



Greek Orthodox Mission Parish of Utah

3015 E. Creek Road, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84093 | 385-313-9358

Sunday, April 24, 2016
Palm Sunday

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 Philippians 4:4-9

Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Psalm 117.26,1

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Verse: Give thanks to the Lord, for He is good. His mercy endures forever.



BRETHREN, rejoice in the Lord always; again I will say, Rejoice. Let all men know your forbearance. The Lord is at hand. Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus. Finally, brethren, whatever is true, whatever is honorable, whatever is just, whatever is pure, whatever is lovely, whatever is gracious, if there is any excellence, if there is anything worthy of praise, think about these things. What you have learned and received and heard and seen in me, do; and the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel according to John 12:1-18



Six days before Passover, Jesus came to Bethany, where Lazaros was, whom Jesus had raised from the dead. There they made him a supper; Martha served, and Lazaros was one of those at table with him. Mary took a pound of costly ointment of pure nard and anointed the feet of Jesus and wiped his feet with her hair; and the house was filled with the fragrance of the ointment. But Judas Iscariot, one of his disciples (he who was to betray him), said "Why was this ointment not sold for three hundred denarii and given to the poor?" This he said, not that he cared for the poor but because he was a thief, and as he had the money box he used to take what was put into it. Jesus said, "Let her alone, let her keep it for the day of my burial. The poor you always have with you, but you do not always have me." When the

great crowd of the Jews learned that he was there, they came, not only on account of Jesus but also to see Lazaros, whom he had raised from the dead. So the chief priests planned to put Lazaros also to death, because on account of him many of the Jews were going away and believing in Jesus. The next day a great crowd who had come to the feast heard that Jesus was coming to Jerusalem. So they took branches of palm trees and went out to meet him, crying, "Hosanna! Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, even the King of Israel!" And Jesus found a young donkey and sat upon it; as it is written, "Fear not, daughter of Zion; behold, your king is coming, sitting on a donkey's colt!" His disciples did not understand this at first; but when Jesus was glorified, then they remembered that this had been written of him and had been done to him. The crowd that had been with him when he called Lazaros out of the tomb and raised him from the dead bore witness. The reason why the crowd went to meet him was that they heard he had done this sign.

Hymns at Small Entrance

Apolytikion for the Feast

To confirm the general resurrection before Your Passion, You resurrected Lazarus from the dead, O Christ our God. Therefore imitating the children, carrying the symbols of victory, we cry out to You the Victor over death: "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One, who comes in the name of the Lord."

Entrance Hymn

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord, and He revealed Himself to us. Save us, O Son of God, who sat on a donkey's colt.

Hymn for the Feast

We were buried with You through Baptism, O Christ our God, and thus by Your Resurrection we have been granted immortal life, and extolling You we cry aloud, "Hosanna in the highest! Blessed are You, the One who comes in the name of the Lord."

Kontakion

In heaven upon the throne, on earth upon the colt, You were carried,

O Christ our God; and the praise of the Angels, and the hymns of the children, You received as they cried to You, "Blessed are You, the One, who is coming to call Adam back again."

Megalynarion

God is the Lord, and He appeared to us. O Christians, appoint a feast, and with exultant joy come and let us magnify the Christ, waving our palm-leaves and branches, crying aloud in hymns: "Blessed is the One who comes in the name of the Lord our Savior."

Communion Hymn

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia.

Dismissal Hymn

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

Orthodox Saints Commemorated April 24: Elizabeth the Wonderworker of Constantinople; Martyrs Savvas the General of Rome & 70 soldiers with him; New Martyr Doukas of Mytilene; Venerable Xenophon the Athonite; New Martyr Nicholas of Magnesia; Holy Confessors Symeon, Elias & Sava of Romania; New Hieromartyr Branko of Serbia; and Thomas the Fool-for-Christ of Syria.

Altar Servers: All altar servers are scheduled today, Palm Sunday, April 24, 2016.

Fellowship Hour: Thank you to George and Connie Cayias, Chris and Joanne Dokos, Lloyd and Penny Mills, Steve and Myra Shenk, William and Kim Souvall, Ron and Julie Steele, and Bob and Heidi Varechok for hosting this week's fellowship hour. Please join us!

There will be no hosted fellowship hour after the Agape service on Easter Sunday, May 1, 2016.

The fellowship hour on Sunday, May 8, 2016, will be hosted by the Cathy Douros family.

If you would like to volunteer to host a fellowship hour, please contact Carolyn Leitko at csleitko@gmail.com.

