

St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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Sunday, December 18, 2016 Sunday before Nativity

Sunday, December 25, 2016 Holy Nativity

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

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Epistle Reading for Sunday, December 18, 2016: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:9-10; 32-40

Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Daniel 3.26,27 Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers.

Verse: For you are just in all you have done.

Brethren, by faith Abraham sojourned in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city which has foundation, whose builder and maker is God. And what more shall I say? For time would fail me to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets-who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated - of whom the world was not worthy – wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

Gospel Reading for Sunday, December 18, 2016 The Gospel according to Matthew 1:1-25

The book of the Genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram, and Ram the father of Amminadab, and Amminadab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Boaz by Rahab, and Boaz the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of David the king. And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uriah, and Solomon the father of Rehoboam, and Rehoboam the father of Abijah, and Abijah the father of Asa, and Asa the father of Jehoshaphat, and

Jehoshaphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzziah, and Uzziah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezekiah, and Hezekiah the father of Manasseh, and Manasseh the father of Amos, and Amos the father of Josiah, and Josiah the father of Jechoniah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon. And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoniah was the father of Shealtiel, and Shealtiel the father of Zerubbabel, and Zerubbabel the father of Abiud, and Abiud the father of Eliakim, and Eliakim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eliud, and Eliud the father of Eleazar, and Eleazar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ. So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations. Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child of the Holy Spirit; and her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. But as he considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit; she will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfill what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emmanuel" (which means, God with us). When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took his wife, but knew her not until she had borne a son; and he called his name Jesus."

Epistle Reading for Sunday, December 25, 2016: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 4:4-7

Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 1. Psalm 65.4,1 Let all the earth worship you, and sing praises to you.

Verse: Shout with joy to God, all the earth.

Brethren, when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the

law, so that we might receive adoption as sons. And because you are sons, God has sent the Spirit of his Son into our hearts, crying, "Abba! Father!" So you are no longer a slave but a son, and if a son then also an heir of God through Christ.

Gospel Reading for Sunday, December 25, 2016 The Gospel according to Matthew 2:1-12

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea in the days of Herod the king, behold, wise men from the East came to Jerusalem, saying, "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we have seen his star in the East, and have come to worship him." When Herod the king heard this, he was troubled, and all Jerusalem with him; and assembling all the chief priests and scribes of the people, he inquired of them where the Christ was to be born. They told him, "In Bethlehem of Judea; for so it is written by the prophet: 'And you, O Bethlehem, in the land of Judah, are by no means least among the rulers of Judah; for from you shall come a ruler who will govern my people Israel." Then Herod summoned the wise men secretly and ascertained from them what time the star appeared; and he sent them to Bethlehem, saying, "Go and search diligently for the child, and when you have found him bring me word, that I too may come and worship him." When they had heard the king they went their way; and lo the star which they had seen in the East went before them, till it came to rest over the place where the child was. When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy; and going into the house they saw the child with Mary his mother, and they fell down and worshiped him. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts, gold and frankincense and myrrh. And being warned in a dream not to return to Herod, they departed to their own country by another way.

Hymns for Sunday, December 18, 2016

Hymns at Small Entrance

Resurrectional Apolytikion

Although Your tomb was sealed with a stone, O Savior, and Your most pure body was guarded by the soldiers, You rose on the third day giving life to all the world. Therefore, O giver of life, the powers of heaven praise You: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ. Glory to Your kingdom. Glory to Your saving wisdom, O only lover of mankind. (Liturgy Book page 99)

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 Fathers

How great is the pow'r of faith. By faith three young men rejoice in flames as if in refreshing water, and Daniel in the lions' den is like a shepherd with his sheep. Through their prayers, Christ our God, save our souls. (Liturgy Book page 195)

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

Today the Virgin goes forth making her way to a cave where from her, in effably, God the eternal Word will be born. Let the world be filled with joy, hearing these tidings. Joining the angels and shepherds let us give glory to Him who is God from all ages, yet wills to be seen as a little child. (Liturgy Book page 241)

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. (Liturgy Book page 95)

Hymns for Sunday, December 25, 2016

2nd Antiphon Response

Save us, O Son of God, who were born of a Virgin, we sing to You, Alleluia.

Hymns at Small Entrance

Apolytikion for the Feast

Your birth, O Christ our God, shines forth on all the world with the light of knowledge. For at Your birth, those who had adored the stars were taught by a star to worship You, to worship You, the Sun of Justice, and to know you, the Dawn from on high. O Lord, glory to You (Liturgy Book page 199)

Entrance Hymn

I have begotten You from the womb before the morning star. The Lord swore and will not repent. You are a priest forever according to the order of Melchizedek. Save us, O Son of God, who were born of a Virgin.

