

#### St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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#### Sunday Before the Elevation of the Cross

Sunday, September 8, 2019

Orthros: 9:00 a.m. Great Doxology: 10:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy: 10:15 a.m.

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 Galatians 6:11-18

#### Prokeimenon. Mode 2. Psalm 27

O Lord, save Your people, and bless Your inheritance. *Verse*: To You, O Lord, I cry; O my God.

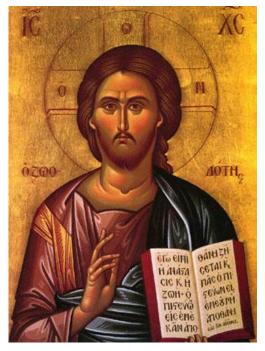


Brethren, see with what large letters I am writing to you with my own hand. It is those who want to make a good showing in the flesh that would compel you to be circumcised, and only in order that they may not be persecuted for the cross of Christ. For even who receive those circumcision do themselves keep the law, but they desire to have

you circumcised that they may glory in your flesh. But far be it from me to glory except in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, by which the world has been crucified to me, and I to the world. For neither circumcision counts for anything, nor uncircumcision, but a new creation. Peace and mercy be upon all who walk by this rule, upon the Israel of God. Henceforth let no man trouble me; for I bear on my body the marks of Jesus. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ be with your spirit, brethren. Amen.

### Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to John

3:13-17



The Lord said, "No one has ascended into heaven but he who descended from heaven, the Son of man. And as Moses lifted up the serpent in wilderness. the must the Son of man be lifted up, that whoever believes in him may have eternal life. For God loved the SO world that he gave his only Son, that whoever believes in him should

not perish but have eternal life. For God sent the Son into the world, not to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him."

#### Response to First Antiphon

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us. (4) (Liturgy Book page 25)

#### Response to Second Antiphon

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead, save us who sing to You, Alleluia. (4) (Liturgy Book page 29)

#### **Third Antiphon**

Your birth, O Theotokos, has filled the world with joy, for there rose from you the Sun of Justice, Christ our God. He destroyed the ancient curse and replaced it with a blessing, thus confounding death by giving us eternal life. (Liturgy Book page 177)

#### **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 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)

#### **Apolytikion of the Feast**

Your birth, O Theotokos, has filled the world with joy, for there rose from you the Sun of Justice, Christ our God. He destroyed the ancient curse and replaced it with a blessing, thus confounding death by giving us eternal life. (Liturgy Book page 177)

#### **Kontakion**

Your holy birth delivered Joachim and Anna from the reproach of childlessness and liberated Adam and Eve from death's corruption, O Pure One. Thus freed from the stain of sin, we your people honor your birth, crying out to you: A

woman thought barren brings forth the Theotokos who nourishes Christ our life. (Liturgy Book page 229)

### **Trisagion Hymn**

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (3) (Liturgy Book page 39)

#### Megalynarion (Hymn for the Theotokos)

Virginity is a state alien to mothers, \* and childbirth is foreign to those who are virgins. \* But in you, Theotokos, have both of these been accomplished. \* And therefore we of every race on earth \* unceasingly pronounce you blest.

#### **Communion Hymn**

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

#### **Hymn after Communion**

We have seen the true light; we have received the heav'nly spirit; we have found the true faith, worshipping 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 September 8, 2019:

Martyred Brothers Rufus and Rufianos; New Martyr Anthanasios of Thessaloniki; Sophronius the Bishop of Achtalia in Iberia; Martyrs Severus and Artemidoros; King Ina and Queen Ethelburga of Wessex; Ethelburgh the Abbess of Kent; and, Chrysostomos of Smyrna and the Hierarchs, Clergy & Laity massacred with him in the Asia Minor Catastrophe

<u>Fellowship Hour:</u> The fellowship hour for today, Sunday, September 8, 2019, will be hosted by Saunee Cairo; Kay Maragakis; Michael and Angela Petrogeorge; Jon and Ann Sasich; Mary Simos; and Steve and Elaina Simos. Please join us!

The fellowship hour for next week, Sunday, September 15, 2019, will be hosted by Barbara Kalantzes; Donna Moore; Elias and Rose Pylidis; and Anastasia Tsortanidis.

If you would like to host a fellowship hour, please contact Carolyn Leitko at <a href="mailto:cseleitko@gmail.com">cseleitko@gmail.com</a>. Thank you!

#### Memorial Services: May Their Memory be Eternal:

<u>Saturday, September 7, 2019:</u> Fr. Matthew Gilbert (3 years) at the Assumption Greek Orthodox Church, Price, Utah. Liturgy 10:00 am; special memorial service 11:00 am.

<u>Today, Sunday, September 8, 2019:</u> Paul Corbett (1 year); Amale and Lina Khoury (6 years)

To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony at <u>franthony@stannagocutah.org</u> or 801-824-3987.

#### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<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!

<u>Communion Ushering Reminder:</u> 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. Communion ushering will not commence until all altar servers have received communion.

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 all rows have been ushered and the students in the back are formally excused by the Sunday School usher.

After all of the Sunday School students and teachers have received 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. If you are not teaching or attending Sunday School and do not have small children you need to escort to Sunday School, please do not line up to receive communion with our Sunday School students. Your cooperation in this process is greatly appreciated!

Online Credit Card and ACH (Automated Clearing House) Giving Options: 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 onetime donation or set up reoccurring payments. Donations may also be made through the Vanco Give+ Mobile App. Please contact Parish Council Treasurer Dmitri Smirnov 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 Dmitri Smirnov at <a href="mailto:treasurer@stannagocutah.org">treasurer@stannagocutah.org</a> for further details.

<u>In-Kind Donations:</u> The Parish Council would like to thank everyone who made in-kind donations to our parish in 2018. Such donations save our parish thousands of dollars and are critical to parish operations. If you made an in-kind donation in 2018 (or have made an in-kind donation already in 2019) and need documentation for your personal records or for tax purposes, please contact Parish Council Treasurer Dmitri Smirnov at <a href="mailto:treasurer@stannagocutah.org">treasurer@stannagocutah.org</a>.

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 and convenient shopping experience Amazon.com (and Amazon Prime benefits for those who are members) with the added bonus, that Amazon will 0.5% the price donate of St. Anna! to Go smile.amazon.com/ch/47-1002380 and/or to register select St. Anna as your charity of choice today!

<u>Weekly Bulletins:</u> If you are unable to obtain a bulletin in the narthex on Sunday, you can access archived versions of our weekly bulletins through the St. Anna mobile app or on our parish website at stannagocutah.org/?cat=3.

#### **SPECIAL SERVICES**

#### Monday, September 9, 2019

The Holy Ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna Orthros: 8:00 a.m. / Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

#### Saturday, September 14, 2019

The Universal Exaltation of the Cross Orthros: 8:00 a.m. / Divine Liturgy 9:00 a.m.

#### Friday, September 27, 2019

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

<u>Sunday, September 8, 2019:</u> Narthex: Joe Sasich and Julie Steele; Front Ushers: Carolyn Leitko and Michael Petrogeorge; Sunday School Ushers: Myra Shenk and Steve Simos; Middle Usher: Joe Sasich

<u>Sunday, September 15, 2019:</u> Narthex: Carolyn Leitko and Dmitri Smirnov; Front Ushers: Perry Drossos and Myra Shenk; Sunday School: Nick Daskalas and Steve Simos; Middle Usher: Craig Stagg.

<u>Parish Council Meeting:</u> The next Parish Council meeting will be held on Monday, September 16, 2019, at 7:00 p.m.

#### ST. ANNA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN (SACC) UPDATE

Dear St. Anna Parishioners,

The Capital Campaign Committee wants everyone to know we are on our way and our parish has attained over 96% toward our goal of \$1.5 million toward the down payment on the Atrium property.

We, on the Capital Campaign committee, want to thank our "Ambassadors", you, the members of St. Anna's Parish, who have helped us spread the word about our campaign and who continue to help our parish work toward our 100% goal for the down payment.

If you have not made a pledge toward the campaign, you may do so on the St. Anna website or you may pick up a campaign brochure in the Narthex.

Our largest fund raising event, Tables Extraordinaire, to be held Saturday, October 12, 2019. We hope everyone will participate by decorating a table and attending this event. The Planning Committee for this fun filled evening is already hard at work. More information will be in the weekly bulletin soon. Make sure you reserve your table as soon as possible.

The committee is always looking for unique items to offer as live auction items at this event. If you have something you would like to offer as a live auction item, please contact Nick Varanakis at <a href="mailto:stannagocutah.org">stannagocutah.org</a>. This is an exciting time; next year, at this time we will be in our new home.

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

#### 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!





- \* 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 \$888888
- \* 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!

#### MUSIC MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Choir Practice</u>: Choir Practice will be held Thursday, September 19, 2019, at 1:00 p.m. Contact Sophie Wondolowski at <a href="mailto:swondo@comcast.net">swondo@comcast.net</a> with questions.

#### **WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS:**

Women's Ministry Team Meeting: Ladies, save the date for our next meeting on Tuesday, September 17, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. We will be making sandwiches for the Road Home Midvale Family Shelter. Come and help; we can use everyone!

Annual Tables Extraordinaire: Hi Everyone, The time is fast approaching for the Tables Extraordinaire happening on Saturday, October 12, 2019, at 6:00 p.m. Prime Rib dinner will be served! Tables are going fast! Only seven spots left so reserve your table in the hall outside the fellowship room right after church. Do not wait until the last minute! Table chairpersons; please make sure all monies collected for the tables is turned in by September 29, 2019!

