PRESENTATION OF CHRIST GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



CURRENT

JUNE 2022





When I am asked why I continue to work for the Presentation of Christ, my answer is very simple—and the same as yours would be in response to the same question. "I love my church."

Therefore, I am asking you to join me in showing our love, by doing everything we can to make the **39**th **Annual Greek Fest on August 18, 19, 20, 21,** the very best one we have ever put together.

We know the annual Festival gives us a chance to share the Hellenic culture with our guests through authentic, mouth-watering Greek food and pastries, as well as lively Greek music and dance performances. More importantly, we provide the opportunity to our guests to visit our beautiful Orthodox Church, upon request. But a lasting value of the Festival is the joy of working with each other for a positive project and developing life-long friendships. Please reserve the dates on your calendar, so that we can all work together. Return the attached form, indicating your time and station preference.

We sincerely thank the more than thirty individuals of the community who have already shared their time and talent (in addition to those who have contributed financially), to prepare for the Festival in terms of food, pastry, publicity, purchasing, working on the Festival Album, and ordering tents for the outside. Yes, we will have tents outside, but there will be inside seating as well. We also plan to utilize the Olympia Hall Bar Area for our "take-out" customers, since many have adopted that means of dining in recent years.

We know that Covid has had an effect on church attendance, which translates into a lack of donation opportunities, so festival income helps to make up the annual budget difference. By donating to the cost of ingredients, publicity, entertainment, utilities, etc, you can help to increase the profit margin earned by your hours of volunteer time.

Realizing that we need to have a minimum of 25 people on site each hour the Festival is open, that means each of us must not only commit our own time, but we must encourage friends and family to volunteer to help us. Fortunately, the following have volunteered to serve as Daily Managers to help new workers "on the job"--Toni Morgan, Katherine Armstrong, Nicholas E. Stupakis, George Ellis, and Tina Rushe.

One of the highlights on Saturday evening will be a "performance" by former Grecian Odyssey Dancers, as they celebrate 40 +1 years of proudly representing Ypapanti.

Pittsburgh sports mascots are also scheduled to appear throughout the Festival.

We have such a wonderful community! I am asking you to join me in sharing it with others.

A Note from President and Stewardship Chairman Steve Markantone



As you may have heard, Fr. Dean will begin a new assignment in Akron, Ohio at the end of the summer.

On June 14, I spoke with the Metropolis administration. I conveyed that the Parish Council would like to have input regarding the qualities of our next priest. Fr. George Callos indicated that the Metropolis would get back to us to schedule a meeting to discuss our concerns.

In this time of uncertainty, there is one thing that is certain: Ypapanti has been here for over 100 years. Strength and growth occur through continuous effort and **Unity**. At this time we need to focus on the future and stay positive!!!



Thank you for your love and support of Ypapanti.



Thank you to all the volunteers who keep our grounds looking so beautiful!















FOR

GREEK FEST 2022 AUGUST 18-21

details to follow



PRESENTATION OF CHRIST CHURCH 39TH ANNUAL YPAPANTI GREEK FOOD FESTIVAL - AUGUST 18TH TO THE 21st, 2022

Join the Team to Contribute your TIME, TALENT, and TREASURE in any way you can!



Enjoy fellowship! Work together as an "Ypapanti Team!" Attend baking/cooking sessions, volunteer for one more shift than last year or set-up/clean-up.

Share the Joy! Invite your friends & family to join you at the festival or encourage them to volunteer for a shift.

Publicize! Share on social media or display a sign in your yard during August.

Sponsor Ingredients! Sponsor part or all of your favorite food ingredient.

Be welcoming! Share festival energy with guests.





The festival is the Parish's largest fundraiser. Your help is very much appreciated.

Mary Doreza, Chairperson
Tasso Athans, Co-Chair
Fr. Dean Kokanos, Parish Priest

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Festival 2022 – August 18-21

Sponsor a portion (or all!) of your favorite dish - all of us have one! Simply select the ingredient you wish to sponsor by circling it and enter the amount you wish to donate.

Gyros			Pastries		
Gyro Meat	\$4,500		Milk	\$350	Thank you!
Tzatziki	\$800		Honey	\$400	
Pita Bread	\$1,000		Eggs	\$300	Thank you!
		1	Butter	\$1,250	
Grill			Walnuts	\$800	
Pork	\$2,200		Filo	\$250	Thank you!
Charcoal	\$600				
Lamb Chops	\$1100				1
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Main Dishes			Filo	\$350	Thank you!
Chicken Oregano	\$1,400		Feta Cheese	\$1250	
			Spinach	\$250	Thank you!
Sides			Other Cheeses	\$500	
French Fries	\$600				1
Rice	\$400		Pastitsio		
Grape Leaves	\$850		Pasta	\$350	
		1	Ground Beef	\$1,500	
Pantry					
Herbs & Vegetables	\$1,500				
Oils	\$750	Thank			
Olives	\$300		+		
Name:			Total Amount of Donation:	\$	
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FESTIVAL VOLUNTEER SIGN - UPS

Please circle the times you would like to give to God and return this form to the church office or Mary Doreza at 3813 Burnaby Drive, Pittsburgh PA 15235. For any questions, please contact **Father Dean**, or Festival Co-Chairs **Tasso Athans** or **Mary Doreza**. Assignments will be mailed to you in August.

