

# Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah 3015 E. Creek Road, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84093 | 385-313-9358

Sunday, October 25, 2015 Sixth Sunday of Luke

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

### Reverend Father Anthony Savas 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 Galatians 2:16-20

Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Psalm 103.24,1

O Lord, how manifold are your works. You have made all things in wisdom.

*Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul.* 



BRETHREN, you know that a man is not justified by works of the law but through faith in Jesus Christ, even we have believed in Christ Jesus, in order to be justified by faith in Christ, and not by works of the law, because by works of the law shall no one be justified. But if, in our endeavor to be justified in Christ, we ourselves were found to be sinners, is Christ then an agent of sin? Certainly

not! But if I build up again those things which I tore down, then I prove myself a transgressor. For I through the law died to the law, that I might live to God. I have been crucified with Christ; it is no longer I who live, but Christ who lives in me; and the life I now live in the flesh I live by faith in the Son of God, who loved me and gave himself for me.

#### Gospel Reading: The Gospel of Luke 8:26-39



At that time, as Jesus arrived at the country of the Gadarenes, there met him a man from the city who had demons; for a long time he had worn no clothes and he lived not in a house but among the tombs. When he saw Jesus, he cried out and fell down before him, and said with a loud voice, "What have you to do with me, Jesus, Son of the Most High God? I beseech you, do not torment me." For he had

commanded the unclean spirit to come out of the man. (For many a time it had seized him; he was kept under guard, and bound with chains and fetters, but he broke the bonds and was driven by the demon into the desert.) Jesus then asked him, "What is your name?" And he said, "Legion"; for many demons had entered him. And they begged him not to command them to depart into the abyss. Now a large herd of swine was feeding there on the hillside; and they begged him to let them enter these. So he gave them leave. Then the demons came out of the man and entered the swine, and the herd rushed down the steep bank into the lake and were drowned. When the

herdsmen saw what happened, they fled, and told it in the city and in the country. Then people went out to see what had happened, and they came to Jesus, and found the man from whom the demons had gone, sitting at the feet of Jesus, clothed and in his right mind; and they were afraid. And those who had seen it told them how he who had been possessed with demons was healed. Then all the people of the surrounding country of the Gadarenes asked him to depart from them; for they were seized with great fear; so he got into the boat and returned. The man from whom the demons had gone begged that he might be with him; but he sent him away, saying, "Return to your home, and declare how much God has done for you." And he went away, proclaiming throughout the whole city how much Jesus had done for him.

#### **Hymns at Small Entrance**

Resurrectional Apolytikion

When the women Disciples of the Lord had learned from the Angel the joyful message of the Resurrection and had rejected the ancestral decision, they cried aloud to the Apostles triumphantly: Death has been despoiled, Christ God has risen, granting His great mercy to the world.

#### 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 Martyrs**

Your Martyrs, O Lord, were worthily awarded by You the crowns of incorruption, in that they contested for You our immortal God. Since they possessed Your power, they defeated the tyrants, dashing the demons' powerless displays of defiance. O Christ God, at their fervent entreaties, 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**

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 October 25: Martyrs Marcian & Martyrius the Notaries of Constantinople; Tabitha the Merciful who was raised from the dead by the Apostle Peter; Holy Fathers Polycarp and Philadelphus; Macarius the Bishop of Cyprus; Martyr Chrysanthe; George the Bishop of Amastrida & writer of canons; Martyrs Engratia, Valentine and their brother Frutos the Hermit; and Martyr Anastasius the Fuller at Salona.

Altar Servers: The scheduled altar servers for today, October 25, 2015, are Dennis Apostole, Luke Varechok and Zachary Sasich. The scheduled altar servers for Sunday, November 1, 2015, are Gage Varanakis, Mitchell Mallas and Matthew Mallas. Please remember, however, that all altar servers are welcome and encouraged to serve each Sunday whether scheduled or not.

<u>Fellowship Hour:</u> Thank you to Phil and Liberty Mudrock for hosting this week's fellowship hour in celebration of their 50th wedding anniversary. Congratulations Phil and Liberty!

