

TASTE OF GREECE FESTIVAL, SEPTEMBER 23, 2017

Dear Fellow Parishioners:

Our annual "Taste of Greece" Festival will soon be here. The Festival will be held on Saturday, September 23, 11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. As always, we plan to have lots of delicious food, a raffle, jewelry sales, music and dancing, and, of course, perfect weather. Your participation will be as important as ever to make the Taste of Greece Festival an enjoyable and fun-filled day.

Our goals are to produce a high quality event with superb food, enjoy ourselves and our friends in the community, and to generate \$35,000 for the Church operating account after all Festival expenses have been paid. To achieve our ambitious goals, each of us needs to:

Own a Piece of the Festival. By becoming a sponsor, or owning a piece of the Festival, you will contribute to the event's success. A list of Pieces of the Festival that need acquisition is attached. Last year, we raised nearly \$9,000 from your ownership contributions. In 2017, we aim to exceed that amount.

Support the Raffle. We will again hold a raffle having three prizes of \$1500, \$1000 and \$500. Each ticket will cost \$20. Our goal is to sell at least 500 tickets. Unity Dienes and Christy Liolis have agreed to head up the raffle effort. Each community member will receive a separate mailing of five tickets to buy or sell. Your assistance in buying or selling those or additional tickets will be greatly appreciated.

Sell or Buy an Advertisement in our Program Book. Panagiota Mansur is leading the effort to put together an ad booklet. Advertisements range from \$50 to \$100. A \$25 family page also will be included. Our plan is to try to reach as many businesses and individuals both inside and outside of our community for advertisements or personal messages. An information sheet is enclosed.

Volunteer to Prepare Food, Work at the Festival and Find Other Volunteers. A sign up sheet will be posted in the Church Hall. The Festival requires volunteers for planning, advertising, set-up, serving, cashiers, food preparation, kitchen detail and clean-up. Contact the Philoptochos, which is coordinating the pastry table, or the Parish Council, to let us know how you can assist. One of the best parts of the Festival is working together to make a successful event.

With our entire community pulling together as it has in the past, our Taste of Greece Festival will be a huge success. Thank you in advance for your continued involvement and generosity on behalf of our Church.

The Taste of Greece Festival Committee