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MANCHESTER, NH – The Assumption Greek Orthodox Church will hold **GREEKFEST**, its annual two-day festival, on Saturday and Sunday, August 20 and 21, at the church grounds at 111 Island Pond Road in Manchester, New Hampshire.

The festival is a celebration of the parish's August 15 Feast Day. The hours are from 11 a.m. until 9 p.m. on Saturday, and from 11 a.m. until 7 p.m. on Sunday. Admission is free and parking is available. The festivities will take place under a big tent.

"This year's Festival will highlight a Historic Event, as the Church is celebrating its 75th Anniversary. As part of this celebration we will feature special events and items to mark this very important milestone" said Arthur D. Bakolas , President of the Church's Parish Council. "We are proud to have been part of the Manchester for this past 75 years and look forward to another 75."

"Our annual festival has become a Manchester attraction drawing thousands of visitors through New England," said Father Anthansios Nenes, parish priest of the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church.

Guests will be able to sample a variety of Greek food and pastry – all made by the parish’s excellent chefs. Choices for lunch or dinner include barbecued lamb, roast chicken, pastitsio, stuffed peppers, meatballs, grape leaves, loucanico, souvlaki, gyro, and lamb and veggie pockets. Spinach and cheese peta, rice pudding, loukoumathes, and traditional pastries such as baklava, finikia, and kourambiethes will also be available. Ice cream sundaes made with baklava or loukoumathes are some of the other special treats offered.

DJ Meleti will provide Greek music all day Saturday and on Sunday. A variety of vendors will be selling fine jewelry, gifts, crafts, ethnic, and religious items. Other highlights of the festival include a multi-prize raffle, a penny sale, children’s activities, and tours of the church.

For information call the church office at 603-623-2045 or 603-623-2941. You can also visit the church’s website at www.AssumptionNH.org. or look for the church on Facebook.

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