



Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah

Sunday, January 25, 2015
15th Sunday of Luke

Orthros: 9:00 a.m.
Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

Celebrant:
Very Reverend Luke Kontgas

Mission Statement: The Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah is a Christ-centered Greek Orthodox Christian parish that welcomes and embraces all Orthodox Christian faithful and all of God's children, regardless of ethnicity and is focused above all else on the faithful worship of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit in adherence to the canons, teachings and traditions of the Orthodox Christian faith as part of One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church.

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Epistle Reading - St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 7:26-28; 8:1-2

Prokeimenon. Mode 1. Psalm 48.3,1

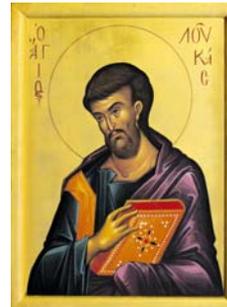
My mouth shall speak wisdom and the meditation of my heart shall bring forth understanding.

Verse: Hear this all you nations.



Brethren, it was fitting that we should have such a high priest, holy, blameless, unstained, separated from sinners, exalted above the heavens. He has no need, like those high priests, to offer sacrifices daily, first for his own sins and then for those of the people; he did this once for all when he offered up himself. Indeed, the law appoints men in their weakness as high priests, but the word of the oath, which came later than the law, appoints a Son who has been made perfect for ever. Now the point in what we are saying is this: we have such a high priest, one who is seated at the right hand of the throne of the Majesty in heaven, a minister in the sanctuary and the true tent which is set up not by man but by the Lord.

Gospel Reading – The Gospel of Luke 19:1-10



At that time, Jesus entered Jericho and was passing through. And there was a man named Zacchaeus; he was a chief collector, and rich. And he sought to see who Jesus was, but could not, on account of the crowd, because he was small of stature. So he ran on ahead and climbed up into a sycamore tree to see him, for he was to pass that way. And when Jesus came to the place, he looked up and said to him, "Zacchaeus, make haste and come down; for I must stay at your house today." So he made haste and came down, and received him joyfully. And when they saw it they all murmured, "He has gone in to be the guest of a man who is a sinner." And Zacchaeus stood and said to the Lord, "Behold, Lord, the half of my goods I give to the poor; and if I have defrauded any one of anything, I restore it fourfold." And Jesus said to him, "Today salvation has come to this house, since he also is a son of Abraham. For the Son of man came to seek and to save the lost."

Hymns at Small Entrance

Resurrection Apolytikion

You descended from on high, O compassionate One, and condescended to be buried for three days, so that from the passions You might set us free. Our life and resurrection, O Lord, glory be to You.

Entrance Hymn

Come let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who arose from the dead.

Hymn for the Saint

The shepherd's pipe of your theology overpowered the trumpets of the orators; for as you delved into the depths of the Spirit, so you were endowed with the power of eloquence. Father Gregory, intercede with Christ God, to save our souls.

Hymn for the Church

Adorned in the blood of Thy Martyrs throughout all the world as in purple and fine linen, Thy Church, through them, doth cry unto Thee, O Christ God: Send down Thy compassions upon Thy people; grant peace to Thy commonwealth, and great mercy to our souls.

Kontakion

You sanctified the virginal womb by Your birth, O Lord, and blessed the hands of Symeon fittingly, O Christ God; and even now You came and saved us. Now, give peace to our Nation in time of war, and empower our Leaders, so loved by You, the only one who loves humanity.

Communion Hymn

Praise the Lord from the heavens, praise Him in the highest. Alleluia.

Dismissal Hymn

Preserve him who blesses and sanctifies us, O Lord; preserve him for many years.

Orthodox Saints Commemorated on January 25: On January 25 we commemorate Saint Gregory the Theologian, Archbishop of Constantinople. Other saints commemorated today include Saint Castinus the Bishop of Byzantium, Saint Publius of Syria, St. Apollo of Thebes, New Martyr St. Auxentius of Constantinople, and the Holy Martyr Saint Felicity with her seven sons Januarius, Felix, Philip, Sylvanus, Alexander, Vitalis and Martial.

