



## St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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**Sunday, March 26, 2017**

**Sunday of St. John Climacus**

**Orthros: 9:15 a.m.**

**Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.**

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### **Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 6:13-20**

*Prokeimenon. Grave Mode. Psalm 28.11,1*

*The Lord will give strength to his people.*

*Verse: Bring to the Lord, O sons of God, bring to the Lord honor and glory.*



Brethren, when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore to himself, saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." And thus Abraham, having patiently endured, obtained the promise. Men indeed swear by a greater than themselves, and in all their disputes an oath is final for confirmation.

So when God desired to show more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he interposed with an oath, so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God should prove false, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to seize the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

### **Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Mark 9:17-31**



At that time, a man came to Jesus kneeling and saying: "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit; and wherever it seizes him it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring him to

me." And they brought the boy to him; and when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you can do anything, have pity on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting." They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."

### **Hymn for the Saint**

Like warm and gentle rain, your tears of compunction made the desert burst forth in bloom. Your patient endurance made your suff'rings bear fruit one-hundred-fold and your wondrous deeds have filled all the world with light. O holy father John, intercede with Christ our God to save our souls. (Liturgy book page 139)

### **Hymns at Small Entrance**

#### *Resurrectional Apolytikion*

By Your cross, O Lord, You destroyed death; to the thief You opened paradise. The myrrh-bearers' sorrow You transformed in to joy, and You sent Your apostles forth to proclaim that You had

risen from the dead, Christ our God, bestowing on all the world Your great mercy. (Liturgy Book page 123)

#### *Entrance Hymn*

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who rose from the dead. Save us who sing to You: Alleluia. (Liturgy Book page 37)

### **Hymn for the Church**

O God-minded Anna, you bore the pure Mother of God, the one who within her conceived the Conceiver of life itself. You were therefore transported to a place now in heaven. Joyful ones all reside there in the home of all gladness, asking for forgiveness for those who honor you, O blessed one.

### **Kontakion**

To You the Champion Commander, I Your City, Inscribe victorious anthems of thanksgiving. For deliverance from sufferings, Theotokos. In as much as you have power unassailable, From all manner of dangers set me free; That I may cry out to you, Rejoice Bride unwedded.

### **Megalynarion**

In you, O woman full of grace, all creation rejoices, the orders of angels and the race of mankind. O hallow'd temple and spiritual paradise, glory of virginal souls, from you our God was incarnate and became a child, He who is God from all ages. By making your womb His throne He made you more spacious, more spacious than all the heavens. In you, O woman full of grace all creation, all creation rejoices. Glory to you. (Liturgy Book page 299)

### **Communion Hymn**

Praise the Lord, praise the Lord from the heavens; praise Him, praise Him in the highest (3). Alleluia. (Liturgy Book page 83)

## Dismissal Hymn

Lord, grant long life to him who blesses us and sanctifies us.  
(Liturgy Book page 95)

**Orthodox Saints Commemorated on March 26:** Venerable John Climacus; Synaxis of the Archangel Gabriel; 26 Martyrs of Gothia in Crimea; Hieromartyr Irenaeus the Bishop of Sirmium; Venerable Basil the Younger near Constantinople; Martyrs Montanus & his wife, Maxima at Sirmium; St. Malchus of Chalcis in Syria; New Martyr George of Sofia; Martyrs Quadratus, Emmanuel, Theodosius and 40 others under Diocletian; and, Felicitas the nun of Padua.

**Altar Servers:** All altar servers are invited and encouraged to serve each week. Please see the recently distributed email for Holy Week assignments and remember that altar servers are also needed for the Presanctified Liturgy and Salutations services held each Wednesday and Friday during Great Lent.

Please plan to attend our Altar Server Lenten Training Retreat on Saturday of Lazarus, April 8, 2017, immediately following the Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom. This retreat is extremely important for all altar servers wishing to serve during Holy Week.

## **Memorial Services:**

*Today, Sunday, March 26, 2017:* Michael S. Zervos (27 years); Stephania A. Zervos (10 years); Demetra P. Zervos (8 years); Mary B. Adondakis (7 years); Mitchell Makris (1 year); Demetra Thimakis (9 months).