Anyone interested in creating a basket to sell during the silent auction please see the following instructions:

All baskets are due to the church by September 15, 2019. No baskets or items to sell will be accepted after that date or at the door.

We will have a secure storage area where the baskets will be kept until the event, Saturday, October 12, 2019. Obviously, perishable items should not be left in baskets.

We will have a maximum of 20 baskets for sale. First come, first served. Please let Joanne Dokos know if you are planning to create a basket to ensure accurate total. Thus far, we have six baskets. Please contact Joanne Dokos at <a href="mailto:jwdokos@hotmail.com">jwdokos@hotmail.com</a> or 801-815-5293 with questions.

<u>Tables Extraordinaire Committee Meeting:</u> The next planning committee meeting will be held this Wednesday, September 11, 2019, at 6:30 pm. Everyone please try to attend. If you are not able to attend, please contact Barbara Hillas at 801-604-4884 or via email at bhillas@q.com

#### **STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Stewardship packets were sent via U.S. Mail. Please do your part to help us achieve our budgeted goal of \$290,000!

Bring your completed Stewardship Commitment Card to church this Sunday or mail it to 3015 E. Creek Road, Cottonwood Heights, UT 84093.

As of August 26, 2019, we have received 161 stewardship commitment cards with total commitments of \$294,314 putting us at 101% of our stewardship goal!

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 life-blood 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. Thank You!

# SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

We welcome all the Sunday School students and teachers back to classes! If you are new to our Sunday School program this year, please register with our director, Kim Mallas, in the hall before classes start.

Joy and Goya: The Fall kickoff will be held in the gym Sunday, September 22, 2019 from 1:00-3:00 pm. Parents will meet at 2:30 pm. Please bring a change of clothes and shoes to church. We will be grilling burgers and hot dogs. Joy is for youth in grades 1-5 and GOYA is for grades 6-12. Come join us for a fun afternoon!

## ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Forever Young:</u> Our September meeting will be held on Thursday, September 19, 2019, at 11:30 a.m.! Lunch will be provided by Mike and Argie Carmichael; Reinje Corbett; Lloyd and Penny Mills; and Tom and Pam Martinez.

## COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

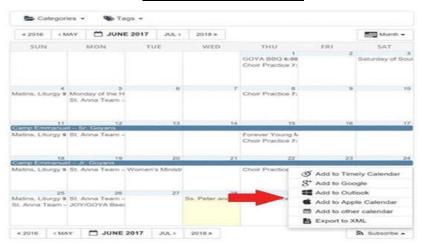
<u>Bulletin Announcements:</u> Our next weekly bulletin will be published for Sunday, September 15, 2019. Please send requested bulletin announcements to Elaine Peterson at <u>layniep53@comcast.net</u> no later than *Tuesday at 3:00 p.m.* 

<u>Parish Mobile App:</u> The St. Anna mobile app is available through the Apple App Store at

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#### **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.

#### **PRAYER LIST**

Angela, Athena, Chad, Chris, Cyndy, Cynthia, Don, Eugene, Gary, George, Greg, Jacqui, Jennifer, Joe, Ken, Mary, Mary Lynn, Maureen, Myles, Natalie, Nicole, Patty, Stephanie and Theodore

If you would like a name added to the prayer list, please email Elaine Peterson at <a href="mailto:layniep53@comcast.net">layniep53@comcast.net</a> no later than Tuesday, September 10, 2019, at 3:00 pm.

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
8 Sunday before Holy Cross 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	9 The Holy Ancestors of God, Joachim and Anna 8:00 am Orthros/ 9:00 am Divine Liturgy	10	11 Tables Extraordinaire Committee Meeting 6:30 pm	12	13	14 The Universal Exaltation of the Cross 8:00 am Orthros/ 9:00 am Divine Liturgy
15 Sunday after Holy Cross 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	16 Parrish Council Meeting 7:00 pm	Women's Ministry Team Meeting 700 pm	18	19 Forever Young 11:30 am Choir Practice 1:30 pm	20	21
24 Sunday of Luke 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	23	24	25 Communication Ministry Meeting 7:00 pm	26	27 Paraklesis Service to St. Anna, Mother of the Theotokos 7:00 pm	28

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday 1	Wednesday 2	Thursday 3 Choir Practice 1:00 pm	Friday 4	Saturday 5
6 Third Sunday of Luke 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	7	8	9	10	11	12 Tables Extraordinaire 6:00 pm
13 Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	14	15 Women's Ministry Meeting 7:00 pm	16	17 Forever Young 11:30 am Choir Practice 1:30 pm	18	19

