



SAINT DEMETRIOS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
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Dear Parents, Teachers, Students and Friends of Saint Demetrios,

The new school year is about to begin for our Saint Demetrios Sunday School. I would like to take this opportunity to invite each and every child of our parish, from Pre-K to 7<sup>th</sup> Grade, to enroll in Sunday School and participate on a regular basis. The goal of the Sunday School is to educate each student about the Greek Orthodox Christian Faith.

Our Sunday School Program will begin on **Sunday, September 10, 2017, at 10:00 a.m.** with the Divine Liturgy in Church. All Sunday School children and teachers will be sitting together in our reserved section of the church. The children with their teachers will be the first to receive Holy Communion so that the teachers can take their classes immediately for a lesson.

Our Sunday School director is Anthoulla Themistokleous, and our teachers that will teach in the classrooms are as follows:

- **Pre-K and Kindergarten:** Despina Victory and Georgia Panagiotopoulos
- **First and Second Grade:** Helen Boukas, Marina Themistokleous and Elisha Boukas
- **Third and Fourth Grade:** Anthoulla Themistokleous and Kalliope Christodoulou
- **Fifth, Sixth and Up:** Mary Kekatos and Alexandra Drakoulis

I am particularly asking for your full cooperation in regard to attendance and behavior. Your child depends on you to bring him or her to the Divine Liturgy and Sunday School each week. Please be certain they arrive on time and attend faithfully. We also ask that you remind them of the manners and respect due the Church, its facilities and fellow parishioners. Our children are the future of the Church, and the Church is the future for our children. Join with me in making an investment in our future and setting religious values and education as a priority for this coming school year. Enclosed you will find the official 2017-2018 Sunday School Calendar.

Looking forward to seeing all of you on opening day, I remain,

With Love in Christ,

*+ Fr. Konstantinos Kalogridis*

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## **Saint Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church** **Sunday School Calendar 2017-2018**



### **September**

- 10 – Sunday School Begins – Sunday before the Elevation of the Cross (John 3:13-17).
- 17 – Sunday after the Elevation of the Cross (Mark 8:34-9:1).
- 24 – Sunday of 1<sup>st</sup> Luke (Luke 5:1-11).

### **October**

- 1 – Sunday of 2<sup>nd</sup> Luke (Luke 6:31-36).
- 8 – Sunday of 3<sup>rd</sup> Luke (Luke 7:11-16).
- 15 – Sunday of 4<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 8:5-15).
- 22 – Sunday of 6<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 8:27-39).
- Wednesday, October 25 – 7:00 p.m. Great Vespers of Saint Demetrios.**
- Thursday, October 26 – 8:30 a.m. Orthros and Divine Liturgy for Saint Demetrios.**
- 29 – Sunday of 7<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 8:41-56).

### **November**

- 5 – Sunday of 5<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 16:19-31).
- 12 – Sunday of 8<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 10:25-37).
- 19 – Sunday of 9<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 12:16-21).
- 26 – Sunday of 13<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 18:18-27) – Happy Thanksgiving – Family Worship.

### **December**

- 3 – Sunday of 14<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 18:35-43).
- 10 – Sunday of 10<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 13:10-17).
- 17 – Sunday of 11<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 14:16-24) - **SUNDAY SCHOOL CHRISTMAS SHOW AND PARTY.**
- 24 – Sunday before the Birth of Christ (Matthew 1:1-25) – Family Worship.
- 31 – Sunday after the Birth of Christ (Mark 1:1-8) – Family Worship.

### **January**

- 7 – Saint John the Baptist (John 1:29-34).
- 14 – Sunday after Epiphany (Matthew 4:12-17).
- 21 – Sunday of 15<sup>th</sup> Luke (Luke 19:1-10).
- 28 – Sunday of the Publican and the Pharisee – Triodion Begins (Luke 18:10-14).

### **February**

- 4 – Sunday of the Prodigal Son (Luke 15:11-32).
- 10 – **(Saturday of the Souls) – Holy Confession for teachers and students.**
- 11 – Meatfare Sunday (Matthew 25:31-46).

18 – Cheesefare Sunday (Matthew 6:14-21).

25 – **Sunday of Orthodoxy** (John 1:44-52) – Teachers and children must bring an icon and participate at the procession of the Holy Icons around the Church.

### March

4 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent – Saint Gregory Palamas (Mark 2:1-12).

11 – Sunday of the Veneration of the Holy Cross (Mark 8:34-38, 9:1).

18 – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent – Saint John the Ladder (Mark 9:17-31).

25 – **Annunciation of the Theotokos** (Luke 1:24-38).

### April

1 – **Palm Sunday** – Family Worship.

8 – **HOLY PASCHA** – No classes.

15 – Sunday of Thomas (John 20:19-31).

22 – Sunday of the Myrrh-bearing Women (Mark 15:43-47, 16:1-8).

29 – Sunday of the Paralytic (John 5:1-15).

### May

6 – Sunday of Samaritan Woman (John 4:5-42).

13 – Sunday of the Blind Man (John 9:1-38) – Mother's Day.

20 – Sunday of the Holy Fathers (John 17:1-13).

27 – Holy Pentecost (John 7:37-52; 8:12) – Memorial Day – Family Worship.

### June

3 – Sunday of All Saints - Last Day of Sunday School: Presentation of Gifts and Certificates.

### HOLY COMMUNION

It is necessary that students attend church services and classes faithfully every Sunday and be on time. All teachers and students should prepare and receive Holy Communion. They should pray, fast every Wednesday and Friday, and read the Holy Communion prayers.

### HOLY CONFESSION

Sunday School teachers and students should participate at the sacrament of Holy Confession. Holy Confession is the sacrament through which our sins are forgiven, and our relationship to God and to others is restored and strengthened. In practicing good health we go to the doctors at least once a year. In practicing spiritual health we must also go to our spiritual father for spiritual healing and guidance. God's Word in the Bible promises *"If we confess our sins, He is faithful and just to forgive us and cleanse us from all unrighteousness"* (1 John 1:9).

