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Beloved in Christ,

Having recently taken leave of Holy Pascha, and are currently celebrating the Holy Ascension of Our Lord, it is an appropriate time to focus on the reality of death that we will all eventually face, as God wills. The Resurrection of Christ has conquered death, proving to us that the soul continues to live after physical death; and also, that at the Second Coming of Christ we will be physically resurrected and reunited with our souls. I would like, therefore, to offer some thoughts about the Orthodox view on death.

As an Orthodox Christian priest, one of the many things I appreciate very much in our faith tradition, is the manner in which the Orthodox Church deals with death. We deal with death head-on, as opposed to attempting to mask death as the current trend seems to be in some circles. Obviously, various faith traditions will have their particular manner of dealing with death and mourning. However, the question must be asked: does society in general deal with death in a healthy manner, in order to help those left behind find closure?

In today's world there seems to be an increasing obsession with youth and beauty – a “fountain of youth” mentality which futilely seeks to escape the realities of the human condition. This mentality obviously has an underlying reason, which is the fear of, and unwillingness to deal with sickness, aging, and dying. When we see how various people deal with death, one must wonder if certain choices made are based on fear, which stems from a basic lack of faith.

Many people are choosing cremation for themselves, thinking that this is an all-around better choice, not considering the effect this may have on those left behind. In some faith traditions, funerals are held with the body in a casket, however the casket remains closed the entire time. In both scenarios, the deceased may not have been seen at any point by the family and loved ones. Some families hold a “celebration of life” gathering, without a prior opportunity for mourning and moving toward closure.

In our Orthodox Christian tradition, funerals are always conducted with an open casket. The only exception is when there is a possible health hazard due to a contagious disease or decomposition, or due to total mutilation of the body from an accident. In addition, cremation is not permitted for Orthodox Christians, basically because it is seen as a denial of the basic Christian belief of the future resurrection of the body, at which time it will be reunited with its immortal soul; and also, because it is seen as a violent act against God's creation, which served as the temple of the person's soul while alive.

Orthodox Christianity teaches that humans have been created in the image and likeness of God. With this belief as a starting point, the Orthodox Church respects human beings and treats them with great dignity, both in this life and beyond. Each human being is seen as an icon of God, and as such, is worthy of veneration even after death. This basic principle is applied in Orthodox liturgical services through the use of incense. During services, the priest first censes the holy sanctuary and the icons in order to honor God, His saints, and His holy house, which is considered sacred space. The priest then censes the congregation as living icons of God. This honor is continued after death during a funeral, by the censing of the deceased.

The Orthodox funeral service consists of the chanting of psalms and hymns dealing with man's final destiny. Many of the hymns speak of the mystery of death, thereby aiding us as we gaze upon the deceased trying to make sense of it all. The chanting of these hymns many times evoke mournful tears, which also serve as tears of healing for the bereaved. The hymns of the funeral service, however, always end on a positive note, evoking the mercy of God to bring the souls of our loved ones to eternal rest and salvation.

The entire experience of an Orthodox funeral service is one of simultaneous sorrow and joy. Our faith tradition

upholds that we who are left behind must see our loved ones in their state of repose. We must shed tears for them. We must gaze upon them and kiss them one last time, through the image that lies before us – their earthly body. Throughout our mourning, however, we are consoled by our belief in the immortality of the soul through Christ's Resurrection. The belief in life after death in a new realm of existence, gives us strength to move on. We leave funerals with the joyful expectation that we will be reunited again with our loved ones in the next world. This joyful expectation is the thrust behind the Orthodox custom of memorial services for the deceased, typically conducted at nine and forty days after death, and whenever desired on the anniversary of death. At these services, we are truly praying for the *living* who have “fallen asleep” in Christ.

In a practical sense, everything that happens at an Orthodox funeral definitely moves us toward a sense of closure. Any psychologist worth his salt will emphasize the importance of closure after a death, so that the bereaved can move forward with their lives. Thankfully, our Orthodox Church knows the importance of dealing with the pain of death from a spiritual standpoint. From the physical standpoint, God has granted us the gift of tears to aid us in dealing with anything difficult and painful in our lives. Thankfully, our Orthodox traditions surrounding funerals and memorial services not only bring us closure, but more importantly, inner strength through our fundamental belief in the Resurrection of our Lord, which has granted us eternal life.

