Cotton
Maria Cotton
Gus Courounes
Nicoleta Courounes

2015 Stewards:



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Dale and Marianna Crane
Donald and Laura Crews
Tyler Crews
Rick and Vickie Cuevas
Christos and Judith Turner Dagadakis
Eftihia Dagadakis
George and Angela Dalas
Mary Dallas-Smith
Mary Damascus
Daniel and Angela Daoura
Marguerite Daoura
George and Alexandra Delegates
Sam and Vicki Deliganis
Vassos and Caroline Demetriou
George and Charlene Demonakos
Gregory and Kate Demopoulos
Peter and Diane Demopoulos
Ryan and Demetra Dennis
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Dimitrios and Maria Devekos
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Nick and Athena Diafos
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Sophia and David Eitel-McShea
Andrew and Michelle Escobar
Helen and Arianna Exarhos
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 Michael and Wanda Gikas
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 Gary and Kathy Gookstetter
 Katina Gotsis
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November 2015

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 5th Sunday of Luke Epistle: 1Corinthians 12:27-1... Gospel: Luke 16:19-31 8:15a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy 11:30a Memorial for Departed Philoptochos Sisters	2 6p Greek Dance	3 National Clergy Retreat - San Diego, CA 6:30p Camp Board Meeting St. Philaret Cook for the Ho... 6p Greek School 7p Orthodoxy 101	4 11:30a Yiayia & Friends Luncheon at Voula's Good Eats	5 8:30a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy 4:30p Wedding	6 6p Boyer Auction	7
8 Kosmas & Damian, Unmercenary 7th Sunday of Luke Epistle: Hebrews 2:2-10 Gospel: Luke 8:41-56 Ministries Sunday 8:15a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy 11:30a Stewardship Sunday 1p Baptism	9 Alkidyros, Pegasos & Epiphany... 8:30a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy 6p Greek Dance	10 Alepsimas, Aethelias & Joseph, Martyrs 11a Senior VIP Luncheon 7p Philoptochos Meeting 11:30p Seattle Prep Parking	11 Ioannikios the Righteous ... Seattle Prep Parking 8:30a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy 6p Greek School 7p Orthodoxy 101	12 Galaktion & Epistime, Martyrs 8:30a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy	13 St. Paul the Confessor, Pat. of Consta... 1p St. Sava Dinner	14 Athenodoros, Martyr
15 Synaxis of the Archangels 8th Sunday of Luke Advent Fast Begins Epistle: Ephesians 2:14-22 Gospel: Luke 10:25-37 Coffee Hour by AHEPA 8:15a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy	16 St. Nektarios 6p Greek Dance	17 Olympas, Rodion, Sosipatros & Tertios... 6:30p Parish Council Meeting	18 St. Menas the Great Martyr 8:30a Open Confession 6p Greek School 7p Orthodoxy 101	19 St. John the Merciful Cook for St. Martin de Porres	20 St. John Chrysostom GOYA Retreat in Portland 6:30p Wedding Rehearsal	21 St. Philip, the Apostle
22 Pankreas, Gourias & Avkos, Martyrs GOYA Retreat in Portland 9th Sunday of Luke Epistle: Ephesians 4:1-7 Gospel: Luke 12:16-21 GOYA Thanksgiving Pie Sale 8:15a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy 1p Baptism 6p 25th Anniversary to Priesthood Celebration for Fr.	23 St. Matthew, Apostle 6p Greek Dance	24 Pankradios & Maximinos, Patr. Cyprie... Cook for Jubilee Women's C... 8:30a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy 6p Vespers 7p Divine Liturgy for Thanksgiv- ing	25 Platon, the Great Martyr Cook for Jubilee Women's C... 8:30a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy 6p Vespers 7p Divine Liturgy for Thanksgiv- ing	26 Prophet Obadiah, Martyrs Anthimos &... Thanksgiving Day Church Office Closed	27 Gregory Dekapolis Church Office Closed Husky Parking - Philoptochos	28 Presentation of the Theotokos
29 13th Sunday of Luke Epistle: Ephesians 5:8-19 Gospel: Luke 18:18-27 No Sunday School 8:15a Orthros 9:15a 40 Day Blessing 9:30a Divine Liturgy	30 Amphillochios, Bishop of Iconium 8:30a Orthros at St. Andrew Arlington 9:30a Divine Liturgy at St. Andrew Arlington 6p Greek Dance 7p Parish Council Seminar	1 Clement, Bishop of Rome St. Philaret Cook for the Ho... 8:30a Open Confession 6p Greek School 7p Orthodoxy 101	2 St. Katherine the Great Martyr St. Philaret Cook for the Ho... 8:30a Open Confession 6p Greek School 7p Orthodoxy 101	3 Sts. Stylianos, Alypius & Nikan... 8:30a Orthros 9:30a Divine Liturgy	4 St. Iakovos the Persian 4p Wedding	5
30 Paramonos & 379 Companion Ma... 8:15a Orthros 9:15a 40 Day Blessing 9:30a Divine Liturgy	1 St. Andrew the Apostle	2 Naoum, Prophet	3 Habbakuk, Prophet	4 Zephaniah, Prophet	5 St. Barbara	6 St. Sabbas

ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Arrivals

Congratulations to the proud parents Vasilis and Katherine Dikeakos on the birth of a baby boy, Panagiotis Vasilis—born on October 10th, 2015. The proud grandparents are Panagiotis (Pete) and Voula Dikeakos and Paul and Pam Plumis. “Na sas zese!”

Yiayia & Friends Luncheon

The November Yiayias & Friends luncheon will be on **Thursday, November 5** at **Voula's Good Eats**. Voula's is located in Mountlake Terrace at **4306 228th St. SW #5**. Time is **11:30 a.m.** As always, I appreciate having a general idea of how many are planning to come so I can let the restaurant know. For more information, please contact me: (509) 951-2975 or mndamascus@comcast.net. Everyone is welcome!

VIPs Upcoming Events:

Tuesday, November 10th, Fall Potluck lunch in the Small Hall, at 12 Noon.

Walking tour of the Governor's Mansion in Olympia and lunch on **Wednesday, December 9th**, from 10 am-3:30 pm. Reservations required as the tour only allows 18 people. Please call or text Vicki Pallis at 206-948-2922 or email to vicki@pallis.net. Transportation fee will be decided once we know how many people are participating.

VIP Christmas Luncheon **Monday, December 14th** at Noon, in the Large Hall. Please RSVP to Vicki Pallis at the above information.

Thank you for Festival Donations

We wish to thank Tom and Evelyn Contoravdis of “Athens Pizza & Pasta—Auburn” for their Platinum level sponsorship, Philip and Sonja Feredinos of “Greek House” restaurant for the Bronze level sponsorship, Stephanos and Paula Margaritis of “Greek Gods Yogurt” for donating 25 buckets yogurt and donating the proceeds of the Yogurt Booth to the Festival and Greg and Vicky Stamolis for their Bronze level sponsorship. Also, we wish to thank Mrs. Thelma Doces for her monetary donation, in memory of her sister Jenny Donzel; and Andrew and Rosalie Boulrieris and Diane Panteleakos for their monetary donation.

Our Condolences



We express our Deep Condolences to Julie Legeros, Elena Legeros and Anna Fleet for the passing of her husband, and their father, Chris Legeros. May his memory be eternal!

We express our Deep Condolences to Mrs. Thelma Doces for the passing of her sister, Jenny Donzel (of Texas). May her memory be eternal!

We also, express our Deep Condolences to Dorothea Mootafes for the passing of her sister, Angie Jaffers (of Texas). May her memory be eternal! “Αιωνία αυτών η μνήμη!”

Sunday School Update

Service Project

“For I was hungry and you gave Me food; I was thirsty and you gave Me drink...”
Matthew 25:36.

This year's Sunday School Christmas service project will support the St. Philaret the Almsgiver Feed the Homeless Program. Over the past 11 years, St. Philaret has served ~25,000 hot meals and distributed over 2,000 lbs clothing, toiletries, and other essential items directly to the homeless on the streets of Seattle. Although an outreach ministry of St. Demetrios Church, we are supported 100% by individual monetary donations.

We are collecting funds to help sponsor the monthly meals for 2016 with the goal of raising \$1,800. Please bring your donations to your Sunday School classroom by **Sunday, December 20, 2015**.

Thank you and God bless you for your support of this worthy cause during this season of giving. For more information, please contact Christina Economou at christinae@windermere.com

Christmas Program

Join us on **Sunday, December 20, 2015** during the coffee hour for our annual Christmas Program. Details to follow in the December bulletin.

Be a Part of St. Demetrios Welcoming Committee!

If anyone wishes to join the St. Demetrios Welcoming Committee, please contact John Ales at 206.550.9935, or Bob Read at 425.212.9234.

Thank You for St. Demetrios Feast Day Luncheon

On behalf of the Parish Council we would like to thank the following Parishioners for their help, time and talent: For cooking the delicious meal:

George Tsantilas, John Varlamos, George Lebesis, Christos Psichos and Jim Christo; the Parish Council Members for serving and cleaning: O. George Constantine, Vicky Christianson, John Ales, Jim Kost, George Tramountanas, and Bob Read and the following Volunteers for their help in decorating and cleaning: Des Read, Barbara Sancken, Elene Soudas, Christina Meletis and St. Demetrios Staff.