Kontakion

Today the Virgin gives birth to the Transcendent One, and the earth presents a cave to the Unapproachable One. Angels with shepherds give Him glory; wise men follow a star as they journey to Him who is God from all ages, yet for our sake is born as a little child. (Liturgy Book page 245)

Instead of Trisagion Hymn

As many of you as have been baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves in Christ. Alleluia (3). (Liturgy Book page 293)

Megalynarion

In you, O woman full of grace, all creation rejoices, the orders of angels and the race of mankind. O hallow'd temple and spiritual paradise,

glory of virginal souls, from you our God was incarnate and became a child, He who is God from all ages. (Liturgy Book page 299)

Communion Hymns

The Lord has sent redemption; the Lord has sent redemption to His People (3). Alleluia. (Liturgy Book page 326)

After Communion (Instead of "We have seen the true light...")

Your birth, O Christ our God, shines forth on all the world with the light of knowledge. For at Your birth, those who had adored the stars were taught by a star to worship You, to worship You, the Sun of Justice, and to know you, the Dawn from on high. O Lord, glory to You (Liturgy Book page 199)

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Orthodox Saints Commemorated on December 18: Martyrs Sebastian with Nicostratus, Zoe & others at Rome; Michael the Confessor at Constantinople; Hieromartyrs Zacchaeus & Alphaeus at Caesarea; Sophia the Wonderworker; Daniel the Hesychast of Romania; Venerable Samthann the Abbess; and, the Synaxis of the Family of St. Gregory Palamas.

Orthodox Saints Commemorated on December 25: The 3 Magi (Wisemen): Melchior, Gaspar, & Balthasar; the Commemoration of the Shepherds in Bethlehem who were watching their flocks & came to see the Lord; and, Venerable Mothers Adalsindis & Alburga.

<u>Altar Servers</u>: The altar servers scheduled for Sunday, December 18, 2016, are George Hunter, Thanasi Johnson and Alexander Apostole.

All altar servers are encouraged to attend and serve on the Holy Nativity, Sunday, December 25, 2016.

<u>Sunday Epistle Readers</u>: The epistle reader for Sunday, December 18, 2016, is Hannah Varechok. The epistle reader for the Holy Nativity, Sunday, December 25, 2016, will be Alexia Savas.

<u>Fellowship Hour</u>: Please join us after the Sunday School Christmas Program (December 18, 2016) for our annual breakfast with Santa!

Breakfast will be hosted by Chuck and Goldie Karpakis, Stephen Karpakis and BriAnn Rachelle, and Evan and Kim Mallas.

On Sunday, December 25, 2016, the parish will provide cookies and coffee during fellowship hour.

If you would like to host a fellowship hour, please contact Carolyn Leitko at csleitko@gmail.com.

Memorial Service - May Their Memory Be Eternal:

Sunday, December 18, 2016: Gus Karellas (56 years); Angelo Mallas (46 years); Georgia Mallas (34 years); Brian Morris (27 years); John Kalivas (25 years); Tony Kalivas (19 years); George Kalivas (13 years); Anna Karellas (13 years); Sophia Mallas (13 years); JoAnn Karellas Morris (8 years); Steve Kalivas (8 years); Bella Karras Milton (8 years); Helen Kalivas (7 years); Patti Kalivas (7 years); Gus Kalivas (3 years); Ross Milton (3 years); Georgia Kalivas (2 years); Mary Kalivas (40 days)

To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony at <u>franthony@stannagocutah.org</u>, 801-824-3987 (mobile), or 385-313-9358 (office).

Communion Ushering Reminder: All those who are prepared and wish to receive communion should wait to be ushered from their rows by a member of the Parish Council. <u>Sunday School children and teachers will be ushered out, front to back, row by row, by a member of the Parish Council</u>. The remainder of the parishioners wishing to receive communion will then be ushered out, front to back, row by row, by a member of the Parish Council. Your cooperation in this process is appreciated.

<u>Sunday School Christmas Program:</u> The Sunday School Christmas program will be held Sunday, December 18, 2016, at the conclusion of Divine Liturgy.