To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony at 801-824-3987 (mobile), or 385-313-9358 (office), or [franthony@stannagocutah.org](mailto:franthony@stannagocutah.org).

**Fellowship Hour:** Thank you to Raji and Colette Khoury, Bob and Kris Parenti, Bruce and Kathy Shand, Steve and Myra Shenk, Ron and Julie Steele, and Elaine Zambos for hosting this week's fellowship hour. Please join us!

The fellowship hour on Sunday, April 2, 2017, will be hosted by Cathy Douros, Raji and Collette Khoury, Bob and Kris Parenti, Elaine Peterson, and Joe and Myra Varanakis.

If you would like to host the fellowship hour, please contact Carolyn Leitko at [csleitko@gmail.com](mailto:csleitko@gmail.com).

**Epistle Reading:** Today's epistle reader is Anna Drossos.

**Communion Ushering Reminder:** All those who are prepared and wish to receive communion should wait to be ushered from their rows by a member of the Parish Council. *Sunday School children and teachers will be ushered out, front to back, row by row, by a member of the Parish Council.* The remainder of the parishioners wishing to receive communion will then be ushered out, front to back, row by row, by a member of the Parish Council. Your cooperation in this process is appreciated.

**Amazon Smile Donations to St. Anna:** Good news! Our parish is now set up to receive donations through Amazon Smile!

For those not aware, Amazon Smile is a program where Amazon users can have a small percentage of their purchases on Amazon donated to the charity of their choice. All you have to do is make your regular Amazon purchases through [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) and designate St. Anna as your charity of choice. You receive the exact same low prices, vast selection and convenient shopping experience as Amazon.com (and Amazon Prime benefits for those who are members) with the added bonus that Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price to St. Anna!

Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/47-1002380> to register and/or select St. Anna as your charity of choice today!

**Save the Date - Spring Parish Assembly:** The Spring Parish Assembly will be held on Sunday, May 7, 2017, immediately following the fellowship hour.

**Save the Date - Parish Fishing Trip:** The annual parish fishing trip will be held July 6-9, 2017, at Strawberry Reservoir. Further details to come!

## LENTEN, HOLY WEEK AND PASCHAL DONATIONS

Donations are requested for the following items:

### Lent:

Daffodils for Sunday of the Holy Cross	\$125.00
Flowers for Salutations to the Theotokos	5 @ \$100.00
Incense for Lent, Holy Week & Pascha	\$100.00

### Palm Sunday:

Palm Strips for Crosses and Decorative Palms	\$200.00
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### Holy Week:

Flowers for Bridegroom Icon	\$225.00
Floral Wreath for the Crucifix	\$175.00
12 Candles - Service of 12 Gospels	\$5.00 each
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
Rose Water for Lamentation Service	\$25.00
One Case Sacramental Wine	\$150.00
Gardenias for Holy Friday and Holy Saturday	\$200.00
Easter Lilies for the Solea	\$250.00
Hand Held Candles: Holy Friday/Pascha	\$TBA
Altar Candles for Paschal Season	\$200.00
Two Cases of Brown Eggs for the Anastasi	\$50.00
Ribbon & Net for Eggs	\$50.00
Flowers for Kouvouklion (Holy Friday)	\$1,250.00

Thank you in advance for contributing towards the dignity and beauty of our divine services. Please return your Donation in the

Memorial Envelope available at the pangari (narthex counter) and 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.

If more funds are collected than requested, excess monies will be placed in the Benevolence/Altar Fund. We will print the full amount collected in the Weekly Bulletin following Pasha (Easter).

## LENTEN SERVICE SCHEDULE

### Monday, March 27, 2017:

Great Compline: 7:00 p.m.

### Wednesday, March 29, 2017:

Presanctified Liturgy: 7:00 p.m.

### Friday, March 31, 2017:

The Akathist Hymn: 7:00 p.m.

## HOLY WEEK SERVICE SCHEDULE

### Saturday of Lazarus, April 8, 2017:

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom: 10:30 a.m.

