



## St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

3015 E. Creek Road, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84093

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11th Sunday of Luke



December 17, 2017

and

Sunday before Nativity

December 24, 2017

Orthros: 9:15 a.m.

Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

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### READINGS AND HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2017

**Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Colossians 3:4-11**

*Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Daniel 3.26,27*

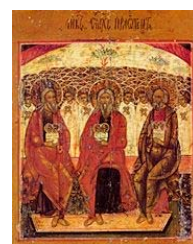
*Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers.*

*Verse: For you are just in all you have done.*



Brethren, when Christ who is our life appears, then you also will appear with him in glory. Put to death therefore what is earthly in you: fornication, impurity, passion, evil desire, and covetousness, which is idolatry. On account of these the wrath of God is coming upon the sons of disobedience. In these you once walked, when you lived in them. But now put them all away; anger, wrath, malice, slander, and foul talk from your mouth. Do not lie to one another, seeing that you have put off the old nature with its practices and have put on the new nature, which is being renewed in knowledge after the image of its creator. Here there cannot be Greek and Jew, circumcised and uncircumcised, barbarian, Scythian, slave, free man, but Christ is all, and in all.

**Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Luke 14:16-24**



The Lord said this parable: "A man once gave a great banquet, and invited many; and at the time of the banquet he sent his servant to say to those who had been invited, 'Come; for all is now ready.' But they all alike began to make excuses. The first said to him, 'I have bought a field, and I go out and see it; I pray you, have me excused.' And another said, 'I have bought five yoke of oxen, and I must go to examine them; I pray you, have me excused.' And another said, 'I have married a wife, and therefore I cannot come.' So the servant came and reported this to his master. Then the householder in anger said to his servant, 'Go out quickly to the streets and lanes of the city, and bring in the poor and maimed

and blind and lame.’ And the servant said, ‘Sir, what you commanded has been done, and there is still room.’ And the master said to the servant, ‘Go out to the highways and hedges, and compel people to come in, that my house may be filled. For I tell you, none of those men who were invited shall taste my banquet. For many are called, but few are chosen.’”

### **Resurrectional Apolytikion**

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord has shown the mighty power of His arm. He has trampled down death by death, becoming the firstborn of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell and has granted to all the world His great mercy. (Liturgy Book page 107)

### **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 Ancestors of Christ**

By their faith you justified Your ancestors, Christ our God, and through them, of old you betrothed to Yourself the Church brought together from the nations. Let these saints rejoice in glory, for from their seed has come forth a noble fruit, she who gave You birth without seed. Through their prayers, Christ our God, save our souls. (Liturgy Book page 187)

### **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**

Today the Virgin goes forth, making her way to a cave where from her, ineffably, God the eternal Word will be born. Let the

world be filled with joy, hearing these tidings. Joining the angels and shepherds let us give glory to Him who is God from all ages, yet wills to be seen as a little child. (Liturgy Book page 241)

### **Megalynarion (Hymn for the Theotokos)**

It is truly right to call you blessed, O Theotokos, ever blessed, most pure and the mother, the mother of our God. More honorable than the cherubim, and more glorious beyond compare than the seraphim. In virginity you gave birth to God, to God the Word. Truly the Theotokos, we magnify you, we magnify you. (Liturgy Book page 69)

### **Communion Hymn - Psalm 148**

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

### **Hymn after Holy Communion**

We have seen the true light; we have received the heavenly Spirit; we have found the true faith, worshiping the undivided Trinity, for the Trinity has saved us. (Liturgy Book page 87)

### **Dismissal Hymn**

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

### **READINGS AND HYMNS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24, 2017**

#### **Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:9-10; 32-40**

*Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Daniel 3.26,27*

*Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers.*

*Verse: For you are just in all you have done.*



Brethren, by faith Abraham sojourned in the land of promise, as in a foreign land, living in tents with Isaac and Jacob, heirs with him of the same promise. For he looked forward to the city which has foundation, whose builder and maker is God. And what more shall I say? For time would fail me

to tell of Gideon, Barak, Samson, Jephthah, of David and Samuel and the prophets—who through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated—of whom the world was not worthy—wandering over deserts and mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect.

**Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Matthew 1:1-25**



The book of the genealogy of Jesus Christ, the son of David, the son of Abraham. Abraham was the father of Isaac, and Isaac the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Judah and his brothers, and Judah the father of Perez and Zerah by Tamar, and Perez the father of Hezron, and Hezron the father of Ram, and Ram the father of Ammin'adab, and Ammin'adab the father of Nahshon, and Nahshon the father of Salmon, and Salmon the father of Bo'az by Rahab, and Bo'az the father of Obed by Ruth, and Obed the father of Jesse, and Jesse the father of David the king. And David was the father of Solomon by the wife of Uri'ah, and Solomon the father of Rehobo'am, and Rehobo'am the father of Abi'jah, and Abi'jah the father of Asa, and Asa the father of Jehosh'aphat, and Jehosh'aphat the father of Joram, and Joram the father of Uzzi'ah, and Uzzi'ah the father of Jotham, and Jotham the father of Ahaz, and Ahaz the father of Hezeki'ah, and Hezeki'ah the father of Manas'seh, and Manas'seh the father of Amos, and Amos the

father of Josi'ah, and Josi'ah the father of Jechoni'ah and his brothers, at the time of the deportation to Babylon. And after the deportation to Babylon: Jechoni'ah was the father of Sheal'tiel, and Sheal'tiel the father of Zerub'babel, and Zerub'babel the father of Abi'ud, and Abi'ud the father of Eli'akim, and Eli'akim the father of Azor, and Azor the father of Zadok, and Zadok the father of Achim, and Achim the father of Eli'ud, and Eli'ud the father of Elea'zar, and Elea'zar the father of Matthan, and Matthan the father of Jacob, and Jacob the father of Joseph the husband of Mary, of whom Jesus was born, who is called Christ. So all the generations from Abraham to David were fourteen generations, and from David to the deportation to Babylon fourteen generations, and from the deportation to Babylon to the Christ fourteen generations. Now the birth of Jesus Christ took place in this way. When his mother Mary had been betrothed to Joseph, before they came together she was found to be with child of the Holy Spirit; and her husband Joseph, being a just man and unwilling to put her to shame, resolved to divorce her quietly. But as he considered this, behold, an angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream, saying, "Joseph, son of David, do not fear to take Mary your wife, for that which is conceived in her is of the Holy Spirit; she will bear a son, and you shall call his name Jesus, for he will save his people from their sins." All this took place to fulfil what the Lord had spoken by the prophet: "Behold, a virgin shall conceive and bear a son, and his name shall be called Emman'uel" (which means, God with us). When Joseph woke from sleep, he did as the angel of the Lord commanded him; he took his wife, but knew her not until she had borne a son; and he called his name Jesus.

**Resurrectional Apolytikion**

The joyful news of Your resurrection was proclaimed by the angel to the women disciples. Having thrown off the curse that fell on Adam, they ran elatedly to tell the apostles: Death has been vanquished; Christ our God is risen from the dead, blessing all the world with His great mercy. (Liturgy Book page 111)

### **Entrance Hymn**

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### **Hymn for the Forefeast**

As she carried in her womb what she conceived without seed, Mary went to Bethlehem with elder Joseph to enroll, for they were of the house and lineage of David. The time arrived for her to give birth to her Child; but then there was no place in the inn for them. Therefore the grotto served as a luxurious royal palace for the Queen. And Christ the Lord is born, to raise the image which was formerly fallen.

### **Hymn for the Sunday before the Nativity of the Lord**

How great is the pow'r of faith. By faith three young men rejoice in flames as if in refreshing water, and Daniel in the lions' den is like a shepherd with his sheep. Through their prayers, Christ our God, save our souls. (Liturgy Book page 195)

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**Orthodox Saints Commemorated on December 17:** The Holy Forefathers of Christ; Prophet Daniel & the 3 Holy Youths: Ananias, Azarias, & Misael; Venerable Dionysius of Zakynthos; Martyrs Paternuthius, Copris & Alexander of Egypt; Stephen the Confessor of Spain & Egypt; New Martyr Niketas of Nyssa; Martyr Bacchus of Triglia; and, Begga the Foundress of Andenne.