In the Risen and Ascended Christ,

+Fr. Anthony



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FROM FR. ANTHONY

Fast of the Holy Apostles

Of the four major fast periods of the liturgical year, the fast of the Holy Apostles is the only one that can vary in length, specifically because it is dependent upon the date of Holy Pascha. Therefore, this fast can vary in length anywhere from several weeks to a few days, or even be non-existent on years with a very late Pascha. This year, the fast is only two weeks in length, from 6/16 through 6/28. As with all the fast periods of the year, it behooves us to participate in this holy fast period for our spiritual benefit.

This is not an overly strict fast, the guidelines being identical to the first part of the Nativity fast. For those who wish to follow per the traditional guidelines, we offer the following:

- No animal products permitted throughout (meat, poultry, eggs and dairy)
- Fish, wine and olive oil permitted daily, except for Wednesdays and Fridays
- Shellfish permitted daily

Following the Apostles Fast is a beautiful way of commemorating and reflecting on the sacrifices of these Holy Disciples and Apostles of Christ, especially Sts. Peter and Paul, who all together passed on our Orthodox Faith as received from the Lord and the Holy Spirit.

Questions & Answers

The following is taken from *The Orthodox Church: 455 Questions & Answers*, by Fr. Stanley Harakas; Light & Life Publishing Co., 1987.

Q. What happens to someone's soul after death according to the Orthodox Church, since we don't believe in purgatory?

A. The Orthodox Church explains the events following death in this manner. Theologically, death is the separation of the spiritual dimension of the human being (the soul or spirit), from the physical (the body). When we die, we begin immediately to experience a fore-taste of heaven or hell. That is, our spirits are either in communion with God, or they are not. This fore-taste experience, based on the general character of our lives regarding our behavior, character and communion with God, is known as the partial judgment. At some unknown time in the future, the Church teaches that Jesus Christ will return. Each Sunday we repeat our belief in the return of Christ when we say in the Creed: "And He shall come again in glory..." We also say in the Creed that when He returns, he will come "to judge the living and the dead." The creed also indicates what else will occur when Christ returns: "I expect the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come." Christ will bring an end to this world as we know it, and He will inaugurate a new era, establishing His kingdom, which "shall have no end." This final judgment is known as the general judgment. Our resurrected existence will then live eternally in heaven in communion with God, or eternally in hell, out of communion with God.

Q. If an Orthodox person marries outside our Church, is it true that he or she cannot receive Holy Communion for six years in the Orthodox Church?

A. I don't know where you received this idea, but it is only partially correct. An Orthodox Christian lives his or her life sacramentally united with the Church. One of the sacraments is holy matrimony. If an Orthodox Christian marries outside the Church (civilly or in another religious service), then he or she in effect causes a break between him, or herself and the Orthodox Church. As a result, such persons are no longer in full communion with the Church. The result is that they may not exercise the functions and full privileges of membership until the marriage is blessed with the Orthodox sacrament, not just for a period of six years. This means that, though still members of the Church, they are not in good order. Thus, they cannot properly receive Holy Communion, may not be sponsors at a wedding or baptism, or be elected to and serve as members or officers of the Church council.

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

Parish Chronicle

Chrismations

4/27 - Cheryl Pappademas Berman, who took the name *Anna*. Sponsor, George Pappademas.

6/1 - Sarah Canney. Sponsors, Peter and Rea Lampesis.

Parish Prayer List

Please pray for our brothers and sisters:

Elizabeth, Deborah, Demetrios, Phyllis

In keeping with a common Church tradition, we will keep names on the parish prayer list for **40 days**. If you wish to offer names for prayer, please send those via e-mail to the church office at:

annunciationdover@gmail.com,
or call the office at 742-7667.

Please give first names only, and preferably full names, not nicknames.

Donations

- Large quantity of paper supplies and cups for coffee hours, plus ground coffee – anonymous
- Sanding and refinishing of wooden railing posts of front garden – Ivan Kamenev
- Decoration of the Icon of the Ascension – anonymous
- Decoration of the Icon of Pentecost – anonymous

Coffee Hours for June

At the time of publication of this issue, following is the status of June coffee hours:

6/1 – Parish Council

6/22 – no host

6/8 – Canney family

6/29 – no host

6/15 – no host

PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS

(Coffee hours continued)

Thanks to all of you who support this important ministry! We periodically receive various questions regarding the hosting of coffee hours, so please see the below recommendations :

