

TODAY

LAST CHANCE! DISCOUNTED FESTIVAL FOOD CARDS - Greek Festival food cards are on sale in The Oaks immediately following Divine Liturgy! Purchase yours today and enjoy a special discount while getting ready for a delicious weekend at this year's Festival. Last day **TODAY!**

PASS OUT OUR BEAUTIFUL FLYER - Help us publicize the Festival by posting our beautiful new Festival flyer at restaurants, shops and libraries. Thank you to Willa Dietzen for her beautiful art and flyer design!

Thursday!!! **LAST FESTIVAL PAREA NIGHT** at 6 PM. *One MORE Thursday • One Community • One Incredible Festival.* 🍷 Dips & Brews: Thursday September 3 @ 6 PM - Help package our famous Greek dips while enjoying pizza, beer, and great company. Thank you to all that attended our very first & second Festival Parea Night, what a great community! We are very grateful all who are spearheading these events!

Thursday!!! **CHAIRS** - Please come check out your booth set-up **Thursday September 3**, no later than **Friday September 4!** Thank you!

Sun Sep 13 **SUNDAY SCHOOL BEGINS!** We've missed you and hope to see you on our first day of the school year – **Sunday, September 13.** Details (including registration info) soon.

FESTIVAL 2026 - Saturday and Sunday, September 5 and 6

WE NEED YOUR HELP! CALLING ALL VOLUNTEERS -

Let's INCREASE our 56% Fill Rate! Excitement is building as we prepare for our **September 5–6** Greek Festival! Our volunteer sign-up is now live—scan the QR code or visit: <https://signup.com/go/ruRLutE> to find a shift and be part of this wonderful parish tradition. If you have any questions, please reach out to Jonna Hohenthal or Christian Canellos at jonnahohenthal@gmail.com or christianctc@gmail.com.



CHECK OUT OUR NEWLY REDESIGNED FESTIVAL WEBSITE - Our new Belmont Greek Festival website is live! It is still at the same URL: <https://www.belmontgreekfestival.com/> Thank you - This would not have been possible without Aria Frangos who dedicated her time to the redesign of the website.

AN IMPORTANT WAY YOU CAN HELP - A big thank you to all of you who have purchased an ad or contributed to sponsoring the Belmont Greek Festival. Your generosity will help make our Festival a great success. While we can accept no further ads at this time, any amount you wish to contribute toward deferring the many expenses of the Festival is still welcome. Please make your contribution today at Coffee Hour!!! Contact Chris Canellos at 650-867-2019 if you have any questions.

WE NEED YOUR HELP TO COOK AND BAKE - Call any one of the chairs to offer your help on preparing your FAVORITE food item. OR if you want to learn a NEW recipe, call THAT chair! (all area codes are 650 except as indicated)

Date(s)	Food / Task	Chair(s)	Phone
Aug. 28	Tzatziki prep	Stephanie Denton / Ryan Delaplaine	868-2438
August 29	Fasolakia	Thomy Iuppa	906-7404
August 29	Stifado	Thomy Iuppa	906-7404
August 30	Tzatziki mixing	Stephanie Denton / Ryan Delaplaine	868-2438
August 31	Baklava baking	Emmy Denton	(415) 987-3130
September 1	Taramosalata	Othonia Makris	759-0573
September 1	Loukoumades	Eleni Hulman	576-3956
September 1	Indokarido Karidopita	Emmy Denton	(415) 987-3130
September 2	Portokalopita (orange)		
September 2	Lamb chop prep	Mark Wentley	(813) 784-6428
September 3	Chicken prep	Mark Rowen	892-4197
September 4	Fasolatha	Thomy Iuppa	906-7404

September 4	Gigandes	Thomy Iuppa	906-7404
September 4	Gryo Kalamari Souvlaki Prep	Bill Danigelis / Leo Maheras / John Adractas	867-3152 525-2635 678-6780

Thank you to team Tzatziki, Fasolakia, & Stifado!

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STEWARDSHIP 2026 – Let's make this the “Year of Stewardship”! We thank you for your support and for joining our Parish Community. If you haven't already donated, please visit our church website and make your monthly donation for our minimal ask of \$175 today!

THE 2026-2027 DANCE YEAR WILL BEGIN in **mid-September**. The goal of our dance program is to bring people together through Orthodox Christian fellowship while celebrating and promoting our Greek heritage and culture. Our program currently offers six dance groups for a variety of ages: Kindergarten – 2nd Grade / 3rd – 5th Grade / 6th – 7th Grade / 8th – 9th Grade / 10th – 12th Grade / College / Adult. If you are interested in joining the program or would like additional information, please contact: Paul Flocas pflocas@gmail.com AND come to Church on Sundays.



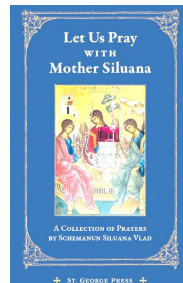
STUDIES AND BIBLE CLASSES! – Classes continue! Contact konstantines@goholycross.org for schedule.

WELCOME TO THE CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

If you are visiting us for the first time, send us an email and share your thoughts and suggestions. May God bless and keep you well.

OUR HOLY CROSS THREE HIERARCHS BOOKSTORE

For personal use or gift-giving purposes, our shelves are filled with all that is Orthodox for adults, young adults and children. "Let us Pray with Mother Siluana" is a collection of prayers gathered 'from the diary of her conversion'...'her simple,true,honest way of standing before the Lord.."



GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH OF THE HOLY CROSS

*Thirteenth Sunday
of Matthew
August 30, 2026*

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Sunday, August 30 – Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew - 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, September 1 – Day of Indiction / Ecclesiastical New Year - 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy

Saturday, September 5 – 5:30 PM, Great Vespers

Sunday, September 6 - Fourteenth Sunday of Matthew - 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, September 8 – Nativity of the Theotokos - 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy

Saturday, September 12 – 5:30 PM, Great Vespers

Sunday, September 13 – Sunday before Holy Cross - 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy

Sunday, September 13 – Vespers of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross – 6:30 PM

Monday, September 14 – Exaltation of the Holy Cross - 8:30 AM, Orthros, 9:30 AM, Divine Liturgy