



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

Sunday, May 3, 2015
Sunday of the Paralytic
Christ Is Risen! Χριστὸς Ανέστη!

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: Acts of the Apostles 9:32-42

Prokeimenon. Mode 3. Psalm 46.6,1

Sing praises to our God, sing praises.

Verse: Clap your hands, all you nations.



IN THOSE DAYS, as Peter went here and there among them all, he came down also to the saints that lived at Lydda. There he found a man named Aeneas, who had been bedridden for eight years and was paralyzed. And Peter said to him, "Aeneas, Jesus Christ heals you; rise and make your bed." And immediately he rose. And all the residents of Lydda and Sharon saw him, and they turned to the Lord. Now there was at Joppa a disciple named Tabitha, which means Dorcas. She was full of good works and acts of charity. In those days she fell sick and died; and when they had washed her, they laid her in an upper room. Since Lydda was near Joppa, the disciples, hearing that Peter was there, sent two men to him entreating him, "Please come to us without delay." So Peter rose and went with them. And when he had come, they took him to the upper room. All the widows stood beside him weeping, and showing tunics and other garments which Dorcas made while she was with them. But Peter put them all outside and knelt down and prayed; then turning to the body he said, "Tabitha, rise." And she opened her eyes, and when she saw Peter she sat up. And he gave her his hand and lifted her up. Then calling the saints and widows he presented her alive. And it became known throughout all Joppa, and many believed in the Lord

Gospel Reading: The Gospel of John 5:1-15



At that time, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. Now there is in Jerusalem by the Sheep Gate a pool, in Hebrew called Bethesda which has five porticoes. In these lay a multitude of invalids, blind, lame, paralyzed, waiting for the moving of the water; for an angel of the Lord went down at certain seasons into the pool, and troubled the water; whoever stepped in first after the troubling of the water was healed of whatever disease he had. One man was there, who had been ill for thirty-eight years. When Jesus saw him and knew that he had

been lying there a long time, he said to him, "Do you want to be healed?" The sick man answered him, "Sir, I have no man to put me into the pool when the water is troubled, and while I am going another steps down before me." Jesus said to him, "Rise, take up your pallet, and walk." And at once the man was healed, and he took up his pallet and walked.

Now that day was the sabbath. So the Jews said to the man who was cured, "It is the sabbath, it is not lawful for you to carry your pallet." But he answered them, "The man who healed me said to me, 'Take up your pallet, and walk.'" They asked him, "Who is the man who said to you, 'Take up your pallet, and walk?'" Now the man who had been healed did not know who it was, for Jesus had withdrawn, as there was a crowd in the place. Afterward, Jesus found him in the temple, and said to him, "See, you are well! Sin no more, that nothing worse befall you." The man went away and told the Jews that it was Jesus who had healed him.

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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, ζῶν 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

Let the heavens sing for joy, and let everything on earth be glad. For with His Arm the Lord has worked power. He trampled death under foot by means of death; and He became the firstborn from the dead. From the maw of Hades He delivered us; and He 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 May 3: On May 3 we commemorate the holy martyrs Timothy & his wife Maura of Egypt, Peter the Wonderworker & Bishop of Argos, and Great Martyr Xenia the Wonderworker of Kalamata. Other saints commemorated today include Mary the new martyr of Crete, Theodosius the abbot of the Kiev Caves, Ahmet the new martyr of Constantinople, and Ecumenius the Wonderworker of Trikala.

Welcome 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 Andy Adondakis, Luke Varechok and Thanasi Johnson. The scheduled altar servers for next week are Jacob Pananos, Dionysios (Dennis) Apostole, and Miles Burke. 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 Elias and Rose Pylidis and Leo and Ludmila Davis for hosting this week's fellowship hour. Please join us!

The fellowship hour on Sunday, May 10, 2015, will be hosted by Cathy Douros, Bob and Kris Parenti, and Joe and Myra Varanakis. 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>.

Recycled Candles: Often, the candles lit in the narthex do not burn completely before the Liturgy ends. To conserve resources and avoid waste, we will from time to time provide recycled candles in the narthex. Please notify a Parish Council member if you prefer a new candle at any time.

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

Schedule of Upcoming Services:

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

Sunday, May 17, 2015 – Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Visiting Celebrant: Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas

Sunday, May 24, 2015 – Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Visiting Celebrant: TBD

Sunday, May 31, 2015 – Orthros: 9 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 10 a.m.
Visiting Celebrant: TBD

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

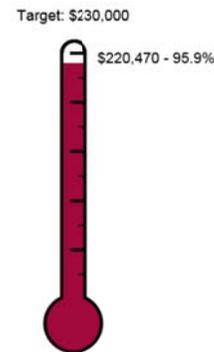
Spring Parish Assembly: Our Spring Parish Assembly will be held TODAY, Sunday, May 3, 2015, at 2:00 p.m. in our Fellowship Hall. Copies of the full Parish Assembly packet were emailed to all stewards.

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 - Postponed: The previously announced open house with the parishioners of St. Thomas More Catholic Parish has been postponed because the 2nd grade children at the St. Thomas More Catholic Parish will be celebrating First Communion on May 17th. We will announce a new date for the open house as soon as it has been determined.

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.

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: Please remember that Dr. Beck's weekly email message now serves as a cover letter to our weekly bulletin email blast, and is 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@gomissionparishutah.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.

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

PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daughters of Minos Annual Mother's Day Luncheon and Fashion Show:

Date: Saturday, May 9, 2015

Time: 11:00 a.m.

Location: Little America Hotel, 500 S. Main Street, Salt Lake City

Cost: \$40 for adults (chicken florentine or teriyaki salmon); \$17 for children 12 and under (chicken fingers and macaroni & cheese)

Sylvia Zekas will be taking reservations during Fellowship Hour on Sunday, May 3, 2015, at the Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah. Otherwise, please contact Kathy Paras at 801-671-1964 or nkgparas@msn.com or Xanthi Athousakis at 801-558-8430 or xanthi@aol.com for reservations. The reservation deadline is Monday, May 4, 2015. Payment in advance is required.

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.

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.