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Welcome to the 57th Pensacola Greek Festival. Started by parishioners in 1959, as a dinner, this popular Pensacola event has evolved into a full-blown 3-day event serving a variety of Greek foods along with traditional dance performances, live entertainment, church tours, and shopping. This annual event is a labor of love for church parishioners who take pride in sharing their culinary, ethnic, and religious heritage with the community.

Cash or checks are accepted at all booths throughout the Festival. Make checks payable to "Pensacola Greek Festival"

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4 ATM machines are available. (See map on page 6 for locations)



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On behalf of the Eucharistic Community here at Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church, I would like to thank you for attending our 57th annual Greek Festival and for supporting our church. The festival is truly a labor of love for our parishioners. Many months of preparation and planning go into the presentation of this event, and we are thankful for the opportunity to show Pensacola who we are as a church and what we have to offer.

The Pensacola Greek Festival is one the area's most popular outdoor festivals. This three day cultural event provides an opportunity for our church to share our culture and faith with the Pensacola community. The Greek Festival includes live music, dance performances by our youth groups, and a variety of delicious Greek foods.

Food, music and dancing are not the only attractions offered. Visitors can attend church tours to see the beauty of an Orthodox Christian church and learn a little about our Orthodox faith.

This year, we are donating a portion of our proceeds to support Children's Home Society of Florida, a private organization that focuses on adoption, counseling, family services, and child abuse prevention in Escambia County. Children's Home Society strives to break the generational cycle of child abuse in more families; to protect children from harm; to heal children who've been hurt; to create strong, stable families; and to help children grow up safe, healthy, and prepared for life.

We thank you for your continued support of Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church and our 57th annual Pensacola Greek Festival, and we look forward to serving you and offering our Christian hospitality.

With love in Christ,

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CHURCH TOURS



Iconostasis inside the Church

Each year we are proud to share our Hellenic culture, cuisine and customs with our Pensacola community. You are invited to join us for a brief and informative journey through the history, architecture, iconography and music of the Greek Orthodox Church.

We welcome all our visitors to sit back and enjoy a brief synopsis of the early Greeks who immigrated to our shores and an informative exploration of our beautiful faith. You will be introduced to the elaborate architecture, majestic iconography and the haunting mystery of the Byzantine hymnology performed by the Annunciation Choir. Check the tour schedule on page 6.

HISTORY OF OUR CHURCH

The first Greek immigrants who came to Pensacola were seamen that manned sailing vessels in the mid to late 1800's. Gradually the stream of immigrants from Greece increased. These new citizens made their living in the fishing industry, groceries, restaurants and other small businesses. The first Greek Orthodox Church of Pensacola was built in 1910 at the corner of Wright and Reus Street and was the home to this parish until 1954 when the present church on Garden Street was constructed. The Hellenic Center was built in 1950 and the Fr. Leftheris Education Building was completed in 1961. The Church was consecrated by Archbishop Iakovos in 1973. Our parish is an active community of 150 families of various ethnic backgrounds. The Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church celebrated our Centennial in May of 2010!



Greek Orthodox Church

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

FRIDAY (11 am - 9:30 pm)

11:00 am	Food areas open
11:00 am - 2:00 pm	Band
4:00 pm	Church Tour
4:00 pm	Band (until close)
5:30 pm	Glenzethes Dance
6:30 pm	Church Tour
7:00 pm	Glenzethes Dance
8:00 pm	Church Tour
9:00 pm	Glenzethes Dance

SATURDAY (11 am - 9:30 pm)

11:00 am	Food areas open
11:00 am - 2:00 pm	Band
1:00 pm	Hara/Glenzethes Dance
2:00 pm	Church Tour
4:00 pm	Church Tour
4:00 pm	Band (until close)
5:00 pm	Hara/Glenzethes Dance
6:00 pm	Church Tour
7:00 pm	Glenzethes Dance
8:00 pm	Church Tour
9:00 pm	Glenzethes Dance

SUNDAY (NOON - 5:30 pm)

9:00 am	Church Service
12:00 pm	Food areas open
1:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Band
1:30 pm	Hara/Glenzethes Dance
2:00 pm	Church Tour
3:30 pm	Hara/Glenzethes Dance
4:00 pm	Church Tour
5:00 pm	Glenzethes Dance

SUNDAY CHURCH SERVICE

Everyone is invited to attend our regular Sunday liturgy at 9:00 am during the Festival weekend. Dress is "Festival Casual" for workers and guests.