Special thanks to His Grace Bishop Apostolos who honored us with his presence and blessings on our patron saint feastday, Saint Demetrios and our clergy, Fr. Photios, Fr. Daniel and Dn. Perry for the festive celebration along with Fr. Dean, Fr. Tom, Fr. John Contoravdis, and Fr. David and Dn. Dumitru.

Many thanks to Vicky Stamolis for decorating the icon of St. Demetrios (at the Altar) and planting flowers in the courtyard and Litsa Edwards for donating the flowers and decorating the icon of St. Demetrios. Your generosity is truly appreciated!

Georgine Looney, PC president.



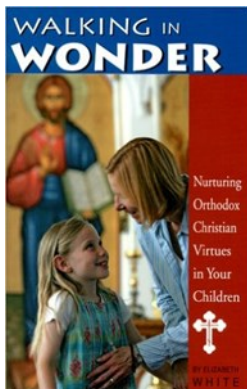
BOOKSTORE NEWS:

Your bookstore carries books by Northwest authors, as well as by writers from throughout the USA and Greece. Come in, browse, and choose some good reads.



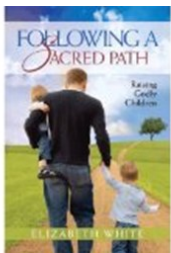
Elizabeth White, a faithful Orthodox Christian, is the author of the books *Walking in Wonder* and *Following a Sacred Path*, which are both in our St. Demetrios Bookstore. White has been a Montessori teacher and training course instructor, Montessori School Director, and Continuing Education Workshops presenter for early childhood providers. She has written several curriculum materials

for the Department of Religious Education of our Greek Archdiocese and supervises the Sunday School at Spokane's Holy Trinity Church.



Walking in Wonder is written with children under the age of eight in mind and blends Orthodox teaching with practical suggestions for parents, resulting in a book that is full of common sense. The book outlines the virtues and how their development can be encouraged in the lives of children. Each chapter ends with a list of practical ideas any parent might try to help cultivate character qualities such as attentiveness and silence. This small jewel could very well be called "the Holy Fathers applied to parenting."

This workbook will help parents, teachers, and all caregivers provide an environment that helps develop Orthodox attitudes toward self, others, the world, and Christ.



Following A Sacred Path offers practical advice for parents (and educators) on raising children to understand and love their faith. Includes activities the family can share that encourage children to discover spiritual truths for themselves and own them for life.

Other Northwest authors and their titles at the bookstore include: *Surprised by*

Christ by Fr. James Bernstein of St. Paul's Church in Brier, WA; and his three pamphlets: *Which Came First: The Church or the New Testament?*; *Orthodoxy: Jewish & Christian*; and *Communion: A Family Affair*; and *The Morning Offering* by Abbot Tryphon of Christ the Savior Monastery on Vashon Island, WA. For physical food, look at the St. Demetrios cookbook: *Greek Cooking in An American Kitchen*; *Greek Pastries* by Christina Deliganis; and *In Presvytera's Kitchen* by the S.F. Metropolis Presvyteres which includes recipes by Presvyteres Katherine Dumont, Anna Angelis, Eleftheria Contoravdis, Pat Tsagalakis, Irene Supica, the late Sophronia Tomaras and Maria Johnson, and Deaconess Francesca Angelos.



MISSION NEWS

MISSION TEAMS SET FOR 2016

The Orthodox Christian Mission Center (OCMC) has announced its Mission Team opportunities for 2016. Starting in March and going through October, short-term teams (usually about two weeks) will be traveling to Albania, Alaska, Guatemala, Indonesia, Kenya, Mexico, and Uganda. If you are interested in participating on one of these teams, go to http://www.ocmc.org/about/open_teams.aspx to get more details and application forms. Since the late 1980's, a number of parishioners of St. Demetrios have served on OCMC teams throughout the world, and had very uplifting and positive experiences.

