

St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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9th Sunday of Matthew July 29, 2018

Orthros: 9:15 a.m. Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

Visiting Clergy: Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas

Reverend Father Anthony Savas Reverend Father Elias Koucos, Retired Reverend Deacon Anatoli Kireiev

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Epistle Reading: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 3:9-17

Prokeimenon. Mode Plagal 4. Psalm 75.11,1

Make your vows to the Lord our God and perform them.

Verse: God is known in Judah; his name is great in Israel.



Brethren, we are God's fellow workers; you are God's field, God's building. According to the grace of God given to me, like a skilled master builder, I laid a foundation, and another man is building upon it. Let each man take care how he builds upon it. For no other foundation can any one lay than that which is laid, which is Jesus Christ. Now if any one builds on the foundation with gold, silver,

precious stones, wood, hay, straw—each man's work will become manifest; for the Day will disclose it, because it will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test what sort of work each one has done. If the work which any man has built on the foundation survives, he will receive a reward. If any man's work is burned up, he will suffer loss, though he himself will be saved, but only as through fire. Do you not know that you are God's temple and that God's Spirit dwells in you? If any one destroys God's temple, God will destroy him. For God's temple is holy, and that temple you are.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Matthew 14:22-34



At that time, Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but the boat by this time was many furlongs distant from the land, beaten by the waves; for the wind was against them. And in the fourth watch of the night he

came to them, walking on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out for fear. But immediately he spoke to them, saying,

"Take heart, it is I; have no fear." And Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, bid me come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat and walked on the water and came to Jesus; but when he saw the wind, he was afraid, and beginning to sink he cried out, "Lord, save me." Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "O man of little faith, why did you doubt?" And when they entered the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God." And when they had crossed over, they came to land at Gennesaret.

Resurrectional Apolytikion

From on high You descended, O merciful Lord. You accepted the cross and three days in the tomb to free us from the bondage of sin, O our life and resurrection. Glory to You, O Lord. (Liturgy Book page 127)

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

You were transfigured on the mountain, O Christ our God, showing Your disciples as much of Your glory as they could bear, so that when they see You crucified they will know that You suffer freely, and they will tell all the world that You are truly the radiance of the Father. (Liturgy Book page 285)

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 hon'rable 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

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

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 July 29: Martyr Kallinikos of Asia Minor; Emperor Theodosius II the New; Martyr Seraphima of Antioch; Martyrs Theodota & her 3 sons in Bithynia; Patriarch Constantine III of Constantinople; Martyrs John the Soldier, Benjamin & Berius of Constantinople; King Olaf of Norway; Hieromartyr Bessarion of Smolyan; Martyrs Beatrice, Simplicius & Faustinus of Rome; Martyr Vasiliskos the Elder; Martyr Eustathius of Georgia; and, Bogolep the Child Schemamonk of Cherny Yar.

<u>Fellowship Hour</u>: Due to the Parish Fishing Trip in Strawberry Reservoir, there is no hosted fellowship hour today.

The fellowship hour on Sunday, August 5, 2018, will be hosted by Chris and Irene Petrogeorge and Charlie and Sandra Zoolakis.

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

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Welcome Back Fr. Ambrose Omayas</u>: We are thrilled to welcome back the Reverend Hieromonk Ambrose Omayas. It is always a blessing to have you worship with us! (Fr. Ambrose is celebrating Liturgy at St. Anna while Father Anthony is celebrating Liturgy with the fishing trip participants at Strawberry Reservoir.)

Message from His Eminence regarding St .Anna Relic:

Dear Father Savas,

Having been informed of a most holy gift to your parish of Saint Anna, A very small but actual part of a bone fragment from her holy body, the parish has entered into an unbroken physical union with the presence of our Lord's Church, established by His supreme sacrifice on the Holy Cross, His burial, and His glorious resurrection.

