



St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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Sunday of the Blind Man
May 13, 2018

Visiting Clergy
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Epistle Reading: Acts of the Apostles 16:16-34

Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 1. Psalm 11.7,1

You, O Lord, shall keep us and preserve us.

Verse: Save me, O Lord, for the godly man has failed.



In those days, as we apostles were going to the place of prayer, we were met by a slave girl who had a spirit of divination and brought her owners much gain by soothsaying. She followed Paul and us, crying, "These men are servants of the Most High God, who proclaim to you the way of salvation." And this she did for many days. But Paul was annoyed, and turned and said to the spirit, "I charge you in the name of Jesus Christ to come out of her." And it came out that very hour. But when her owners saw that their hope of gain was gone, they seized Paul and Silas and dragged them into the market place before the rulers; and when they had brought them to the magistrates they said, "These men are Jews and they are disturbing our city. They advocate customs which it is not lawful for us Romans to accept or practice." The crowd joined in attacking them; and the magistrates tore the garments off them and gave orders to beat them with rods. And when they had inflicted many blows upon them, they threw them into prison, charging the jailer to keep them safely. Having received this charge, he put them into the inner prison and fastened their feet in the stocks. But about midnight Paul and Silas were praying and singing hymns to God, and the prisoners were listening to them, and suddenly there was a great earthquake, so that the foundations of the prison were shaken; and immediately all the doors were opened and every one's fetters were unfastened. When the jailer woke and saw that the prison doors were open, he drew his sword and was about to kill himself, supposing that the prisoners had escaped. But Paul cried with a loud voice, "Do not harm yourself, for we are all here." And he called for lights and rushed in, and trembling with fear he fell down before Paul and Silas, and brought them out and said, "Men, what must I do to be

saved?" And they said, "Believe in the Lord Jesus, and you will be saved, you and your household." And they spoke the word of the Lord to him and to all that were in his house. And he took them the same hour of the night, and washed their wounds, and he was baptized at once, with all his family. Then he brought them up into his house, and set food before them; and he rejoiced with all his household that he had believed in God.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to John 9:1-38



At that time, as Jesus passed by, he saw a man blind from his birth. And his disciples asked him, "Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?" Jesus answered, "It was not that this man sinned, or his parents, but that the works of God might be made manifest in him. We must work the works of him who sent me, while it is day; night comes, when no one can work.

As long as I am in the world, I am the light of the world." As he said this, he spat on the ground and made clay of the spittle and anointed the man's eyes with the clay, saying to him, "Go, wash in the pool of Siloam" (which means Sent). So he went and washed and came back seeing. The neighbors and those who had seen him before as a beggar, said, "Is not this the man who used to sit and beg?" Some said, "It is he"; others said, "No, but he is like him." He said, "I am the man." They said to him, "Then how were your eyes opened?" He answered, "The man called Jesus made clay and anointed my eyes and said to me, 'Go to Siloam and wash'; so I went and washed and received my sight." They said to him, "Where is he?" He said, "I do not know." They brought to the Pharisees the man who had formerly been blind. Now it was a sabbath day when Jesus made the clay and opened his eyes. The Pharisees again asked him how he had received his sight. And he said to them, "He put clay on my eyes and I washed, and I see." Some of the Pharisees said, "This man is not from God, for he does not keep the sabbath." But others said, "How can a man who is a sinner do such signs?" There was a division among them. So they again said to the blind man, "What do you say about him, since he has opened your eyes?"

He said, "He is a prophet." The Jews did not believe that he had been blind and had received his sight, until they called the parents of the man who had received his sight, and asked them, "Is this your son, who you say was born blind? How then does he now see?" His parents answered, "We know that this is our son, and that he was born blind; but how he now sees we do not know, nor do we know who opened his eyes. Ask him; he is of age, he will speak for himself." His parents said this because they feared the Jews, for the Jews had already agreed that if anyone should confess him to be Christ he was to be put out of the synagogue. Therefore his parents said, "He is of age, ask him." So for the second time they called the man who had been blind, and said to him, "Give God the praise; we know that this man is a sinner." He answered, "Whether he is a sinner, I do not know; one thing I know, that though I was blind, now I see." They said to him, "What did he do to you? How did he open your eyes?" He answered them, "I have told you already and you would not listen. Why do you want to hear it again? Do you too want to become his disciples?" And they reviled him, saying, "You are his disciple, but we are disciples of Moses. We know that God has spoken to Moses, but as for this man, we do not know where he comes from." The man answered, "Why, this is a marvel! You do not know where he comes from, and yet he opened my eyes. We know that God does not listen to sinners, but if anyone is a worshiper of God and does his will, God listens to him. Never since the world began has it been heard that anyone opened the eyes of a man born blind. If this man were not from God, he could do nothing." They answered him, "You were born in utter sin, and would you teach us?" And they cast him out. Jesus heard that they had cast him out, and having found him he said, "Do you believe in the Son of man?" He answered, "And who is he, sir, that I may believe in him?" Jesus said to him, "You have seen him, and it is he who speaks to you." He said, "Lord, I believe": and he worshiped him.