Memorial Services – May Their Memory Be Eternal:

Sunday, May 15, 2016:

Mitchell Makris (40 days); Joseph Xiras (4 years); Jim Georgelas (10 years); Merrill T. (“Pete”) Peterson (10 years); Roma Peterson (10 years); Olga Xiras (36 years); Argyro Georgelas (41 years); John Daskalakis (43 years); Pantelis Georgelas (50 years); Mike Xiras (50 years)

Sunday, May 22, 2016:

Goldie Sargetis Floor (1 year); Sammy Gerasimos Soter (10 years)

Sunday, June 5, 2016:

Bessie Drakulich (6 years); Mary Drakulich (6 years); Dollie Drakulich Smith (7 years); Sava Drakulich Varechok (9 years); Ely J. Drakulich (13 years); Millie Sasich (20 years); Larry J. Smith (5 years); Nick J. Drakulich (23 years); George R. Varechok (26 years); Ely Sasich (30 years); Mary Drakulich (47 years); Joseph N. Drakulich (68 years); Mary Sasich (72 years)

To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony at franthy@gomissionparishut.org or 801-824-3987 (mobile), 385-313-9358 (office).

No Sunday School Today: Please note that there is no Sunday School today, Palm Sunday, April 24, 2016, so that children and teachers may remain in church to celebrate the blessing of the palms.

Office Hours: Fr. Anthony will not be in the church office on Thursdays. No meetings will be scheduled, but feel absolutely free to contact him with any emergencies at 801-824-3987. Thank you!

Holy Week Photographers: Perry Drossos, Chair of the Historical Archives Ministry Team, is seeking volunteers to take photos during Holy Week. Please contact him directly at pdrossos@comcast.net if you are able to help.

Anastasi (Resurrection) Dinner: Please make plans to attend our parish’s annual Anastasi (Resurrection) Dinner, to be held immediately following the Paschal Divine Liturgy (midnight) service on Easter Sunday. George Sergakis has graciously agreed to chair the dinner again this year. Please contact George at

801-718-1721 or gms1230@gmail.com to volunteer your time and talents to this important parish celebration.

Lenten, Holy Week and Paschal Donations: Donations are requested for the following items:

Lent:

Incense for Lent, Holy Week & Pascha \$100.00

Holy Week:

Flowers for Bridegroom Icon \$100.00

Floral Wreath for the Crucifix \$175.00

Rose Petals for Lamentation Service \$50.00

Rose Petals for Holy Saturday/Pascha \$300.00

Case of Bay Leaves for Holy Saturday/Pascha \$100.00

White Linen Sheets for Good Friday 2 @ \$35.00

One Case Sacramental Wine \$150.00

Gardenias for Holy Friday and Holy Saturday \$100.00

Flowers for the Solea \$250.00

One Case of Brown Eggs for the Anastasi \$50.00

Large Scale and/or One-Time Purchases for the Season:

Flowers for Kouvouklion (Holy Friday) \$750.00

Sponsorship of Seminarian Chanter \$2,000.00

Please return your Donation in the Memorial Envelope available at the pangari (narthex). Please remember to include the names of whom you wish Fr. Anthony to memorialize during the Holy Friday Evening Service as we pray before the Epitaphios.

In the event that more funds are collected than requested, excess monies will be placed in the Benevolence/Altar Fund. The full amount of our collection will be printed in the Weekly Bulletin.

Thank you and bless you for taking the opportunity to help underwrite the needs of celebrating our Lenten, Holy Week and Paschal Services with dignity, beauty and glory to God.

Virtual 5K: Our parish is co-sponsoring a virtual 5K "Race 2 Erase Hunger" with the LDS Salt Lake Brighton Stake and St. Thomas More Catholic Church to benefit the Utah Food Bank. There are three ways to participate:

1. Virtual 5K. In order to participate in the Virtual 5K you will need to register at www.raceentry.com/races/race2erase-hunger-virtual-run/2016/register and complete your race before 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, May 21, 2016.
2. Go to www.utahfoodbank.org/virtual-food?Team=9101 to contribute directly to the Utah Food Bank online. Through their Grocery Rescue program, commercial donations, and their purchasing power, the Utah Food Bank is able to take each \$1 donation and turn it into \$7.35 worth of goods and services. The virtual Food Drive allows you to "shop" online for specific food items at reduced costs. Receipts will be sent to you by email.
3. Bring canned food donations to the 5K "finish line" celebration and after party on Saturday, May 21, 2016, at 3:00 p.m. at St. Thomas More Catholic Church, 3015 E. Creek Road, Cottonwood Heights.