Welcome Very Reverend Luke Kontgas: We are blessed to again welcome the Very Reverend Luke Kontgas to celebrate Divine Liturgy with our Parish! Father Kontgas resides in Price, Utah.

Altar Servers: Today's scheduled altar servers are Andy Adondakis, Mitchell Mallas, Thanasi Johnson and Matthew Mallas. The scheduled altar servers for Sunday, February 1, 2015, are Jacob Pananos, Dionysios (Dennis) Apostole and Miles Burke.

Fellowship Hour: A belated thank you to Emma Oganova for co-hosting last week's fellowship hour.

Thank you to Chris and Irene Petrogeorge, Peter Petrogeorge and Gary Ewer, Douglas and Pauline Jensen, and Craig and Paulette Stagg, who are hosting this week's fellowship hour in loving memory of Manos and Angie Petrogeorge. Please join us!

Next week's fellowship hour will be hosted by Chris and Joanne Dokos, Tom and Carolyn Leitko, Lloyd and Penny Mills, Joe and Ann Sasich, and Bob and Heidi Varechok.

Visitations: Please contact Dr. Charles Beck at 801-573-6800 or president@gomissionparishut.org if you would like any of our priests to conduct shut-in visitations during their visits to our Parish.

Schedule of Upcoming Services:

Sunday, February 1, 2015 – Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Visiting Celebrant: Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas

Sunday, February 8, 2015 – Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Visiting Celebrant: Reverend Father Dimitrios Kyritsis

Sunday, February 15, 2015 – Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Visiting Celebrant: Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas

Memorial Services – May Their Memory Be Eternal:

Today, January 25, 2015:

Manouso (Manos) Petrogeorge (1 year) and Evangeline (Angie) Georgelas Petrogeorge (3 years)

Sunday, February 1, 2015:

John A. Nicolaysen (40 days)

If you would like to schedule a memorial service, please contact Dr. Charles Beck at 801-573-6800 or president@gomissionparishut.org.

Hosting Visiting Priests: If you would like to host one of our visiting priests, please contact Dr. Charles Beck at 801-573-6800 or president@gomissionparishut.org. Hosts are expected to pick the priest up from the airport upon arrival and provide for his transportation to the Crystal Inn, to any scheduled visitations or home blessings, to the Woods for services on Sunday morning, and back to the airport for his departure. Hosts may also wish to take the priest to lunch and/or dinner on Saturday and/or to brunch on Sunday.

Facilities Update: Last Monday the Parish Council and members of our Real Estate, Finance, and Sunday School Ministry Teams toured the campus of the St. Thomas More Catholic Parish at 3015 E. Creek Road (8000 S.) in Cottonwood Heights. This facility has surplus space that we may be able to lease for our exclusive use as a place of worship and for our future full-time priest's office. In addition, shared space is available for our fellowship hour, Sunday School and other activities. The community center also has a large banquet hall and a commercial kitchen which would be available to rent for special events. Our Parish Council unanimously approved this location as a potential site for our Parish, and voted to pursue negotiations with St. Thomas More. With God's blessing, we hope to be in a position to call a Special Parish Assembly very soon, the purpose of which will be to decide whether or not to enter into a lease for the St. Thomas More space. Other locations will remain under consideration until your final decision is made.

Youth Ministry Team: Today, January 25, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. our Young Adult Ministry Team will join young adults from Sts. Peter and Paul Orthodox Christian Church for no-host bowling and fellowship at Fat Cats, 3739 S. 900 East, Salt Lake City. All Orthodox Christians and their guests aged 18-35 are welcome and invited to attend. Please contact Peter Souvall at psouvall85@gmail.com with any questions.

Women's Ministry Team: The Women's Ministry Team is growing weekly, and we are so very pleased with the support. If you did not receive a test email recently, please send your name and email address to Elaine Peterson at layniep53@comcast.net. We know there are several women in the Parish who are not on our list!

