

# **Welcome to the 40<sup>th</sup> annual St. Sophia Greek Festival 2019!**

*Thank you for joining us!*

Our community is privileged to present to you an authentic flair of Greece, with its customs and culture, as well as an insight into the Greek Orthodox Church.

The splendor of Greece has returned to Elgin this weekend! This is our 40th Greek Festival and the faithful members are throwing a party. Greek music, Greek dancing, Greek food, and pastries. As you enter the festival, you will be instantly transported to the allure of the simple Greek countryside and the magic of the Greek Isles. As you walk about the festival you will fill your soul with the "Greek Way" of life.

This weekend, you can taste the flavors of Greece with our authentic food, home baked sweets and ethnic coffee, enjoy watching or even partaking in Greek dancing, lively entertainment, refresh at the bar with a Greek wine or beer, shop in the Marketplace (indoors in the cool air) and hear about our beautiful new church that will be in completion towards the end of this year.

All of this, and our family-friendly attractions for the kids will ensure a great time for the whole family.

On behalf of the Greek Fest Committee, Father Andrew and Presvytera Georgeanne Karamitos, and all of the members of  
St. Sophia Church,

**Thank you!**

## St. Sophia Bookstore

Located inside the community center alongside the vendors, offers a variety of religious books, icons, including bibles and books about the Orthodox faith.

## Kids Activities and Rides

Euro-Bungee, Bouncy Houses and Games!  
Unlimited rides for \$20 each or 2 for \$30 from 12-5  
on Saturday and Sunday!

(Not open on Friday from 11-1)

## St. Sophia Marketplace

Come inside the community center and shop the treasures, gifts and gadgets (and cool off!) ATM available and most vendors take credit cards as well.

Open all festival hours except for Friday from 11-1.

## The 2019 GRAND RAFFLE

Try your luck at the \$10,000 first prize! Winner announced Sunday night at 10PM, and need not be present. Only 600 sold, your chances are great!

Stop by the booth across from the entrance gate and pick up yours.

**\$100.00 each**



Our new beautiful new church, in authentic Orthodox architecture, and the new administrative wing with classrooms and offices, will become the crown jewel of our campus and should be in completion by the end of this year. Take a few minutes to look at the video of the completed project on our website. If you feel inspired to support our endeavor, please donate to the project in any amount. We will be forever grateful. You will find a donation box inside the community hall, or feel free to find our beloved Father Andrew.



**St. Sophia  
Greek Orthodox Church**



**GREEK FEST 2019**

**July 12, 13 & 14**

**525 Church Rd. Elgin, IL**

[www.stsophiagreekfest.com](http://www.stsophiagreekfest.com)

We'll assume that the reason you're here is to eat some traditional Greek Food, which makes the food tent your primary stop. Head on over to the cashier, make your selections and bring your receipt over to fill your order all at once, or throughout the day.

## ***OUR SPECIALTIES ...***

**Grecian Chicken** \$11.00 - A tender, half chicken roasted, Grecian style of course, with a mixture of lemon, oil, and oregano. Served with rice, bread, cucumbers, tomatoes, and olives.

**Souvlaki** \$12.00 - (shish-ka-bob) - Grilled pork tenderloin marinated in our special mouthwatering recipe. Served with rice, bread, cucumbers, tomatoes, and olives.

**Gyros Plate** \$10.00 - Ground beef and lamb mixture with spices, grilled and sliced fresh, served on warm pita bread, with tzatziki (cucumber and yogurt) sauce, tomatoes, onions, and olives.

**Greek Salad** \$8.00 - Fresh lettuce, feta cheese, tomatoes, Greek olives, oregano, salt, onion, cucumbers all tossed in a light olive oil dressing. Served with bread.

**Appetizer Plate** - \$9.00 Souvlaki, homemade dolmades, tyropita, spanakopita, smelt, olives & tomatoes

**Pastichio** \$10.00 - The Greek version of lasagna - macaroni with braised ground lamb & beef, topped with béchamel sauce and baked. Served with tomatoes, olives and cucumbers. *(Add a slice of Pastichio or Moussaka to ANY entrée for \$5.00 more - ask for the "combo")*

**Moussaka** \$10.00 - Layers of eggplant, potato, ground lamb and beef, topped with a light béchamel sauce and baked. Served with tomatoes, olives and cucumbers.

**Saganaki** \$6.00 - Opa!! Seared cheese flamed with brandy and lemon and served fresh to you.

**Calamari** \$8.00 - Fried calamari dish with fresh lemon. (Cocktail sauce available upon request.)

**Greek Fries** \$5.00 - "Greek Style" fries, lightly seasoned with Greek herbs and spices, topped with feta cheese, and a wedge of lemon to squeeze over the top.

**Hot Dog and chips** - \$3.00 **Hamburger and chips** - \$4.00

A special little cash only section at the far-right end of the food tent...not quite ready for an entrée? Or just want a little extra tasty and authentic? Stop on by!

