



St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

3015 E. Creek Road, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84093

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10th Sunday of Luke
December 9, 2018

Orthros: 9:00 a.m.

Great Doxology: 10:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah
Reverend Father Anthony Savas
Reverend Father Elias Koucos, Retired
Reverend Deacon Anatoli Kireiev

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Epistle Reading: St. Paul's Letter to the Galatians 4:22-27

Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Psalm 67.35,26

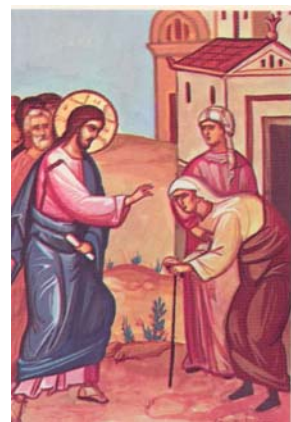
God is wonderful among his saints.

Verse: Bless God in the congregations.



Brethren, Abraham had two sons, one by a slave and one by a free woman. But the son of the slave was born according to the flesh, the son of the free woman through promise. Now this is an allegory: these women are two covenants. One is from Mount Sinai, bearing children for slavery; she is Hagar. Now Hagar is Mount Sinai in Arabia; she corresponds to the present Jerusalem, for she is in slavery with her children. But the Jerusalem above is free, and she is our mother. For it is written, "Rejoice, O barren one who does not bear; break forth and shout, you who are not in travail; for the children of the desolate one are many more than the children of her that is married."

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Luke 13:10-17



At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done;

come on those days and be healed, and not on the sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" As he said this, all his adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

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 Woman Saint (St. Anna)

Today the bonds of childlessness are broken. For hearing the prayers of Joachim and Anne, God promised that against all hope they would give birth to the Maiden of God. He, the Uncircumscribed, would be born of her, when He would become man, and by the Angel's example, He commands us to call to her: "Rejoice, Maiden full of the grace, the Lord is with you."

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

On this day the whole wide world is celebrating that Saint Anne conceived a child, which was a miracle of God. And she gave birth to the one who bore the divine Logos, in ways passing speech and thought. (Liturgy Book page 241)

The PHEME for Metropolitan Isaiah of Denver

Isaiah the most-reverend and God-chosen Metropolitan of the Holy Metropolis of Denver, our father and chief shepherd, many years to him.

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

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

Grant long life, Lord, to our master and hierarch. (Liturgy Book page 343)

Orthodox Saints Commemorated on December 9: Hannah the Righteous & mother of Samuel the Prophet; Venerable Stephen the Newly Shining of Constantinople; Martyrs Sositheus, Narses, and Isaac of Persia; Venerable Vassa the Igumenia a female

monastery in Jerusalem; and, Virgin-Martyrs Leocadia of Toledo & Valeria of Limoges.

Welcome Metropolitan Isaiah: A warm and special welcome to His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah of Denver. Metropolitan Isaiah is with us this weekend celebrating the Conception of the Theotokos by St. Anna, one of our Parish feast days.

Please join us for a special luncheon honoring His Eminence immediately following Divine Liturgy TODAY, December 9, 2018. The luncheon will be hosted by the Parish Council, our Men's Ministry Team and our GOYANs. Please join us!

Fellowship Hour: A special thank you to Bob and Diane Peterson, who also assisted with the fellowship hour last Sunday, December 2, 2018.

If you would like to host a future fellowship hour, please contact Carolyn Leitko at csleitko@gmail.com.

Epistle Reader: The epistle reader for today, Sunday, December 9, 2018, is Hannah Varechok.

Memorial Services - May Their Memory Be Eternal:

Sunday, December 23, 2018: Helen Kalivas (9 years); Tony Kalivas (21 years)

To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony at franthonny@stannagocutah.org or 801-824-3987.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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!

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!