For further information go to www.race2erashunger.com, or contact Georgiann Petrogeorge at georgiann.pino@gmail.com.

One-Year Anniversary Books: We have a few extra books available if you were not able to pre-order but still wish to purchase a book. Contact Elaina Maragakis Simos at emaragakis@rqn.com with questions.

Save the Date - Parish Fishing Trip: The annual parish fishing trip to Strawberry Reservoir will be held July 28-31, 2016. Stay tuned for more details!

Bon Voyage Zachary Shenk: Zachary Shenk, son of Steve and Myra Shenk, has been accepted into the Peace Corps and will be living in Peru for the next two years. God be with you!

NAMING OUR PARISH

The final round of voting will be held today, Palm Sunday, April 24, 2016. Voting will commence after Divine Liturgy, and the polls will close at 1:00 p.m.

All stewards in good standing and the members of their individual households will be permitted to vote. To be considered a steward in good standing, you must be a committed steward for 2016. (Stewardship cards will be available and accepted at the polls). Payments towards your 2016 commitment are appreciated but not required.

Every eligible voter will be allowed to vote for **one** name. Any ballot cast for more than one name will be void and discarded.

Although voting in person is preferred, absentee ballots were made available to those who are unable to do so. The deadline for the email submission of third round absentee ballots was yesterday, Saturday, April 23, 2016 (Saturday of Lazarus) at 10:00 p.m. Third round absentee ballots may be hand-delivered any time up to the commencement of Divine Liturgy today, Palm Sunday, April 24, 2016.

The ultimately selected name of our parish will be revealed during the Paschal Divine Liturgy (midnight) service on Easter Sunday.

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Parish Council: Monday, May 16, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Spring Parish Assembly: Sunday, May 22, 2016, at 12:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

GREAT AND HOLY WEEK SERVICE AND ALTAR SERVER SCHEDULE

Tonight, Palm Sunday, April 24, 2016:

7:00 p.m.

Bridegroom Service

Scheduled Altar Servers: Mitchell Mallas, Zachary Petrogeorge, Matthew Mallas, Jonathan Petrogeorge and Dimitri Savas

Holy Monday, April 25, 2016:

7:00 p.m. Bridegroom Service
Scheduled Altar Servers: Jacob Pananos, Dennis Apostole, Luke Varechok, Thanasi Johnson, Alex Apostole and Zachary Sasich

Holy Tuesday, April 26, 2016:

7:00 p.m. Bridegroom Service with Hymn of Kassiane
Scheduled Altar Servers: Mitchell Mallas, Zachary Petrogeorge, Matthew Mallas, Jonathan Petrogeorge and Dimitri Savas

Holy Wednesday, April 27, 2016:

9:00 a.m. Presanctified Liturgy

3:00 p.m. Sacrament of Holy Oil (Unction)
Scheduled Altar Servers: Jacob Pananos, Luke Varechok, Jonathan Petrogeorge and Dimitri Savas

7:00 p.m. Sacrament of Holy Oil (Unction)
Scheduled Altar Servers: Dennis Apostole, Thanasi Johnson, Alex Apostole and Zachary Sasich

Holy Thursday, April 28, 2016:

7:30 a.m. Vespertal Liturgy of St. Basil for the Institution of the Mystical Supper

7:00 p.m. Service of the Holy Passion with the Reading of the Twelve Gospels
Scheduled Altar Servers: Jacob Pananos, Mitchell Mallas and Zachary Petrogeorge

Holy Friday, April 29, 2016:

9:30 a.m. Royal Hours

11:00 a.m. Reading of the 9th Hour (followed by Holy Friday youth retreat)
All altar servers scheduled

3:00 p.m. Great Vespers for Christ's Deposition from the Cross
All altar servers scheduled

7:00 p.m. Lamentations Service and Procession
All altar servers scheduled

Holy Saturday, April 30, 2016:

9:00 a.m. Vespertal Liturgy of St. Basil in Anticipation of Christ's Resurrection
All altar servers scheduled

11:00 p.m. Vigil, Resurrection Service, and Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom for the Resurrection (includes reveal of parish name)
All altar servers scheduled

Holy Pascha, Sunday, May 1, 2016:

12:00 Noon Agape Vespers*

*Please contact Fr. Anthony at 385-313-9358 (office) or franthonym@gomissionparishut.org if you wish to read the Agape Vespers Gospel Readings in your Native or Preferred Language. Readers Chosen on a First-Come/First-Served Basis.

YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You!! A heartfelt thank you to Jason Oneida for leading the Goya Lenten Retreat last weekend, and to all of the beautiful young people who attended!

