

St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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Sunday, July 24, 2016 5th Sunday of St. Matthew

Orthros: 9:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

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Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 10:1-10

Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Psalm 103.24,1

O Lord, how manifold are your works. You have made all things in wisdom.

Verse: *Bless the Lord, O my soul.*



BRETHREN, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that every one who has faith may be justified.

Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the righteousness based on faith says, Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) or "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel according to Matthew 8:28-34; 9:1



At that time, when Jesus came to the other side, to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one would pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And

the demons begged him, "If you cast us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And he said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw him, they begged him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city.

Hymns at Small Entrance

Resurrectional Aploytikion

The joyful news of Your resurrection was proclaimed by the angel to the women disciples. Having thrown off the curse that fell on Adam, they ran elatedly to tell the apostles: Death has been vanquished; Christ our God is risen from the dead, blessing all the world with His great mercy. (Liturgy Book page 111)

Entrance Hymn

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who rose from the dead. Save us who sing to You: Alleluia. (Liturgy Book page 37)

Hymn for the Woman Saint

Your own ewe-lamb cries to You loudly, O Jesus, and she says, "For my Bridegroom do I long, and seeking You I now contend; and I am crucified and buried with You in Your baptism. I suffer for Your sake, that I may reign with You. I die for You that I may also live in You. Accept me as an unblemished sacrifice as I offer myself to You with love." At her entreaties and intercessions, save our souls, O Merciful Lord.

Hymn for the Church

O God-minded Anna, you bore the pure Mother of God, the one who within her conceived the Conceiver of life itself. You were therefore transported to a place now in heaven. Joyful ones all reside there in the home of all gladness, asking for forgiveness for those who honor you, O blessed one.

Kontakion

O Protection of Christians unshamable, mediation with the Creator immovable, we sinners beg you, do not despise the voices of our prayers, but anticipate, since you are good, and swiftly come unto our aid as we cry out to you with faith: Hurry to intercession, and hasten to supplication, O Theotokos who defend now and ever those who honor you. (Liturgy Book page 225)

Megalynarion

It is truly right to call you blessed, O Theotokos, ever blessed, most pure and the mother, the mother of our God. More hon'rable than the cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the seraphim. In virginity you gave birth to God, to God the Word. Truly the Theotokos, we magnify you, we magnify you. (Liturgy Book page 69)

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord, Praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him, praise Him in the highest. (Liturgy Book page 83)

Dismissal Hymn

Lord, grant long life to him who blesses us and sanctifies us. Amen. (Liturgy Book page 95)

Orthodox Saints Commemorated on July 24: Christina the Great Martyr of Tyre; New Martyr Theophilos of Zakynthos; Athenagoras the Apologist of Athens; New Martyr Athanasios of Nicaea; Martyrs Boris & Gleb of Russia; Sigolena the Abbess; Martyrs Hymenaeus, Hermogenes & Capiton; and Venerable Polycarp of the Kiev Caves.

<u>Altar Servers</u>: The scheduled altar servers for today, Sunday, July 24, 2016, are Zachary Petrogeorge, Jonathan Petrogeorge and Dimitri Savas.

All altar servers are encouraged to serve for the Dormition of St. Anna, our Parish Feast Day, on Monday, July 25, 2016.

The scheduled altar servers for Sunday, July 31, 2016, are George Hunter, Thanasi Johnson and Alexander Apostole.

All altar servers are welcome and encouraged to serve, whether scheduled or not.

<u>Fellowship Hour:</u> Thank you to Donna Moore, Barbara Van Asdlan, Sophie Wondolowski, and Peter and Mary Yannias for hosting this week's Fellowship Hour. Please join us!

If you would like to host the fellowship hour on Sunday, July 31, 2016 (or another Sunday), please contact Carolyn Leitko at csleitko@gmail.com.

It is with love and joy that our parishioners provide Fellowship Hour each Sunday. In signing up to help, please remember any contribution is welcome. Feel free to bring what you choose. Sharing time together is what we cherish. Keep in mind when planning for Fellowship Hour over the summer that attendance varies. We thank you for your generosity and participation!

Memorial Services - May Their Memory Be Eternal: To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony at franthony@stannagocutah.org, 801-824-3987 (mobile) or 385-313-9358 (office).