**Orthodox Saints Commemorated on December 24:** Martyrs Eugenia of Rome, her father Philip, Protus, Hyacinth, Vasila & Claudia at Alexandria; New Martyr Ahmet the Calligrapher of Constantinople; Venerables Antiochus & Aphrodisios of Palestine; Agapios the Younger of Dimitsana; Holy Father Bitimios of Skete; Venerable Nicholas the Soldier of Bulgaria; Righteous Tarsila of Rome; Martyr Achaicus; Princess Adela the Abbess of Trier; and, Princess Irmina the Abbess of Oehren.

**Fellowship Hour:** The fellowship hour on Sunday, December 17, 2017, will be our Breakfast with Santa hosted by the local chapter of AHEPA. Please join us!

On Sunday, December 24, 2017, the Parish Council will provide light refreshments. Please join us!

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

*Please note that we have several parishioners, including children, with severe nut allergies. Please avoid foods with nuts or clearly label any item that may contain nuts.*

### **Memorial Services - May Their Memories Be Eternal:**

Sunday, December 17, 2017: Carson Tate (40 days)

Sunday, December 24, 2017: Gust Karellas (64 years); Tony Kalivas (20 years); Anna Karellas (14 years); Patricia Torres (9 years); JoAnn Karellas (9 years); Helen Kalivas (8 years); Gust Kalivas (4 years); Mary Kalivas (1 year)

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

**Communion Ushering:** 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. *Our Sunday School students and teachers will be ushered for communion first, front to back, row by row, by a member of the Parish Council.* The rest of the parishioners will then be ushered for communion, front to back, row by row, by a member of the Parish Council. Please allow our Sunday School students and teachers to take communion first so they can get to their classes. Your cooperation in this process is appreciated!

**Church Etiquette Reminder:** Please remember that no one should enter the church during the Small Entrance, the Great Entrance, the Epistle Reading, the Gospel Reading, or the Creed. Please remain in the hallway, narthex or fellowship hall during these parts of the Divine Liturgy if you have not already entered the church. Thank you!

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Family Gala Thank You:** The Parish extends a very special Thank You to the committee who worked so hard to plan and put on the Family Gala held on Saturday, December 9, 2017: Elaine Zambos (Chairperson); RaJean Higginson (Asst. Chairperson); Elizabeth Beck; Fr. Anthony Savas; Myra Varanakis; Sophie Wondolowski; and Sylvia Zekas.

Thank you to the wonderful ladies who helped serve dinner and/or made the cupcakes: Elizabeth Beck; Aphrodite Daskalas; Pat Daskalas; Joanne Dokos; Mary Feotis; Mary Ford; RaJean Higginson; Alisanne Korologos; Carolyn Leitko; Georgiann Petrogeorge; Tina Sergakis; Kathy Shand; Myra Shenk; Kim Souvall; Julie Steele; Sophie Wondolowski; and Sylvia Zekas.

Thank you to the volunteers who assisted with set up, reservations and check-in, and clean up for the event: Charles Beck; Elizabeth Beck; Nick Daskalas; Pat Daskalas; Joanne Dokos; Sophie Gibson; RaJean Higginson; Chuck Karpakis; Goldie Karpakis; Dena Savas; George Sergakis; Paulette Stagg; Kim Souvall; and Julie Steele.

Thank you to the following for their in-kind donations: Elizabeth Beck; The Chris Dokos Band; RaJean Higginson; Michael Petrogeorge; Peter and Nicole Mouskondis; Sophie Wondolowski; and Elaine Zambos.

Last, but certainly not least, a very special thank you to His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah and Deacon Paul Zaharas for visiting our parish and attending the event, and to everyone who came to welcome them and celebrate the Conception of the Theotokos by St. Anna, one of our Parish feast days.

