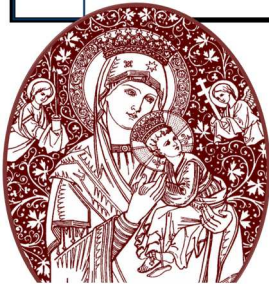


Saint Demetrius suffered in Thessalonica during the reign of Galerius Maximian. He belonged to one of the most distinguished families and was widely admired not only because of his noble ancestry and grace of bearing, but also for virtue, wisdom and goodness of heart. The military expertise of Saint Demetrius led Galerius, as Caesar of the Eastern Empire, to appoint him commander of the Roman forces in Thessaly and Proconsul for Hellas. Since faith in Christ had touched his heart, all the glory of this world meant nothing to him, and there was nothing he preferred to teaching and preaching the word of God. Despite the persecution directed against Christians by the Emperor, Saint Demetrius brought a large number of pagans to the faith. The Emperor Maximian halted at Thessalonica to receive the acclamations of the populace and to offer sacrifices in thanksgiving to the idols. A number of pagans took advantage of the Emperor's presence in the city to denounce Demetrius as a Christian. Demetrius was summoned and confined in a cell. Maximian arranged for games and gladiatorial combats to take place in the amphitheater. He had brought with him a man of gigantic stature and Herculean strength called Lyaios. In the city was a young Christian called Nestor, who made up his mind to show Maximian that real power belongs to Christ alone. He ran to where Demetrius was imprisoned and asked for the protection of his prayer in going to confront the giant. The Martyr made the sign of the Cross on the brow and the heart of the boy, and sent him like David before Goliath. Advancing towards the Emperor, Nestor threw his tunic to the ground and shouted, "God of Demetrius, help me!" In the first encounter, at the very moment the giant rushed upon him, Nestor slipped aside and stabbed him to the heart with his dagger. The Emperor flew into a rage and ordered the immediate arrest of Nestor and his beheading outside the city. He had heard Nestor calling upon the God of Demetrius and Maximian ordered his soldiers to go and thrust Demetrius through with their lances, without trial, in the depths of his prison cell. There were some Christians, including Demetrius' servant Lupus, present at his martyrdom, and when the soldiers had gone, they reverently buried the Saint's body. It was God's will that the grace with which He filled Saint Demetrius should remain active even after his death. This is why He caused a myron to flow with a delightful scent, which had the property of healing all who took it as an unction, with faith in the intercession of the Saint. Time and again, during sixteen hundred years, Saint Demetrius has given proof of his benevolent care for the city of Thessalonica and its inhabitants. He has defended them from the attacks of barbarians, he has preserved them from plague and famine, healed the sick and comforted the afflicted. His feast day is October 26.



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Our Weekly Bulletin

Welcome to our Parish

Glory to Jesus Christ! Glory forever!
 Christ is among us! He is and always will be!

Divine Liturgies and Services for the Week

Week of Oct 29 to Nov 5, 2023

Sunday, Oct 29	22nd Sunday after Pentecost	✠ Mary Fenello 40th Day
Oct 30	No Liturgy	
Oct 31	No Liturgy	
Nov 1	No Liturgy	
Nov 2	No Liturgy	
Nov 3	No Liturgy	
Nov 4	No Liturgy	
Sunday, Nov 5	23rd Sunday after Pentecost	

If you are looking for a closer relationship with Jesus Christ and are looking for a home, you are welcome to be part of our kid friendly family in Christ. You have found your way home.

22nd Sunday after Pentecost

Galatians 2:16-20

Troparion (Tone 5)

Let us the faithful acclaim and worship the Word, co-eternal with the Father and the Spirit, and born of the Virgin for our salvation. For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to suffer death and to raise the dead by His glorious resurrection.

Kondakion

You, my Savior, descended to Hades, and as the Almighty, You shattered its gates. With Yourself You, as the Creator, raised the dead and shattered the sting of death, and delivered Adam from the curse,
O Lover of Mankind.

Theotokion

Rejoice, O impassable door of the Lord! Rejoice, O rampart and protection of those who have recourse to you! Rejoice, O tranquil haven and Virgin, who gave birth in the flesh to your Maker and God! Fail not to intercede for those who sing and worship the Child you bore.

Prokeimen

You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us from this generation, and forever.

Verse Save me, O Lord, for there is no longer left a just man.

You, O Lord, will guard us and will keep us from this generation, and forever.

Alleluia

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Verse Your mercies, O Lord, I will sing forever;
from generation to generation I will announce Your truth with my mouth.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Verse For You have said: Mercy shall be built up forever;
In the heavens Your truth shall be prepared.

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

Communion Verse

Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him in the highest. Alleluia. (3)

Luke 16:19-31

PARISH NEWS

Weekly Collection - October 22, 2023 - \$351.72. Thank you for your generosity.

Relief for Ukraine - Amount collected to date \$6,483.00.

Saturdays with Jesus - Catechism classes will resume:

Nov.18th and December 9th Adults 10:00-12:00 and Children 2:00-3:30.

2024 Envelopes - Anyone who currently does not have envelopes and would like a box for next year, please see Deacon Chris. Envelopes will be distributed in early December.

Prayer List

Parishioners: Millie & Steve Deskevich, Connie Butkus, Kathy Ott, Sarah Kelt, Gary Maurer, the Lutak family, Jeremiah Hunt, Margaret Reighard.

Friends of the Parish: Jennifer Maurer, Breanna Borlie, Tom and Kris, Richard Shonk, Ryder McDermitt, Steve Helsel, Patricia Dragani, Eugene, Kevin Rogers, Darla Tishok, the Williams family, Patty Hunt, Kevin Blem, Linda Kusmierski.

To add or remove a name, place your request in the collection basket.

What is "Saturdays with Jesus"?

Saturdays with Jesus is a monthly gathering to learn more about our church and faith.

We will be taking a closer look at the words of the Divine Liturgy.

This will be for the next several months.

Classes will be Nov. 18 Adults 10 to 12 Children 2 to 3:30

Happy 14th Anniversary to Rev. Deacon Anthony and Diakonissa Vanessa
May God grant them good health, long life and many happy years!

Многая і благая літа!

Joke of the Day

Why did the game warden arrest the ghost?
He didn't have a haunting license.

Why doesn't Dracula mind the doctor looking at his throat?
Because of the coffin.

What's a ghost's favorite dessert? I-scream.

Did you hear about the coffin sale? That's the last thing I need.