

PRESENTATION OF CHRIST GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



CURRENT

MAY 2021





Holy week is exhausting. It challenges all of us spiritually, physically, and mentally. Our schedule of services is intense, not to mention the usual operations and ministries of the church.



Yet, as our church family gathered by the garden at midnight on Pascha, we experienced a renewed energy. Although we were spent, we joined our voices to proclaim to all of our neighborhood that Christ is Risen! Our procession candles literally shined the unwaning Light of Christ onto Electric Avenue.

The preparation during Great Lent and the initial celebration of Pascha is behind us. And so there is a temptation to slow down our life in Christ. But, the celebration of our Lord's Resurrection continues through the Feast of the Ascension, and our ministries continue through the summer.

We are all invited to fill our summer calendar with the ministries, educational opportunities, and events in the pages to follow. Join us, and bring a friend!

See you at Church!

FRDK

Fr. Dean

A Note from President and Stewardship Chairman Steve Markantone

Everyone gets knocked down at some point in life. If you have not been knocked down then you have not gotten out of your own comfort zone. Growth spiritual, physical, and mental all occur when we try to go beyond what feels comfortable in our daily lives.

Vince Lombardi is quoted as saying:



**It's not whether you get
knocked down, it's whether
you get up.**

Vince Lombardi

We just relived the greatest resurrection as Jesus rose from the dead. His “getting up” not only forgave our sins and gave us eternal life; but demonstrates the need for each of us to believe that all things are possible with our faith in Jesus and ourselves.



Photos!

Metropolitan SAVAS visits on Palm Sunday





Photos!

The Metropolitan visits Ypapanti

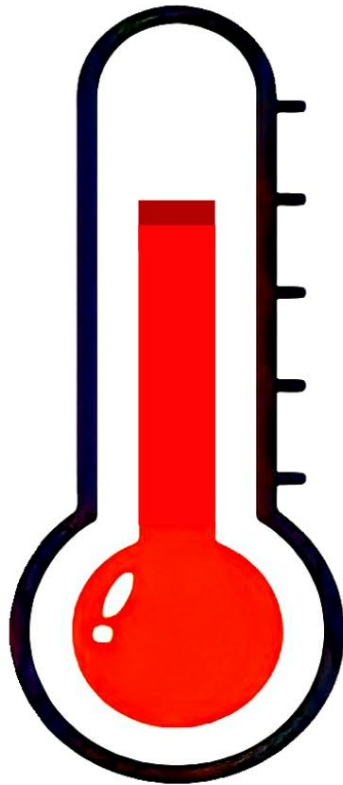


*Kali
Anastasi!*

BINGO HALL

green space project: phase one

~~\$34,500~~
\$40,000



\$50K



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PARTNER WITH
DJ DEMOLITION

a 2nd generation,
family owned,
Braddock business

*Thank
You*

TO ALL
WHO HAVE
DONATED
SO FAR!



PRESENTATION OF CHRIST

ONE-DAY

mini

FOOD FESTIVAL

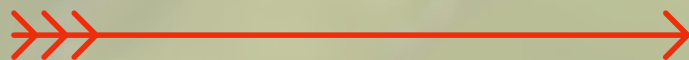
TO BENEFIT THE BINGO HALL
GREEN SPACE PROJECT

JUNE 5, 11AM-7PM

PRE-ORDER TAKEOUT ONLY
FULL COVID-19 PRECAUTIONS IN PLACE

Volunteer Shifts from 10AM - 8PM
Setup on Thursday, June 3, 3PM - 8PM

PRESENTATION OF CHRIST



GREEK

ONE-DAY *mini* FOOD FESTIVAL

DINNERS

Chicken Oregano with rice pilaf & yachni	\$15
Beef Stifado with rice pilaf	\$12
Lamb Chops (2) with rice pilaf & yachni	\$17
Pastitsio with yachni	\$10

SANDWICHES

Gyro	\$10
Souvlakia	\$7

FAMILY DINNERS

<i>Dinner for Two:</i> Pastitsio (2), Pork	\$25
Souvlakia (2), Pita Breads (2), Tzatziki (2)	
<i>Dinner for Four:</i> Pastitsio (4), Pork	\$50
Souvlakia (4), Pita Breads (4), Tzatziki (4)	