Thank you to Fr. Anthony, Kim Mallas and Amber Pananos for planning and chaperoning, and to Matt Varanakis and Peter and Mary Yannias for helping with the carpool.

And a very special thank you to Fr. John Mahfouz from Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church for stepping in at the last minute to celebrate Divine Liturgy with our parish last Sunday after Fr. Ambrose Omayas got snowed in, and while Fr. Anthony was at the retreat with our youth.

Holy Friday Youth Retreat: Our parish will host its annual Holy Friday Youth Retreat on Friday, April 29, 2016. The retreat will commence at 11:00 a.m. (after the Reading of the 9th Hour) and conclude with Great Vespers for Christ's Deposition from the Cross at 3:00 p.m. The retreat is for all Sunday School aged children and

is open to all Orthodox Christian youth in the valley. Guests are welcome! Please make every effort to have your children attend. Fr. Anthony will provide notes for any children who will need to miss school in order to participate in the retreat.

JOY Meeting: There is no JOY meeting in April due to Holy Week. Our next JOY meeting will be held Tuesday, May 24, 2016, at 6:30 p.m. in our fellowship hall. Please make EVERY effort to have your children in Kindergarten through 6th grades attend.

Camp Emmanuel 2016: Registration is now open for Camp Emmanuel, to be held at Manzano Mountain Retreat in Torreon, New Mexico. The first session (ages 11-14) will be held June 12-18, 2016, and the second session (ages 15-18) will be held June 19-25, 2016.

Registration is \$375. A reduced rate of \$355 is available for siblings within the same immediate family.

To register, or obtain additional information, visit www.youth.denver.goarch.org/ministries/campemmanuel/. Please contact Fr. Anthony at franthony@gomissionparishut.org if your child plans to attend.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Holy Week Books: The Women's Ministry Team has Holy Week books for sale. Cost: \$25. Contact Joanne Dokos at 801-556-2890 or jwdokos@hotmail.com, or Sophie Wondolowski at 801-278-3395 or swondo@comcast.net.

Food Drive: Please continue to bring your donations on the third week of the month (Sunday, May 15, 2016), and know your kindness may be benefiting members of our parish. As noted, we will be donating our food to St. Thomas More's food pantry. If anyone in our parish is in need, please contact Father Anthony who will then guide you to the pantry during their hours of service. Thank you, and if you have any questions or concerns, please contact Pat Daskalas at 801-883-9494.

Paschal (Easter) Visits: If you know of a family member or parishioner who would appreciate a visit from ladies of the

Women's Ministry Team during the Easter season, please send their name, address and contact information to Fr. Anthony at franthony@gomissionparishut.org or Kathy Shand at kmshand4@gmail.com.

Religious Book Lending Library: 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 lisa.apostole@gmail.com.

Community Cookbooks: If you would like to purchase a newly edited reprint of the community cookbook for \$25, please contact Mary Simos at 801-641-2722 or Connie Pantke at 801-890-1080.

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Directory Photos: We would like to add photos to our Parish Directory. Please send digital photos to Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@gomissionparishut.org for inclusion in future editions of the directory.

Weekly Bulletin Announcements: Please send requested announcements for the weekly bulletin to Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@gomissionparishut.org by **Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.**

STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Stewardship 2016: We have received 149 completed cards, with commitments totaling \$264,636 putting us at 110.3% of our budgeted goal!!!!

The Parish Council and Stewardship Ministry Team thank everyone who has helped us achieve this goal so quickly. We are so blessed to have such faithful, dedicated and committed stewards in our parish!

To obtain a stewardship packet, please contact Father Anthony at franthony@gomissionparishut.org. Cards can also be completed online at www.gomissionparishut.org/?page_id=21.

Stewardship 2015: All 2015 statements of giving not picked up during fellowship hour have now been sent via U.S. mail. If you have not received your 2015 statement of giving, please contact

Chris Gounaris at treasurer@gomissionparishut.org and he can send you a copy via email.

PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Daughters of Penelope (DOP) Easter Bread: Michelle Radivoyevich will be selling Tsoureki (Easter bread) on behalf of the DOP during fellowship hour today, Palm Sunday, April 24, 2016. Cost: \$8.00 per loaf.

DOP National Scholarships: 2016 DOP National (undergraduate & graduate) Scholarship applications are now being accepted. Scholarships are available to women who are DOP or Maids of Athena members or who have a current immediate family member who is a member of DOP or AHEPA. If interested, contact daughtersofpenelope79@gmail.com or call national chairman, Antoinette Zacharides at 732-458-8782. The application deadline is May 1, 2016.