SAMP PRIESTS NEED SUPPORT

In many countries indigenous priests serving Orthodox Missions live on very limited budgets. Through OCMC's Support a Mission Priest (SAMP) program, financial support is provided to some 376 clergy in 16 countries allowing them to care for their families while ministering to the faithful. You can help in this effort by contributing \$50 a month which will go a long way to help these servants of God make ends meet. For more information, go to <http://www.ocmc.org/about/samp.aspx>

AGAPE CANISTERS HELP FUND HOSPITAL IN INDONESIA

OCMC Executive Director Fr. Martin Ritsi visited Indonesia over the summer where among other things he saw the RSU Theotokos Hospital established by one of our local Orthodox priests, Fr. Chrysostom Manalu. It is the only Orthodox Christian hospital in the entire country. Funds collected from OCMC's AGAPE canisters placed in restaurants, stores and other places of business around the United States allowed a \$15,000 grant to help the hospital get through various government procedures to be fully operational. If you don't yet have a canister in your business, contact our parish OCMC Ambassador Eugenia Macris at the Bookstore after Sunday Liturgy. Everyone can have an OCMC Coin Box for their home, also available from Eugenia.

MEMORIALS AND VIGIL LIGHTS

Holy Altar Candles from last month

A One-Year Memorial Service, a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light and the Coffee Hour were offered on October 25th in loving memory of **Irene Stotz**, by her daughters, Heather and Lindsay Stotz.

A Forty-Day Memorial Service and a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light were offered on October 25th in loving memory of **Audrey Southas**, by her daughter, Helen Doherty and her son and daughter-in-law, Thomas and Katy Southas and granddaughter Vanessa.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light was offered on October 25th in loving memory of **Anastasios Kousisis** (in honor of his birthday), by his wife, Teresa Kousisis and Family.

Memorials and Holy Altar Candles for November 1st

A Memorial Service and the Coffee Hour are offered in loving memory of the **departed Philoptochos Sisters**, by St. Demetrios Philoptochos.

A Five-Year Memorial Service, a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light and a donation to St. Demetrios are offered in loving memory of **Emanuel Xenos**, by his wife, Demetra Xenos, their children, Spiro and Voula, Georgine and Glen and grandchildren, Deme, Manny, Theodore and Sophia.

A Memorial Service, a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light and a donation to St. Demetrios Philoptochos are offered in loving memory of **Calliope Markezinis, Michael, Katina and Tom Markezinis** (three years, thirty-two years, twenty-two years and sixteen years since their passing), by James Markezinis and Family.

A Ten-Year Memorial Service and a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light are offered in loving memory of **Peggy Moore**, by her daughter and son-in-law, Vicky and Ron Christianson and grandsons Andrew and Nicholas.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Emanuel Xenos** (five years since his passing), by his cousins, Stella and James Nelson.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Peggy Moore** (ten years since her passing), by her sons, John and Jim Xenos.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Marianne Nicoletta (Laskares) Mulenios** (nine years since her passing), by her Husband Jerry and her children Chris (Kim), Geri and Demetra (Spiro), her eleven grandchildren and her 2 great grandchildren.

Holy Altar Candles for November 8th

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of my beloved father, **Michael Deligan** (in honor of his nameday); and son **Michael** and grandson **Michael** (for many blessings on their nameday), by Kay Betts and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Evanthia Christo** (nineteen years since her passing), by Eleni Christo and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Panagiotis Tsakonakos** (six months since his passing), by his sister, Georgia Manolakos and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Bob Heuer** (thirty years since his passing), by his wife, Helen Heuer, children, grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Tom Charuhas** (twelve years since his passing), by his daughter and son-in-law, Paula and Chris Macris.

Memorials and Holy Altar Candles for November 15th

A One-Year Memorial Service, two Holy Altar Table Vigil Lights and a donation to St. Demetrios and to Swedish Heart and Vascular (in lieu of the Coffee Hour) are offered in loving memory of **Jerry Courounes**, by his wife, Nicoleta Courounes, son Gus and daughter Renee.

Five Holy Altar Table Vigil Lights are offered in loving memory of **Efthemia Hamilos** (sixty-five years since her passing), **Michael and Eleni Damascus** (twenty-five years, and two years since their passing) and **Theodore and Panagiota Hamilos** (forty-five years and eighteen years since their passing), by Mary Damascus and grandchildren, Eleni and Eric Sederstrom, Michael and Elena Damascus, Anna and Matthew Goodrich and their five great-grandsons.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Michael Damascus** (twenty-five years since his passing), by his daughter, Eugenia Macris, grandchildren, Angelique and Mark Saffle, Chris and Paula Macris, and great-grandchildren, William and Olivia Grosvenor.

Holy Altar Candles for November 22nd

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **Josephine Sabbag** (seven years since her passing), by her children, Barb and Phil Sancken and granddaughters.

Memorials and Holy Altar Candles for November 29th

A Forty-Day Memorial Service, a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light and the Coffee Hour are offered in loving memory of **Chris Legeros**, by his wife, Julie Legeros and children, Anna, Alex, Elena and Shelby.

