



Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah

Sunday, March 29, 2015
Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt
Orthros: 9:00 a.m.
Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

Celebrants:

Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas
Reverend Deacon Anatoli Kireiev

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.

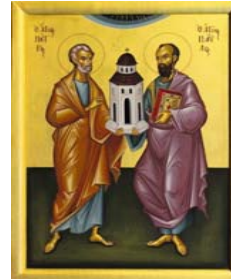
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Epistle Reading - St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 9:11-14

Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 4. Psalm 75.11,1

Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.

Verse: God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.



BRETHREN, when Christ appeared as a high priest of the good things that have come, then through the greater and more perfect tent (not made with hands, that is, not of this creation) he entered once for all into the Holy Place, taking not the blood of goats and calves but his own blood, thus securing an eternal redemption. For if the sprinkling of defiled persons with the blood of goats and bulls and with the ashes of a heifer sanctifies for the purification of the flesh, how much more shall the blood of Christ, who through the eternal Spirit offered himself without blemish to God, purify your conscience from dead works to serve the living God.

Gospel Reading – The Gospel of Mark 10:32-45



At that time, Jesus taking the twelve again, he began to tell them what was to happen to him, saying, "Behold, we are going up to Jerusalem; and the Son of man will be delivered to the chief priests and the scribes, and they will condemn him to death, and deliver him to the Gentiles; and they will mock him, and spit upon him, and scourge him, and kill him; and after three days he will rise." And James and John, the sons of Zebedee, came forward to him, and said to him, "Teacher, we want you to do for us whatever we ask of you." And he said to them, "What do you want me to do for you?" And they said to him, "Grant us to sit, one at your right hand and one at your left, in your glory." But Jesus said to them, "You do not know what you are asking. Are you able to drink the cup that I drink, or to be baptized with the baptism with which I am baptized?" And they said to him, "We are able." And Jesus said to them, "The cup that I drink you will drink; and with the baptism with which I am baptized, you will be baptized; but to sit at my right hand or at my left is not mine to grant, but it is for those for whom it has been prepared."

And when the ten heard it, they began to be indignant of James and John. And Jesus called them to him and said to them, “You know that those who are supposed to rule over the Gentiles lord it over them, and their great men exercise authority over them. But it shall not be so among you; but whoever would be great among you must be your servant, and whoever would be first among you must be slave of all. For the Son of man also came not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many.”

Hymns at Small Entrance

Resurrection Apolytikion

The stone had been secured with a seal by the Judeans, and a guard of soldiers was watching Your immaculate body. You rose on the third day, O Lord and Savior, granting life unto the world. And therefore the powers of heaven cried to You, O Giver-of-Life: Glory to Your resurrection, O Christ; glory to Your kingdom; glory to Your dispensation, only One who loves mankind.

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

In you, O Mother, is preserved undistorted what was made in the image of God; for taking up the cross, you followed Christ and by example taught, that we should overlook the flesh, since it passes away, and instead look after the soul, since it is immortal. And therefore, O devout Mary, your spirit rejoices with the angels.

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

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.

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 March 29: On March 29 we commemorate Saint Mark the martyred Bishop of Arethusa, Saint Cyril the Deacon & those martyred with him, and Saint Eustathios (Eustace) the Confessor & Bishop of Bithynia. Other saints commemorated today include Venerable Martyrs Jonas & Mark of the Pskov Caves, and Saint John the Anchorite of Egypt.

Welcome Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas: We are blessed to welcome back Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas from the Metropolis of Denver to celebrate Divine Liturgy with our Parish! Reverend Deacon Anatoli Kireiev will assist Fr. Ambrose.

Altar Server News: This week’s altar servers are Andy Adondakis, Zachary Petrogeorge, Jonathan Petrogeorge and Thanasi Johnson.

Fellowship Hour: Thank you Evan and Kim Mallas and Jim and Mary Mylonakis for hosting this week’s fellowship hour. Please join us! Next week’s fellowship hour will be hosted by Phill and Liberty Mudrock, Fred and Connie Pantke, Andrea Rosenkrantz, Mary Simos, and Toula Souvall.

Memorial Services: If you would like to schedule a memorial service, please contact Dr. Charles Beck at 801-573-6800 or president@gomissionparishut.org. Please note that no memorial services may be chanted from the Saturday of Lazarus (April 4) through Sunday of Thomas (April 19).

Next Parish Council Meeting: Tuesday, March 31, 2015, 6:30 p.m., at St. Thomas More.

Holy Week Books: The Women's Ministry Team is selling Holy Week books. Books cost \$27 and will be available for purchase in the narthex each Sunday. You can also contact Joanne Dokos at 801-566-2890 or jwdokos@hotmail.com to obtain a book.

Schedule of Holy Week Services: Unless otherwise announced, all Holy Week services will be held in our new worship facility on the St. Thomas More campus located at 3015 E. Creek Road, Cottonwood Heights.