**Sunday School Refreshments:** There has been an ongoing effort in our St. Anna Sunday School program to address the need to give nutrition to our children following the Divine Liturgy. The day can be very long for them if they participate in Church, go to class, then to dance and are not given the opportunity to eat something. Often times, there is little, or no food left for them as

they come out of Sunday School Classes. The following program will be put into place, beginning this Sunday:

Parents are asked to sign up to bring snacks for the Sunday School, similarly to those who sign up for Fellowship Hour. The snacks will be provided to the children as they enter the hallway from church, on their way TO class. The Sunday School will provide drinks, and the parent signed up for the week is asked to provide light snacks that could consist of crackers, fruit, string cheese, Gogurts, or other simple/healthy snacks.

*Parents, please keep in mind that this is not intended to serve as a complete meal.* If your child has specific dietary needs, they should be addressed personally so you can provide for your child(ren) what would be most beneficial to their needs.

If one Sunday School family per week participates in providing a snack and every Sunday School family signs up, the rotation would be about once every two years. Some parents have already signed up, so we encourage your prayerful participation. Please see Beverly Bartel during our Fellowship Hour to sign up and participate in this ongoing opportunity to serve the needs of our youth.

#### **IMPORTANT SUNDAY SCHOOL DATES**

Sunday School Christmas Program and  
Breakfast with Santa (hosted by AHEPA)  
Sunday, December 17, 2017

No classes on Sunday, December 24, 2017 or  
Sunday, December 31, 2017

**Save the Date - Special Parish Assembly:** Mark your calendars to join us for a Special Parish Assembly on Sunday, January 14, 2018, immediately following fellowship hour. The purpose of the meeting will be to review the parish's previously approved long range plan and further discuss a parcel of land available for

acquisition and located at 223 East 11000 South, Sandy. Parishioners are encouraged to visit this property prior to the meeting.

#### **Online Credit Card and ACH (Automated Clearing House)**

**Giving Options:** We are pleased to announce that you can now make stewardship payments and other donations (including donations to the Altar/Benevolence Fund and St. Anna Capital Campaign Fund) via credit card or ACH payment. Visit [stannagocutah.org/?page\\_id=2666](http://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=2666) to make a one-time donation or set up reoccurring payments. Donations can also be made through the Vanco Give+ Mobile App. Please contact Nick Daskalas, Parish Council Treasurer, at [treasurer@stannagocutah.org](mailto:treasurer@stannagocutah.org) with any questions.

**Stock Donations:** Our parish is now set up to receive marketable securities donations. Such donations will be received and handled in accordance with the financial policies adopted by the Parish Assembly. Please contact Nick Daskalas at [treasurer@stannagocutah.org](mailto:treasurer@stannagocutah.org) for further details.

**Amazon Smile Donations to St. Anna:** 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 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 [smile.amazon.com/ch/47-1002380](http://smile.amazon.com/ch/47-1002380) to register and/or select St. Anna as your charity of choice today!

## HOLIDAY SERVICE SCHEDULE

Friday, December 22, 2017

Orthros and Royal Hours for the Nativity of Christ  
9:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 23, 2017

Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ  
Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Great Vespers  
5:00 p.m.

Sunday, December 24, 2017

Sunday Before Nativity  
Orthros: 9:15 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

Great Vespers for the Nativity of Christ  
5:00 p.m.

Monday, December 25, 2017

Feast of the Nativity of Christ  
Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy of St. Basil the Great: 10:30 a.m.

Friday, January 5, 2018

Forefeast of the Theophany of Christ  
Orthros and Royal Hours for the Theophany of Christ  
9:30 a.m.

Vespers of St. Basil the Great and the Lesser Blessing of the Waters  
6:00 p.m.

Saturday, January 6, 2018

Feast of the Theophany of Christ  
Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy and the Great Blessing of the Waters: 10:30 a.m.