Parish Council Elections: Our 2018 Parish Council elections will be held on Sunday, December 16, 2018, immediately following Divine Liturgy. We will be electing members to fill six seats on the Parish Council.

The Parish Council members with expiring terms are Charles Beck, Mike Daskalas, Nick Daskalas, Michael Petrogeorge, Myra Shenk, and Julie Steele.

The following are running for the Parish Council: Mike Daskalas, Nick Daskalas, Michael Petrogeorge, Myra Shenk, Dmitri Smirnov, and Julie Steele.

UPCOMING SPECIAL SERVICES

TODAY, Sunday, December 9, 2018

The Conception of the Theotokos by St. Anna
Orthros: 9:00 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

Wednesday, December 12, 2018

St. Spyridon the Wonderworker
Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Saturday, December 15, 2018

St. Modesto Pet Blessing (in parking lot)
Noon



Monday, December 24, 2018

Forefeast of the Nativity Matins and Royal Hours
9:30 a.m.

Vesperal Liturgy on the Eve of the Nativity of Christ
5:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 25, 2018 – Merry Christmas!

The Nativity of our Lord, God and Savior Jesus Christ
Orthros: 9:30 a.m. / Divine Liturgy: 10:30 a.m.

Thursday, December 27, 2018

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

Friday, December 28, 2018

Paraklesis Service to St. Anna, the Mother of the Theotokos
7:00 p.m.

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Today, Sunday, December 9, 2018: Narthex: Michael Petrogeorge and Joe Sasich, Front Ushers: Charles Beck and Nick Daskalas; Middle usher: Carolyn Leitko

Sunday, December 16, 2018: Narthex: Carolyn Leitko and Craig Stagg; Front ushers: Mike Petrogeorge and Julie Steele; Sunday School ushers: Charles Beck and Myra Shenk; Middle usher: Joe Sasich

Parish Council Meeting: The next regularly scheduled Parish Council meeting will be held Monday, December 17, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

STEWARDSHIP

Your Stewardship Ministry Team, Parish Council and Clergy are thankful for your dedication to the ongoing, well-being of our St. Anna parish. Stewardship, as you well know, is the absolute lifeblood of our community's financial health. We do not hold outside fundraisers, pass trays or make seasonal appeals so that we can pay our operational expenses. To God's glory, and to your

credit, we sustain primarily through Stewardship and the sustained giving of our contributors.

Contributions towards our 2018 pledges are not quite tracking pledges made. This is common for this time of year, and we are happy to see that the gap between pledges and collections is narrowing. But it still exists. So please, please recall the pledge you made at the beginning of the year and strive to catch up. Honoring our pledge is always important, but now that we are approaching banks to help us acquire the Atrium for our church home, it is imperative that we put our best financial foot forward.

Our 2019 stewardship campaign commenced last week and will continue throughout the month of December. If you did not obtain a stewardship packet last Sunday, please plan to pick up your packet from Peter Yannias, Stewardship Chairperson, following Divine Liturgy today. Packets not picked up will be sent via U.S. Mail. Per the 2019 budget approved at our Fall Parish Assembly last Sunday, our stewardship goal for 2019 is \$290,000. Please do your part to help us achieve this goal!

ST. ANNA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN (SACC) UPDATE

We are getting closer and closer to meeting our goal of \$1.5 million dollars to have the funds necessary to make the down payment on the Atrium property.

We on the St. Anna Capital Campaign Ministry Team ("SACC") are asking our "Ambassadors", you, the members of St. Anna's Parish to reach out to the people outside our parish who you may know regarding our wonderful opportunity to have a new home for the St. Anna Parish.

Each one of you knows someone who might be able to donate to our campaign. The more Ambassadors we have talking to potential donors and letting your friends and acquaintances know about our Capital Campaign, we will reach our goal of \$1.5 million.

If you would like information to be provided to specific individuals or organizations, please get in touch with Nick Varanakis or any other member of the SACC and we will be happy to either provide you with the information to give to the potential donor or to contact the individual or organization on your behalf.