SIDES

Yachni	\$3
Rice	\$3
Domlades (4)	\$3
Tzatziki	\$1

PASTRIES

Almond Cookies (2)	\$5
Baklava (2)	\$5
Kourambiethes (3)	\$5
Flogeres (2)	\$5

M E N U



SATURDAY
June 5
2021

**We are hosting a ONE DAY ONLY, PRE-ORDER 2-GO ONLY
“GREEK FOOD FESTIVAL” to benefit the Bingo Hall
Green Space Project!**

Proceeds to benefit our neighborhood beautification project, “The Bingo Hall.”

WORK SHIFTS

9:30—12:30 • 12:30—3:30 • 3:30—7:30

VOLUNTEER POSITIONS

Gyros • Plating Food • Packaging Food • Delivering Orders to Cars • Etc.

Please sign up for your preferred times and station. Masks, social distancing, etc.
will be required. We all must do whatever is necessary to make the event
successful.

CIRCLE SHIFT TIME

INDICATE WORKSTATION PREFERENCE

9:30 AM—12:30 PM

12:30 PM—3:30 PM

3:30 PM—7:30 PM

**Please mail this form to the Church Office at 1672 Electric Ave, East Pittsburgh,
PA 15512. Or by email to PresentationOfChristOffice@Gmail.com**

NAME _____ PHONE _____ ADDRESS _____

We all look forward to working together again on June 5, 2021.

CHURCH SCHOOL

CONTINUING
4PM VIA ZOOM



"OUR PATRON SAINTS"



LITTLE LAMBS SUNDAY SCHOOL

**LITTLE LAMBS SUNDAY SCHOOL
MEETS AT 4PM VIA ZOOM**

AGES 3-5

Each lesson
includes a prayer,
the Saint of the Day,
an activity, a story,
and a song related
to the monthly
theme.

May/June *Great Feasts of the
Church*



Please Print Clearly

CEMETERY: _____

FAMILY NAME: _____

Please list names for only ONE cemetery per form. Feel free to list loved-ones who are not at one of the cemeteries below. They will be commemorated at the Trisagion.

Names of the Departed:

Please return form to the church office before **May 30th, 2021.**



- 9:00 AM William Penn Memorial
- 9:30 AM Church Hill
- 10:15 AM Monongahela (N. Braddock)
- 10:45 AM Homestead
- 11:25 AM Homeville (St. Gregory)
- 12:15 PM Grandview

"Grant rest O Lord to the souls of your servants where there is no pain, sorrow, or suffering, but only life everlasting."

In Celebration of Mother's Day
May 9, 2021



If you would like to celebrate Mother's Day by honoring someone special to you, please submit their name and contact information to

Mary Doreza • 3813 Burnaby Drive • Pgh, PA 15235

BY MAY 9, 2021

Or hand in your names at the church door on Sunday MAY 9, 2021

PLEASE NOTE: This year all prayers for the mothers will be prayed on Sunday MAY 16, 2021

The suggested donation of \$5 per name is used for the benefit of St. Catherine Philoptochos ministry.

Your name: _____

Honoree: _____ In Honor _____ In Memory _____

Honoree Address: _____

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Checks should be made payable to "St. Catherine Philoptochos".

Thank you for your support!

Happy Mother's Day!

Greek Food Festival – Pastry Schedule As of May 3, 2021

Product	Date	Day	Time
Kourambiethes	May 5, 2021	Wednesday	10:00 AM
Finikia	May 12, 2021	Wednesday	9:00 AM
Kourambiethes Round 2	June 30	Wednesday	10:00 AM

Greek Food Festival – Food Schedule As of May 3, 2021

Product	Date	Day	Time
Pastitsio	May 13	Thursday	3:00 PM
Pastitsio	May 14	Friday	2:00 PM
Moussaka	May 19	Wednesday	2:30 PM
Moussaka	May 20	Thursday	3:00 PM