A Memorial Service and the Eight Holy Altar Table Vigil Lights are offered in loving memory of **Harula Panos** (seventeen years since her passing), by her husband Steve, her children, Artemios and Rebecca, Alexander and Christina and grandchildren.

Three Holy Altar Table Vigil Lights are offered in loving memory of **George and Catherine Chriest and Claude Drumhiller** (forty-four years, four years and fifteen years since their passing), by Rob and Janie Drumhiller and Family.

A Holy Altar Table Vigil Light is offered in loving memory of **George Tsiakilos** (twenty-seven years since his passing), by his children and grandchildren.

If you would like to offer a Holy Altar Table Vigil Light or sponsor the Coffee Hour in memory of a beloved family member or friend who has fallen asleep in the Lord, please contact the church office at 206.631.2500

OUR STEWARDS...

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Gregory and Stelley Papadeas
 George Papanastasiou
 George and Lora Pappas
 Norman and Frances Parr
 Jason and Angela Patrao
 Christopher and A. Ellie Pedersen
 Robert and Penelopy Perkins
 Irene Peterson
 Kristopher and Clara Peterson
 Helen Petratos
 William Phillips
 George and Diana Plumis
 George P. Plumis
 Kristina Plumis
 Paul and Pamela Plumis
 Theologia Polizos
 Andonios and Evangelia Polychronopoulos
 Nikolaos and Charikleia Poulas
 Lia Preftes
 Anna Prineas
 Eleftheria Proios
 Christos and Tammy Psichos
 Nicholas and Anastasia Raissis
 Robert and Despina Read
 Susan Reichmann
 James Retelas
 Evie Rigas
 Todd and Feletsa Robinson
 Erik and Nicole Rolfsness
 Sorin and Maria Rotar
 Cathy Rottle
 Adele Rottle-Williams
 Chris Roumeliotis
 Kary Roumeliotis
 Kayla Roumeliotis
 Christina Routs
 Ted Routs
 Emanuel and Marilyn Rouvelas
 Gordon and Katina Ruh
 Brad and Renee Russell
 Mark and Angelique Saffle
 Dena Sakelaris
 John and Penelope Sakellaris
 Pantazis and Katina Samolis
 Phil and Barbara Sancken
 Arthur Saridakis
 Angelos and Penelopi Savranakis
 Alexandra Schwenke
 Mike and Eleni Semandiris
 Alexandra Serpanos
James and Deborah Huang Sfekas
 Iyad and Christina Shahwan
 Michael and Elaina Shemeta
 Annette Shepherd

Athanasios and Terri Shinas
 Simoni Shirland
 Tanya Shirland
Stella Siamatas
 Christos and Agape Siskos
 Nikolaos and Brenda Skokos
 Alexander and Vassie Skoulis
 Perry and Panagiota Skountrianos
 Vladimir and Elena Smagley
 Sofia Smetheram
 Irene Sotirhos
 Elene Soudas
 John Soudas
 Alicia Sourapas
 Steve Sourapas
 Stavros and Aimee Sourelos
 Vagios and Fanoula Sourelos
 Audrey Southas
 Pauline Spyridis
 George and Joanna Staikos
 George and Thalia Stamatoyannopoulos
John and Lisa Stamatoyannopoulos
 George and Zoe Stamolis
 Gregory and Vicky Stamolis
 Vasilike Stamos
 Steven and Sarah Stanos
 Thelma Stasinos
 Alexi J. Stavros
 John A. and Dimitra Stavros
 Peter A. and Maria Stavros
 Vlasi J. Stavros
 Phyllis Steen
 Kevin and Georgia Steen
 Andrew and Emily Stergachis
 Andy and Joann Stergachis
 Michael and Christine Stollings
 Heather Stotz
 Chris and Heidi Stoumbos
 Eugene and Cleo Supernaw
 Kina and Stefan Tatchukova
 Linda Tavernarakis
 Bryan and Stacy Taylor
 Kevin and Angela Taylor
 Stephen and Georgia Teodosiadis
 Carl and Blanca Thomas
 Vance and Alexa Thompson
 Christto and Dorothea Tolias
 Irene Tolias
 Kegan and Nicole Tosto
 Evangelia Tountas