Christ Is Risen / Χριστὸς Ἀνέστη

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and to those in the tombs, He has granted life.

Χριστὸς ἀνέστη ἐκ νεκρῶν, θανάτῳ θάνατον πατήσας, καὶ τοῖς ἐν τοῖς μνήμασι, ζῶν χαρισάμενος.

Entrance Hymn

Bless God in the churches, the Lord from the fountains of Israel. Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

To the Word, coeternal with the Father and the Spirit, born of the Virgin for our salvation, let us, the faithful give praise and worship. For He willed to be lifted up on the cross in the flesh, to endure death and raise the dead by His glorious resurrection. (Liturgy Book page 115)

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

Into the grave You descended, Immortal One, yet You destroyed the power of Hades, and as victor You arose, O Christ our God; You proclaimed to the myrrh-bearing women a greeting of joy. You brought peace to Your holy apostles, and to the fallen You granted resurrection. (Liturgy Book page 275)

Megalynarion (Hymn for the Theotokos)

The angel cried out to the woman full of grace: Rejoice, O pure Virgin; again I say, rejoice, for your Son is risen from the tomb on the third day. Shine, Shine, O new Jerusalem, for the glory of the Lord has dawned upon you. Exult and be glad, O Zion. Be radiant, pure Theotokos, in the resurrection of your Son. (Liturgy Book page 305)

Communion Hymn

Receive the body, the body of Christ; drink from the font of immortality. (Liturgy Book page 318)

After Communion Hymn (Instead of “We have seen. . .”)

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and to those in the tombs, He has granted life.

Dismissal Hymn

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

Orthodox Saints Commemorated on May 13: Great Martyr Glykeria & her jailer, Laodikios at Trajanopolis; Martyrs Sergios the Confessor of Constantinople with his wife (Irene) & children; Pausikakos the Bishop of Synnada; Euthymios the Illuminator of Georgia; Monk-Martyrs John & George of Iveron; Hieromartyr Alexander of Tiverias; Nikephoros of Ephapsis; Glyceria of Novgorod; Venerables Agnes, Disciola, & Merwenna; Martyrs of Iveron Monastery on Mt. Athos; and, the Synaxis of All Saints of Aitolia-Acarmania.

Fellowship Hour: In honor of Mother’s Day, the fellowship hour today, Sunday, May 13, 2018, will be hosted by the Parish Council.

If you would like to host the fellowship hour on Sunday, May 20, 2018, or on any future fellowship hour, please contact Carolyn Leitko at csleitko@gmail.com or Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net.

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

Epistle Reading: Today’s epistle reader is Matthew Tsortanidis.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Welcome Fr. Ambrose: A warm welcome to Fr. Ambrose Omayas, who is serving liturgy again this week in the absence of Fr. Anthony. We are blessed to have you back to worship with us again, Fr. Ambrose!

Happy Mother's Day: We wish all of the mothers, grandmothers, godmothers, aunts and other female caretakers in our parish a Happy Mother's Day. God bless you all!

Pastoral Assistance: Fr. Anthony is out of town until May 16, 2018, leading our parish's pilgrimage to the Holy Lands. If you need pastoral assistance during this time, please contact Dr. Charles Beck at 801-573-6800 or president@stannagocutah.org, or Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@stannagocutah.org or 801-243-8684 and they will assist you in obtaining such assistance.

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. Sunday School students should not proceed up the aisle for Communion until they have been ushered. Sunday School students at the back of the church should remain at the back of the church until they have been excused by the Sunday School usher.

After all of the Sunday School students and teachers have been dismissed for Communion, the rest of the parishioners will then be ushered for Communion, front to back, row by row, by a member of the Parish Council.

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!

**Last Day of Sunday School / Sunday School Promotion
Next Sunday, May 20, 2018**

St. Anna Feast Day Picnic: The St. Anna Feast Day Picnic has been scheduled for Sunday, July 22, 2018, at Canyon Rim Park, 3100 S. Grace Street, Salt Lake City. Below is a message from Elaine Peterson seeking volunteers:

Thank you for your vote of confidence at the general assembly last Sunday, that I again chair the St. Anna feast day celebration picnic. On that note I would like to obtain volunteers to make this a collaborative event and also hold a meeting in the next couple of weeks for planning.

Please contact me via text or call to 801-244-3539 or email me at: layniep53@comcast.net if you are able and willing to serve on the committee. I will then send out a date, time, place for said meeting.