### Palm Sunday, April 9, 2017:

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom: 10:30 a.m.

Bridegroom Service: 7:00 p.m.

### Holy Monday, April 10, 2017:

Bridegroom Service: 7:00 p.m.

### Holy Tuesday, April 11, 2017:

Bridegroom Service with Hymn of Kassiane: 7:00 p.m.

### Holy Wednesday, April 12, 2017:

Presanctified Liturgy: 9:30 a.m.

Sacrament of Holy Oil (Unction): 3:00 p.m. and 7:00 p.m.

Holy Thursday, April 13, 2017:

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

Service of the Holy Passion with the Reading of the Twelve Gospels: 7:00 p.m.

Holy Friday, April 14, 2017:

Royal Hours: 9:00 a.m.

Reading of the 9<sup>th</sup> Hour: 11:00 a.m.

Great Vespers for the Deposition from the Holy Cross: 3:00 p.m.

Lamentations Service and Procession: 7:00 p.m.

Holy Saturday, April 15, 2017:

Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil in Anticipation of Christ's Resurrection: 9:00 a.m.

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

Easter (Pascha) Sunday, April 16, 2017:

Agape Vespers: 12:00 Noon

### **OTHER UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES**

Friday, April 21, 2017

Theotokos the Life Giving Spirit

Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

### **PROJECT MEXICO MISSION TRIP**

Our parish's trip to Project Mexico has been scheduled for August 16-22, 2017. (Participants will depart the morning on Wednesday, August 16 and return the evening of Tuesday, August 22). We need 15 volunteers aged 15 and up who are willing to put in a little hard work and to literally build a home for a needy family. Each volunteer will need to raise approximately \$800 to \$1,000 for the trip. (Watch for details about our Palm Sunday Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser!)

Project Mexico is a wonderful chance to participate in the construction of a home for a family in need. This task will

include a variety of different jobs and opportunities, such as mixing cement, sawing, driving nails, painting, meeting the recipient family, and playing with the neighborhood children. We will be housed in tents (to be determined if we need to provide) at St. Innocent Orphanage where you will have the opportunity to meet the staff who work there and the boys who live there. The first night will be dinner in town. All other evenings will be spent together talking about the missionary experience and getting to know one another on the Orphanage. There will also be limited time for shopping.

The home will be approximately 21' X 11' and will be completed in four days. Day 1 will be mixing, tamping and floating the concrete for the foundation. Day 2 will be building the walls and rafters. Day 3 will be wrapping the house in chicken wire, stucco, roofing, windows and doors. Day 4 will be the final touches and the blessing of the house. No construction experience is needed, just the ability to work hard and play hard.

St. Innocent Orphanage is located near Rosarito, Mexico, just south of Tijuana. Everyone must have or get a Passport Book or Passport Card to cross the border. This will be a very uplifting, spiritual, bonding and rewarding mission that will create memories that will last a lifetime.

We only have until April 30 to organize, coordinate, plan, fundraise and pay for this mission. So please contact Christopher Zambos at 801-913-5916 or [zambosfamily@comcast.net](mailto:zambosfamily@comcast.net) or Fr. Anthony Savas at (801) 824-3987 or [franthony@stannagocutah.org](mailto:franthony@stannagocutah.org) if you would like to volunteer or have further questions. And if for any reason you are unable to come on the trip, please consider a monetary donation to help get someone else there in your stead.

## PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, March 26, 2017: Narthex: Mike Daskalas and Mike Petrogeorge; Front Ushers: Perry Drossos and Joe Sasich; Sunday School Ushers: Myra Shenk and Steve Simos; At Large: Charles Beck

Sunday, April 2, 2017: Narthex: Nick Daskalas and Craig Stagg, Front Ushers: Perry Drossos and Joe Sasich; Sunday School Ushers: Mike Daskalas and Myra Shenk; At-Large/Middle Usher: Carolyn Leitko

Next Parish Council Meeting: Monday, April 24, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

## MUSIC MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Choir Practice: The next choir practice will be held on Thursday, March 30, 2017, at 1:00 p.m. Contact Sophie Wondolowski at [swondo@comcast.net](mailto:swondo@comcast.net) with questions.