Welcome to Presbytera Maria Armstrong / Feast of St. Anna: We are thankful to receive Presbytera Maria Armstrong from St. Katherine Greek Orthodox Church in Chandler, Arizona, who is visiting us on the occasion of our Feast of St. Anna. Presbytera brings with her, among other holy and sacred objects, the miraculous, myrrh-streaming paper copy of the myrrhing icon of St. Anna from the St. Anna Monastery in Pennsylvania. Fr. Phil and Presbytera Maria Armstrong and Fr. Nicholas and Presbytera Marilynn Andruchow, along with other clergy, were participating in a 2011 Summer Camp, where this paper icon of St. Anna and several other icons began exuding the sweet fragrance and substance of myrrh – a manifestation of God's love and grace upon His children.

Presbytera Maria was kind enough to offer her holy icon of our Matron Saint and Protectress St. Anna for veneration. The Faithful of our parish should also know that our icon of St. Anna and the Theotokos, which was again commissioned through Ms. Andrea Bagiu (who wrote our icons of the Bridegroom and Resurrection), has been finished and delivered. Amazingly, both icons, ours and the myrrh-flowing icon of the St. Anna Monastery, are identical in their unique style. Fr. Anthony was inspired to choose this particular depiction of St. Anna and the Theotokos for the intimacy between mother and daughter, and the child-like qualities of the Panagia which are depicted in this rare icon. Even the colors used in the highlights of St. Anna's vestments are strikingly similar.

There will be a reception with light refreshments following the service of Great Vespers for the Dormition of St. Anna this evening, in appreciation of Presybytera Maria's visit, and on the occasion of our Parish Feast Day.

Our Parish Feast Day events are as follows:

Tonight, Sunday, July 24, 2016:

Great Vespers for the Dormition of St. Anna 6:00 p.m. (light reception to follow)

Tomorrow, Monday, July 25, 2016:

Dormition of the Theotokos

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Sunday, August 28, 2016:

Parish feast day celebration picnic at Canyon Rim Park

Further details to come

Chronia Polla! Many Years!

Thank You to St. Anna's for Your Prayers and Support of Fr. Matthew Gilbert and Family: The Gilbert Family has expressed their gratitude for the prayers and assistance that have been generously bestowed upon them through individual acts of kindness, the collections on their behalf from our Benevolence Fund and the Paraklesis Service which was prayed, as a source of healing and comfort. Fr. Matthew, Presbytera Denise and their children have been told that it is we who are grateful for their prayers, guidance and inspiration throughout the many years of their continued service to the Greek Orthodox Faithful throughout the Salt Lake Valley. The expressions of compassion towards Fr. Matthew and his family are simply reflections of his ministry and dedication. God grant him healing and peace.

A Caring Bridge site to keep people updated on Fr. Matthew's progress: www.caringbridge.org/visit/fathermatthewgilbert. This Caring Bridge site is a quick and efficient way for the family to be uplifted by your thoughts and prayers.

Please contact Fr. Anthony at <u>franthony@stannagocutah.org</u> to learn how you can participate in our collective effort to share our love, compassion, respect and gratitude to Fr. Matthew and his family.

<u>Parish-wide Volunteer Service Opportunity</u>: Please join the Women's Ministry Team in serving dinner to the homeless at St. Vincent de Paul (SVDP), 427 South 200 West, Salt Lake City, from 4:30 p.m. to 6:30 p.m.

on Wednesday, August 10, 2016. We need 20 volunteers to work that day.

This is a great opportunity for individuals, couples, and families from our parish to participate together in a meaningful community service experience. Anyone 13 and older can volunteer, but those ages 13-15 must be accompanied by a parent or guardian.

Please call Pat Daskalas at 801-673-5051 with questions, or to sign-up.

UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES

Tuesday, July 26, 2016:

St. Paraskeve the Great Martyr

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Monday, August 1, 2016: Paraklesis: 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 3, 2016:

Paraklesis: 7:00 p.m.

Friday, August 5, 2016: Paraklesis: 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 6, 2016: Transfiguration of our Lord

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Monday, August 8, 2016: Paraklesis: 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, August 10, 2016:

Paraklesis: 7:00 p.m.

(Followed by Vacation Bible School Program)

Friday, August 12, 2016: Paraklesis: 7:00 p.m.

Monday, August 15, 2016:

Dormition of the Theotokos

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Monday, August 29, 2016:

Beheading of St. John the Baptist

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Narthex/Ushering Schedule:

Today, Sunday, July 24, 2016: Steve Simos and Joe Varanakis (Narthex); Perry Drossos and Joe Sasich (Front Ushers); Carolyn Leitko and Peter Souvall (Back Ushers); Charles Beck (At-Large)

<u>Next Parish Council Meeting:</u> Monday, August 15, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. There is no Parish Council meeting scheduled for July.