## OTHER UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES

Wednesday, December 27, 2017

St. Stephen the First Deacon and First Martyr  
Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Monday, January 1, 2018

The Circumcision of Christ / St. Basil the Great  
Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Wednesday, January 17, 2018

St. Anthony the Great  
Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, January 18, 2018

Ss. Athanasios and Cyril  
Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

## PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, December 17, 2017: Narthex: Mike Daskalas and Perry Drossos; Front Ushers: Steve Simos and Julie Steele; Sunday School Ushers: Nick Daskalas and Michael Petrogeorge; At-Large/Middle Usher: Carolyn Leitko

Sunday, December 24, 2017: Narthex: Michael Petrogeorge and Myra Shenk; Front Ushers: Perry Drossos and Craig Stagg; At-Large/Middle Usher: Charles Beck

Parish Council Meeting Schedule: The Parish Council will meet on Monday, December 18, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. and on Monday, January 15, 2018, at 7:00 p.m., in the fellowship hall.

## MUSIC MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chanting Class/Practice: Chanting class/practice has concluded for 2017. The first chanting class/practice of the new year will be held on Monday, January 8, 2018, at 7:00 p.m.

Choir Practice: The last choir practice of this year will be held on Thursday, December 28, 2017. The first choir practice of the new year will be held on Thursday, January 11, 2018, at 1:00 p.m.

Contact Sophie Wondolowski at [swondo@comcast.net](mailto:swondo@comcast.net) with questions.

### YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

GOYA Ice Skating, Christmas Party and Gift Exchange: Please join us at 2:00 p.m. on Sunday, December 17, 2017, for ice skating at the Gallivan Center, 239 Main Street, Salt Lake City. After skating (at 4:30 p.m.) we will gather for a Christmas Party and White Elephant Gift Exchange at the home of Charleigh Varanakis, 2001 S. Wyoming Street, Salt Lake City. For the gift exchange, please bring a gift (valued under \$10.00) that you yourself would be happy to receive. Join us! Have fun! Merry Christmas!

GOYA Service Project: Please join us on Friday, December 29, 2017, at 6:00 p.m. to help set up for the Parish Family Night Pre-New Year's Eve Party to be held later that evening.

Greek Orthodox Youth of America (GOYA) Meeting: Please join us for our next monthly meeting on Tuesday, January 9, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. at the home of Katherine Smirnov, 8515 South Danish Road, Cottonwood Heights.

Junior Orthodox Youth (JOY): There is no JOY meeting scheduled for December. Our next monthly JOY meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 23, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

### WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women's Ministry Team Meeting: There is no Women's Ministry Team meeting in December. Please join us for the next Women's Ministry Team Meeting on Tuesday, January 16, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Vasilopita Sunday: The Women's Ministry Team invites you to participate in Vasilopita Sunday immediately following Divine Liturgy on Sunday, January 7, 2018. Come enjoy a nice lunch and support the live auction of deliciously homemade Vasilopita breads and cakes. Proceeds will benefit St. Basil Academy,

St. Anna Capital Campaign, and the Women's Ministry Team. Please contact Sophie Wondolowski at 801-278-3395 or [swondo@comcast.net](mailto:swondo@comcast.net) if you would like to donate Vasilopita for this event.

Save the Date - Apokreas/Mardi Gras: Our annual Apokreas/Mardi Gras party will be held on Saturday, February 10, 2018. Details to come soon!

### FOLK DANCE MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Folk Dance Practice: Our dance practices have concluded for 2017. The first dance practice of 2018 will be held on January 7, 2018. Your consistent attendance at dance practice is appreciated as we conclude preparations for our first performances at the Apokreas/Mardi Gras party on February 10, 2018. Please contact Connie Cayias, our Folk Dance Ministry Team Program Director, at [connie.cayias@gmail.com](mailto:connie.cayias@gmail.com) with any questions.

### ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Study: The last bible study class of the year will be held on Wednesday, December 20, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. The first class of the new year will be held on Wednesday, January 10, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. Please join us!

Orthodox Spirituality Inquirer's Class: The last session of our Orthodox Spirituality Inquirer's Class of the year will be held on Thursday, December 21, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. The first class of the new year will be held on Thursday, January 11, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. Whether you are exploring the Orthodox faith or enriching your faith, please join Mary Yannias for this informative class!

