



St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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Nativity of the Forerunner of John the Baptist
June 24, 2018

Orthros: 9:15 a.m.

Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

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Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans
13:11-14; 14:1-4

Prokeimenon. Grave Mode. Psalm 63.11,1

The righteous shall rejoice in the Lord.

Verse: Oh God, hear my cry.



Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for God is able to make him stand.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Luke
1:1-25, 57-68, 76-80



Inasmuch as many have undertaken to compile a narrative of the things which have been accomplished among us, just as they were delivered to us by those who from the beginning were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, it seemed good to me also, having followed all things closely for some time past, to write an orderly account for you, most excellent Theophilus, that you may know the truth concerning the things of which you have been informed. In the days of

Herod, king of Judea, there was a priest named Zacharias, of the division of Abijah; and he had a wife of the daughters of Aaron, and her name was Elizabeth. And they were both righteous before God, walking in all the commandments and ordinances of the Lord blameless. But they had no child, because Elizabeth was barren, and both were advanced in years. Now while he was serving as priest before God when his division was on duty, according to the custom of the priesthood, it fell to him by lot to enter the temple of the Lord and burn incense. And the whole multitude of the people were praying outside at the hour of incense. And there appeared to him an angel of the Lord standing on the right side of the altar of incense. And Zacharias was troubled when he saw him, and fear fell upon him. But the angel said to him, "Do not be afraid, Zacharias, for your prayer is heard, and your wife Elizabeth will bear you a son, and you shall call his name John. And you will have joy and gladness, and many will rejoice at his birth; for he will be great before the Lord, and he shall drink no wine nor strong drink, and he will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb. And he will turn many of the sons of Israel to the Lord their God, and he will go before him in the spirit and power of Elijah, to turn the hearts of the fathers to the children, and the disobedient to the wisdom of the just, to make ready for the Lord a people prepared." And Zacharias said to the angel, "How shall I know this? For I am an old man, and my wife is advanced in years." And the angel answered him, "I am Gabriel, who stands in the presence of God; and I was sent to speak to you, and to bring you this good news. And behold, you will be silent and unable to speak until the day that these things come to pass, because you did not believe my words, which will be fulfilled in their time." And the people were waiting for Zacharias, and they wondered at his delay in the temple. And when he came out, he could not speak to them, and they perceived that he had seen a vision in the temple; and he made signs to them and remained dumb. And when his time of service was ended, he went to his home. After these days his wife Elizabeth conceived, and for five months she hid herself, saying,

"Thus the Lord has done to me in the days when he looked on me, to take away my reproach among men." Now the time came for Elizabeth to be delivered, and she gave birth to a son. And her neighbors and kinsfolk heard that the Lord had shown great mercy to her, and they rejoiced with her. And on the eighth day they came to circumcise the child; and they would have named him Zacharias after his father, but his mother said, "Not so; he shall be called John." And they said to her, "None of your kindred is called by this name." And they made signs to his father, inquiring what he would have him called. And he asked for a writing tablet, and wrote, "His name is John." And they all marveled. And immediately his mouth was opened and his tongue loosed, and he spoke, blessing God. And fear came on all their neighbors. And all these things were talked about through all the hill country of Judea; and all who heard them laid them up in their hearts, saying, "What then will this child be?" For the hand of the Lord was with him. And his father Zacharias was filled with the Holy Spirit, and prophesied, saying, "Blessed be the Lord God of Israel, for he has visited and redeemed his people. And you, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; for you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways." And the child grew and became strong in spirit, and he was in the wilderness till the day of his manifestation to Israel.

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)

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 first-born 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)

Hymn for the Forerunner

O Prophet and Forerunner of the appearance of Christ, with longing we honor you, although we have not the means of extolling you worthily. Your birth, which was exalted and most glorious, ended the barrenness of your mother and the muteness of your father; and unto the world it announced the Incarnation of God the Word.

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

O unfailing protection of Christians, and our faithful advocate before the Creator: though we are sinners, do not ignore our entreaty; but in your goodness, grant your timely help to us who appeal to you in faith. Quickly make intercession; on our behalf make speedy supplication, O Theotokos, for you always protect those who honor you. (Liturgy Book page 225)

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

The memory of the righteous will endure, endure forever (3). Alleluia. (Liturgy Book page 328)

After Communion Hymn

We have seen the true light; we have received the heav'nly Spirit; we have found the true faith, worshiping the undivided trinity, the Trinity who 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)

Orthodox Saints Commemorated on June 24: Synaxis of Elizabeth & Zacharias, the parents John the Baptist; New Martyr Panagiotis of Caesarea in Cappadocia; Venerable Athanasios of Paros; Nicetas the Bishop of Remesia; Venerable Anthony of Dymsk; and Bishop Gerasimos of Astrakhan and Enotaeva.