The fellowship hour on Sunday, November 1, 2015, will be hosted by Saunee Cairo, Nick and Joni Clark, Elaine Peterson, Tom and Cynthia Peterson and Michael and Angela Petrogeorge.

If you would like to host a fellowship hour, please contact Sophie Wondolowski at <a href="mailto:swondo@comcast.net">swondo@comcast.net</a>.

Feast Day of The Holy Great Martyr Demetrius the Myrrh-streamer: Tomorrow, Monday, October 26, 2015, we celebrate the Feast Day of The Great Holy Martyr Demetrius the Myrrh-streamer. Orthros begins at 9:30 a.m. followed by the Divine Liturgy at 10:30 a.m.

#### Memorial Services - May Their Memory Be Eternal:

Sunday, November 8, 2015:

Radislav "Rodney" Radivoyevich (25 years), Milka Dragos (39 years), and Mike Dragos (40 years)

Please contact Fr. Anthony at 801-824-3987 (mobile), 385-313-9358 (office) or <a href="mailto:franthony@gomissionparishut.org">franthony@gomissionparishut.org</a> to schedule Memorials.

<u>Homilies Online:</u> To hear recorded versions of Fr. Anthony's homilies, please visit <u>www.gomissionparishut.org/?cat=52</u>.

<u>Holy Communion:</u> Please allow Sunday School students and teachers to come forward for communion first so they may get to their classrooms and have sufficient time to complete their lessons.

<u>Narthex Check Acceptance Policy:</u> Checks will be accepted in the narthex only for the amount of your intended stewardship or other donation (no cash back on checks please).

<u>Parish Council Elections:</u> Parish Council elections will be held on Sunday, December 6, 2015. Five Parish Council members will be elected to serve two-year terms. Application packets will be available soon. Please prayerfully consider whether you can serve.

Altar and Benevolence Fund: The parish recently established the "GOMPU Altar and Benevolence Fund." The fund will be administered in the sole discretion of Fr. Anthony, and will be used to provide assistance to those in need and to procure any needed altar supplies. Memorial/funeral donations will be deposited into this fund unless otherwise designated. Direct donations to this account will be accepted.

#### **UPCOMING MEETINGS**

<u>Fall Parish Assembly:</u> Our Fall Parish Assembly will be held on Sunday, November 8, 2015, at 12:45 p.m. in our fellowship hall. We would like to make childcare available for the Parish Assembly. Please email Michael Petrogeorge at <u>secretary@gomissionparishut.org</u> if you have a teenager willing to help watch our younger children.

<u>Parish Council:</u> The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday, November 9, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

2016 Campaign: Our 2016 stewardship campaign will commence Sunday, November 1, 2015. The formal campaign will conclude with a luncheon on Sunday, November 22, 2015. Stewardship packets will be available during fellowship hour. The support of our stewards in 2015 was humbling and allowed us to secure a full time priest and establish a home on the St. Thomas More campus. Please prayerfully consider your time, talent and treasure commitments for 2016.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Junior Orthodox Youth (JOY):</u> Don't forget that our next JOY meeting will be held **this Tuesday**, **October 27**, **2015**, at 6:30 p.m. in our fellowship hall. Please make every effort to have your children attend. It is important that our young people participate actively in the life of our parish and come together for learning and fellowship!

<u>Greek Orthodox Youth Association (GOYA):</u> Our next GOYA meeting will be held on Tuesday, November 10, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. in our fellowship hall.

<u>Sunday School Schedule:</u> There will be no Sunday School on Sunday, November 29, 2015 (Thanksgiving weekend).

<u>Sunday School Pictures:</u> Sunday School pictures will be taken on Sunday, December 6, 2015.

#### ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Evening Bible Study:

Wednesday, October 28, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

Classrooms 8 and 9

Orthodox Married Life (OML):

Friday, November 13, 2015, at 7:00 p.m.

Room 12 (fellowship hall)

Childcare available in Classroom 5.

#### WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Monthly Membership Meetings: The Women's Ministry Team will hold its monthly meeting the third Tuesday of each month. The next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, November 17, 2015, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Women of all ages are invited to attend!