Every dollar donated or pledged brings us one step closer to taking advantage of this wonderful opportunity given to our parish.

This is such a wonderful and excellent time for our parish to have the Atrium become available for our new home.



The SACC is always available to answer any questions you may have. Please contact the committee directly or email us at stannacampaign@stannagocutah.org.

St Anna Capital Campaign Ministry Committee.

**Saint Anna Coffee vs. Cash Capital Campaign Program
The 5 Dollar New Church Deal!**

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!



Example of Greek Orthodox Church only

- * 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.
- More *****
- * 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!

SPECIAL PARISH ASSEMBLY NOTICE

We will hold a Special Parish Assembly on Sunday, January 6, 2018, immediately following fellowship hour, in the fellowship hall. The sole purpose of this Special Parish Assembly will be to vote to approve the acquisition of the Atrium property. These are exciting and important times for our Parish. Please make every effort to attend!

MUSIC MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Choir Practice: The next Choir practice will be on Thursday, December 13, 2018, at 1:00 p.m. (Contact Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net with questions.)

WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Next Meeting: There will be no further Women's Ministry Team meetings this year. See you at the Mingle & Jingle on December 11, 2018.

Sub for Santa: If you have not yet returned your Sub for Santa gifts, please make sure they are returned to church by TODAY, Sunday, December 9, 2018. We must have all gifts by today in order to deliver them on Monday for the children and adults we are helping. Again, all Sub for Santa gifts need to be returned to church by TODAY, December 9, 2018.

Save the Date - 2019 Vasilopita Sunday: Our parish's 2019 Vasilopita luncheon and auction will be held on Sunday, January 13, 2019. We have moved this back one week in order to accommodate the Special Parish Assembly being held to vote to approve the acquisition of the Atrium Property.

ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Family Night: The next parish family night will be held on Friday, December 14, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall. We will watch Christmas movies and have a gingerbread house contest. Mark your calendars now!



Forever Young Fellowship Christmas Party: All parishioners 55 and older are invited to the Forever Young Fellowship Christmas Party on December 20, 2018, at 11:30 a.m. in the fellowship hall. Lunch will be provided by our Parish Council. If you'd like to participate in our gift exchange, please bring a \$20.00 gift.

Orthodox Married Life ("OML"): The next OML has been rescheduled for Friday, February 8, 2018, at 7:00 p.m. in the fellowship hall.

SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM
ANNOUNCEMENTS

2018-19 Sunday School Calendar

TODAY, December 9, 2018: No Classes (Visit from His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah)

December 23, 2018: Christmas Program

December 30, 2018: No Classes (Christmas Break)

January 6, 2018: No Classes (Christmas Break)

February 24, 2019: Godparents Sunday

March 10, 2019: St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival

March 22-24, 2019: GOYA Lenten Retreat

April 21, 2019: No Classes (Palm Sunday)

FOLK DANCE MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

The folk dance practice schedule for the next few months is as follows:

Today, Sunday, December 9, 2018: No Dance Practice

Sunday, December 16, 2018: Dance Practice

Sunday, December 23, 2018: No Dance Practice

Sunday, December 30, 2018: No Dance Practice

Sunday, January 6, 2019: No Dance Practice

Sunday, January 13, 2019: Dance Practice Resumes

The dance program is open to all young people, from Kindergarten through 12th grade, regardless of ethnicity or prior dance experience. This year, our focus will be less on choreography and more on enjoying the fun of dance. We encourage all of the young people in our parish to give our program a try!