<u>Teaching Divine Liturgy:</u> On Sunday, January 8, 2017, Fr. Anthony will celebrate a Teaching Divine Liturgy (Orthros: 8:15 a.m. / Service of Kairos and Proskomede (Preparation of the Gifts): 9:15 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.). During the Teaching Liturgy, Fr. Anthony faces the congregation and will interrupt the service at various points to explain what is happening. The Teaching Liturgy is being offered in conjunction with our Introduction to Orthodox Christian Spirituality classes, but will be enlightening for those who have regularly attended

services but don't fully experience the ineffable beauty and power of the Sacrament of the Eucharist (Holy Communion).

House Blessings: During the weeks following the Feast of Theophany (The appearance of the Holy Trinity at Christ's Baptism – Celebrated January 6th), it is customary for the Parish Priest to bless the homes of his parishioners with Holy Water from the Great Sanctification of the Waters, asking the Lord to grant peace, health, salvation and protection to the home, and to the family who resides there. It is also appropriate, during this special time, to have your businesses blessed as well.

Blessing forms are available in the Narthex and will be sent via email. Please mail, email or return the form to the church before the end of January so that Fr. Anthony can properly schedule and accommodate the needs of our parishioners. Once the form is received, Fr. Anthony will call to finalize a specific time to bless your home.

This is a wonderful opportunity for Fr. Anthony to get to know you and your family in the comfortable environment of your own home. This is the best occasion to share your thoughts and dreams concerning our parish community with your priest.

Upon Fr. Anthony's arrival, please have the family ready to begin the blessing service. Lights should be turned on in all the rooms of the house that are to be blessed. Please provide a list of all names of family members who live in the house so that he can properly pray for them. Please make sure that all televisions, radios and computers are off at the time of the Blessing.

Glory to the Triune God Who Reveals Himself upon the Waters of the Jordan!

Godparents Sunday: On February 26, 2017, we will celebrate Godparents Sunday at St. Anna. Make plans now to attend Liturgy and partake Holy Communion with your Godparents/Godchildren that day.

<u>Congratulations:</u> Congratulations to Zoe Kouris, who was named 1st team all-region for women's volleyball at Skyline High School. Zoe is the daughter of Mark and Stacey Kouris and the granddaughter of Stan and Sophie Kouris and George and Mary Ann Mantes. God bless!

2016-2017 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Make plans to join us for the following holiday services:

Friday, December 23, 2016:

Royal Hours for the Nativity of Christ 9:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 24, 2016:

Great Vespers for the Nativity of Christ 5:00 p.m.

Thursday, January 5, 2017:

Forefeast of Epiphany and Small Blessing of the Waters 7:00 p.m.

Friday, January 6, 2017:

Epiphany together with the Great Blessing of the Waters Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy 10:30 a.m.

OTHER UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES

Sunday, January 8, 2017:

Teaching Divine Liturgy (note new date)

Orthros: 8:15 a.m. / Kairos and Proskomede (Preparation of the Gifts): 9:15 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

Tuesday, January 17, 2017:

St. Anthony the Great

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

Wednesday, January 18, 2017:

Ss. Athanasios and Cyril

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

MUSIC MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Choir Practice:</u> There is no choir practice on Thursday, December 22, 2016, due to the holiday. The next choir practice will be held on Thursday, December 29, 2016, at 1:00 p.m. Contact Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net with questions.

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Sunday, December 18, 2016:</u> Michael Petrogeorge and Peter Souvall (Narthex); Perry Drossos and Steve Simos (Front Ushers); Charles Beck and Joe Varanakis (Back Ushers); Chuck Karpakis (At Large)

Next Parish Council Meeting: Monday, December 19, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOYA Night with the Runnin' Utes: On Thursday, January 12, 2017, we will be going to see the Utah Runnin' Utes play USC at the Huntsman Center, 1825 South Campus Drive, Salt Lake City. Tip-off is at 7:00 p.m. Admission is free with a "Pass of all Passes." If you don't have a pass, please consider purchasing one, as it will be cheaper than buying a ticket to the game and we will use them for other activities throughout the year.

We will meet at 6:40 p.m. at the southeast entrance of the Huntsman Center (please be on time). There should be a sign indicating where to obtain tickets using the Pass of All Passes (or POAP). Contact Kim Mallas at kmallas22@gmail.com or Fr. Anthony at franthony@stannagocutah.org with any questions.

This activity was rescheduled from November 28, 2016, due to weather.

