

SAINT ANNA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH



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Protopresbyter Fr. Anastasios Kousoulas, Pastor

“Reflecting the Son’s Light”

April 2023

17th Annual OPA! FESTIVAL

June 9 – 11, 2023

Dear Fellow Parishioner of our St. Anna Family,

Christos Anesti! As communicated, our *OPA! Festival* will be in June, starting this year. We are excited about the change in date and the ability to engage more parishioners in the event. We look forward to everyone’s support to ensure its success. The *Festival* contributes a significant portion of our operating budget. This letter explains how you can help make *Opa!* a success.

In the past, the festival has attracted several thousand visitors and engaged the entire local area in a weekend of food, music, dance, shopping, and children's events. It is one of Hunterdon County's biggest community events and has won several awards including “Best Foodie Event” and “one of the 10 best Fall Festivals in NJ.” We look forward to making this happen again in 2023. Here are some ways you can support this big parish event:

- Volunteer: We are asking for your help by being here for the preparations and to serve at the Festival. Information on signing up will be forthcoming.
- Become a Benefactor: Consider a monetary donation or underwriting some of our festival overhead costs. Please refer to the attached Parishioner Sponsorship Form for the specific details.
- Solicit Business Sponsors: Obtain sponsorships from local businesses. Personal connections are important in securing sponsors and everyone can help here. For example, approach your home contractors, salons, personal bank, etc. A separate Sponsor form will be available in the church and through the festival website. Our Sponsor Chair Elaine Markos has been actively working to secure sponsors but we need the whole parish to help in this endeavor and maximize our sponsor donations.
- Promote the festival: We have a dedicated website *OpaFestival.com*, and a Facebook page *facebook.com/opafestival*. These are updated regularly and are easy to share with friends and family.

In this milestone anniversary year, we are looking forward to an exciting *Flemington OPA! Festival* and hope that you will be a big part of our success. Thank you in advance for your support!

Sincerely,

Father Anastasios Kousoulas

Protopresbyter

Diana Grina

Festival Chair

Elaine Markos

Sponsorship Co-Chairs

John Douvris, MD

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Dear Parishioners,

Our award winning *Opa! Festival will be in June!* This is our parish's main fundraiser and community builder. We are providing these specific underwriting opportunities as a complement to our sponsorship outreach to the public. We look forward to your support. The items below represent a portion of the significant costs in our budget. **Please note print deadline of May 20th!** All donations will support the festival operating budget.

<u>Item</u>	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Recognition Plan*</u> (Note May 1st Deadline)
Tents & Equipment			
Main Tent		1 @\$4500 Whole Tent Sponsor OR	Large Banner on Tent
		3 @ \$1500	Name listed in Benefactors' banner
Grill Tent		1 @ \$2000 Whole Tent Sponsor OR	Banner at Tent
		2 @ \$1000	Name listed in Benefactors' banner
Beverage Tent		1 @ \$1000 OR	Banner at the Bar
		2 @ \$500	Name listed in Benefactors' banner
Funzone:			
		1@ \$4000	Banner at Fun Zone Tent.
		4 @ \$1000	Name listed in Benefactors banner
General Donation		Open Donation	Name listed in Benefactors banner

QUESTIONS? Please Contact our Sponsorship Committee Co-Chair, John Douvris: 908-339-2508;
JSDouvrisc@gmail.com

If you would like to sponsor any of these items, please **check** where indicated and fill out the information below:

Name _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____

Address: _____

Name to be used in recognition: _____ I prefer to remain anonymous _____

INSTRUCTIONS:

1) Please make check payable to: St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church; note "sponsor" in memo.

2) Mail completed form & check to:

Opa Festival Sponsors
c/o John Douvris, MD
St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church
85 Voorhees Corner Rd, Flemington, NJ 08822

***PRINT
DEADLINE:
May 20th!**

Receipt by this date
will allow recognition in print
materials, as noted.

~Thank you for your Support!~