MUSIC MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Choir Practice:</u> Due to the long weekend and our parish feast day services, there is no choir practice scheduled for this week. The next choir practice will be held on Tuesday, August 2, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. Contact Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net with questions.

YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

New Date - JOY/GOYA at Seven Peaks: The previously postponed JOY/GOYA outing to Seven Peaks, 1330 E. 300 North, Provo, has been rescheduled for Wednesday, July 27, 2016. Meet at the church at 11:00 a.m. for lunch and then carpool to the park. Contact Kim Mallas at kmmallas22@gmail.com with questions. Everyone welcome!

<u>Vacation Bible School:</u> St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church's Vacation Bible School – "Higher Than the Heavens: Lessons of the Life of the Theotokos" – will be held Monday, August 8, 2016, through Wednesday, August 10, 2016, from 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. each day. Participants will enjoy crafts, lessons, songs and fun! Please note that there will be a Vacation Bible School program following the Paraklesis service the evening of Wednesday, August 10, 2016.

A registration form has been distributed via email and is also available in the narthex. Contact Barbara Hillas at bhillas@q.com or Fr. Anthony at franthony@stannagocutah.org if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help!

GOYA/JOY Bees Game: Our GOYA and JOY groups will attend a Salt Lake Bees game on Monday, August 15, 2016 (note corrected date). Tickets are \$5, and can be purchased from Kim Mallas at 801-915-7815 or kmallas22@gmail.com. Plan on meeting for dinner beforehand.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Women's Ministry Team Meeting:</u> The next general meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 16, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We look forward to seeing you there!

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Parish Directory Photos:</u> Please send digital photos to Michael Petrogeorge at <u>secretary@stannagocutah.org</u> for inclusion in this and future editions of the parish directory.

<u>Weekly Bulletin Announcements:</u> Please send requested announcements for the weekly bulletin to Michael Petrogeorge at <u>secretary@stannagocutah.org</u> by **Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.**

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to the generous Stewards of St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church. Now that we have reached halfway through the calendar year, we as parish leadership, clergy and your Stewardship Ministry Team, wish to express our appreciation for your sincere and generous support of our God-loving and Christ-centered parish. We thank you for your commitments and yet, still remind you that true and sincere Stewardship is the gifting back to the Lord, that which He has already given us. Let us never become complacent in our giving; for when that happens in our communities, the Light of Christ burns less vibrantly in the hearts of the faithful.

Enjoy your summer, take well-deserved breaks, and reinvigorate your precious spirits. But in the process of enjoying the coming months, please do not neglect the needs of the soul and the services of the Church. God bless you always and again, thank you for your sacrificial and well-pleasing hearts.

Stewardship cards can be obtained online at www.stannagocutah.org/?page_id=21.

PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Refugee Service Project:</u> Plastic bags are needed to make backpacks for the children of refugees. Ludmila Davis will be collecting bags during fellowship hour today, Sunday, July 24, 2016.

<u>Arcadian Chapter #90 Annual Picnic:</u> Everyone is invited to attend the Archadian Chapter #90's annual picnic today, July 24, 2016, at 4:00 p.m. at George Washington Park – Lower Pavilion (Exit 134 up Parley's Canyon). Dinner will include roast lamb, potatoes and all the trimmings. Adults: \$15; Children under 12: \$7.

<u>2016 Greek Orthodox Sports League ("G.S.L.") Basketball Camp</u>: The G.S.L. staff is looking forward to another exciting year for our annual Sports League Basketball Camp. Our camp is designed to provide players with outstanding instruction, teamwork, sportsmanship and fun. We hope that you will join us this summer.

Dates: August 1-4, 2016

AM Session (boys and girls entering 3rd - 6th grade this fall): 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Doors open at 8:00 a.m.)

PM Session (boys and girls entering 7th - 12th grade this fall): 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Multipurpose Center, 5335 South Highland Drive, Holladay

Cost: \$70.00 (Sponsorships are available to those who would like to attend but are financially unable to do so. Please contact either Fr. Anthony Savas at 801-824-3987 or Fr. Elias Koucos at 801-556-4640 or to inquire further.)

Contact Gerard Gallegos at 801-647-2829 or <u>gerard100@comcast.net</u> for further details, or to sign up.