<u>IOY/GOYA Outing – Utah Grizzlies Game:</u> JOY/GOYA will attend the Utah Grizzlies Game on Monday, January 16, 2017 (Martin Luther King Day), at 1:30 p.m. Admission is free to those who have purchased the "Pass of All Passes." To obtain your ticket, you will need to provide your "pass" to Kim Mallas on Sunday, January 8, 2017. She will get the tickets on Monday, January 9, 2017, and return your pass on Sunday, January 15, 2017. If you don't have a pass, please consider purchasing one, as it will be cheaper than buying a ticket to the game and we will use them for other activities throughout the year. Contact Kim Mallas at kmallas22@gmail.com with questions.

<u>IOY/GOYA</u> Ice Skating: JOY/GOYA will go ice skating at the Gallivan Center on Sunday, February 12, 2017. Further details to come!

Save the Date - Camp Emmanuel 2017: Mark your calendars now for the Metropolis of Denver's Camp Emmanuel: Senior Session: June 11-17, 2017 (Ages 15-18); Junior Session: June 18-24, 2017 (Ages 11-14). Watch for further information after the New Year. Contact Fr. Anthony at franthony@stannagocutah.org or 801-824-3987. Or visit www.youth.denver.goarch.org/events/2017-events/2017-camp-emmanuel-home/.

ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Parish Family Night Holiday Party:</u> Please join us on Friday, December 30, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. for our Parish Family Night Holiday Party. Pot luck dinner, bring your own beverages, music, fun and more! Contact Barbara Hillas at 801-604-4884 or bhillas@q.com with questions.

<u>Adult Bible Study</u>: Adult Bible Study is on a break for the holidays. The next adult bible study meeting will be held on Wednesday, January 11, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

<u>Introduction to Orthodox Christian Spirituality:</u> Anyone interested in learning more about the Orthodox Christian faith is invited and encouraged to attend the Introduction to Orthodox Christian Spirituality classes which began on Thursday, October 20, 2016. Classes will be held on Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in one of the classrooms, unless otherwise specified. The schedule of remaining classes is set forth below:

December 22, 2016: Nativity/New Year Break - No Class December 29, 2016: Nativity/New Year Break - No Class January 5, 2017: Nativity/New Year Break - No Class January 8, 2017: Teaching Divine Liturgy (Sunday) January 12, 2017: Proper Acts of Christian Stewardship January 19, 2017: Eschatology and the End Times January 26, 2017: Paraklesis Prayer Service for Class

WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Annual Mingle & Jingle: The Women's Ministry Team's annual Mingle & Jingle will be held on Wednesday, December 21, 2016, at 6:00 p.m. at the Cottonwood Country Club, 1780 Lakewood Drive, Holladay. It will be a fun evening with great food and fellowship. Tickets are \$40 per person. Price includes a full meal and wine. Cash bar will be available for those desiring other beverages. We will be holding cash raffles, so be sure to bring your dollar bills! Reservations must be made and paid for in advance. Reserve your spot on Sunday, December 18, 2016, during fellowship hour. We hope to see you there!

MEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Next Meeting:</u> As discussed at our recent breakfast, the new meeting time for the Men's Ministry Team will be the second Monday of each

month at 6:30 p.m. The next meeting is scheduled for Monday, January 9, 2017, at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

FOREVER YOUNG FELLOWSHIP

The Forever Young Fellowship will meet on the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, January 19, 2017, at 11:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Please bring \$2.00 to play bingo! Lunch will be provided by Mary Ford, Dena Savas and Janene Daskalas.

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>2016 Stewardship Collections:</u> Thank you to all our dedicated parishioners who have made stewardship payments in 2016. As of December 4, 2016, stewardship collections totaled approximately \$248,000, putting us at 89% of the pledged amount (\$279,000). Please make outstanding 2016 stewardship payments by December 31, 2016.

2017 Stewardship Pledges: To date, we have received 101 stewardship commitment cards with pledges totaling \$215,434, putting us at 78% of our goal! Although our official campaign is over (and was a great success), we still have work to do. If you have not yet submitted your stewardship commitment card for 2017, please prayerfully consider your time, talent and treasure commitments and submit your card as soon as possible so that we can proceed as budgeted in the new year. Our continued growth, success and faithful witness is only possible through healthy and spiritually-oriented Stewardship. God loves a cheerful giver! (2 Corinthians 9:7)

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Parish Mobile App:</u> The St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church's mobile app is live and available for free download.

Apple App Store:

https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/st.-anna-greek-orthodox-church/id1140666277?ls=1&mt=8

Google Play:

https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.conduit.app_fa 0fc07216b24e93b1993aa947209c07.app

The mobile app is a great way to keep up with the news and events of our parish. Install it today!