Guests	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plan to host 75 guests
Supplies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Plates, napkins, coffee & juice cups, & cutlery as needed
Food & Beverage	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coffee – 6 cups of coffee needed for large pot (100 cups) • Milk, cream or half & half – ½ gallon/2 quarts • Juices & Water – Check what’s available from prior week and supplement
Food items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Anything you’d like to serve – keep it simple, there’s no obligation to provide an elaborate meal
Setup & Cleanup	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Arrange items on platters prior to liturgy • Start coffee by 10 a.m. • Clean up kitchen, clean and wipe tables, and dispose of trash in outside dumpster
Questions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ask any parish council or Alkistis member present for assistance if needed



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

Dear Fellow Parishioners,

This month my message is one of thanks and celebration. I want to extend my thanks to those that attended our Spring General Assembly on May 4th. We were able to update you all on the boiler project for the Hellenic Center and put the call out for festival volunteers. I was also honored to be able to announce our Laity Award winner for this year, Pamela Byers. Pamela will be recognized at the Ministry Award Banquet on Sunday, June 8th at Gillette Stadium.

I am happy to report that the Parish Council has moved forward with a company and that the boiler has been ordered. As soon as it arrives, work will begin! Thank you to those that were involved with gathering quotes and meeting the various contractors at the hall.

On May 18th, we celebrated with our church school attendees and our graduates. Church School enjoyed a pizza party together and we also awarded our scholarships to our deserving graduates. Congratulations to all our graduates and scholarship recipients.

One last update, at our last parish council meeting, the topic of phishing emails was discussed. There has been an up-tick in our parishioners receiving emails and text messages stating that it is Father Anthony asking for money/gift cards. We as a council decided to remove contact information from the front of the monthly Rejoice. We do publish our Rejoice on our website and by removing contact information it will reduce the public's availability and hopefully reduce the number of phishing emails. The congregation is encouraged to contact the church office to reach any parish council member or any of our ministries.

Yours in Christ,

Shana Mitropoulos

Parish Council President

LAITY AWARD RECIPIENT FOR 2025



Our Parish has chosen Pam Byers as recipients of the 2025 Laity Award for the Annunciation Parish in Dover, New Hampshire. We honor her devotion, dedication, and longstanding service to our parish.

Pam has been serving the parish of the Annunciation in Dover, NH for many, many years and in various capacities. Many years ago, we did not have a viable Sunday School program. Pam was instrumental in developing our curriculum, and helped lead the charge to get our program up and running. She taught for many years, and continues to support us in any way she can.

Pam has also served on many other committees as an active participant and, in some cases, as chairman. These include the Parish Council, the Alkistis Ladies Society, our Outreach and Scholarship Committees, and has given many hours of support to our annual Greek Festival. She is also instrumental in overseeing our annual "Angel Tree" project, which provides gifts for needy families at Christmastime.

Pam can always be found setting up for events, baking, cooking, serving, and standing at the kitchen sink long after most others have gone home. On a personal level, she is kind, considerate, generous, and always willing to lend a hand. Mostly importantly, she loves God and her Church and offers her time, talents and treasures generously.

2025 GRADUATES



Stella Nichola Mitropoulos

Stella is graduating from Spaulding High School this year. She has spent the last four years forging her path for the future: attaining a position in the top ten of her class of over 300 students, President of National Honor Society, President of Rotary Interact Club, President of Student Leadership, Student Senate Liaison to the Rochester School Board, and a 3-season athlete all four years. She has also completed the Sports Medicine Program offered through the Dover Career Technical Center, in which she earned her Certificate in Personal Training.

Stella played Varsity-Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball and Tennis during her time at Spaulding. She was Captain of the Girls Tennis Team her Junior and Senior years.

Stella has committed to attend Saint Anselm College in Manchester, New Hampshire, where she will major in Health Science on a Pre-Physical Therapy track.



Ella Meehan

Ella is graduating from Dover High School this year. She has a compassion for helping others and has fulfilled this love through being a role model during her High School career as a Best Buddies Mentor. Ella has been on High Honors during her High School journey. She has a love for dance which she has embraced since she was four years old and throughout High School.

Ella got accepted into the Cosmetology program at Dover High School where she gained skills and knowledge to move forward towards her career.

Ella has committed to Empire Beauty School where she will be following her dreams of doing what she loves and becoming a Cosmetologist.