Fellowship Hour: The fellowship hour today, Sunday, June 24, 2018, is hosted by members of the recent pilgrimage to the Holy Lands. Thank you!

The fellowship hour on Sunday, July 1, 2018, will be hosted by Leo and Ludmila Davis and Gerard and Klea Gallegos.

If you would like to host a future fellowship hour, please contact Carolyn Leitko at csleitko@gmail.com or Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net.

Note that the fellowship hours in June and July will be lighter than usual, similar to a continental breakfast. For the health and safety of all parishioners, especially our young people, please continue to refrain from including items containing nuts or other common allergens.

Memorial Services - May Their Memory Be Eternal:

Sunday, July 1, 2018: Steve Tzeranakis (6 months); Lev Fursov (2 years); Stylianos Emmanuel Tzeranakis (4 years); Maria Tzeranakis (14 years); George Tzeranakis (22 years); Mary Tzeranakis (41 years); Amalia Tzeranakis (47 years)

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

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Communion Ushering: All those who are prepared and wish to receive Communion should wait to be ushered 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!

Holy Lands Pilgrimage Presentation: Please join us in the fellowship hall today, Sunday June 24, 2018, after Divine Liturgy for a presentation on the recent pilgrimage to the Holy Lands.

2018 St. Anna Feast Day Picnic: The St. Anna Feast Day Picnic will be on Sunday, July 22, 2018, at 3:00 p.m. at Canyon Rim Park, 3100 S. Grace Street, Salt Lake City. Food, games, music, fellowship, and fun! Contact Chairperson Elaine Peterson at 801-244-3539 or laynep53@comcast.net with any questions.

2018 Parish Fishing Trip: The Parish Fishing trip will take place Thursday, July 26, 2018, through Sunday, July 29, 2018. Please join us for a wonderful family event for all age groups and enjoy fellowship, fishing, food and worship in the beauty of God's creation. To get a sense of the festivities, visit this link to last year's trip photos: drive.google.com/drive/folders/0B-LxJt4xeIPOF84d0RrVjBhTTA?usp=sharing.

Please review the registration form and release for more detailed information. Registration forms are now available on the parish website at: stannagocutah.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/05/2018-Fishing-Trip-Final-Registration-and-Release-form.pdf.

Completed registration forms can be scanned and emailed to Chuck Karpakis at chuck@paragonproperties.biz. We will also have registration tables during fellowship hour!

Vacation Bible School Volunteers: Volunteers are needed for Vacation Bible School, which will be held August 8-10, 2018. Teachers, aides and lunch helpers are all needed. In addition to adult volunteers, students entering grades 7-12 are welcome and encouraged to help. Please contact Barbara Hillas at bhillas@q.com or 801-604-4884 if you would like to volunteer.

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!

**Feasts of Ss. Peter and Paul at
Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church**

Thursday, June 28, 2018:

Festal Vespers and Orthros: 4:00 p.m.
Divine Liturgy with Procession: 6:00 p.m.
Followed by Potluck Fish Dinner

Saturday, June 30, 2018:

Synaxis of the Holy Apostles
Divine Liturgy: 8:00 a.m.

Fr. Anthony will be in New England on vacation prior to the Clergy Laity Congress in Boston July 1-5, 2018. We invite you to celebrate these Feasts with our sister parish of Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church, 355 S. 300 East, Salt Lake City.

OTHER UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES

Sunday, July 22, 2018

Ss. Mary Magdalene and Virgin Martyr Markella
Orthros: 9:15 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

Tuesday, July 24, 2018

Great Vespers for the Dormition of St. Anna, Mother of the Theotokos
5:00 p.m.

Wednesday, July 25, 2018

Dormition of St. Anna, Mother of the Theotokos
Orthros: 9:15 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

Thursday, July 26, 2018

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

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, Sunday, June 24, 2018: Narthex: Mike Daskalas and Julie Steele; Communion Ushers: Nick Daskalas and Michael Petrogeorge; At-Large Usher: Perry Drossos

Sunday, July 1, 2018: Narthex: Michael Petrogeorge and Craig Stagg; Communion Ushers: Nick Daskalas and Joe Sasich; Middle / At-Large Usher: Carolyn Leitko

Parish Council Meeting: There is no Parish Council meeting scheduled in June. The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday, July 16, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

MUSIC MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Choir Practice: The next Choir practice will be on Thursday, June 28, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. Contact Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net with questions.

YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

JOY/GOYA Activities During 2018 Parish Fishing Trip: Meet up at Strawberry Reservoir on Saturday, July 28, 2018, from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. for kayaking, paddle boarding, inner tubing and lunch. All are invited, whether participating in the parish fishing trip or not. Further information to come.

Save the Date - 2018 Vacation Bible School: Vacation Bible School will be held August 8-10, 2018. Vacation Bible School is open to all those entering Preschool (must be potty-trained) through 6th grade this fall. Further information to come!