Our instructors this year are as follows:

K-2nd Grades: Angela Patterson

3rd-5th Grades: Presbyteria Andrea Savas

6th - 12th Grades: Georgiann Petrogeorge and Damian Savas

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

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Mobile App: The St. Anna mobile app is available through the Apple App Store at www.itunes.apple.com/us/app/st-anna-greek-orthodox-church/id1140666277?ls=1&mt=8 and through Google Play at www.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 **Tuesday at 5:00 p.m.**

PAN ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL AND OTHER
COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Pan Hellenic Scholarships: The PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation is pleased to share that it will once again offer \$250,000 in scholarship awards to 40 exceptional Greek American undergraduates. Scholarship awards are available to all undergraduate students of Hellenic descent, and are offered to recognize students of high scholastic achievement for their accomplishment, and to provide support to those in financial need. Twenty (20) awards of \$10,000 each will be given based on academic achievement and financial need, two (2) of which are allocated solely for Music and Arts. Twenty (20) awards of \$2,500 each will be awarded based solely on academic achievement.

The application is currently available online at panhellenicsf.org/apply/, and the deadline to apply is Thursday, January 31, 2019. The scholarships will be distributed at the Foundation's annual Awards Ceremony and Galla, which will be held on Saturday, June 15, 2019.

The PanHellenic Scholarship Foundation strives to promote education which, combined with the values of our Faith and Heritage, encourages and guides our scholarship recipients to become significant achievers and contribute meaningfully to society.

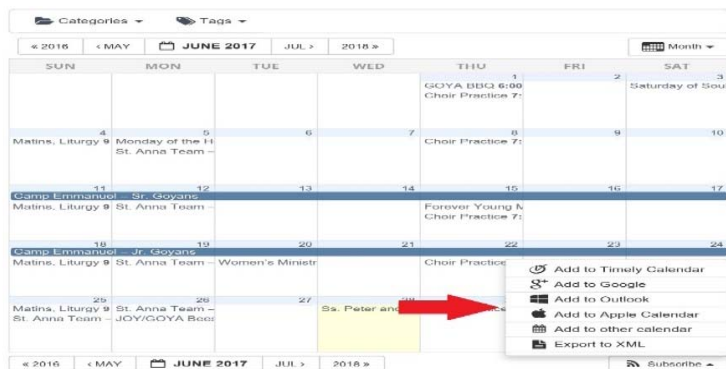
PRAYER LIST

Alexandra, Alyssa, Ange, Angela, Barbara, Cathy, Christopher, Cynthia, Fr. Jimi, Gail, Gary, George, Gregory, Gus, Harry, Irene, Jennifer, Jill, Joan, Joanne, Jorge, Karen, Kay, Kimberly, Luke, Madeline, Marion, Merry, Michael, MJ, Natalie, Ron, Sarah, Sophia, Sophie, Stan, Stacie, Stephanida, Susan, Tamara

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

PARISH CALENDAR

Visit 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.



December 2018						
SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
9 10 th Sunday of Luke and The Conception of the Theotokos (with His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah) 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy Luncheon honoring His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah (following Divine Liturgy)	10	11 Women's Ministry Team Mingle & Jingle 6pm at Cottonwood Country Club	12 St. Spyridon the Wonderworker 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	13 Choir Practice 1pm	14 Parish Family Night 7pm	15 St. Modesto Pet Blessing Noon
16 11 th Sunday of Luke 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy Folk Dance Practice 12:30-1:30 pm Parish Council Elections (following Divine Liturgy)	17 Parish Council Meeting 7pm	18	19	20 Forever Young Fellowship Christmas Party 11:30am	21	22
23 Sunday Before Nativity 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy Sunday School Christmas Program	24 Christmas Eve Forefeast of the Nativity Matins and Royal Hours 9:30am Vesperal Liturgy on the Eve of the Nativity of Christ 5:00pm	25 Merry Christmas! The Nativity of our Lord, God, and Savior Jesus Christ 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	26	27 St. Stephan the First Deacon and First Martyr 9:30am Orthros / 10:30am Divine Liturgy	28 Paraklesis Service to St. Anna, Mother of the Theotokos 7pm	29
30 Sunday After Nativity 9:15am Orthros / 10:15am Divine Liturgy	31 New Year's Eve Go UTES!!					