



Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah
3015 E. Creek Road, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84093

Sunday, April 26, 2015
Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women
Christ Is Risen! Χριστὸς Ανέστη!

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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: Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

Prokeimenon. Mode 2. Psalm 117.14,18

The Lord is my strength and my song.

Verse: The Lord has chastened me sorely.



IN THOSE DAYS, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "it is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith

Gospel Reading: Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8



At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joseph saw where he was laid.

And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

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Christ is risen from the dead, by death trampling down upon death, and to those in the tombs, He has granted life.

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν, θανάτῳ θάνατον πατήσας, καὶ τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι, ζῶην χαρισάμενος.

Hymns at Small Entrance

Entrance Hymn

Bless God in the churches, the Lord from the fountains of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, who arose from the dead.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

When You descended unto death, O Lord who yourself are immortal Life, then did You mortify Hades by the lightning flash of Your Divinity. Also when You raised the dead from the netherworld, all the Powers of the heavens were crying out: O Giver of life, Christ our God, glory be to You.

When he took down Your immaculate Body from the Cross, the honorable Joseph wrapped it in a clean linen shroud with spices and laid it for burial in a new tomb. But on the third day You arose, O Lord, and granted the world Your great mercy.

The Angel standing at the sepulcher cried out and said to the ointment-bearing women: The ointments are appropriate for mortal

men, but Christ has been shown to be a stranger to decay. So go and cry aloud, The Lord has risen and granted the world His great mercy.

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

Though You went down into the tomb, O Immortal One, yet You brought down the dominion of Hades; and You rose as the victor, O Christ our God; and You called out "Rejoice" to the Myrrh-bearing women, and gave peace to Your Apostles, O Lord who to the fallen grant resurrection.

Communion Hymn

Receive the Body of Christ; taste from the immortal fount.

Dismissal Hymn

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

Orthodox Saints Commemorated on April 26: On April 26 we commemorate the Holy Myrrh-Bearing Saints including Mary Magdalene, Susanna, Mary the wife of Clopas, Joanna, Salome, Martha & Mary of Bethany, Joseph of Arimathea, and Nicodemus. Other saints commemorated today include Hieromartyr Basil the Bishop of Amsea, Martyr Glaphyra, Stephen the Bishop of Perm, Justa the Righteous, Ioannicius of Serbia & Nestor the Silent.

Welcome Back Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas: We are blessed to once again welcome Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas from the Metropolis of Denver to celebrate Divine Liturgy with our Parish! Fr. Ambrose will be assisted by Reverend Deacon Anatoli Kireiev.

Altar Server News: The scheduled altar servers this week are Kosta Sergakis, Zachary Petrogeorge and Jonathan Petrogeorge. The scheduled altar servers for next week are Andy Adondakis, Luke

Varechok and Thanasi Johnson. We now have a sufficient supply of robes so that any altar server can participate even when not scheduled to serve.

Fellowship Hour: Thank you to the Beck and Kireiev families for hosting this week's fellowship hour. Please join us!

The fellowship hour on Sunday, May 3, 2015, will be hosted by Elias and Rose Pylidis and family. If you would like to host a fellowship hour, please contact Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net.

Ages Initiatives - Digital Chant Stand: An electronic version of our weekly Liturgy is available online, for free, at <http://www.agesinitiatives.com/dcs/public/dcs/dcs.html>.

Schedule of Upcoming Services:

Sunday, May 3, 2015 - Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Visiting Celebrant: Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas

Sunday, May 10, 2015 - Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Visiting Celebrant: TBD

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

Spring Parish Assembly: Our Spring Parish Assembly will be held on Sunday, May 3, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. in our Fellowship Hall. Copies of the notice and agenda have been mailed to all stewards. The full Parish Assembly packet will be emailed to all stewards, and hard copies will be made available upon request.

Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday, May 11, 2015, at 6:30 p.m.

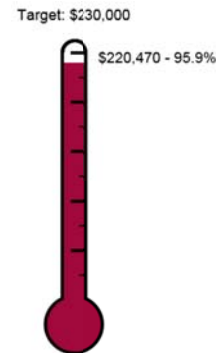
Open House with Parishioners from St. Thomas More: On Sunday, May 17, 2015, our Parish will join with the parishioners of St. Thomas More Catholic Parish for an open house. This joint community gathering will commence after our services (exact time to be announced) in St. Thomas More's large Banquet Hall. It will be a

great opportunity for us to get to know those who have so graciously agreed to share their campus with our Parish. Members of the St. Thomas More Parish will also be given the opportunity to tour and visit our new worship facilities.

