## November, 2009

Sunday before Thanksgiving was a great day at St. Demetrios. Listening to our youth sing for the entire congregation reminded all of us of just how precious each new generation is. One way this becomes so real for us all is the recognition of how little time separates these wonderful leaders of tomorrow from ourselves. Perhaps it is this realization that drives us to do all we can to give our children every opportunity to achieve their dreams in part by providing the strong foundation our Orthodox Church offers.

Many thanks to the Parish Council for hosting such a wonderful luncheon following Liturgy celebrated by our own Metropolitan Methodios who wanted to be with us as we look back in appreciation of fifty wonderful years of Saint Demetrios. We are so grateful to have his blessing as we proceed with realizing the dream of a new church.

As we now look forward, in many ways Sunday was the kickoff of the major outreach campaign planned by the Building Committee. Father Nick gave us a few precious minutes during the luncheon to bring each parishioner up to date on our progress, and for the first time appeal to each and every one of us to fill out an information card so that we can meet and discuss the project in detail and perhaps even to learn if there are ways parishioners want to join in this historic effort.

Whether you enjoy hosting theme parties, working on publicity, developing outreach efforts, organizing a concert or a 5K walk or run, or any number of other ways to become a part of a dream endeavor that only once in two or three generations is available to us, we want to learn about it. Thanks to the many who filled out the cards and to those who could not make it, please feel free to contact me directly either by leaving a note in the Building Committee box in the church office, or emailing me at <a href="PJB@StDemetriosWeston.org">PJB@StDemetriosWeston.org</a>.

Happy Thanksgiving!