May her spiritual presence strengthen the spirit of our Lord's peace and love which verifies the unending unity we have with Him, as He strengthens our resolve to continue our pilgrimage toward His eternal Kingdom.

+Metropolitan Isaiah of Denver

<u>Communion Ushering:</u> 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!

<u>Church Etiquette Reminder:</u> 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!

Thank You - 2018 St. Anna Feast Day Picnic: Thank you to the Chair, Elaine Peterson, and all who assisted her in putting on a fabulous St. Anna Feast Day Picnic last Sunday. Thank you to those from the Men's Ministry Team who worked so hard to prepare and cook the fabulous food and provided the beverages and to all those from the Women's Ministry Team who provided all of the salads, side dishes, and desserts. Thank you to Gerard Gallegos and Elaina Maragakis Simos for the wonderful games and children's activities, and to Mike Varanakis for the music. And thank you to all of the parishioners and guests who attended and helped us celebrate the Feast day of our wonderful parish!

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Volunteers are needed for Vacation Bible School, which will be held August 8-10, 2018. Multiple 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.

<u>Parish River Trip:</u> Raft the Colorado River! Hike the Arches! The second annual St. Anna Parish River Trip will be held on Saturday, August 18, 2018. Meet at Moab Adventures, 225 S. Main Street, Moab, at 9:30 a.m. Adults (13 and over): \$63; Children (12 and under): \$54.

For those seeking hotel reservations, we have secured room blocks at the Inca Inn and Motel, 570 N. Main Street, Moab, 435-259-7261, and at the Moab Rustic Inn, 120 E. 100 South, Moab, 435-259-6177. The group rate at both hotels is \$129 per night and the block is under "St. Anna." You can also use the KOA campgrounds. There are various other accommodation options to choose from.

Contact Barbara Hillas at bhillas@q.com or 801-604-4884 or Angie Hunter at diamondpup@hotmail.com or 801-928-6047 with any questions.

Please RSVP to Barbara Hillas at <u>bhillas@q.com</u> or 801-604-4884 by August 1, 2018, if you plan to attend.

<u>2nd Annual Tables Extraordinaire</u>: The 2nd Annual Tables Extraordinaire will be held on Saturday, October 6, 2018, in Meyer Hall. Sign-ups for tables of 8 will begin Sunday, August 5, 2018, during the fellowship hour. Pick your table; first come, first served. Sign up early; tables will not last. Cost: \$40.00. All proceeds go to the St. Anna Capital Campaign (Building Fund). Come help build our church!

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) credit card payment. via or ACH 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.

<u>Stock Donations</u>: 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 <u>treasurer@stannagocutah.org</u> 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 <u>smile.amazon.com/ch/47-1002380</u> to register and/or select St. Anna as your charity of choice today!

UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES

Wednesday, August 1, 2018

Paraklesis Service

7pm

Friday, August 3, 2018

Paraklesis Service

7pm

Monday, August 6, 2018

Paraklesis Service

7pm

Wednesday, August 8, 2018

Paraklesis Service

7pm

Friday, August 10, 2018

Paraklesis Service

7pm

Monday, August 13, 2018

Paraklesis Service

7pm

Wednesday, August 15, 2018

Dormition of the Theotokos

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

Wednesday, August 29, 2018

Beheading of St. John the Baptist

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

Saturday, September 1, 2018

The Indiction

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

Friday, September 14, 2018

The Universal Exultation of the Cross

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

STEWARDSHIP

To date, we have received 163 stewardship commitment cards with pledges totaling \$290,900. Thank you to all of our committed stewards!

As we enjoy the summer months, we as parish leadership, clergy and your Stewardship Ministry Team, wish to express our appreciation for your sincere and generous support of our Godloving and Christ-centered parish. We thank you for your commitments and yet, still remind you that true and sincere Stewardship is the gifting back to the Lord, that which He has already given us. Let us never become complacent in our giving; for when that happens in our communities, the Light of Christ burns less vibrantly in the hearts of the faithful. God bless you always and again, thank you for your sacrificial and well-pleasing hearts.

