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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

**SAINT BARBARA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH TO PRESENT
ODYSSEY: A GREEK FESTIVAL – SEPTEMBER 1, 2, 3, 4, 2017
37th Annual Labor Day Weekend Festival to Feature All Things Greek including
Greek Cuisine, Live Music, Greek Dancing and More**

Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church announced today details regarding **ODYSSEY 2017: A Greek Festival**, to be held **September 1-4**. This 4-day party features all things Greek, including mouthwatering cuisine, live music, dancing, and a bustling Hellenic *agora* (marketplace). Set on the grounds of the beautiful Byzantine-style Saint Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, **ODYSSEY 2017** offers something for everyone.

ODYSSEY 2017 includes:

- **Classic Greek cuisine** – appetizers (*meze*), Greek pastries (*glyka*), lamb on the spit (*souvla*), *moussaka*, *gyro*, *spanakopita* (spinach pie) and *pastitsio* (Greek style lasagna)
- **“Gourmet Meze Grille”** – gourmet appetizers, including saganaki (flaming cheese), loukaniko sausage, grilled shrimp, lamb chops, avgolemono soup, dips and pitas, and more; also featuring live music by “Athenian Entertainment.”
- Live Greek **cooking demonstrations** – learn to prepare some classic Greek foods
- **Greek marketplace** – Gourmet Greek grocery, t-shirts, jewelry, arts & crafts, bookstore
- **Treasures ’n Junque** – Odyssey’s giant tag sale
- **Presentations on Greek culture** and religion, along with tours of Saint Barbara Church
- **Greek dance performances** – Traditional Greek folk dances performed by the **ODYSSEY** Dancers
- **Greek dance lessons** – taught by the **ODYSSEY** Dancers (8:45 pm, Sat and Sun)
- **Nightly dancing to ODYSSEY’s live Greek band**, “The Hellenic Company”
- **Kids’ area** – Rides, games, and magic shows.
- **Raffle** – Have a chance at winning the grand prize of \$10,000 cash, or 9 additional prizes!
- **Senior Citizens Day: Fri. 9/1, from 12 – 3 pm** – 20% senior citizen discount on meals.

For 36 years **ODYSSEY** has delighted the senses with a feast of Greek cuisine, the thrill of Greek dance, the sounds of the bouzouki, and the ethnic flavor of the *Agora* (Marketplace). Stop by Saint Barbara’s **ODYSSEY** for Connecticut’s greatest “Greek Party,” a rain-or-shine Labor Day tradition!

HOURS: 12 noon to 10 PM on Fri., Sat., Sun. 9/1, 9/2, 9/3; 12 noon to 7 PM on Mon. 9/4
FREE ADMISSION and FREE PARKING (on-site and next door at Holy Infant Church). RAIN OR SHINE
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FOR CALENDAR EDITORS: **ODYSSEY 2017: A Greek Festival.** Presented by St. Barbara Greek Orthodox Church, 480 Racebrook Rd., Orange, CT, 06477. September 1, 2, 3, 4. 37th annual festival features authentic Greek cuisine (gyro, souvlaki, lamb on the spit, moussaka, gourmet appetizers, salads, pastries, loukoumades, more), live Greek music and dancing, marketplace, giant tag sale, cooking demos, kids’ activities (rides, games magic shows), church tours/presentations. Senior Citizens’ Day Fri 9/1 (20% discount on meals from 12 to 3 pm). Rain or shine. Free parking, free admission. Hours: 12 noon-10 pm 9/1, 9/2, 9/3; 12 noon- 7 pm 9/4. www.saintbarbara.org or 203-795-1347.

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