SCHOLARSHIP NEWS

Scholarship Recipients



The Annunciation Church community proudly celebrates two remarkable recipients of this year's Annunciation, Faskianos, Alkistis and Alexandria Demosthenes scholarships. We are so proud of them and all of their academic accomplishments, service to the church, and service to the community. Congratulations to our very worthy scholarship recipients!

Annunciation Church Scholarship

George Mitropoulos
Stella Mitropoulos

Dr. James C. Faskianos Scholarship

George Mitropoulos
Stella Mitropoulos

Alexandria Demosthenes Scholarship

George Mitropoulos
Stella Mitropoulos

Alkistis Scholarship

Stella Mitropoulos

2025 DOVER GREEK FESTIVAL



Festival planning for 2025 is well underway! Wanted to say thank you to all our committee members who are participating and helping with the planning process this year.

We had the opportunity to speak at the May general assembly to talk about our needs for volunteers. Our festival keeps growing every year with the number of visitors and the amount raised, but our volunteer numbers have remained the same. Our volunteer subcommittee reported the following numbers from the 2024 festival:

- 107 total volunteers
- 83 people volunteered at least one 3-hour shift
- 24 people volunteered at least 16-hours

Based on these numbers and our needs for 2025, **if the 83 people volunteered for an additional 3-hour shift at some point over the two-day event, we would reach our volunteering minimum goal!**

Volunteering is extremely important to our event. Without our volunteers, there is no festival. **We encourage everyone to sign up and commit to time slots early to help the volunteer subcommittee plan ahead.** This is probably the most stressful part that the festival committee faces every year. Please help and sign up early!

Our Festival Committee is always looking for new members! What better way is there to donate your *time* and your *talent* than to help us plan and prepare for the year's biggest event! **Our next Festival meeting is June 5th at 6:30pm in the church library.**

We are looking to fill the following role for our 2025 Greek Festival:

Purchasing Subcommittee

You will work alongside Paul Maskwa and Paul Karoutas (often referred to as "The Pauls") to ensure that our baking and cooking sessions have all the ingredients they need.

2025 DOVER GREEK FESTIVAL

Festival Cooking and Baking Schedule for 2025

Session	Host(s)	Date
Pastichio	Sharon Lampros	8/2/2025 at 7:30am (Meat Prep) and 9:30am (assembly) at Church
Kourambiethes	Sharon Lampros and Shauna Mitropoulos	8/16/2025 at 7:30 am (dough making) 9:30am (Cut and bake) at the Hellenic Center
Koulourakia	Casey Gemas	8/17/2025 at 1pm at the Hellenic Center
Pasta Flora	Althea Coussoule	8/25/2025 at 11 am (baking) and at 6pm (cut and cup) at the Hellenic Center
Halva	Althea Coussoule	8/27/2025 at 11am at the Hellenic Center
Spanakopita	Mitropoulos Family	8/23/2025 at 2 pm at the Hellenic Center
Baklava		

Please fill out the form below if you are interested in volunteering at this year's festival! Return form to the Office at Church.

Dover Greek Festival Volunteer Sign-Up

Name: _____

Phone Number: _____

Email Address: _____

I would like to volunteer my Time and Talent to help with Festival Preparations:

- | | |
|--|---|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Join Festival Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Baking/Cooking Sessions |
| <input type="checkbox"/> The Children's Area | <input type="checkbox"/> Marketplace |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Cooking Demonstration | <input type="checkbox"/> Children's Greek Dance Group |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Marketing / The Ad Book | <input type="checkbox"/> Social Media |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Festival Setup | <input type="checkbox"/> Clean Up |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please explain) | <input type="checkbox"/> Food Prep |

I would like to volunteer my Time and Talent during the Festival Weekend:

- | | | | |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> Food Line | <input type="checkbox"/> Cashier | <input type="checkbox"/> Gyro Station | <input type="checkbox"/> Taverna/Bar |
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LABOR DAY WEEKEND

[AUGUST 29-30 2025]
FRIDAY 4PM-9PM, SATURDAY 11AM-9PM

FREE PARKING & FREE ADMISSION

**AUTHENTIC GREEK FOOD • HOMEMADE PASTRIES
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STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Stewardship Notes

Summer is almost upon us, and as we welcome the sunny season our hearts naturally turn with gratitude to the Lord, “Who freely gives us all things to enjoy”(1 Timothy 6:17). Truly the Lord has been good to us all! In this spirit of gratitude and on behalf of our church, we want to sincerely thank all of you who have made Stewardship pledges for the coming year, and all who have volunteered to help in the various ministries of our growing community, which nurtures our faith and the faith of others. Stewards are the pillars of our church, who help make our worship and witness possible. Thank you all! If anyone who has not submitted a Stewardship pledge yet, the forms are available in the narthex, and in the church office. *Thank you.*

Finally, we want to express our thanks to the faithful members of the Stewardship Committee: Kimon and Vula Lallas, Stephen and Lisa Primes, Hope and Michael Frudakis and Emily Poole. Thank you all for your loyal and cheerful service to the Lord and our parish. We appreciate you!