During the year, services begin at 10:00 am



ENTERTAINMENT

The Kostas Kastanis Band is performing live Greek music for your enjoyment during Festival hours. We encourage our guests to get out on the dance floor!

One of the highlights of the Pensacola Greek Festival is watching the dancers and then joining them on the dance floor. The younger dance group is called Hara which means joy in Greek. The middle and high school group is called the glenzethes which means Merry Makers. Check our schedule on page 6 for performance times. Learn more about Greek folk dancing on our website under culture.



OPA!



MENU - DINNER LINE

(Hellenic Center)

Two lines inside the Hellenic Center allow you to order a dinner plate and the following a-la-carte specialties. These items are only available in the Hellenic Center (with the exception of salads).

Chicken Dinner (Kotopoulo) \$11.00

One-quarter chicken baked Greek Style served with manestra, Greek style green beans and tsourekis - Greek bread.

Roast Lamb Dinner (Arni) \$14.00

Sliced roast lamb cooked with Greek seasoning, garlic & lemon, served with Greek style green beans, manestra and tsourekis - Greek bread.

Lamb Shank Dinner (Kokinisto) \$15.00

Served with Greek style potatoes, green beans and tsourekis - Greek bread.

Pastitsio \$8.00

Layered, baked macaroni with seasoned meat sauce topped with creamy bechamel sauce.

Moussaka \$8.00

Layered sauteed eggplant with seasoned meat sauce topped with creamy bechamel sauce.

Spanakopita \$3.00

Spinach and feta in buttered filo triangle.

Tiropita \$3.00

Flaky cheese-filled pastry made with buttered filo.

Dolmathes 3 for \$4.00

Grape leaves stuffed with ground beef, rice, onions, and herbs.

Greek Salad \$4.00 small / \$6.00 large

Lettuce, tomatoes and cucumbers topped with feta cheese and Kalamata olives, served with traditional Greek vinaigrette dressing.

Greek Style Green Beans \$3.00

Manestra \$3.00

Orzo pasta cooked with tomatoes and chicken broth.

BEVERAGES

(The beverages booth is located between the big tent and the pastry booth as you leave the Hellenic Center)

Beer (Domestic and Imported) \$5.00

Red and White Greek Wines by the glass \$5.00

by the bottle \$20.00

Bottled Water \$3.00

Soft Drinks (20 oz Bottles) \$3.00

Snow Cones (in front of Hellenic Center) \$3.00 small / \$5.00 large

SHOPPING

You can find the gift and deli tables in front of the church hall as well as the snowcone machine. The gift table has festival t-shirts, cookbooks, and other items for sale. At our Agora table we are selling Greek food items from Shoreline Foods including olive oil, specialty breads, olives and other non-perishable items.





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(Courtyard between Hellenic Center and Church)

Gyro \$8.00

Savory pita filled with grilled seasoned meat topped with tomatoes, onions and tzatziki sauce.

Souvlakia \$8.00

Grilled chicken shish-kebob marinated in lemon, olive oil and spices. Topped with onions, tomatoes and tzatziki sauce served on a warm pita bread.

Loukaniko \$8.00

Grilled seasoned sausage topped with onion, tomatoes and tzatziki sauce served on warm pita bread.

Greek Salad \$4.00 small / \$6.00 large

Lettuce, tomato, cucumber topped with feta cheese and black olives, served with traditional Greek vinaigrette dressing.

(A Separate line next to the Church)

Calamari \$9.00

Tender squid, lightly breaded, fried and served with lemon juice and cocktail sauce.

Chicken Tenders \$5.00

A dish for the kids served with Greek Fries.

