



KALOSORISATE WELCOME ASSUMPTION GREEKFEST

2023
AUGUST 17, 18, 19, 20





CHURCH TOURS

Thursday & Friday: 4:00pm – 8:00pm

Saturday: 11:00am – 8:00pm

Sunday: 12:00pm – 6:00pm

CHURCH TOURS

As you enjoy the festival, take a moment to walk through our church and experience the richness and beauty of the Orthodox Christian Faith. Gaze upon the breathtaking iconography, the vestments of our clergy, and the liturgical items we use in our worship services. There will be videos of our iconographer, Vlas Tsotsonis, creating the magnificent iconography you see. You will also hear the traditional Byzantine chant that is used in our worship. Additionally, a table will be present with information should you wish to learn more about the history and traditions of the Orthodox Christian Church. Tours are self-guided, but volunteers are present to answer your questions.

We hope you enjoy our food, music, dances, and hospitality, which historically have been important parts of our Greek identity and heritage, but also the reverent beauty of our Orthodox Christian Faith that, from antiquity, continues to edify and inspire the lives of Greeks and millions of others around the world.

AROUND THE WORLD

Visit the Hellenic Room for exhibits of Arden Academy of Irish Dance, Kolomeyka Ukrainian Dance Ensemble Detroit, Polish Dancers, Hellenic Society for the Performing Arts, Hellenic Museum of Michigan and our charities, Rosie The Riveters, Focus Detroit, Cass Community Social Services, Cops for Kids.

Dear Friends,

Welcome to the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church's annual GreekFest!

We are excited to share our culture with you, a culture that includes our Orthodox Christian faith, ancient language, traditional music, dances, and delicious cuisine. The Assumption church community has been a presence in the metropolitan-Detroit area since 1928 and has always strived to perpetuate our rich Greek heritage and assimilate it with our beloved American culture.

Although half of our parishioners are not of Greek descent, all have embraced and maintained the Greek American culture that prior generations have cherished and that present and subsequent ones will treasure. Greek American culture focuses on valuing the importance of freedom, the dignity of the human person, the sacredness of the family, and the pursuit of excellence and beauty. Greek American culture recognizes that God has given us life in this world along with the family and friends that are needed to sustain it, to comfort us in times of sorrow, and celebrate it in times of joy.

The essence of Greek American culture revolves around two sacred institutions, the Church and the home. In our churches, we worship God and honor His saints, who intercede for us and reveal the beauty of Jesus Christ's teachings in their lives. That beauty is reflected in the care we take in beautifying our churches. In our homes, we gather daily to commune with family and friends with food, music, and dance that not only sustain our lives but bring us joy and thanksgiving.

The annual GreekFest is a microcosm of our Greek American culture, and we are thrilled to welcome you to share it with us! Enjoy our Church and its ancient Orthodox Christian faith. Savor our foods and take pleasure in our music and dancing. In short, celebrate life with us!

With love in Christ,
Rev. Dr. Michael Varlamos, PhD

GREEKFEST ENTERTAIN

THURSDAY

4:00pm Magic Show (Mainstage)

5:00pm-10:00pm Enigma Detroit Greek Band

5:00pm GRAND OPENING – Chris Macres, M.C.

Fr. Michael Varlamos

Co-Chairs: Tom Thomas, George Dallas, Bob De Waele,

Niko Moschouris, Achilles Papakonstantinou

National Anthems – Niko Varlamos

Honored Guests

5:30pm Hellenic Society for the Performing Arts (Epirus Dances)

6:00pm Ardan Academy Irish Dancers

6:30pm Alpha & Omega Dancers

7:00pm Assumption Seniors

7:30pm Junior Hellenic Society

8:00pm Hellenic Society for the Performing Arts (Cretan Dances)

8:00pm 50/50 Raffle Drawing

8:30pm Open Greek dancing with Enigma Detroit Greek Band

FRIDAY

4:00pm Magic Show (Mainstage)

5:00pm-11:00pm Enigma Detroit Greek Band

5:30pm Alpha & Omega Dancers

6:00pm Assumption Senior Dancers

6:30pm Hellenic Society for the Performing Arts (Epirus Dances)

7:00pm Kolomeyka Ukrainian Dance Ensemble Detroit

7:30pm Junior Hellenic Society

8:00pm Hellenic Society for the Performing Arts (Cretan Dances)

8:00pm 50/50 Raffle Drawing

8:30pm Open Greek dancing with Enigma Detroit Greek Band

Visit our Kids Tent for face painting, hair braiding, games, popcorn, cotton candy, slushies, On the grounds: , Inflatables, rides, sidewalk art, magic shows, jugglers, caricature artist, Detroit Parade Company Characters and more!