***APPETIZERS...***

**Mini Pork Souvlakia on a stick** - \$6.00 Well seasoned, 3 per order.

**Tyropita** - \$5.00 Feta cheese in crispy filo (cheese puffs) 5 per serving

**Spanikopita** - \$5.00 Spinach in a crispy filo (spinach puffs) 5 per serving

**Small Dinner Greek Salad** - \$5.00

**Smelts** - \$5.00 Breaded, fried, delicious.

**Tyropita or Spanikopita** (8 oz. each) - \$6.00

Add a **grilled pita** to anything.....\$1.00

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And now you're ready to get serious with classic **GREEK SWEETS**. We serve a variety of desserts that will not disappoint. And looking for some energy to Greek dance? Order a Greek coffee or a refreshing frappe!

## ***AT THE SWEETS TENT.....***

**Baklava/Saragli** \$2.50 - A classic! Baklava is prepared with many layers of thin buttered pastry sheets, walnuts, spices and honey syrup. Saragli is rolled like a pinwheel and drizzled with honey syrup.

**Floyeres** \$2.50 - A rich, baked dessert prepared with thin layers of buttered pastry sheets, almonds, spices, rolled and then drizzled with honey syrup.

**Kataifi** \$2.50 - Shredded dough rolls with chopped nuts and honey syrup.

**Galaktoboureko** \$2.50 - A delectable custard dessert baked between many layers of thin buttered pastry sheets and covered in syrup.

**Karidopita** \$2.50 - Walnut cake with spices and syrup.

**Paximadia** \$3.50/half dozen - A popular favorite zwieback-type cookie baked, then sliced and toasted in the oven, a Greek cousin to biscotti.

**Koulourakia** \$3.50 /half dozen - Delicious butter cookie, not too sweet, twisted into pretty shapes, basted with egg yolk and baked. Great for dunking!

**KOK** \$3.50 - Chocolate covered cake, filled with custard. The Greek version of Boston cream pie.

**Diples** \$2.50 - Sweet, crisp folds of thin rolled pastry dough, deep fried to delicate perfection and topped with syrup, cinnamon and nuts.

**Melomakarona** \$.75 - Oval cookie dipped in honey and rolled in nuts.

**Kourambiedes** \$.75 - Butter cookie served with confectioner's sugar; the Greek version of the wedding cookie.

**Assorted Pastries** \$3.50 - Various individual cakes

**Greek Bread** (assorted prices) - Take some home today!

## ***AT THE KAFENIO ....***

**Baklava Sundae** \$5.00 - Baklava served with vanilla ice cream, chocolate syrup, whipped cream. Topped with honey, walnuts and a cherry.

**Loukoumades Sundae** \$5.00 - Four hot Loukoumades served with vanilla ice cream, and topped with walnuts and honey syrup.

**American Ice Cream Sundae** \$4.00 - Two scoops of vanilla ice cream, chocolate syrup, whipped cream, topped with walnuts and a cherry.

**Frappe** \$4.00 - Iced coffee shaken with sugar, milk, and served over lots of ice. Special orders are our specialty!!!

**Greek Coffee** \$3.00 - Traditional Greek coffee made to order.

**American Coffee** - \$1.00

**Assorted Sodas** - (12 oz. Can) or (20 oz. water) - \$2.00  
(Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Iced Tea)

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And now for the REAL reason you came.....our "louks" are known as the best of the BEST of the area Greek festivals! Get some to enjoy at your table here and then bring a box home!

### **Loukoumades**

**\$7.00/** baker's dozen (that's 13) and **\$4.00** for a 1/2 dozen- The ultimate doughnut hole, light and airy, served warm, dipped in honey with a dash of cinnamon.

***AT THE BAR....***

**The famous "Village Squire" Mai Tai - \$7.00**

**Metaxa - \$6.00**

**Greek Beer - \$5.00 (bottle)**

**Roditis (Red or White Greek Table  
Wine) - \$5.00 glass, \$20.00 bottle**

**Ouzo Shot - \$5.00**

**Domestic Beer - (Miller Light, Coors Light, MGD) -\$4.00**

**Leini Summer Shandy - \$5.00**

**Pop & Water (Coke, Diet Coke, Sprite, Iced Tea) -\$2.00**

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We accept all major credit cards at the cashier booth and the bar, as well as cash. Some booths function as cash only.

Only closed bottles of wine are allowed to leave the premises.

You must have an "over 21" wrist band on in order to consume alcoholic beverages.

## ***SPECIAL FEATURES and ENTERTAINMENT***

### **Friday**

- 11-1            **DJ Bobby Styles** – a mix of your favorite Greek and American music
- 5-11            Welcome **Dueling Pianos!**
- 8:00pm        **St. Sophia Agape Dance Troupe** Performs

### **Saturday**

- 12-5            **DJ Bobby Styles**
- 4:00pm        **St. Sophia Agape Dance Troupe** Performs
- 5-11            We welcome back from many years ago **Personalities** DJ's for good music and lots of family fun!
- 8:00pm        **St. Sophia Agape Dance Troupe** Performs

### **Sunday**

- 12-10         Join us for GREEK Day with DJ's **Alpha Tunes!**
- 4:00 and 8:00 **St. Sophia Agape Dance Troupe** Performs
- 10:00         **GRAND RAFFLE** drawing!

The **Agape Dance Troupe** features the St. Sophia's youth ages 6 through 18. The Troupe performs every year at Greek Fest and at other cultural, civic and private events in the Fox Valley area. The Agape Dance Troupe is available to perform at weddings, baptisms or any other type of functions.

Please contact our church for details.