Greek Fries \$3.00

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Pasta	\$4.00
Layers of shredded filo pastry and honey, topped with custard filling and almonds.	
Chocolate Kok	\$4.00
Delicious honey sponge cake with chocolate filling, topped with chocolate glaze and sprinkles.	
Vanilla Kok	\$4.00
Delicious honey sponge cake with custard filling, topped with chocolate glaze.	
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Delicious combination of baklava and cheesecake.	
Koulouria (<i>Dozen butter cookies</i>).....	\$5.00
Paximadia (<i>Dozen Greek biscotti cookies</i>)	\$5.00
Tsoureki (<i>Sweet Greek bread</i>)	\$5.00

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Baklava Sundae (Hand-dipped ice cream served with baklava pieces).....	\$4.00
Regular Coffee	\$4.00
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RHODES

EXPLORE THE WONDER

Rhodes is the largest of the Dodecanese islands, along the eastern edge of the Aegean and the closest island to Turkey. Nicknamed, the island of the Knights, named so because of the Knights of St. John of Jerusalem, who once conquered the island, Rhodes has a rich history of all coming to experience its wonder. With miles of beaches, a forested, mountainous interior, Crusader castles, frescoed churches, one of the finest medieval towns in the Mediterranean and eight sunny months a year, Rhodes can't help but be a winner for holidaymakers. Once home to the Colossus at Rhodes, one of the Seven Ancient Wonders of the World, many have called Rhodes home throughout the centuries. Yet the island has never lost its beauty and history, with over two million people flocking to the island every summer.



Mandraki Harbor

HISTORY OF RHODES



The Colossus of Rhodes

The Colossus of Rhodes, one of the Seven Ancient Wonders of the World, was believed to be a representation of the Greek god Helios and stood watch over the port of ancient Rhodes. Designed by Chares of Lindos, the Colossus was erected to commemorate the island's victory against a siege by the Macedonians to take the island. The Medieval Old Town of the City of Rhodes has been declared a World Heritage Site by UNESCO. Today, it is one of the most popular tourist destinations in all of Europe. Greece is now looking to bring some of that wonder back to the island by rebuilding the Colossus at Rhodes.

GETTING THERE

Rhodes has three airports but only one is public, Diagoras Airport is the main entrance to the island for both locals and tourists. The island is well connected to the mainland, other islands and major European cities. Rhodes also has five ports; three alone are in Rhodes city. So whether by air or the sea there are many different way to get to the beautiful island of Rhodes.

SIGHTS & ACTIVITIES

Rhodes highlights every culture that has ever inhabited the island. From the Mycenaean's to the Byzantines, the Ottoman Turks and other cultures, Rhodes has influences from so many cultures that make up its most interesting sites. Mandraki Harbour, which is believed to be where the Colossus at Rhodes once stood, welcomes all with a beautiful fort, windmills and stunning views of the Aegean. For those who love the medieval



Rodini Park

period explore Old Town, one of the largest Medieval towns of Europe. Through the Gate of Freedom explore 24 centuries of mosaics, architecture, medieval fortresses, and the Palace of the Grand Master, once home to the Knights of the Order of Saint John. For those looking for a calming, serene sight be sure to visit Rodíni Park, a true paradise with many peacocks, streams and paths amidst oleander bushes, cypress, maple and pine trees. Rodini is said to be the site of the famous School of Rhetoric, where prominent Greeks and Romans, including Julius Caesar, Cicero, Pompey, Brutus, Cassius and Marc Anthony, studied.

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Old Town

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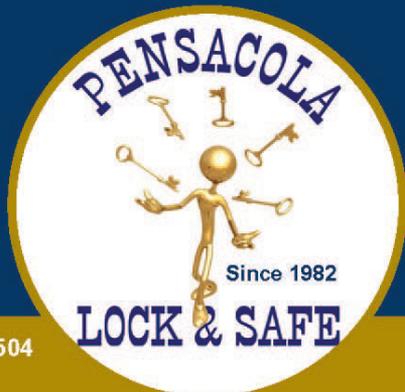
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3/4 cup vegetable oil
3/4 cup sugar
1 Tbs. honey
1/2 cup milk
1 Tbs. baking powder
1/4 cup water

1/2 cup orange juice
1/4 cup brandy
1 Tbs. cinnamon
1/4 tsp. salt
6 cups all-purpose flour
2 cups syrup



Melomakarona

Mix oil, sugar and honey in large bowl. Add milk while continuing to stir mixture. Dissolve baking powder in water and stir into mixture. Add orange juice, brandy, cinnamon and salt. Mix well. Gradually fold in flour. Knead dough until smooth. To form cookies, take pieces of dough to oval shape. Place on a slightly greased cookie sheet. Bake at 350 for 15 minutes or until golden brown. Allow cookies to cool, then dip in warm syrup. Drain before serving. Add crushed walnuts to top, if desired.