Daughters of Minos Mother's Day Luncheon and Fashion Show: Please join the Daughters of Minos for their Annual Mother's Day Luncheon and Fashion Show on Saturday, May 7, 2016, at 11:00 a.m. at the Little America Hotel, 500 South Main Street, Salt Lake City. The fashion show will feature clothes from Chico's and Four and Twenty Sailor. Adults: \$45; Children (12 and under): \$17. Sylvia Zekas will be available to take prepaid reservations during fellowship hour today, Palm Sunday, April 24, 2016. For more information, contact Eleni Maroudas at 801-949-5868 or Jennifer Klonizos at 801-230-8124. We look forward to seeing everyone at this beautiful Mother's Day event!

St. Sophia Summer Adventure Camp: Registration is now open for St. Sophia School's Summer Adventure Camp.

Ages: Pre-K3 (3 years old and toilet trained) through 2nd grade

Location: Saint Sophia School, 5341 South Highland Drive, Holladay

Cost: All Day, Every Session - \$2015; Half Day, Every Session - \$1025; All Day, One Session - \$414; Half Day, One Session - \$210

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. and 12:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. each day. Extended care provided from 7:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. and from 4:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. at a cost of \$8.50 per hour.

Session I: June 13-24, 2016:

Week I: June 13-17, 2016: Green Thumb

Week II: June 20-24, 2016: Lookin' for Cookin'

Session II: June 27-July 8, 2016:

Week I: June 27-July 1, 2016: Splash a Rama

Week II: July 5-July 8, 2016: Budding Architects

Session III: July 11-22, 2016:

Week I: July 11-15, 2016: Forest Friends

Week II: July 18-22, 2016: Spectacular Sports

Session IV: July 25- August 5, 2016:

Week I: July 26-July 29, 2016: Interesting Insects

Week II: August 1-5, 2016: Silly Science

Session V: August 8-August 19, 2016:

Week I: August 8-12, 2016: Jungle Safari

Week II: August 15-19, 2016: Highlights

Space is limited. Sign up for individual two week sessions, or the entire camp. For more information, or to register, visit www.saintsophiaschool.org/2016/03/summer-adventure-camp-at-saint-sophia-school/.

PRAYER LIST

Angela, Athan, Austin, Barbara, Brad, Brooklyn, Charlene, Christopher, Dena, Eleni, George, Joe, Julie Ann, Katherine, Kristina, Kylianna, Linda, Lucca, Luke, Marie, Michael, Nick, Paulette, Presley, Rich, Shirley, Sophie, Sylvia, Toula, William

To add a name to our prayer list, please email Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@gomissionparishut.org.

PARISH CALENDAR

An electronic copy of the parish calendar can be found on the parish website at www.gomissionparishut.org/?page_id=284.

April 2016						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
24 Palm Sunday 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy and Blessing of the Palms Final round of voting for parish name (polls close at 1pm) 7pm Bridegroom Service	25 Holy Monday 7pm Bridegroom Service	26 Holy Tuesday 7pm Bridegroom Service with Hymn of Kassiane	27 Holy Wednesday 9am Presanctified Liturgy 3pm Sacrament of Holy Oil (Unction) 7pm Sacrament of Holy Oil (Unction)	28 Holy Thursday 7:30am Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil for the Institution of the Mystical Supper 7pm Service of the Holy Passion with the Reading of the Twelve Gospels	29 Holy Friday 9:30am Royal Hours 11:00am Reading of the 9 th Hour (followed by Youth Retreat) 3pm Great Vespers for Christ's Deposition from the Cross 7pm Lamentations Service and Procession	30 Holy Saturday 9am Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil in Anticipation of Christ's Resurrection 11:00pm Vigil, Resurrection Service, Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom for the Resurrection (including reveal of parish name)



May 2016						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 Great and Holy Pascha 12 Noon Agape Service	2	3 7pm Choir Practice	4	5	6	7
8 Thomas Sunday 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy Happy Mother's Day!	9	10 7pm Choir Practice	11	12	13 7pm Orthodox Married Life	14
15 Sunday of the Myrrh- Bearing Women 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	16	17 7pm Choir Practice 7pm Women's Ministry Team Meeting (Fellowship Hall)	18	19	20	21
22 Sunday of the Paralytic 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	23	24 6:30pm JOY Meeting 7pm Choir Practice	25	26	27 7pm Parish Family Night	28
29 Sunday of the Samaritan 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	30 Memorial Day	31 7pm Choir Practice				