## STEWARDSHIP MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

To date, we have received 143 stewardship commitment cards with commitments totaling \$287,164! **If you have not yet submitted your stewardship commitment card for 2017, please prayerfully consider your time, talent and treasure commitments and submit your card as soon as possible so that we can proceed as budgeted in the new year.** Our continued growth, success and faithful witness is only possible through healthy and spiritually-oriented Stewardship. God loves a cheerful giver! (2 Corinthians 9:7)

## WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women's Ministry Team Meeting and Koliva (memorial wheat) Cooking Demonstration: Please join us for the next Women's Ministry Team meeting, and learn how to make koliva! Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Save the Date - Women's Ministry Team Membership Tea: Mark your calendars now for the Annual Women's Ministry Team

Membership Tea on Saturday, May 6, 2017. Further details to coming soon!

Women's Ministry Team Meeting: The next Women's Ministry Team meeting will be held on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

## YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank You - GOYA Retreat: Thanks to everyone who participated in the GOYA Lenten Retreat this past weekend. And a very special thank you to our retreat leader, Anna Teodosiadis from Holy Hellenic College, and to Fr. Anthony Savas, Kim Mallas, Jonathan Mau, Cindy Johnson and Nick Tsagalakis for their assistance in planning, chaperoning, cooking and otherwise assisting over the course of the weekend. It was a fun and spiritual time for all those who attended!



Save the Date - Camp Emmanuel 2017: Mark your calendars now for the Metropolis of Denver's Camp Emmanuel: **Senior Session: June 11-17, 2017 (Ages 15-18); Junior Session: June 18-24, 2017 (Ages 11-14).** Early bird registration is now open and continues through March 30, 2017.

Visit [www.youth.denver.goarch.org/events/2017-events/2017-camp-emmanuel-home/](http://www.youth.denver.goarch.org/events/2017-events/2017-camp-emmanuel-home/) or contact Fr. Anthony at 801-824-3987 or [franthy@stannagocutah.org](mailto:franthy@stannagocutah.org) for more information.

### **FOREVER YOUNG FELLOWSHIP**

The Forever Young Fellowship will meet on the third Thursday of each month. The next meeting will be held on Thursday, April 20, 2017, at 11:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall.

### **ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Adult Bible Study, Orthodox Married Life (OML), and Parish Family Night: Adult Bible Study, OML and Parish Family Night will resume after Pascha (Easter).

### **COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Parish Mobile App: The St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church's mobile app is live and available for free download.

Apple App Store: <https://itunes.apple.com/us/app/st-anna-greek-orthodox-church/id1140666277?ls=1&mt=8>

Google Play: [https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.conduit.app\\_fa0fc07216b24e93b1993aa947209c07.app](https://play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.conduit.app_fa0fc07216b24e93b1993aa947209c07.app)

The mobile app is a great way to keep up with the news and events of our parish. Install it today!

Weekly Bulletin Announcements: Please send requested announcements for next week's bulletin to Michael Petrogeorge at [secretary@stannagocutah.org](mailto:secretary@stannagocutah.org) by **Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.**

### **PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Saint Thomas More Lenten Fish Fry Dinners: Our friends at St. Thomas More Catholic Church invite all to participate in their last Lenten fish fry dinner of the season, to be held on March 31, 2017. The doors open at 5:30 p.m. and dinner will be served until 8:00 p.m. Cost: \$9 for those over 12; \$6 for those 12 and under.

Save the Date - Daughters of Minos Mothers' Day Luncheon: The annual Daughters of Minos Luncheon and Fashion Show will be held on Saturday, May 13, 2017, at 11:00 a.m. at Little America Hotel, 500 Main Street, Salt Lake City. Mary Feotis will take reservations during fellowship hour commencing Sunday, April 9, 2017. More information to come!