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

ST. ANNA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN (SACC)

Dear Fellow St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church Parishioners,

In 2017, our Parish came together as a whole in the spirit of Orthodox philanthropy and generosity to raise an incredible amount of funds to serve as a \$1.25 million foundation for our Building program.

With the success of the Capital Campaign to date, the funds raised are sufficient to provide for a down payment on a suitable property or building that is to serve as our future home.

Given the knowledge that property and building costs are likely to continue to increase, we are not yet at a point where the luxury of complacency can be allowed. Our original goal of raising \$3 million leaves us still in need of raising at least an additional \$1.75 million to allow us to fully fund a property purchase and begin to plan our Church facilities.

The challenge before us remains great, but is achievable. It is one that calls on each of us to make sacrifices to help assure that the financial resources necessary for us to reach our continued growth and vitality of our beloved Parish, are available to us and our children. We are, after all, every one of us, witnesses to the extraordinary path the Holy Spirit has chosen for us, directed us on, and continues to reveal to the faithful of St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church.

In order to reach our goal of \$3 million, we must continue to offer our Savior the best of our time, talent, and treasure. With the help and firm commitment of each of us, we can and will achieve this goal.

We of the St. Anna Capital Campaign respectfully implore those of us who have not yet pledged toward the Campaign to prayerfully consider making and fulfilling a sacrificial pledge toward fulfilling this goal.

In order to realistically achieve the goal of \$3 million, we must also ask that each and every parishioner who has already pledged consider making a further ongoing yearly commitment in addition to that already pledged and fulfilled.

There are also opportunities to help fund this goal through gifts of appreciated stock, 401k required minimum distributions, gifts of real property and gifts through wills and trusts after our passing. Your SACC stands ready to answer your questions and assist you in considering and utilizing these methods.

Every fulfilled pledge will move us closer to achieving the goal of enabling our Parish to purchase property and build the Church Home that will house and provide for worship and fellowship for present and future generations of our children and spiritual descendants. Please carefully consider this request and pledge today as God leads you! Please consider giving above and beyond

that which seems comfortable to you but commensurate with the blessings God rains down on each of us, seen and unseen, daily!

Please see the enclosed Coffee vs CASH attachment which is a simple way we can continue to provide a donation at just \$5.00 to \$10.00 per week.

Once again, we ask that you prayerfully consider giving to our building fund in order to build a future for ourselves, our children, our great grandchildren unto generations upon generations.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact any of the Capital Campaign Committee members or email us at stannacampaign@stannagocutah.org.

Thank you for your consideration.

St Anna Capital Campaign Ministry Team



Five Bucks Gets Us a New Church Deal

By allowing St. Anna's New Church building campaign committee to make a small charge to your credit card monthly imagine what we can build!





- * 5 bucks twice a week instead of that expensive Latte will raise roughly \$500,000.00 in 4 short years!
- All for 5 bucks.
- * Of course if more people jump on board you can imagine what happens.
- * How many of our wonderful members think 10 bucks is more like it?
- * That could easily become \$1,500,000.00 in that short 4 years.

 * Really how much would each of us miss that 5 bucks compared to having our own wonderful new facilities?

How do you start? It can be done in five short steps!

Sign on to Saint Anna's website *Go to Donate Now Button *Go to Capital Campaign and input weekly or monthly dollar amount *Go to Donation Frequency and put frequency to either weekly or monthly *Hit Continue button to input credit card info and you are all done!

Sign up today so we can get what each of us truly wants!

St. Anna Property Survey

Invitations for the St. Anna Property Survey were emailed to all parish stewards with emails on file last week.

If you are a steward with an email on file with the parish but did not receive a survey invitation, please contact Dan dobergfell@gmail.com.