MENT SCHEDULE 2023

SATURDAY

- 12:00pm-4:00pm – Sidewalk Art Demonstration
- 12:00pm – 5:00pm Aegean Roots (Mainstage)
- 2:00pm Dylan Sherman Band
- 4:00pm Juggling and Circus Acts (Mainstage)
- 5:00pm – 11:00pm Enigma Detroit Greek Band
- 5:30pm Polish Dancers
- 6:00pm Alpha and Omega Dancers
- 6:30pm Assumption Senior Dancers
- 7:00pm Hellenic Society for the Performing Arts (Epirus Dances)
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- 8:00pm 50/50 Raffle Drawing
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SUNDAY

- 11:00am-3:00pm Aegean Roots (Mainstage)
- 1:00pm Hellenic Society for the Performing Arts (Epirus Dances)
- 3:00pm-7:00pm Enigma Detroit Greek Band
- 3:30pm Alpha & Omega Dancers
- 4:00pm Assumption Senior Dancers
- 4:30pm Junior Hellenic Society
- 5:00pm Hellenic Society for the Performing Arts (Cretan Dances)
- 5:30pm Open Greek Dancing with Enigma Detroit Greek Band
- 6:00pm Grand Raffle Drawing
- 6:30pm – 7:00pm Open Greek Dancing with Enigma Detroit Greek Band
- 7:00pm 50/50 Raffle Drawing and Closing

Special thanks to our team leaders and all who volunteered countless hours to make our Assumption Festival a success.

We regret the omission of any donors who provided support after our printing deadline. Omitted names will be published in our Church Epistle.

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Niko Moschouris, Achilles Papakonstantinou

GREEKFEST MENU

	DINNER	ALA CARTE
LAMB SHANK	\$ 25	
CHICKEN KABOB	\$ 18	\$ 8
SOUVLAKI (2)	\$ 18	\$ 8
SPINACH PIE	\$ 18	\$ 8
DOLMATHES (STUFFED GRAPE LEAVES)	\$ 18	\$ 8
GYRO DINNER	\$ 18	\$ 8
PASTITSIO (GREEK LASAGNA)	\$ 18	\$ 8
COMBINATION PLATE	\$ 25	\$ 15

(SPINACH PIE, PASTITSIO, 3 DOLMATHES)

NOTE: ALL DINNERS INCLUDE GREEK SALAD, RICE, PEAS & PITA BREAD

SUPER SOUVLAKIA SPECIAL = 10 SOUVLAKIA / 5 PITAS \$ 40

CHICKEN TENDERS, FRIES AND GREEK SALAD	\$ 13	CHICKEN TENDERS \$ 8 (ALA CARTE)
SAGANAKI	\$ 8	
FRIES	\$ 4	
CHEESE FRIES	\$ 5	
CHILI FRIES	\$ 5	
CHILI FRIES W/CHEESE	\$ 5	
GREEK FRIES W/FETA CHEESE	\$ 5	
CONY ISLAND	\$ 4	
HOT DOG	\$ 3	
GREEK SALAD	\$ 6	
RICE PUDDING	\$ 5	
BAKLAVA	\$ 4	
BEVERAGES	\$ 3	

KIDDIE MENU

HOT DOG	\$ 8
FRIES/BEVERAGE	
CHICKEN TENDER	\$ 8
FRIES/BEVERAGE	

GREEKFEST EXPRESS STATION CARRYOUT 2023

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AUGUST 19TH

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AUGUST 20TH

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BAKLAVA	\$ 4
BEVERAGES	\$ 3



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