International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) Aid to Persecuted Christians: Please pray for all of the Christians throughout the world who are being persecuted and killed based solely on their faith. The International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) is collecting funds to aid those facing such atrocities. Please visit <http://www.iocc.org/> to make a donation.

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. The registration deadline is May 1, 2015. www.events.denver.goarch.org/?eventId=51&controller=event&task=individualRegister.

2015 Stewardship Information: To date, we have received 122 commitment cards for 2015, with stewardship commitments totaling \$220,470 putting us at 95.9% of the goal we all established for ourselves at the Fall Parish Assembly. Thanks for your support!



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!

Calendar of Scheduled Events/Meetings: The staff at St. Thomas More has created a Google calendar to track our Parish's reservations for meetings and events. To view this read-only calendar, please visit <http://www.stmutah.org/content.cfm?id=360>. To schedule Parish related events or meetings, please contact Chuck Karpakis at

vicepresident@gomissionparishut.org. To schedule personal events or meetings, please contact Nora directly at nora@stmutah.org.

Parish Communications: Beginning next week, Dr. Beck's weekly email message will serve as a cover email to our weekly bulletin blast, and will be sent towards the end of the week (rather than at the beginning of the week). Also, the Parish's official Facebook posts will be published on our Parish's official Facebook page: <https://www.facebook.com/GreekOrthodoxMissionParishUtah?ref=bookmarks>. Please "like" this Facebook page if you wish to receive Parish communications through Facebook.

Weekly Bulletin Announcements: Please send weekly bulletin announcement requests to Parish Council Secretary, 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.

Prayer List: Bill, Christopher, Fred, Jacqui, John, Linda, Margie, Michael, Mila, Samuel. If you would like to add any additional names, please contact Michael Petrogeorge, Parish Council Secretary, at secretary@gomissionparishut.org.

PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Post-Pascha Arcadian Social Gathering and Fundraiser: You are invited to join the Salt Lake City Pan Arcadian Theodoros Kolokotronis Chapter #90 for a Post-Pascha Arcadian Social Gathering and Fundraiser on Sunday, May 3, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. at Aristo's, 224 S. 1300 East, Salt Lake City. Cost: \$30. The keynote speaker will be Stavros G. Drakos, MD, PhD, Medical Director of the Cardiac Mechanical Support Program at the University of Utah School of Medicine. All proceeds from the event will be donated to the Pan Arcadian Hospital in Tripolis, Arcadia, Greece to purchase kidney dialysis machines, angioplasty clinic materials and other needed hospital supplies. RSVP by tomorrow, Monday, April 27, 2015, to karenanast@gmail.com or 801-913-2414.

2015 † Greek Orthodox Sports League Youth Basketball Camp: The GSL staff is looking forward to another exciting year for our annual Sports League Youth 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!

Date: June 8-11, 2015

Time: 9:00 a.m. -12:00 p.m. for boys and girls 3-6th grade (doors open at 8:00 a.m.); 1:00-4:00 p.m. for boys and girls 7-12th grade**

Location: Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church (5335 S. Highland Drive, Holladay, Utah)

Cost: \$70

Registration forms are available at our Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah. Please contact Gerard Gallegos at 801-647-2829 or 801-484-5470 for more information.

***Please note that while last week's bulletin identified the grades for the afternoon sessions to be 7-10, the afternoon session is actually for boys and girls in grades 7-12.*

Volunteers Needed: The Greek Orthodox Sports League is looking for volunteers to help with our Youth Basketball Camp that will be held June 8-11, 2015. Two shifts daily: 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. and 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 801-484-5470.

AXIA! "Wall of Fame" - Honoring Women at the Pancretan National Convention in Salt Lake City: As part of the Women's AXIA night during the Pancretan National Convention, we are asking you to contribute photos or collages of important and influential women (mothers, grandmothers, aunts, etc.) who have contributed to the Cretan Community. These will be displayed prominently at the venue, along with a short statement about the woman (or women). Please submit a photo (or collage of photos), unframed, in an 8X10 inch format, along with a statement about the woman or women pictured, no longer than 200 words. Please note that the photos and collages will not be returned. Send entries to Elleni Katsanevas, 3685 S. Lincoln Park Drive, Salt Lake City, UT 84115. Each submission must be accompanied by a \$5 entry fee.