### **PARISH FAMILY NIGHT - PRE-NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY**

**Friday, December 29, 2017, at 7:00 p.m.**

**Please join us for our second annual Pre-New Year's Eve Party.**

**All members of our parish family are invited and welcome to attend, regardless of age, marital or parental status.**



Forever Young Fellowship: The next meeting of the Forever Young Fellowship is Thursday, January 18, 2018, at 11:30 a.m.

Orthodox Married Life (OML): Our next OML meeting is Friday, January 12, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. Please join us!

## CAPITAL CAMPAIGN ANNOUNCEMENTS

*“Build the house, that I may take pleasure in it, and that I may be glorified.” Haggai 1:8*

### St. Anna Capital Campaign

Progress Toward Goal as of 12-13-2017



To date, we have collections and pledges totaling \$1,215,415 towards our fundraising goal of \$3 million.

For additional information, including answers to some frequently asked questions, please visit the capital campaign page of our parish website at [stannagocutah.org/?page\\_id=2520](http://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=2520).

## STEWARDSHIP

Thank You to Our 2017 Stewards and Donors: As the end of the year draws near, we would like to take this opportunity to express our deepest gratitude and appreciation to all of our stewards and donors for 2017:

George and Kim Adondakis

Steven and Amanda Mills

Peter Aperges and Kindel Sharon

Donna Moore

Max and Stephanie Arassi

Peter and Nicole Mouskondis

William and Nichole Athens

William and Elyce Mouskondis

Elie and Erin Azar

Phillip and Liberty Mudrock

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Michael and Valeria Nakoryakov

Kevin and Beverly Bartel

Blaine and Emily Nelson

Dr. Charles and Elizabeth Beck

Elaine Nicolaysen

Larissa Beck

Dan and Rebecca Obgerfell

Annemarie Boswell

Jefferson and Kristina Packer

Robert and Louisa Boswell

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Stuart and Jacquelyn Contant