Syrup

2 cups sugar
1 1/2 cups water
1 Tbs. lemon juice

2" piece of lemon rind
2" piece of orange rind

In a small saucepan, combine sugar and water. Bring to a slow boil, stirring occasionally until sugar is dissolved. Add lemon juice, lemon and orange rinds and cook over medium heat for 10 minutes. Let cool.

Yield: 2 cups

Note: Use cool syrup on hot pastry and hot syrup on cool pastry.



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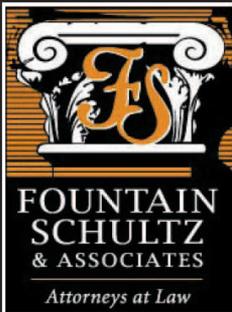
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Serves 8-10

1 lb thick pasta
2 lbs lean ground beef
1/2 cup olive oil
1 medium onion, chopped
2-3 clove garlic, minced
2 tsp cinnamon, 1/2 tsp nutmeg
2 cups fresh or canned tomatoes

2 1/2 cups grated Parmesan cheese
1/4 cup melted butter
Salt and pepper to taste
2 eggs, lightly beaten with yolks
1 egg white, beaten
1/2 cup bread crumbs



Pastitsio

Heat oil and saute onion and garlic until onions are transparent. Add meat and cook until brown. Pour off any excess fat. Add parsley, cinnamon, nutmeg, tomato sauce, and dash of sugar. Cook uncovered over medium heat for 15-20 minutes, until all liquid is absorbed. Add salt and pepper, cool for five minutes and add 1/2 cup of grated cheeses and set aside. Boil pasta in salted water until tender; drain and rinse. Combine macaroni with 3/4 cups grated parmesan cheese, butter and 1 egg.

Prepare four cups of thick Bechamel sauce. Spread half of the pasta over the bottom of a 12"x14" buttered ovenproof pan (glass, clay, or metal). Sprinkle with bread crumbs. Place meat mixture on top and cover with remaining pasta. Pour the Bechamel sauce evenly over the top and sprinkle with any remaining grated cheese. Bake in 350 degree oven for one hour or until top is golden and puffy. Cool for 10 minutes, then cut into serving pieces and serve hot with a Greek village salad!

Bechamel Sauce

6 cups warm milk
6 large eggs, beaten
3/4 cup flour

1 1/2 sticks of butter (not margarine)
Dash nutmeg
Salt and white pepper to taste

First you make a roux! In a 4 quart saucepan melt butter. Add flour and cook for five minutes or until golden, stirring constantly until thick like a paste. Gradually add warm milk constantly stirring with a whisk until smooth. Remove saucepan from heat. In a blender or food processor, beat eggs until frothy. With machine running add 2 cups of hot mixture to eggs and beat well. Slowly return contents of blender to saucepan, stirring constantly until mixture is thick and smooth.

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FESTIVAL COMMUNITY OUTREACH

Each year the Pensacola Greek Festival chooses local non-profit organizations to support through financial and non-financial donations. The 2016 festival will support the follow organizations:

Children's Home Society of Florida

Guardian ad Litem with festival space for recruiting volunteers

Manna Food Pantries with food donations



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Manna Food Pantries is a local nonprofit organization dedicated to fighting hunger in Escambia and Santa Rosa Counties. Festival attendees are encouraged to bring non-perishable items (canned veggies, meats and fruits) to the festival. Drop-off containers will be located in front of the hall by the dinner line.



MANNA



Take a minute to talk with a volunteer from **Guardian ad Litem** while you are in line for dinner at the Greek Festival. A Guardian ad Litem (GAL) is a volunteer appointed by the court to protect the rights and advocate the best interests of a child involved in a court proceeding. GAL will be recruiting for volunteers to work with children in the Dependency Court System to be their advocate. They have brought in more than 30 volunteers over the last few years just from our festival!

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41 Performances a week!

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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