<u>Religious Book Lending Library</u>: Thanks to everyone who has donated books! We currently have 60-70 books in our collection, including children's books. Books can be checked out after the Liturgy on Sundays. For questions, please contact Lisa Apostole at <a href="mailto:lisa.apostole@gmail.com">lisa.apostole@gmail.com</a>.

<u>Food Drive:</u> The Women's Ministry Team will collect food for the Utah Food Bank the third Sunday of each month. The next collection will be Sunday, November 15, 2015. Save everything you would like to contribute and bring it to church on the third Sunday of each month. Contact Pat Daskalas at 801-883-9494 with any questions.

<u>Holiday Boutique:</u> October 31st might be Halloween, but it is also the Greek Orthodox Mission Parish's Holiday Boutique!

Come visit us and browse the booths for jewelry, accessories, holiday décor, stocking stuffers and more as this holiday tradition kicks off. There will also be food, pastries, coffee and some wonderful Raffle offerings. There is no better way to get started on your holiday shopping, and you will still have plenty of time to get back home to see your little pumpkins off for trick or treat.

Saturday, October 31, 2015, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at the St. Thomas More gymnasium. Raffle tickets will be on sale during the Sunday fellowship hour. We look forward to seeing you there. Bring the little kiddos with you, as there will be treats for the little ones!

<u>Sub for Santa:</u> The Women's Ministry Team will conduct a Sub for Santa again this year. If you know of anyone in need this holiday season, please contact Kathy Shand at 801-554-4250 or <a href="mailto:kmshand4@gmail.com">kmshand4@gmail.com</a> or Connie Floor at 801-277-2056 or <a href="mailto:kmshand4@gmail.com">conniefloor@mac.com</a>.

#### **COMMUNICATION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>Weekly Bulletin Announcements:</u> Please send weekly bulletin announcement requests by Wednesday at 5:00 p.m. to Michael Petrogeorge at <u>secretary@gomissionparishut.org</u>.

New Post Office Box: The parish's new mailing address is P.O. Box 171224, Holladay, Utah 84117. The old P.O. Box will remain open through December 2015, but will then be closed. Please alert any bill

pay services of this change to ensure that any stewardship contributions or other donations are properly received and accounted.

## PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prophet Elias Philoptochos General Membership Meeting: The Prophet Elias Philoptochos will hold their general membership meeting tomorrow, Monday, October 26, 2015, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. in the Casto Room (downstairs-elevator access) of Holladay City Hall, 4580 S. 2300 East, Holladay. The first half hour will be for administrative matters, initiative and updates. The remainder of the meeting will consist of a presentation by guest speaker Carol Spackman Moss, who will share her experiences from her recent trip to Ethiopia.

<u>St. Sophia School Fundraiser:</u> St. Sophia School will hold their annual fundraiser "Lights! Camera! Auction! A Night on the Red Carpet" at the Grand America Hotel, 55 S. Main Street, Salt Lake City, on Saturday, November 14, 2015, at 5:30 p.m. Silent & Live Auction, Cocktails, Dinner and Dancing. \$125 per person. RSVP by November 1, 2015. For more information, please call 801-424-1297.

<u>Cretan General Assembly:</u> Sunday, November 15, 2015, from 3:00 to 5:00 p.m. at Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church, 5335 S. Highland Dr., Holladay. Please join us as a final report is presented regarding the convention held this past summer. Your participation in this important meeting will be greatly appreciated. See you then!

Save The Date! The Daughters of Penelope will hold the annual DOP/DSW (Fort Union) Shopping Event on Sunday, December 6, 2015, at 6:00 p.m. All are welcome. Discounts will be offered. Further information to come!

#### **PRAYER LIST**

Alec, Ange, Anna Maria, Christopher, Dan, Drew, Elizabeth, Fred, George, Jacqui, Jamie, Jim, Joe, John, Julie Ann, Justin, Kristina, Linda, Lorlee, Lucas, Luke, Margie, Marie, Melissa, Michael, Mike, Mila, Nick, Preston, Rebecca, Sandy, Shirley, Tom, Tony, Toula, Victor. To add additional names, please contact Michael Petrogeorge at <a href="mailto:secretary@gomissionparishut.org">secretary@gomissionparishut.org</a>.