Elaine Peterson

Barbara Danner

Tom and Cynthia Peterson

Andrew Daskalas

Chris and Irene Petrogeorge

Aphrodite Daskalas

Despena Petrogeorge

Michael and Janene Daskalas

Dr. Irene and George Petrogeorge

Nicholas Daskalas and Erika Minjarez

Manouso (David) and Georgiann Petrogeorge

Nick and Patricia Daskalas

Mary Petrogeorge

Leo and Ludmila Davis

Michael and Angela Petrogeorge

Dean Dinas

Brad and Deboarah Pino

Chris and Joanne Dokos

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Catherine Douros

Charlene Polychronis

Perry and Martha Drossos

Billie Poulos

John and Mary Feotis

Marinos Poulos

Ange Floor

Jim and Argie Priskos

Jerry and Connie Floor	Elias and Rose Pylidis	Charles and Goldie Karpakis	John and Beverlee (Bunnie) Varanakis
Chris and Kathy Floor	Mike and Michelle Radivoyevich	Jim Karpakis	George Varanakis
Phillip and Robin Floor	David and Lisa Robbins	Lorlee Karpakis	Jeff Varanakis
William Floor	Kari Roberts	Stephen Karpakis	Joseph and Myra Varanakis
Larry and Mary Ford	Joanne Saltas	Mary P. Katsanevas	Nick and Ellen Varanakis
Gerard and Klea Gallegos	David and Jennifer Sasich	Ray and Effie Kaufman	Nicole Varanakis
Chris and Suzanne Gamvroulas	Joseph and Ann Sasich	Matthew and Christine Kelaidis	Steven and Monica Varanakis
Mae Georgelas	Dena Savas	Naji and Colette Khoury	Bob and Heidi Varechos
Ronald and Sophie Gibson	Father Anthony and Presbytera Andrea Savas	John and Alexandra Klekas	George and Mary Vosnos
Presbytera Denise Gilbert	George and Tina Sergakis	Anthony and Alisanne Korologos	Mark and Hosanna Vrontikis
Christopher and Heidi Gounaris	Bruce and Kathleen Shand	Mark and Stacey Kouris	Peter and Christina Vrontikis
Tim and Vasyl Green	Nathan and Beth Shand	Stan and Sophie Kouris	Joseph and Sophie Wondolowski
Georgia Hardy	Steve and Kalomyra Shenk	Chris and Eleni LaChance	Joseph and Karen Xiras
Hal and Bobbie Harper	Mary Simos	Aaron Leitko	Peter and Mary Yannias
Tom and Pam Harris	Steve and Elaina Simos	Thomas and Carolyn Leitko	Christopher and Nicol Zambos
Jane Anne Hartford	Dmitri and Tanya Smirnov	Steve and Georgette Lowe	Elaine Zambos
Lucy Henning	Elleney Soter	Josh and Vanny Lowery	Dean and Sylvia Zekas
Robert and Ana Henning	Sam and Maria Soter	Evan and Kimberly Mallas	Steven Zervos
Harold and Rajean Higginson	Mary Sargetis Souvall	Kornelia (Kay) Maragakis	Seyavash and Marie Zohorri
Harry and Barbara Hillas	Peter and Aubrey Souvall	Tom and Pam Martinez	Charles and Sandra Zoolakis
Danielle Holbeck	Tom Souvall	Jonathan and Brandee Mau	Afton Zoumadakis
Robert and Tanya Holbeck	Toula Souvall	Cory and Christine Mills	Lisa Zoumadakis
Stephanie Howard	William and Kim Souvall	Lloyd and Penny Mills	
Mark and Angela Hunter	Ted and Jennifer Speros		
Kota Ikeda and Anastasia Pantiledes-Ikeda	Craig and Paulette Stagg		
Douglas and Pauline Jensen	Bill and Gina Stavros		
Michael and Mariann Jessee	Rebecca Steele		
Michael and Beth Johnson	Ronald and Julie Steele		
Theros and Cindy Johnson	Lenny Sulley		
Barbara Kalantzes	Bill Pratt and Julie Taylor		
John and Kathy Kaloudis	Anthony and Mary Tolokan		
Nick and Sonia Kaloudis	Anastasia Tsortanidis		
George and Joann Kandilakis	Dino and Bessie Tsortanidis		
Roula Karahalios	Barbara Van Asdian		

Your generosity and commitment to our parish is appreciated and allows us to continue to thrive and prosper in the service of His holy church.

2018 Stewardship: If you have not yet submitted your stewardship commitment card for 2018, 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. Visit [stannagocutah.org/?page\\_id=21](http://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=21) to obtain a 2018 Stewardship Commitment Card or submit your card online.

Remember, a commitment card does not create a legal obligation, but is rather a commitment of faith. If you are already giving to the Parish but have not completed a stewardship commitment card, please do so. Having the completed card allows us to maintain an up to date and accurate roster of the parish membership and assists us greatly in preparing and tracking against our annual budgets. God loves a cheerful giver! (2 Corinthians 9:7)

### PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pan Arcadian Christmas Party: Please join us for the Pan Arcadian Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 19, 2017, at 7:00 p.m. at The Mandarin, 348 East 900 North, Bountiful. Family-style menu. Cost: \$25 adults; \$12.50 children 6-12. Children 5 and under free. RSVP to Karen Anastasopoulos at [karenanast@gmail.com](mailto:karenanast@gmail.com) or 801-913-2414 by December 9, 2017. Looking forward to getting together for the holidays!

AHEPA Scholarship Fundraiser:

AHEPA Scholarship Fundraiser presents  
ANGELO TSAROUCHAS

The "Funny Greek" Comedian for his first time in Salt Lake City



Saturday, January 27, 2018

Holy Trinity Cathedral Memorial Building,  
279 S. 300 West, Salt Lake City.

\$70 per person, including dinner and the show.

To reserve seats or tables of 10 contact Chris Floor at [cfloor7456@msn.com](mailto:cfloor7456@msn.com) or Elias Pylidis at [elias.pylidis@gmail.com](mailto:elias.pylidis@gmail.com).