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

Weekly Bulletin Announcements: Due to the Christmas holiday, this bulletin covers a two-week period, and will serve as the weekly bulletin for both Sunday, December 18, 2016, and Sunday, December 25, 2016. Please send requested announcements for the next bulletin, to be published for January 1, 2017, to Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@stannagocutah.org by Wednesday, December 28, 2016, at 5:00 p.m.

PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

AHEPA Scholarship Fundraiser: On Saturday, January 28, 2017, the local Salt Lake City AHEPA chapter will hold its annual scholarship dinner with live entertainment and dancing. Back by Popular Demand for a Return Engagement: Synthesi Bouzouki Band and recording star Aphrodite Vlasserou. More information to follow or call Jim Klekas at 801-971-6060. This is a community wide event and all are welcome and invited to attend!

Project Mexico & St. Innocent Orphanage: Please keep Project Mexico in mind for your charitable giving this year. Several generous supporters have committed to donate a 1-to-1 match on every dollar donated up to \$150,000, so your help will be doubled. Most our expenses are covered by donations so your help makes a big impact. Donations can be made online at https://www.projectmexico.org/donate/

FAITH Endowment Travel Grants to Ionian Village: For the tenth consecutive year, FAITH: An Endowment for Orthodoxy and Hellenism will award full and partial financial aid travel grants to qualifying campers participating in the 2017 Ionian Village summer camp program. "FAITH Travel Grants to Ionian Village" are primarily needbased financial aid awards; however, each applicant's academic performance will also be weighed into the evaluation review process.

Visit www.thefaithendowment.org/travelgrant to view full applicant

criteria and obtain an application. Applications are being accepted for participants of Session One and Session Two, ages 15-18. Completed applications must be received in the mail by **February 3, 2017**. Priority is given to high school seniors.

Applicants also encouraged to follow FAITH on Facebook (<u>www.facebook.com/faithendowment</u>) to obtain program updates and award notification timelines.

PRAYER LIST

Alex, Bill, Brad, Dan, Fr. Jimi, Georgiann, Heather, Joe, John, Judy, Kristen, Kristina, Luke, Mary, Matthew, Mercy, Sharon, Sophia, Tom, Toula

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

PARISH CALENDAR

An electronic copy of the parish calendar can be found on the parish website at www.stannagocutah.org/?page_id=1663.

December 2016						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Sunday before Nativity 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy Sunday School Christmas Program and Breakfast with Santa!	Parish Council Meeting 7pm		Women's Ministry Team Mingle & Jingle 6pm @ Cottonwood Country Club No Adult Bible Study	Choir Practice 1pm	Royal Hours for the Nativity of Christ 9:30am	Christmas Eve Great Vespers of the Nativity of Christ 5:00pm
25 Merry Christmas!!! The Nativity of Christ 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	26	27	28 No Adult Bible Study	29 Choir Practice 1pm	30 Parish Family Night - New Year's Celebration 7pm	31 New Year's Eve

	January 2017						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT	
Happy New Year!!! Sunday Before Epiphany 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	2	3	4 No Adult Bible Study	5 Choir Practice 1pm Eve of Theophany with Lesser Blessing of the Waters 7pm	6 Theophany with Greater Blessing of the Waters 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	7	
8 Sunday After Epiphany Teaching Divine Liturgy 8:15am Orthros / 9:15am Kairos and Proskomede (Preparation of the Gifts) / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	9	10 Choir Practice 7pm	Adult Bible Study 7pm	Orthodox Christian Men's Morning Prayer Breakfast (OCM) 7-8am © Cottonwood Country Club Choir Practice 1pm Introduction to Orthodox Christian Spirituality 7pm GOYA Night with the Runnin' Utes (Rescheduled) 7pm @ Huntsman Center	13	14	
15 12th Sunday of Luke 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am	JOY/GOYA Night with the Utah Grizzlies 1:30pm @ Maverick Center	St. Anthony the Great 9:30 Orthros / 10:30 Divine Liturgy Women's Ministry Team Meeting 7pm Choir Practice 7pm	St. Athanasios and Cyril 9:30 Orthros / 10:30 Divine Liturgy Adult Bible Study 7pm	Forever Young Fellowship 11:30am Choir Practice 1pm Introduction to Orthodox Christian Spirituality 7pm	20	21	

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21	22	23	24	25	26	27	
14th Sunday of Luke 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy		Choir Practice 7pm	Adult Bible Study 7pm	Choir Practice 1pm Introduction to Orthodox Christian Spirituality (Paraklesis Service) 7pm			
Sunday of the Canaanite 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	29	30	31 Adult Bible Study 7pm				