Nikolas Touras
 Harry and Angela Tourikis
 Athan and Cindy Tramountanas
 Emmanuel and Peggy Tramountanas
 George and Dana Tramountanas
T. George and Diamanto Tramountanas
 James and Barbara Trehearne
 George and Thelma Treperinas
 Luka and Angela Treperinas
 Sam and Elly Treperinas
 Steve and Cindy Treperinas
 Fr. Daniel and Presv. Michelle Triant
 Vasilios and Dionisia Tsafos
 Sam and Stephanie Tsakonas
 Angelos and Katerina Tsakopoulos
 George and Eftihia Tsantilas
 Stavroula Tsantilas
 Nicholas Tsiakilos, Jr.
 Stavros Tsitsis
 George and Susan Tsoukalas
 Michael and Jodi Tveit
 Dometios and Georgia Tziotis
 Silvia Valanas
 Liz Valauri and Ivan Orton
 Jordan and Emily Vardell
 John and Karin Varlamos
 Kosta and Judy Varlamos
 Nick and Eleni Varlamos
 Vasili and Nina Varlamos
 Peter and Maria Vassiliou
 Irina Visintainer
 Demetrios and Aspasia Voltsis
 Evangelos Voltsis
 J. Robert and Effie Walker
 Robert and Katherine Watson
 George and Anastasia Webb
 Joann West
 Brett and Yvonne Willard
 Vivian Williamson
 Edmund and Cathy Chohlas Wood
 Daniel and Mary Wright
 James and Jeretta Wright
 Demetra Xenos
 Emmanuel J. Xenos
 John Xenos
 George Xidias
Nicholas Xidias
 Christina Yantsides
 Tim and Harriet Young
 John and Andreanna Zafiropoulos
 Anthony and Kira Zardis
 Nicholas and Elizabeth Zardis
 Konstantine Zefferys
 Gus and Diane Zotos
 John and Mary Ellen Zoulas



Parish Council Elections, Sunday, December 13th

All those who are interested in serving on the Parish Council for 2016-2018 (a three year commitment), need to fill out an application available in the church office and talk with Fr. Photios by Sunday, November 29th, and attend a Parish Council Seminar held by Fr. Photios at the Church office on Monday, November 30th at 7:00PM. Parish Council elections will be held on Sunday, December 13th, 2015, following the Divine Liturgy.

What you must be — according to the Archdiocesan Uniform Parish Regulations and our own Parish By-Laws:

- You must be eighteen years old or older;
- You must be a baptized and/or chrismated Orthodox Christian;
- You must live your life according to the faith and canons of the Orthodox Church;
- You must meet your financial obligation to the Parish; and must have done so at least one year prior to the date of election;
- You must abide by the Uniform Parish Regulations and the Parish By-Laws;
- You must attend an Interview/Orientation Session with the priest prior to the elections.

What you must not be — according to the same documents as quoted above:

- You must not retain membership in a non-Orthodox religion, nor in an “Orthodox” parish which defies the jurisdiction or the ecclesiastical authority of the Archdiocese;
- You must not deliberately disregard nor transgress the moral law as may be determined by a Spiritual Court;
- You must not be a salaried employee of the Parish.

What does living your life “according to the faith and canons of the Church” imply?

Chapter I, Article VII, Section 6, of our Parish By-Laws:

“The religious, moral, and social duties of a parishioner are to apply the tenets of the Orthodox Faith to his or her life and activities, to attend the Divine Liturgy and other Services of worship faithfully on Sundays and Holy Days, to keep the rules and fasts of the Orthodox Tradition, to receive frequently the Sacraments of Penance and Holy Communion, to train and teach the youth according to the Faith and Spirit of Orthodoxy, to respect the Clergy, the ecclesiastical authority, and all governing bodies of the Church, to be obedient in matters of faith and ecclesiastical order, and to cooperate in every way towards the welfare and prosperity of the Parish and the success of its Sacred Mission”

MINISTRY SUNDAY NOVEMBER 8TH

Please come to the Ministry Sunday coffee hour after Divine Liturgy on November 8th.

Did you know that St Demetrios has nearly 50 ministries? Ministry Sunday is a terrific time to find out more about what our church has to offer you. Nearly every ministry will have a representative available for questions and discussion. There will be a “passport” activity for the young and young at heart.

One exciting addition to the St Demetrios’ ministries in 2016 is “Mommy & Me”. Mommy & Me is a social ministry for mothers of young children (ages 5 years and less) to learn about their faith, gain support from fellow mothers, and develop parenting skills. This long-proposed ministry now has two wonderful champions, Pres. Michelle Triant and Vicky Aliferakis. Pres. Michelle and Vicky are excited to start the new program in early 2016. Feel free to stop by to talk with them during Ministry Sunday or follow up with them at michelle.triant@gmail.com and v.aliferakis@gmail.com.

Ministry Sunday isn’t the only way to find out more or to get involved. Each year your stewardship packet contains a ministry brochure and a commitment card. Please let us know where you want to help or be involved. We are looking forward to hearing from you and connecting you with your ministry.