FOLK DANCE MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Folk Dance Practice: Due to vacation schedules and other conflicts, our dancers will **not** perform at the St. Anna Feast Day Picnic on July 22, and we will not hold practice during the summer months. We will resume our dance program in September!

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 Community Drive: 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. Please contact Kathy Shand at kmshand4@gmail.com or 801-554-4250 with questions. We hope that your generous hearts will continue to help those in the Salt Lake Community!

ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Orthodox Spirituality Inquirer's Class - Summer Session: The final meeting of our summer session of our Orthodox Spirituality Inquirer's Class will be held this Wednesday, June, 27, 2018, at 6:30 p.m. We will discuss eschatology, salvation and end times. This class is designed for all individuals wanting to learn about Orthodoxy, whether you are enriching your faith or exploring the Orthodox Church for the first time. Please join Fr. Anthony Savas (Pastor) and Mary Yannias (Instructor) for this informative class!

STEWARDSHIP

To date, we have received 162 stewardship commitment cards with pledges totaling \$290,300! Thank you to all our dedicated stewards for helping us achieve our stewardship commitment goal!

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. 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)

PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

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 needed 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 franthony@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 email gerard100@comcast.net.

AHEPA Scholarship: The Salt Lake Chapter of AHEPA is once again offering scholarships to graduating high school seniors entering college this fall, and to undergraduates currently attending college full time. We are awarding four \$1000 scholarships to qualified applicants. Membership in AHEPA by the applicant or a family member is **not** required. The applicant or family must be a member of one of the Salt Lake Greek Orthodox churches.

The application deadline is August 1, 2018. Winners will be announced at the annual AHEPA BBQ to be held on August 19, 2018 in the pavilion at Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church, 5335 S. Highland Drive, Holladay.

Applications are available from one of the following Salt Lake City Chapter AHEPA officers:

- Chris Floor: cfloor7456@msn.com or 801-450-2105
- George Karahalios: george@gpphotography.com or 801-541-4659
- Jim Klekas: jklekas@aol.com or 801-971-6060

PRAYER LIST

Ange, Angela, Cathy, Christopher, Cynthia, Fr. Jimi, Gary, Gregory, Harry, Joanne, Kay, Luke, Nikki, Sophie, Stan

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

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

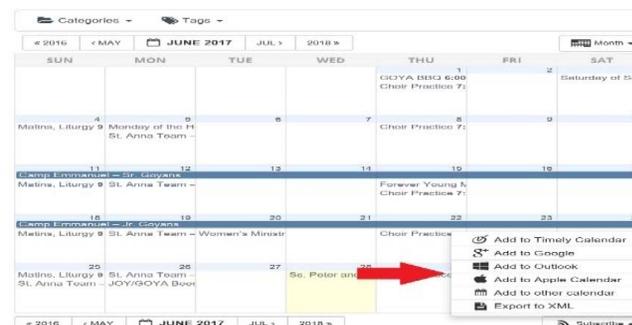
St. Anna on Twitter: Our parish has a Twitter account: @stannagocutah. Follow us today!

Parish Mobile App: You may have noticed that we are having technical difficulties with the St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church's mobile app. We are working to resolve the issues and hope to have the apps live and functioning soon!

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

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.



June 2018						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
24 Nativity of the Forerunner John the Baptist 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy Presentation on the recent pilgrimage to the Holy Lands (during fellowship hour)	25	26	27 Orthodox Spirituality Inquirers' Class 6:30pm	28 Choir Practice 1pm Ss. Peter & Paul 4pm Festal Vespers and Ortros / 6pm Divine Liturgy @ Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church	29	30 The Synaxis of the Apostles 8:00am Divine Liturgy @ Ss. Peter and Paul Orthodox Church

July 2018						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
1 5 th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	2	3	4 Happy Independence Day!	5	6	7
8 6 th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	9	10	11	12 Choir Practice 1pm	13	14
15 Sunday of the Holy Fathers 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	16 Parish Council Meeting 7pm	17 Women's Ministry Team Meeting 7pm	18	19	20	21

July 2018						
22 Ss. Mary Magdalene and Virgin Martyr Markella 8 th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy St. Anna Feast Day Picnic 3pm @ Canyon Rim Park	23	24 Happy Pioneer Day! Great Vespers for the Dormition of St. Anna, Mother of the Theotokos 5pm	25 Dormition of the St. Anna, Mother of the Theotokos 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	26 St. Paraskeve the Great Martyr 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy Choir Practice 1pm Parish Fishing Trip @ Strawberry Reservoir	27 Parish Fishing Trip @ Strawberry Reservoir	28 Parish Fishing Trip @ Strawberry Reservoir JOY/GOYA Water Activities 10am-2pm @ Strawberry Reservoir
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