*With love in Christ,
Elaine Peterson*

Save the Date - Parish Fishing Trip: The annual St. Anna Parish Fishing Trip is July 26-29, 2018. For those needing a room at Strawberry Bay Lodge, make your reservations now to insure accommodations by visiting www.strawberrybay.com. Further details to come!

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 to make a one-time donation or set up reoccurring payments. Donations can also be made through the Vanco Give+ Mobile App.

Please contact Parish Council Treasurer Nick Daskalas at 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 Parish Council Treasurer Nick Daskalas at treasurer@stannagocutah.org for further details.

Amazon Smile Donations to St. Anna: Our parish is 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 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 to register and/or select St. Anna as your charity of choice today!

UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES

Thursday, May 17, 2018

Ascension of the Lord

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

Saturday, May 26, 2018

Saturday of the Souls

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

Monday, May 28, 2018

Monday of the Holy Spirit

Orthros: 8:00 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 9:00 a.m. (note earlier start times due to Memorial Day holiday)

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday, May 13, 2018: Narthex: Perry Drossos and Joe Sasich; Front Ushers: Michael Petrogeorge and Myra Shenk; Sunday School Ushers: Carolyn Leitko and Julie Steele; Middle/At-Large Usher: Nick Daskalas

Sunday, May 20, 2018: Narthex: Carolyn Leitko and Julie Steele; Front Ushers: Michael Petrogeorge and Joe Sasich; Sunday School Ushers: Charles Beck and Mike Daskalas; Middle / At-Large Usher: Perry Drossos

Next Parish Council Meeting: Tomorrow, Monday, May 21, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

MUSIC MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Choir Practice: The next Choir practice will be held on Thursday, May 17, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. Contact Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net with questions.

YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Junior Orthodox Youth (JOY) Meeting: The next JOY meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 22, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

FOLK DANCE MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Folk Dance Practice: There is no folk dance practice today, Sunday, May 13, 2018. Our next folk dance practice will be held next Sunday, May 20, 2018, at 12:30 p.m. Our Golden Angels (K-2nd Grade) group will practice until 1:00 p.m. All other groups will practice until 1:30 p.m.

Our next set of performances will be at the St. Anna Feast Day Picnic to be held on Sunday, July 22, 2018, at Canyon Rim Park in Millcreek. We know that summer is a busy time, but please make every effort to attend all of the practices between now and then.

Practice will **not** be held on the following Sundays: May 27, 2018 (Memorial Day weekend); and June 17, 2018 (Father's Day).

Please contact Connie Cayias, Folk Dance Program Director, at connie.cayias@gmail.com with any questions.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Women's Ministry Team Meeting: Please join us for the next Women's Ministry Team Meeting on Tuesday, May 15, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

Ladies' Night Out - June 19: Please come to the Women Ministry Team's Ladies' Night Out on Tuesday, June 19, 2018, at Willow Creek Country Club, 8505 S. Willow Creek Drive, Sandy. The evening begins at 6:00 p.m. with drinks and socializing, followed by dinner at 7:00 p.m. Cost: \$30.00 (checks payable to "St. Anna Women's Ministry Team"). Please deliver checks to Tayna Smirnov

no later than Tuesday, June 12, 2018. Please contact Pat Daskalas (p.daskalas@gmail.com) or Georgette Lowe (gkalowe@live.com) with any questions. Hope you all can make for a fun-filled evening!

Save the Date - Membership Tea: The 2018 Women's Ministry Team's Membership Tea will be held on Saturday, June 9, 2018, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. All of the women at St. Anna are invited to attend. Please bring friends and relatives for an enjoyable afternoon. More details (including location) to follow. Please contact Pat Daskalas at p.daskalas@gmail.com or 801-998-8007 or Mary Feotis at mfeotis@gmail.com or 801-277-4436 with any questions.

Women's Ministry Team Community Drives

Three to four times a year the Women's Ministry Team will be sponsoring different drives to help those in need. The drives will last for a month. We will continue this as an ongoing Outreach Program from the parishioners of St. Anna.

An example of how these drives will work is what we will be asking you to do during the month of May (details to come). After liturgy for the next few Sundays the Women's Ministry Team will be handing out bags with an explanation of May's outreach to the Youth Resource Center.

We hope that your generous hearts will help those in the Salt Lake Community!

ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Forever Young Fellowship: The next meeting of the Forever Young Fellowship is Thursday, May 17, 2018, at 11:30 a.m.

Forever Young Fellowship Wendover Trip: The Forever Young Fellowship is headed to Wendover for anyone who would like to come! June 21, 2018. The bus will depart at 8:00 a.m. from the St. Thomas More Catholic Church parking lot. If we get 30 people the cost will be \$23.00 per person. If we get more the price goes down. Cost includes a cocktail, gambling seed money, a discount in the gift

shop, free buffet lunch, and many more perks. If you have any questions or would like to register and pay for your trip, contact Pat Daskalas at p.daskalas@comcast.net or 801-673-5051.