Saturday of Lazarus, April 4, 2015:

9:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom

Palm Sunday, April 5, 2015:

9:00 a.m. Orthros

10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy of Saint John Chrysostom

7:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins of Holy Monday

Holy Monday, April 6, 2015:

9:00 a.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

7:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins of Holy Tuesday

Holy Tuesday, April 7, 2015:

9:00 a.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

7:00 p.m. Bridegroom Matins of Holy Wednesday

Holy Wednesday, April 8, 2015:

9:00 a.m. Pre-Sanctified Liturgy

3:00 p.m. Sacrament of Holy Unction/Reading of the Seven Gospels

7:00 p.m. Mystical Supper Matins of Holy Thursday (followed by anointing of Holy Unction)

Holy Thursday, April 9, 2015:

9:00 a.m. Vespereal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil, of the Mystical Supper

7:00 p.m. Service of the Holy Passion/Reading of the Twelve Gospels/Matins of Holy Friday

Holy Friday, April 10, 2015:

9:00 a.m. Royal Hours

3:00 p.m. Great Vespers/Descent from the Cross

7:00 p.m. Lamentation Matins and Procession

Holy Saturday, April 11, 2015:

9:00 a.m. Vespereal Divine Liturgy of St. Basil, of the Resurrection

11:00 p.m. Vigil Matins/Resurrection Service/Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, of the Resurrection

Holy Pascha, Sunday, April 12, 2015:

11:00 a.m. Agape Vespers

Our visiting celebrant during Holy Week will be Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas. Fr. Ambrose will be assisted by Reverend Deacon Anatoli Kireiev.

Palm Cross Tying: We will tie the palm crosses for Palm Sunday on Saturday, April 4, 2015, immediately following the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom, at St. Thomas More, Room 12 (our new fellowship hall). Please join us!

Holy Friday Youth Retreat: Our Parish will host a Holy Friday Youth Retreat on Friday, April 10, 2015, in our Fellowship Hall at St. Thomas More. The retreat begins at 10:00 a.m. for those in grades 7-12, and at noon for those in preschool (3 years and above) and grades K-12. All Orthodox youth are invited, and guests are welcome!

Anastasi Dinner: Our Parish will host its first Anastasi (Resurrection) dinner in the St. Thomas More banquet hall immediately following the Resurrection Service/Divine Liturgy on Holy Saturday night/Easter Sunday morning. Please contact the event chair, George Sergakis, at 801-718-1721 or gms1230@gmail.com if you would like to assist in the planning and preparation for this important community gathering.

Camp Emmanuel: Camp Emmanuel will be held at Manzano Mountain Retreat in Torreon, New Mexico (near Albuquerque). Junior Session (ages 11-14): June 7-13, 2015; Senior Session (ages 15-18): June 14-20, 2015. Early registration deadline (reduced rate): April 1, 2015. Final deadline: May 1, 2015. www.events.denver.goarch.org/?eventId=51&controller=event&task=individualRegister.

Items for New Worship Space: Thank you to everyone who has so generously donated to the fund to acquire the items that are critical and not part of the facility improvement budget passed at the Special Parish Assembly. We are still accepting donations to assist in the acquisition of the following items for our new Parish home:

Pangari (narthex cabinetry with sand basins for lit candles)	Est. \$4,000
Candle dispenser/holder for pangari	Est. \$100
Children's pangari (narthex candle stand for lit candles)	Est. \$750
Candle dispenser/holder for children's pangari	Est. \$85
Lambada (vigil candle) stand	Est. \$1,000
Kouvouklion (symbolic tomb of Christ)	Est. \$1,500
Epitaphios (embroidered icon of Christ to be placed in Kouvouklion)	Est. \$2,500

Please contact Chris Gounaris at treasurer@gomissionparishut.org or 801-660-9224 if you would like to contribute funds for the acquisition of these items. The generosity of our parishioners is amazing!

Metropolis Oratorical Festival: Congratulations to Anna Drossos, who received Honorable Mention at the Metropolis Oratorical Festival this last Saturday, March 21, 2015, in Dallas, Texas. Below is Anna's personal statement regarding her experience:

This past weekend I was very fortunate to participate in the St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival for teens at Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Church, Dallas, Texas. I had a fantastic time and met several fellow Orthodox Christians of my age from thirteen different states. While I did not place, the experience was incredible. Everyone was so kind and supportive. I made many friends that I know I will continue to stay in touch with through the years. It was an honor to represent our new mission parish from Salt Lake City.

Thank you, Anna, for representing our Parish so well!

Weekly Bulletin Announcements: Please send weekly bulletin announcement requests to Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@gomissionparishut.org by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. Announcements for Pan-Orthodox, Fraternal and other events will be published at the discretion of the Parish Council and as space permits.

2015 Stewardship Information: To date, we have received 117 commitment cards for 2015, with stewardship commitments totaling \$218,420 putting us at 95% of the goal we all established for ourselves at the Fall Parish Assembly. Thank you for your overwhelming support—not only with your treasure, but also with your time and talent!

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. If you would like to make a commitment without a card, or if you have any questions, contact Chris Gounaris, at treasurer@gomissionparishut.org or 801-660-9224.

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

Prayer List: The family of Fr. Matthew Baker, the Theodorou family, Alec, Anastasia, Andromahi, Ange, Anthony, Austin, Barbara, Beverlee, Bill, Cathy, Christopher, Chrysoula, Connie, Cynthia, Dan, Elaine, Elizabeth, Garegin, Gary, George, Helen, Irene, Jackie, Jennifer, Joe, John, Justin, Katherine, Konstantinos, Kristina, Margaret, Margie, Maria, Marie, Mary, Mitch, Stacie, Theano, Tom, Vasiliki, Zachary. Please send any additional names for our prayer list to secretary@gomissionparishut.org.

PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daughters of Penelope Easter Bread: The Daughters of Penelope will sell Easter bread in our Fellowship Hall immediately after Divine Liturgy on Palm Sunday, April 5, 2015. Cost: \$8 per loaf.