If you are a steward without an email on file with the parish and wish to obtain a paper copy of the survey, please contact Fr. Anthony at 801-824-3987 (mobile) or 385-313-9358 (office).

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, Sunday, July 29, 2018: Narthex/Ushers: Nick Daskalas, Perry Drossos and Steve Simos

Sunday, August 5, 2018: Narthex: Nick Daskalas and Joe Sasich; Communion Ushers: Michael Petrogeorge and Julie Steele; At-Large/Middle Usher: Carolyn Leitko

Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will be held Monday, August 20, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

MUSIC MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Choir Practice: The next Choir practice will be on Thursday, August 9, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. Contact Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net with questions.

IMPORTANT SUNDAY SCHOOL DATES

Registration and First Day of Classes Sunday, September 9, 2018

YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

<u>Folk Dance Practice:</u> We will resume our dance program in September! Please contact Connie Cayias, Folk Dance Program Director, at <u>connie.cayias@gmail.com</u> with any questions.

ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Forever Young Fellowship:</u> The Forever Young group is on hiatus for the summer. We will resume our meetings and activities in September!

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!

Next Meeting: Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 21, 2018 at 7:00 p.m. Please contact Pat Daskalas at 801-673-5051 or p.daskalas@comcast.net with any questions or concerns. Thanks!

MEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Metropolis Men's Retreat - Fishers of Men: Twelve (Extra)Ordinary Men: The annual Orthodox Men's Retreat will be held September 23-26, 2018, at Water Valley Ranch in Encampment, Wyoming.

Fr. Anthony and Men's Ministry Team Co-Chair Phill Floor are planning to attend. Please join them for this extraordinary spiritual and bonding experience. Registration is open from July 1 through September 1, 2018. The registration fee is \$375 per participant. A non-refundable deposit of \$200 is due at the time of registration, with the final payment due by September 1, 2018. Payment may also be made in full at the time of registration.

Follow the link to sign-in or set up a free account and register: https://denver.goarch.org/mens-retreat.

PAN-ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Modern Greek Language Class: The University of Utah is starting a new Modern Greek Language class this fall. Registration is currently in process. Classes meet four times per week at 8:35 a.m. and begin on Monday, August 20, 2018. For more information, please contact the Department of World Languages and Cultures at (801) 581-7561.



AHEPA BBQ: The Annual BBQ sponsored by SLC AHEPA is scheduled for Sunday, August 19, 2018, at the Prophet Elias Pavilion, 5335 S. Highland Drive, Holladay. Social hour begins at 5:00 p.m. and we will serve food by 6:00 p.m. EVERYONE IS WELCOME. Menu will include

lamb on the spit, chicken, pilafi, corn on the cob, salata and watermelon. Cost: \$20 for Adults / \$10 for Children (12 and under). Proceeds go towards AHEPA Scholarships. The 2018 recipients of the four \$1000 scholarships offered by the SLC AHEPA chapter will be announced at the BBQ.

PRAYER LIST

Ange, Angela, Aurelio, Cathy, Christopher, Cynthia, Fr. Jimi, Gail, Gary, George, 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

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

<u>Parish Mobile App:</u> The technical difficulties with the St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church's mobile app appear to be resolved and the

app should now be functioning on all platforms. Thank you for your patience!

The mobile app can be downloaded at:

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

PARISH CALENDAR

Visit <u>www.stannagocutah.org/?page_id=1663</u> to obtain an electronic copy of the parish calendar.

July/August 2018							
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19 12th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	Parish Council Meeting 7pm	21 Women's Ministry Team 7pm	22	Choir Practice 1pm	24	25	
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September 2018							
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						The Indiction 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	
2 14th Sunday of Matthew 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	3 Happy Labor Day!	4	5	Choir Practice 1pm	7 Greek Festival @ Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral	Greek Festival @ Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral	
9 Sunday Before Holy Cross 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy First Day of Sunday School Greek Festival @ Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral	10	11	12	13	14 The Universal Exultation of the Cross 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	15	