STEWARDSHIP

To date, we have received 156 stewardship commitment cards with pledges totaling \$286,030, putting us at 98.6% of our goal of \$290,000! 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.

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. To obtain a 2018 Stewardship Commitment Card or submit your card online visit stannagocutah.org/?page_id=21.

God loves a cheerful giver! (2 Corinthians 9:7)

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

St. Anna on Twitter: Our parish has a Twitter account: @stannagocutah. Follow us today!

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

Bulletin Announcements: Please send requested bulletin announcements to Parish Council Secretary Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@stannagocutah.org by **Wednesday at 5:00 p.m.**

PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Minos 100th Anniversary Gala: Please join us to celebrate the Minos Chapter 100th Anniversary. Saturday, June 2, 2018. Tickets will be sold at all churches during fellowship hour. For tickets and table reservations, through Katina Moutsos, call 801-641-8877. Celebrate the history of our community together!

2018 Greek Orthodox Sports League Basketball Camp: The Greek Orthodox Sports League (GSL) staff is looking forward to another exciting year for our annual GSL Basketball Camp. Our camp is designed to provide players with outstanding instruction, teamwork, sportsmanship and fun. We hope that you will join us this summer.

Registration forms are available on the St Anna website at: www.stannagocutah.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/04/2018-GSL-Basketball-Camp-Registration-Form.pdf.

CAMP DETAILS

Dates: June 25-28, 2018

AM Session (boys and girls in 3rd - 6th grade this fall): 9:00 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. (Doors open at 8:00 a.m.)

PM Session (boys and girls 7th - 12th grade this fall): 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Location: Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Multipurpose Center, 5335 South Highland Drive, Holladay

Cost: \$75.00

Camp Features:

- ❖ Camp T-Shirt and Camp Basketball
- ❖ Individual and team shooting contests
- ❖ Individual and group skill work during "Basketball Workout"
- ❖ Full and half court games
- ❖ Autograph session and Awards

Sponsorships are available on an as needs basis so that those who would like to attend but are unable to do so due to financial restraints can have the pleasure of experiencing the GSL Basketball Camp. Please contact Fr. Anthony at franthy@stannagocutah.org or 801-824-3987 for further information.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

GSL is looking for volunteers to help with our youth Basketball Camp June 25-28, 2018. Two shifts daily from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. or 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Must be 14 years of age or older.

If interested please contact Gerard Gallegos at 801-647-2829 or e-mail gerard100@comcast.net.

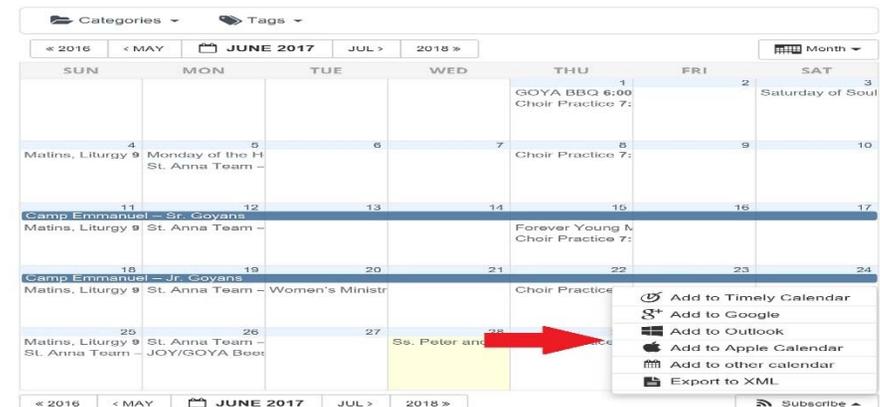
PRAYER LIST

Angela, Cathy, Christopher, Cynthia, Fr. Jimi, Luke, Sophie, Stan, all on the pilgrimage to the Holy Land

If you would like to add a new name to the prayer list, please email Parish Council Secretary Michael Petrogeorge at secretary@stannagocutah.org.

PARISH CALENDAR

Visit www.stannagocutah.org/?page_id=1663 to obtain an electronic copy of the parish calendar. You can link our calendar with your personal calendar by clicking on the "subscribe" button on the lower right hand corner and selecting the calendar program of your choice.



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27 Holy Pentecost 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	28 Happy Memorial Day! Monday of the Holy Spirit 8am Orthros / 9am Divine Liturgy Trisagion Services @ Mt. Olivet Cemetery (following Divine Liturgy)	29	30	31 Choir Practice 1pm		

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