Saturday, August 13 th S	et-up		9AM to		can, leave when yo	u must!
Tuesday, Aug. 16 th & W	ednesday Aug.	17 th	11AM t		can, leave when yo	u must!
Set-up Thursday, Augus	st 18 th					
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Friday, August 19 th						
(A) 10AM to 2PM	(B) 1PM to 5P	PM	(C) 4PN	∕I to 9PM	(D) 6PM to	10PM
Station Preference:	Food Line Bar Outside	Pastry Gyro or Grill	Runners Take Ou	Cashiers ut Room	Loukoumades Where Needed	Bar Inside
Saturday, August 20 th		,				
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ADDRESS						
E-Mail						

Ypapanti's Festival Motto:
"Monitor and Adjust – It's all for the Good of the Church!"

Greek Food Festival - Pastry Schedule

Product	Date	Time
Koulourakia	May 10, 2022	9:00 AM
Finikia	June 1, 2022	9:00 AM
Kourambiethes	June 7, 2022	9:00 AM
Baklava	July 22, 2022	9:00 AM
Pasta Flora	TBD	TBD

Greek Food Festival - Food Schedule

Product	Date	Time
Tiropita	June 23	10:00 AM
Spanakopita	June 14	10:00 AM
Spanakopita	June 15	10:00 AM
Pastitsio	May 18 & 19	2:00 PM
Moussaka	May 25 & 26	2:00 PM
Souzoukakia	July 7	4:00 PM

Stay Tuned for Updates and Info as the Calendar continues to come together!

Please SAVE THE DATE for an informative FESTIVAL MEETING on JUNE 8 at 7:00 PM.

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Album Ad Form

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OR EMAIL <u>PRESENTATIONOFCHRISTOFFICE@GMAIL.COM</u>, SUBJECT "AD BOOK SUNBMISSION"

FOR PAYMENT WITH A CREDIT CARD, CALL THE CHURCH OFFICE AT 412-824-9188

DEADLINE: JULY 31, 2022 • THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!



STAY TUNED FOR A RESCHEDULE DATE



If you wish to have Fr. Dean bless your home and/or business, please contact Fr. Dean directly at FatherDeanKokanos@gamil.com or on his cell phone.

Did you turn in your 2022 pledge card?



Just click the "online giving!" Tab on the website!

(You can still do it at Church or through the mail - Don't forget to fill out the back!)



Brandi Willis Schreiber: Cultivating Devotion to the Theotokos

Cheryl Pituch: Looking at the Panagia through Iconography

Elina Pelikan: Creating a Glass Icon of the Theotokos

Kassiane: The Theotokos, Our First Missionary

Tickets available at the Ancient Faith online store.

Why I love my Church...

THE WORDS THAT MAKE UP THIS CROSS WERE TAKEN FROM THE QUESTION ON THE 2021 STEWARDSHIP CARD, "WHY DO I LOVE COMING TO YPAPANTI?"

THESE WORDS ON THE CROSS MAKE UP WHO WE ARE – WE ARE THE BODY OF CHRIST!



Family Jesus Lord Neighbors Worship Family Glorify God Growth Love Family Love God Glorify God Cross Christ Christ Charles God Cross Christ Christ Christ Charles God Cross Christ Chris

TOP 10 MOST COMMON ANSWERS

JESUS WORSHIP
LOVE CHURCH FAMILY
IT'S HOME GLORIFYING GOD
CLERGY GROWING
WORSHIP OUR NEIGHBORS
CHURCH BEAUTY

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			1 9:00 AM, Finikia Baking 9:00 AM	2 2:30 PM Moussaka	3 2:30 PM Moussaka	4
			Vigil – Feast of the Ascension 5:30 PM Matins 6:30 PM Divine Liturgy			
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Feast of Pentecost 8:30 AM, Matins 9:30 AM, Divine Philoptochos Meeting	13	14 10:00 AM Spanakopita Prep 7:00 PM Parish Council	15 10:00 AM Spanakopita Prep	16	17	18 Philoptochos Flea-tique
19 8:30 AM, Matins 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy	20 Apostles' Fast Beings	21	22 Clothing Pantry Setup 6:30 PM	23 Tiropita Prep 9:00 AM Food Pantry setup Time TBD	24	25 11:00 AM Pantry Distribution
26 8:30 AM, Matins 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy	27	28 10:00 AM Sandwiches for Rankin Christian Center	29 Feast of Sts. Peter and Paul	30 Synaxis of the 12 Apostles		

Presentation of Christ Greek Orthodox Church

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Under the jurisdiction of the Ecumenical Patriarch Bartholomew I, His Eminence Elpidophoros Archbishop of the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and His Eminence Metropolitan Savas. The mission of the Presentation of Christ is to proclaim with joy the Gospel of Jesus Christ, to teach and spread the Orthodox Christian Faith and to be a community devoted to and energized by the love of God and our neighbor.

Rev. Fr. Dean Kokanos Cell Phone: 412-760-7203 FatherDeanKokanos@gmail.com Sunday Services Matins – 8:30 AM Divine Liturgy – 9:30 AM

Office Hours: 9 to 3, Tuesday to Friday

Adult Education on Wednesday. See Google Calendar or "This Week at Church"

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2021 Parish Council Members

Steve Markantone, President

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Organizations & Committees

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