

REGINA'S GREEK COMMUNITY CELEBRATES THE 200TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE GREEK REVOLUTION

March 25, 2021 marks the 200th Anniversary of the start of the Greek Revolution. Many of us have lived in Canada for most of our lives and even more of us were born in Canada but have Greek roots through our parents or grandparents. However, the Greek fire that burns inside of us has remained strong and we continue to celebrate the rich history of Greece. That is why St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Community of Regina has planned several ways for all of us to celebrate this important milestone in Greece's history.

Schedule of Events:

March 1 – 31 Digital billboard advertising is on several of the large digital billboards around the City of Regina letting everyone know that we are celebrating.

March 8 – 29 We will be posting photos and videos from March 25th celebrations of the past on our Facebook page ([@StPaulsGOCRegina](#)) and on our website (www.gocregina.com)

March 21 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm We will be selling commemorative items from Greece including pens, coffee mugs, laptop bags and face masks. More information will be posted on the church's Facebook page.

March 22 is the deadline to order for the **Greek Week Bake Sale**. The menu and ordering details can be found on the Facebook page.

March 22 – 29 The flags of Greece will be flown on the Albert Street Bridge in commemoration of the Greek Revolution.

March 21 – 28 is **Greek Week in Regina**. Many of the businesses in Regina and area owned by Greeks will be celebrating and many will be offering special promotions during that week. Watch for more information on the Regina Greek Events Facebook page ([@GreekEventsRegina](#)). If you attend one of these businesses, post a photo on your social media pages and include the hashtag **#GreekWeekYQR**.

March 25th

- **City of Regina Proclamation by Mayor Sandra Masters proclaiming March 25th, 2021 as the 200th Anniversary of the Greek War of Independence.**
- **Flag Raising at City Hall, 10:00 am** Mayor Sandra Masters, Warren Steinley, MP, and the leaders of Regina's Greek Community will raise the flag of Greece in front of Regina City Hall. Please note, that due to current restrictions, only 10 people can be within the vicinity of the flagpole where the ceremony will take place. If you do want to be there, you must stand at a distance (across the street, in your car while parked on the street, etc.) and only together with those in your immediate household. The good news is that we plan to stream this event live on our Facebook page so you can watch from the comfort of your home. It will also be available for you to watch later.
- **The children of our Greek School** will also be celebrating even though it will not be in the usual way due to the current restrictions. They have prepared a display to commemorate the celebration of the Greek Revolution of 1821. Pictures have been posted on Facebook and on the church website.

- **The Greek School students will be reciting poems** which will be pre-recorded and posted to our Facebook page for all to see.

March 27 Flag Raising at the Legislative Building 2:00 pm

- Laura Ross, MLA, Minister of Parks, Culture and Sport, Michael Kram, MP, and the leaders of Regina's Greek Community of Regina will raise the flag of Greece in front of the Legislature. Please note, that due to current restrictions, only 10 people can be within the vicinity of the flagpole where the ceremony will take place. If you do want to be there, you must stand at a distance (across the street, in your car while parked on the street, etc.) and only together with those in your immediate household. The good news is that we plan to stream this event live on our Facebook page so you can watch from the comfort of your home. It will also be available for you to watch later.

March 28

- **Orthros, Divine Liturgy and Doxology for the 25th of March** The church service will conclude with the laying of wreaths from the leaders of our Greek Community and the singing of the national anthem of Greece. This service will be live streamed on Facebook for all to see.
- **Special screening of "Cliffs of Freedom" Sunday, March 28th 1 pm and 7 pm.** The film is a story of an ill-fated romance between a young and beautiful Greek village girl and a conflicted Turkish officer during the dawn of the Greek War of Independence against the Ottoman Empire in 1821.

There will be two screenings on Sunday March 28th at **Cineplex Cinemas Southland Mall on at 1:00 pm and 7:00 pm**. Seating is limited to 30 people per screening. The movie is rated "R" (18yrs and up).

If you would like to attend, please contact Fay Bobetsis at 306-550-3597 to confirm your attendance. There is no charge for this event, however, we are asking that those attending donate to St. Paul's Greek Orthodox Church to help offset the costs of showing the movie.