Thank you!

Margaret Ales, Stewardship Committee Member
maggieales@gmail.com 206-200-6546

Festival Report

Congratulations to everybody on a very successful Festival. So many volunteers participated from June until the end of the Festival that if I attempted to mention everybody surely I would miss somebody. Financially we had our best net Festival to date. The number of ladies showing up to help prepare pastries and food dishes was impressive. Most every booth posted record cash sales for the weekend. If you are interested in how your booth did just drop me an email and I will share the numbers. Most gratifying was to hear positive comments from visitors who liked the changes to this years Festival setup but especially to hear how good the food was. Good job to the many booth Chairs that worked tirelessly all weekend to keep their booths staffed and clean serving the many customers. The marketing of this years Festival was also amazing has everywhere you looked you saw a St.Demetrios Greek festival sign. All this and Katherine Dikeakos managed to deliver a grandchild to the Dikeakos and Plumis families too.

The weekend started with some sad news about the loss of our Friend Chris Legeros who was a fixture in the espresso booth for many years stating he needed a back up occupation. Though our hearts were saddened with this loss I do believe we all felt relieved for Chris and his battle with Cancer. Clearly Chris won the battle and inspired all of us with his courageous showing of true faith in God.

Always room for improvement every year, and I hope next year we will be blessed with an even better Festival weekend.

Jim Kost, 2015 Festival Chair

YOUTH MINISTRY NEWS (CONTINUED)

Orthodox Teen Talks



Thanks to all of our teens that joined our latest Orthodox Teen Talk. Fr. Daniel led our discussion as we contemplated the effect of social media on our relationship with Christ. He reminded us that we are all made in the image and likeness of God and our actions online need to reflect that. We also discussed how important it is to communicate with others in real life since our online posts do not truly convey our tone, facial expressions, body language and personality. It was a great, open and honest discussion with our teens and we thank them for sharing. We also wish to thank our hosts, Bill & Nina Contoravdis.

GREEK-AMERICAN HISTORY COMPETITION

PURPOSE: The Greek-American Historical Museum of Washington State and AHEPA (American Hellenic Educational Progressive Association) Firwood District 22 are sponsoring a competition among young people to document stories of the Greek and Greek-American experience in Washington and Oregon.

AWARDS:

First Prize:	\$1,000.00
Second Prize:	\$ 500.00
Third Prize:	\$ 250.00

NOTE: Additional prizes may be awarded at the discretion of the review committee.

REQUIREMENTS Competition is limited to current residents of Washington and Oregon, ages 15 – 21 who are part of or connected with the Greek Community in either state.

DEADLINE for SUBMISSION: December 31, 2015

For More Information Go To:
www.greeksinwashington.org or
AHEPA www.ahepad22.org

St. Demetrios Volleyball Team



Demetri Petrakis, Paul Dudunakis, Samantha Pess, Theodore Looney, Maria Mavrogenes, Sophia Looney, Vassili Zafiris and Coach Chris (pictured in back) represented St. Demetrios as the "Sonics & Sharks" at the 11th annual St. Nicholas Volleyball Tournament in San Jose, CA on October 16-18, 2015.

The "Sonics & Sharks" consisted of four teens from St. Demetrios and three teens from San Jose and together they earned a 3rd place finish as well as winning the Fr. John Asimacopoulos Memorial Sportsmanship Award. Sophia & Theodore Looney were also voted as the All Stars of our team and were awarded with a trophy.

We are very thankful to the San Jose community for being such wonderful hosts and putting on a great event. We are also very thankful to our coach Chris Anagnostopoulos for dedicating his time to helping the kids improve their skills and teaching the fundamentals of the game. We also wish to thank our chaperones during the trip, Georgine Looney and Lefteris Sitaras.

We also congratulate Alexandra Christophilis for selling the most raffle tickets for our team fundraiser. Congratulations also to Mr. Steve Lorenzini of Everett for winning the raffle!

Interested in joining us play next year? Contact [Lefteris Sitaras](#) at 206-631-2504. Most ages can play, Teams are divided by Jr. GOYA, GOYA, YAL and Adults ages 35+

Congratulations to Nicholas Biros, Alexandra and Arianna Christophilis for being the top three sellers for our GOYA raffle.



CITIZEN OF THE YEAR AWARDS

Congratulations to our 2015 'Citizen of the Year Award' Recipients, Clifford Argue, Des Read and Julie Legeros, who received a Citizen of the Year Award posthumously for her beloved husband, Chris Legeros!