[www.funnygreek.com](http://www.funnygreek.com)

### 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)

Bulletin Announcements: Due to the Christmas holiday, this edition of the bulletin covers a two-week period, and will serve as the weekly bulletin for both Sunday, December 17, 2017, and Sunday, December 24, 2017. The next edition of the weekly bulletin will be published for Sunday, December 31, 2017. Please send requested announcements for that edition of the bulletin to Parish Council Secretary Michael Petrogeorge at [secretary@stannagocutah.org](mailto:secretary@stannagocutah.org) by *Wednesday, December 27, 2017, at 5:00 p.m.*

### PRAYER LIST

Aletheia, Anastasia, Angie, Argos, Barbara, Bill, Cathy, Dena, Elizabeth, Fr. Jimi, Gary, George, Helen, Jamin, Janene, Jennifer, Juliet, Madeline, Mae, Preston, Sam, Sarah, Tamara, Taylor, Tony

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

### PARISH CALENDAR

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

You can link our calendar with yours by clicking on the "subscribe" button on the lower right-hand corner and selecting the calendar program of your choice.

December 2017						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
17 <b>11<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy  <b>Sunday School Christmas Program and Breakfast with Santa</b> (hosted by AHEPA)  <b>GOYA Outing - Ice Skating</b> 2pm @ Gallivan Center  <b>GOYA Christmas Party and Gift Exchange</b> 4:30pm @ Varanakis home  <b>No Dance Practice</b>	18 <b>Parish Council Meeting</b> 7pm	19	20 <b>Bible Study</b> 7pm	21 <b>Orthodox Spirituality Inquirer's Class</b> 7pm	22 <b>Orthros and Royal Hours for the Nativity of Christ</b> 9:30am  <b>Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy</b>  <b>Great Vespers</b> 5pm	23 <b>Forefeast of the Nativity of Christ</b> 9:30am  <b>Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy</b>  <b>Great Vespers</b> 5pm
24 <b>Sunday before Nativity</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy  <b>No Dance Practice</b>  <b>Great Vespers for the Nativity of Christ</b> 5pm	25 <b>Merry Christmas!</b>  <b>Feast of the Nativity of Christ</b> 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	26	27 <b>St. Stephen the First Deacon and First Martyr</b> 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	28 <b>Choir Practice</b> 1pm	29 <b>Parish Family Night - Pre New Year's Eve Party!</b> 7pm	30
31 <b>Sunday before Epiphany</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy  <b>No Dance Practice</b>						

January 2018						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
	1 <b>Happy New Year!!</b>  <b>The Circumcision of Christ / St. Basil the Great</b> 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	2	3	4	5 <b>Orthros and Royal Hours for the Theophany of Christ</b> 9:30am  <b>Vesperal Liturgy of St. Basil the Great and the Lesser Blessing of the Waters</b> 6:00 p.m.	6 <b>Feast of the Theophany of Christ</b> 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy and Great Blessing of the Waters
7 <b>Synaxis of John the Holy Glorious Prophet, Baptist, &amp; Forerunner</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy  <b>Vasilopita Sunday</b> (following Liturgy)  <b>Dance Practice</b> 12:30pm	8 <b>Chanting Class/Practice</b> 7pm	9 <b>GOYA Meeting</b> 7pm	10 <b>Bible Study</b> 7pm	11 <b>Choir Practice</b> 1pm  <b>Orthodox Spirituality Inquirer's Class</b> 7pm	12 <b>Orthodox Married Life</b> 7pm	13
14 <b>Leavetaking of the Theophany of Our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy  <b>Special Parish Assembly</b> (following fellowship hour)  <b>Dance Practice</b> 12:30pm	15 <b>Parish Council Meeting</b> 7pm	16 <b>Women's Ministry Team Meeting</b> 7pm	17 <b>St. Anthony the Great</b> 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy  <b>Bible Study</b> 7pm	18 <b>Ss. Athanasios and Cyril</b> 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy  <b>Forever Young Fellowship</b> 11:30am  <b>Orthodox Spirituality Inquirer's Class</b> 7pm	19	20
21 <b>15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke</b> 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	22 <b>Chanting Class/Practice</b> 7pm	23 <b>JOY Meeting</b> 7pm	24 <b>Bible Study</b> 7pm	26 <b>Choir Practice</b> 1pm  <b>Orthodox Spirituality Inquirer's Class</b> 7pm	26 <b>Parish Family Night</b> 7pm	27