Gratefully,
Steve Poole, for the Stewardship Team

ANNUNCIATION YOUNG ADULTS

A blessed Holy Ascension! The Annunciation Young Adults visited the Museum of Russian Icons in Clinton, Massachusetts at the end of May, and saw many wonderful and awe-inspiring works of iconography. Our summer trip to St Nektarios Monastery is also in the works. Have a blessed summer!

ORTHODOXY ON TAP



Our next Orthodox on Tap event will take place on **Friday, 6/13, at *Anatolia Restaurant*, 2 Main St., Somersworth, NH at 7:00 pm.** We would like to invite all our young adults to join us!



CEMETERY COMMITTEE

ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH CEMETERY SUPPORT – MEMORIAL DAY 2025

Dear Faithful Parishioners,

April 2025

As we approach Memorial Day, a time of remembrance and reverence, we reflect on the sacred grounds of our Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church Cemetery – a resting place for our beloved departed and a testament to our enduring faith and tradition.

The care of our cemetery is a solemn responsibility and an expression of our love and respect for those who have come before us. The ongoing upkeep includes mowing and fertilizing the lawn, grub treatments, maintaining the grounds and spring cleanup – all of which require resources and dedication.

This is only possible with your generous support.

We humbly ask for your help in continuing this important work. Your donation, no matter the amount, directly supports the care and dignity of our cemetery. Please consider contributing today as we honor our past and uphold our sacred traditions.

With gratitude and blessings,

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church Cemetery Committee

Please detach and return with your donation

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church Cemetery Donation

Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone or Email (optional): _____

☐ \$25 ☐ \$50 ☐ \$100 ☐ Other: \$ _____

☐ I would like to make this a recurring monthly donation.

Please make checks payable to:

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church

Memo: Cemetery Fund

Thank you for your continued love and support.

ALKISTIS NEWS



June 2025

Dear Parishioners,

As we welcome the warmth and spirit of summer, our parish has much to celebrate and look forward to!

Graduation Sunday & Alkistis Scholarship Award

This month, we joyfully celebrated **Graduation Sunday**, a special day to honor our graduating students and recognize their accomplishments. We are proud to announce that this year's **Alkistis Scholarship** was awarded to **Stella Mitropoulos**. Stella is graduating from **Spaulding High School**, where she earned a position in the **top ten of a class of over 300 students**. Her impressive achievements include serving as **President of the National Honor Society, Rotary Interact Club, and Student Leadership**, as well as **Student Senate Liaison** to the **Rochester School Board**. An exceptional athlete, Stella competed in **Varsity Soccer, Volleyball, Basketball, and Tennis**, serving as **Captain of the Girls Tennis Team** in her junior and senior years.

Stella has also been a devoted member of our church community. She has participated in Church School and volunteered her time at the **Soup Kitchen, bake sales, Holy Week services**, and our **annual festival** (where she's often found serving **loukoumades** with joy!). This summer, she will serve as a **counselor at the Metropolis of Boston Camp (MBC)**—a place close to her heart.

In the fall, Stella will attend **Saint Anselm College** in Manchester, NH, majoring in **Health Science** on a **Pre-Physical Therapy** track. We extend our heartfelt congratulations to Stella and wish her continued success and blessings in all her endeavors.

Upcoming Parish Dinner – June 9th

We are excited to invite everyone to our **Parish Dinner** on **Sunday, June 9th at Strafford Farms Restaurant**. It promises to be an evening of fellowship, delicious food, and warm community spirit.

We've extended the RSVP deadline to **June 4th**, so if you'd like to attend, please don't wait—let us know soon! (Flyer with full details is included below and sign up sheet is in the Narthex.)

5K Walk-A-Thon – June 28th

Looking ahead, our next **fundraising event** is the **5K Walk-A-Thon**, scheduled for **Friday, June 28th at 8:30 AM**, starting at the church. This event will benefit both the **Alkistis Scholarship Fund** and **Autism Speaks**, with proceeds shared equally.