St. Demetrios Feast Day Celebration with His Grace Bishop Apostolos, Fr. Photios, Fr. Daniel, Fr. John Contoravdis, Fr. Dean, Fr. Tom, Fr. David Hovic, Dn. Perry and Dn. Dumitru.



MAINTENANCE REPORT

Our church is beginning to show some areas of age and deterioration.

The large hall recently sprung a leak and we had the roof inspected and found out what it will take to repair the leak and keep the Facility in good condition. We currently are getting bids to complete the repairs. Approx.. cost \$10,000.00

Our dishwasher has not been cleaning dishes correctly and we had been using more water to rinse than necessary. The part has been ordered to correct the problem.

A drain issue in the Mens restroom had a bad pipe that needed to be replaced and will be solved soon.

The flat roof near the Holy Vema behind the altar needs some attention and a solution and bids are being accepted to complete this work. Appox. Cost \$3,000.00

The main copper doors into the Church are showing some deterioration and a solution has been identified with a cost of approximately \$8,000.00 to complete and we are hoping to find a donor for this work.

The parking lot needs to be sealed and restriped. Approx. cost \$4,500.00

Just a few of the larger projects we need to take care to keep our facility in good condition.

If anybody would like to underwrite any of these projects please drop me an email with where You would like to help.

Jim Kost, Parish Council Maintenance Team

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November—STEWARDSHIP MONTH

are instead moved spiritually, and give out of a response from a grateful heart that has been touched by the grace of the Holy Spirit. By not passing a tray, we as a parish council are stating that we trust in God, that He will provide for the needs of our church, through the faithful, and at the same time we are stating to the faithful that we trust that they will provide for the church. In a very real way, human beings have difficulty maturing when there are no expectations for growth, and no allowance for failure. By removing the tray, we are inviting all of our people to grow in their faith, be strong in the Lord, and be the loving, supportive Stewards of God's Kingdom. It is our expectation, hope and prayer that through the practice of no longer passing trays for our general offering that our Stewardship will increase and not decrease. Please note that there will always be a place for us to present our offerings in the Narthex, and an announcement will be made at the end of our services reminding everyone of the same. Also, if our contributions decline through this new practice, then we may reconsider this change. It is our belief, though, that not passing trays will promote spiritual health in our community and increased stewardship.

You will be receiving your stewardship packet in the next few days. Please prayerfully consider how you might get involved in the church by participating in one of the ministries and also reflect upon all that God has done for you, and offer back to Him the material blessings which you have, like that boy recorded in the Gospel of John, — "your five loaves and two fishes." It is our desire to have stewardship cards returned to the church by the Sunday following Thanksgiving, November 29th, where we will participate in dedication prayer asking God to honor and bless our gifts for the coming year.

Wishing you and your family every blessing,

In Christ's love and service,

+Fr. Photios

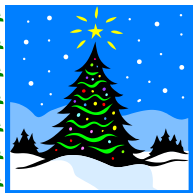


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CHRISTMAS CARD 2015



*Your are
cordially
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and Friends on our Mailing List*

Please write your name as you wish it to appear on the Christmas Card and mail it to the Church Office before the deadline (Monday, December 7th, 2015). Please make your donation of \$20 payable to: *St. Demetrios—Christmas Card.*

Thank you for your support and for the love and joy you share with the other Parishioners.

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JUBILEE'S OCTOBER-FEST!

Cheers and Thanks from Jubilee Women's Center!

In October, the residents of JWC were treated to a very special dinner- in part from delicious food donated after our Greek Festival.

Dinner was complimented by additional dishes and fellowship provided by Mary Damascus, Deena Maroutsos and Christina Meletis.

Dinners that our parish provides to Jubilee, help low income and women coming out of homelessness stretch their grocery budgets. The residents not only deeply appreciate the meals, they truly look forward to and enjoy our company and friendship.

You can help our sisters in need by providing a meal, donate clothing or volunteering at JWC. For more information, contact Georgene Karambelas at [206 829 9337](tel:2068299337), or karambelas@comcast.net or www.jwcenter.org

Holiday Meals for Jubilee

As we enter the Holiday Season and give Thanks for our blessings, we can help brighten the lives of those less fortunate...

On Wednesday November 25th, St. Demetrios will provide a Pot-Luck style Thanksgiving Dinner to Jubilee Women's Center. Please consider providing a dish so that the residents can also enjoy a warm, home cooked Thanksgiving Dinner.

Food can be dropped off at St. Demetrios either Tuesday November 24th or Wednesday by noon. If you are interested in providing a dish or helping to transport the meal, please contact Georgene Karambelas at [206 829 9337](tel:2068299337). Thank you!