Project Mexico & St. Innocent Orphanage Donations: Please keep Project Mexico in mind for your charitable giving this year. Several generous supporters have committed to donate a 1-to-1 match on every dollar donated up to \$150,000, so your help will be doubled. Most our expenses are covered by donations so your help makes a big impact. Donations can be made online at <https://www.projectmexico.org/donate/>

### **PRAYER LIST**

Alex, Ange, Bill, Brad, Dan, Dena, Fr. Jimi, Georgiann, Gregory, Gus, Heather, Irene, Joe, John, Judy, Kris, Kristen, Kristina, Luke, Madeline, Mary, Matthew, Melissa, Mercy, Paisley, Preston, Sharon, Sophia, Tami, Tom, Toula

To add a name to our prayer list, please email Michael Petrogeorge at [secretary@stannagocutah.org](mailto:secretary@stannagocutah.org).

### **PARISH CALENDAR**

Visit [www.stannagocutah.org/?page\\_id=1663](http://www.stannagocutah.org/?page_id=1663) to obtain an electronic copy of the parish calendar.

March/April 2017						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
26 Sunday of St. John Climacus 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	27 Great Compline 7pm	28	29 Presanctified Liturgy 7pm	30 Choir Practice 1pm	31 Akathist Hymn 7pm	1

April 2017						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
2 <b>Sunday of St. Mary of Egypt</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	3	4	5	6 <b>Choir Practice</b> 1pm	7	8 <b>Saturday of Lazarus</b> 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom (followed by tying of palm crosses)  <b>Altar Server Retreat</b> (immediately following Liturgy)
9 <b>Palm Sunday</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy  <b>Bridegroom Service</b> 7pm	10 <b>Holy Monday</b>  <b>Bridegroom Service</b> 7pm	11 <b>Holy Tuesday</b>  <b>Bridegroom Service with Hymn of Kassiane</b> 7pm	12 <b>Holy Wednesday</b>  <b>Presanctified Liturgy</b> 9:30am  <b>Sacrament of Holy Oil (Unction)</b> 3pm and 7pm	13 <b>Holy Thursday</b>  <b>Vespertal Liturgy of St. Basil for the Institution of the Mystical Supper</b> 7:30am  <b>Service of the Holy Passion with the Reading of the Twelve Gospels</b> 7pm	14 <b>Holy Friday</b>  <b>Royal Hours</b> 9am  <b>Youth Retreat</b> 11am-3pm (begins with the reading of the 9 <sup>th</sup> Hour)  <b>Great Vespers for the Deposition from the Cross</b> 3pm  <b>Lamentations Service and Procession</b> 7pm	15 <b>Holy Saturday</b>  <b>Vespertal Liturgy of St. Basil in Anticipation of Christ's Resurrection</b> 9am  <b>Vigil, Resurrection Service, Divine Liturgy of St. John Chrysostom for the Resurrection</b> 11pm
16 <b>Great and Holy Pascha (Easter)</b>  <b>Christ Is Risen!</b>  <b>Agape Vespers</b> 12 noon	17	18 <b>Women's Ministry Team Meeting</b> 7pm	19	20 <b>Young at Heart</b> 11:30am  <b>Choir Practice</b> 1pm	21 <b>Theotokos the Life Giving Spirit</b> 9:30am Orthros / 10:30 am Divine Liturgy	22

April 2017						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
23 <b>Thomas Sunday</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	24 <b>Parish Council Meeting</b> 7pm	25	26	27	28	29
30 <b>Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy						

May 2017						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3 <b>Adult Bible Study</b> 7pm	4 <b>Choir Practice</b> 1pm	5	6
7 <b>Sunday of the Paralytic</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy  <b>Spring Parish Assembly</b> (immediately following fellowship hour)	8	9	10 <b>Adult Bible Study</b> 7pm	11 <b>Choir Practice</b> 1pm	12 <b>Orthodox Married Life (OML)</b> 7pm	13
14 <b>Happy Mother's Day!</b>  <b>Sunday of the Samaritan Woman</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	15	16 <b>Women's Ministry Team Meeting</b> 7pm	17 <b>Adult Bible Study</b> 7pm	18 <b>Young at Heart</b> 11:30am  <b>Choir Practice</b> 1pm	19	20