Your Executive Committee is here to serve. Please contact us with any questions or concerns:

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The next Women's Ministry Team meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 27, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. at Realty Path, 7985 S. 700 East, Sandy. *Note that this meeting is for all members and prospective members of the Women's Ministry Team (not a board meeting as previously published).* Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share.

Godparents Sunday: Next Sunday, February 1, 2015, will be Godparents Sunday at our Parish. Invite your Godparents and/or Godchildren to join you for Liturgy and partake of the Eucharist together that day!

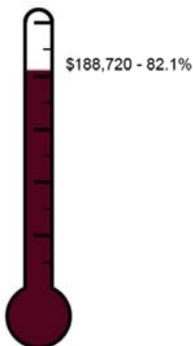
Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting has been scheduled for Wednesday, February 4, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Dr. Charles Beck at president@gomissionparishut.org or 801-573-6800 if you wish to attend so we can secure adequate meeting space.

Sexton Ministry Team: Volunteers are still needed for the Parish's Sexton Ministry Team. Please contact Chuck Karpakis at vicepresident@gomissionparishut.org or 801-265-0900 or Joe Varanakos at 801-694-6575 or joe2263@comcast.net to help.

Weekly Bulletin Announcements: If you would like to have any announcements included in next week's bulletin, please send them to Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@gomissionparishut.org by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. Announcements relating to non-Parish events will be published at the discretion of the Parish Council and as space permits.

2015 Stewardship Information: To date, we have received 86 commitment cards for 2015, with stewardship commitments totaling \$188,720, putting us at 82.1% of the goal we all established for ourselves at the Fall Parish Assembly. Reaching this goal will allow us to proceed with the lease of a permanent facility and allow compensation for a full-time priest. Thanks to everyone for your support!

Target: \$230,000



Visit www.gomissionparishut.org/?page_id=21 to access the 2015 stewardship commitment card online. Commitment cards are also available in the narthex. Completed cards can be mailed to Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah, c/o Chris Gounaris, Treasurer, P.O. Box 4791, Salt Lake City, Utah 84110, scanned and emailed to treasurer@gomissionparishut.org, or given to any

Parish Council member in a sealed envelope. If you would like to make a commitment without a card, or if you have any questions, please contact our Treasurer, Chris Gounaris, at 801-669-9224 or treasurer@gomissionparishut.org.

There is no minimum stewardship for our Parish; all we seek is proportional and cheerful giving!

Prayer List: Anastasia, Andromahi, Ange, Anthony, Austin, Barbara, Beverlee, Bill, Cathy, Christopher, Chrysoula, Connie, Dan, Elizabeth, Garegin, George, Helen, Irene, Jackie, John, Katherine, Konstantinos, Margaret, Maria, Mary, Mitch, Sharon, Stacie, Theano, Tom, Vasiliki, Zachary. Please send any additional names to Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@gomissionparishut.org.

NON-PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daughters of Penelope & AHEPA News: The Daughters of Penelope and AHEPA present BASILE THE COMEDIAN on Saturday, January 31, 2015, at the Holy Trinity Memorial Building, 279 S. 300 West, Salt Lake City. Doors open at 6 p.m./Dinner at 7 p.m. 90 minute show will be followed by Greek coffee and dessert. Tickets are \$50, which includes dinner and the show. All proceeds will go towards college scholarships. Please contact Joanne Saltas at joannesaltas@gmail.com or 801-558-4591 or Hermione Klekas at 801-582-7777 for ticket information/reservations. Tickets will also be available for purchase after Liturgy today.

Elyse Pantke White Foundation Forever Pink Prom: The Elyse Pantke White Foundation's Forever Pink Prom 2015 is just around the corner! Tickets are now on sale at <https://elysewhite.ejoinme.org/>. Join us on Saturday, February 21, 2015, from 7:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. at Rice-Eccles Stadium Tower for delectable cocktails and eats, photos, feather boas, and dancing the night away. Best of all and as always, all proceeds support cancer survivors, the Huntsman Cancer Foundation and finding a CURE. Get your tickets today - the early bird rate of \$75 is only available in January! Thereafter, the price increases to \$90. Hope to see you there!