Festival Food Ingredients

Main Festival 2021 – August 19-21

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

Gyros

Gyro Meat \$4,000 _____

Tzatziki \$700 _____

Pita Bread \$850 _____

Grill

Pork \$2,000 _____

Charcoal \$500 _____

Lamb Chops \$1000 _____

Main Dishes

Chicken Oregano \$1,300 _____

Sides

French Fries \$500 _____

Rice \$300 _____

Grape Leaves \$750 _____

Pantry

Herbs & Vegetables \$1,500 _____

Oils \$650 _____

Olives \$200 _____

Pastries

Milk \$250 _____

Honey \$300 _____

Eggs \$200 _____

Butter \$1,250 _____

Walnuts \$500 _____

Filo \$250 _____

Tiropita/Spanakopita

Filo \$250 _____

Feta Cheese \$1000 _____

Spinach \$250 _____

Other Cheeses \$500 _____

Pastitsio

Pasta \$250 _____

Ground Beef \$1,500 _____

Total
Amount of
Donation: \$ _____

Cash ☐ Check ☐

Name: _____

Phone: _____



2021

Pledge card!

"Give, and it shall be given to you."

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						
2 Paschal 11:30 AM, Agape Service	3	4	5 Fast Free Wednesday! 10:00 AM Kourambiethe Baking	6 Feast of the Theotokos of the Life-Giving Spring VIGIL: 5:30 PM, Matins 6:30 PM, Divine Liturgy	7 Feast of the Theotokos of the Life-Giving Spring Fast Free Friday!	8 Mother's Day Outreach Meal 8:00 AM Meal Prep 11:00 AM Distribution
9 Thomas Sunday Mother's Day 8:30 AM, Matins 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy 4:00 PM, Church School	10	11 7:00 PM, Parish Council	12 9:00 AM Finikia Baking 2:00 PM, Dinner Prep for NRP	13 3:00 PM, Pastitsio Prep	14 2:00 PM, Pastitsio Prep	15
16 Sunday of the Myrrh Bearing Women 8:30 AM, Matins 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy 12:00 PM, Philoptochos 4:00 PM, Church School	17	18	19 2:30 PM, Moussaka Prep 7:30 PM Adult Educatoin	20 3:00 PM, Moussaka Prep	21 Feast of Sts. Constantine and Helen 8:30 AM, Matins 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy	22
22 Sunday of the Paralytic 8:30 AM, Matins 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy 4:00 PM, Church School	24	25 10:00 AM, Sandwich Prep for Rankin Christian Center	26 Feast of Mid-Pentecost	27	28	29 10:00, Food Pantry 11:00, Hot Meal
30 Sunday of the Samaritan Woman 8:30 AM, Matins 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy 4:00 PM, Church School	31 <div> <div>MEMORIAL</div> <div>★ DAY ★</div> </div> Cemetery Visitations					

.Please check the Church's [Online Calendar](#) and Father Dean's [Weekly Emails](#) for the most up to date information.

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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. Constantine Kokanos
Cell Phone: 412-760-7203
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Sunday Services
Matins – 8:30 AM
Divine Liturgy – 9:30 AM

Stefanos Giannikas, Chanter
Filia Arvanitis, Chanter
Thomas Rosvanis, Chanter

Paraklesis Service – Wednesday at 6:30 PM
Orthodox Adult Education - Wednesday at 7:30 PM

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2020 Parish Council Members

Steve Markantone President	724-325-1729	Paula Borsch Treasurer	412-721-1840
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Ernie Kampetis	412-892-9096	Richard Voltz	412-798-8177

Organizations & Committees

Y.A.S.O.U.	Tootie Pranis, Co-President; Mike Orson, Co-President
Philoptochos	Sylvia Graziano, President
Choir	Tom Rosvanis, Director & President
Organists	Marguerite Ellis; Roula Kyros
Young Professionals	Steve and Chris Burns
Y.A.L.	Nick Stupakis; Dean Leventopoulos
Grecian Odyssey	Mary Doreza, Director; Elias Bardis, President
Dancers	
Junior Olympian	Michelle Kotsagrellos, Director; Jamie Orfanopoulos, Director; Elias
Dancers	Bardis, Asst. Director; Maria Bardis, Asst. Director
GAPA	Elias Bardis, President
Book & Icon Store	Deborah Grysiak