We encourage all parishioners to participate. **Sign-up sheets are available in the Narthex**. If you're unable to walk, we invite you to **sponsor a walker** to support the cause. For more information, please contact **Vula Lalas at 603-512-4828 (call or text) or vulaz55@gmail.com**.

Last year's walk was a wonderful morning filled with community, joy, and a rewarding finish at **Dunkin' Donuts** for a refreshing treat. We hope to see even more smiling faces this year!

Thank you for your continued support and commitment to our parish and the Alkistis Ladies Association. We look forward to sharing in these meaningful events with all of you.

With warmest regards,

Vula Z. Lalas
Alkistis President

ALKISTIS NEWS



 Congratulations
Stella!

RSVP by June 4th



Join Us
For Our *Welcome to Summer*
Alkistis Dinner
June 9th - 5:30 pm to 8:00 pm



Strafford Farms
58 Rochester Road (Rt. 108), Dover, NH


Delicious INCLUDES **DINNER BUFFET**
Salad
Choice of:
Baked Stuffed Haddock, Baked Ham, or Apple Cranberry Chicken
Oven Roasted Potatoes
Seasonal Vegetable
and
Chocolate Cream Pie for Dessert
Dinner Includes your Choice of Soft Drink, Coffee or Tea
\$50 per person
(includes tax and gratuity)
CASH BAR Available as well

RSVP by June 2, 2025 as we are limited to 80 guests.
Please contact Vula Lalas at vula25@gmail.com / 603.512.4838, Cynthia Vamvaris at 603.742.5104,
Althea Coussele at altheardh@hotmail.com or Hope Frudakis at hfrudak@gmail.com.
Payment must be received by June 2nd

ALKISTIS PRESENTS
5K FUN
WALK A THON

REGISTRATION
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SATURDAY
JUNE 28TH
START 8:30 AM
RAIN DATE JUNE 30th AT 9:30 PM



JOIN US FOR OUR WALK OR SPONSOR A WALKER

Funds raised in Support of the Dover Children's Home and ALKISTIS

**SIGN UP SHEET IN
THE NARTHEX
FOR WALKERS
AND SPONSORS**

**ANNUNCIATION GREEK
ORTHODOX CHURCH**
93 LOCUST ST. DOVER, NH (PARKING LOT)

For more information or to sign up, please contact:
Vula Lalas at vula25@gmail.com, Rosie O'Hearne at dudley.rmoh@gmail.com,
Althea Coussele at altheardh@hotmail.com or Hope Frudakis at hfrudak@gmail.com

Join us for a Morning Stroll!





June 2025

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1 Orthros & Liturgy	2	3	4	5 Festival Meeting 6:30 pm	6	7 Saturday of Souls <i>Note schedule:</i> <u>Orthros-8:15 am</u> <u>Div. Liturgy-9:30 am</u> Great Vespers 6:00 pm
8 Holy Pentecost Orthros & Liturgy followed by the Vespers of Kneeling <i>(no fasting during week of Pentecost)</i>	9 Feast of the Holy Spirit <u>Orthros only</u> 10:00 am Welcome to Summer Alkistis dinner Strafford Farms-Dover 5:30 pm	10	11 Parish Council 6:00 pm <i>(fast free)</i>	12	13 Orthodoxy on Tap Anatolia Restaurant Somersworth 7:00 pm <i>(fast free)</i>	14 <u>No Vespers</u>
15 Sunday of All Saints Orthros & Liturgy	16 <i>Fast of the Holy Apostles begins today through 6/28</i>	17	18	19	20	21 Great Vespers 6:00 pm
22 Orthros & Liturgy	23	24 Nativity of St. John the Forerunner Orthros & Liturgy	25	26	27	28 Great Vespers 6:00 pm
29 The Holy Apostles Peter & Paul Orthros & Liturgy	30 Synaxis of the Holy 12 Apostles <i>(no services)</i>	<i>Please note that all Sunday & weekday Orthros & Divine Liturgies, are at 8:45 am & 10:00 am, respectively.</i>				

2025 CONFIDENTIAL STEWARDSHIP PLEDGE

How Can I Pay My Pledge?

There are many convenient ways to pay your stewardship including:

- Online bill payment through your bank
- Check by mail
- Online through PayPal
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