<u>2016 G.S.L.</u> Basketball Camp Volunteers: G.S.L. is looking for volunteers to help with our youth Basketball Camp that will be held August 1-4, 2016. Two shifts daily – 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. -4:00 p.m. Must be 14 years of age or older. If interested please contact Gerard Gallegos at 801-647-2829 or <u>gerard100@comcast.net</u>.

<u>AHEPA Scholarship</u>: The Salt Lake Chapter of AHEPA is once again offering scholarships to graduating high school seniors entering college this fall and to undergraduates currently attending a college full time.

We are awarding six \$1,000 scholarships to qualified applicants. Membership in AHEPA by the applicant or a family member is not required. The applicant or family must be a member of one of the Salt Lake Valley Greek Orthodox churches.

The application deadline is August 1, 2016. The winners will be announced at the annual AHEPA BBQ on August 28, 2016.

Applications are available from one of the following officers:

Chris Floor: <u>cfloor7456@msn.com</u> or 801-450-2105

George Karahalios: george@gpphotography.com or 801-541-4659

Jim Klekas: <u>jklekas@aol.com</u> or 801-971-6060

AHEPA BBQ: The Salt Lake City AHEPA will host a community BBQ on Sunday, August 28, 2016, at the Prophet Elias Pavilion. Social hour at 5:00 p.m.; Dinner at 6:00 p.m. Arrive early if you'd like to play cards. Music by the Chris Dokos Band. Dinner will include lamb, chicken on the spit, pilafi, corn on the cob, salad and watermelon. Adults: \$20; Children 12 and under: \$10. All proceeds go towards the Salt Lake City AHEPA college scholarships, and the six recipients of this year's \$1,000 scholarships will be announced. Contact Chris Floor at 801-450-2105 with any questions. EVERYONE IS WELCOME!!

Assumption Greek Orthodox Church 100th Anniversary Celebration: The Assumption Greek Orthodox Church will celebrate its 100th anniversary August 19-21, 2016, and all are invited to attend! Below is a schedule of events. (Unless otherwise specified, all events will be held at the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, 61 South 200 East, Price Utah.)

Friday, August 19, 2016

- Centennial Golf Tournament & Social at the Carbon County Country Club Golf Course, 3055 North Highway 6, Helper, Utah. Registration at 8:00 a.m. / Shotgun Start at 9:00 a.m.
- Historical Display in the church basement. 2:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
- Philoptochos Dinner in the church pavilion. 7:00 p.m.

Saturday, August 20, 2016

- Carbon County Bus Tour. 9:00 a.m.–12:00 p.m. (Meet at the church at 8:45 a.m.) This guided tour will visit the mining towns of Kenilworth and Castle Gate, as well as the Helper Mining Museum.
- Coffee in the church pavilion. 12:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m.
- Historical Display in the church basement. 2:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.
- Vespers. 5:00 p.m.

• Gala Banquet and Dance at the Carbon County Special Event Center, 310 S. Fairgrounds Road, Price, Utah. 6:00 p.m.–11:30 p.m.

Sunday, August 21, 2016

- Orthros and Divine Liturgy. 9:00 a.m. 12:00 p.m.
- Luncheon in the church pavilion. 12:00 p.m.-2:00 p.m.

Additional information can also be found on the event Facebook page: www.facebook.com/AGOC-Centennial-1784293358450215/. You can also email the planning committee at agoc100cen@gmail.com.

PRAYER LIST

Angela, Athan, Austin, Barbara, Brad, Brooklyn, Charlene, Christopher, Chrysoula, Dena, Eleni, Emilee, Father Matthew and family, George, Irene, Joe, John, Julie Ann, Katherine, Kristina, Kylianna, Linda, Luke, Marie, Melissa, Michael, Mike, Nick, Paulette, Presley, Rich, Sam, Shirley, Sophie, Sylvia, Teresa, Tom, Toula

To add a name to our prayer list, please email Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@stannagocutah.org.

PARISH CALENDAR

July 2016						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
24	25	26	27	28	29	30
5th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy Great Vespers for the Feast of St. Anna 6:00 p.m.	Feast of the Dormition of St. Anna (Parish feast day) 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	St. Paraskeve the Great Martyr 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	JOY/GOYA at Seven Peaks Water Park (Provo) 11am (meet at St Anna's for lunch then carpool to park)	Parish Fishing Trip @ Strawberry Reservoir	Parish Fishing Trip @ Strawberry Reservoir	Parish Fishin Trip @ Strawberry Reservoir
6th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy Parish Fishing Trip @ Strawberry						