



## **St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church**

**9201 South 1300 East, Sandy, UT 84094**

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**Sunday of the Blind Man**

**Sunday, May 24, 2020**

**Orthros: 9:00 a.m.**

**Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.**

**Reverend Protopresbyter Anthony Savas**

**Reverend Father Elias Koucos, Retired**

**Reverend Deacon Anatoli Kireiev**

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## Epistle Reading: Acts of the Apostles 16:16-34

*Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 1. Psalm 11.*

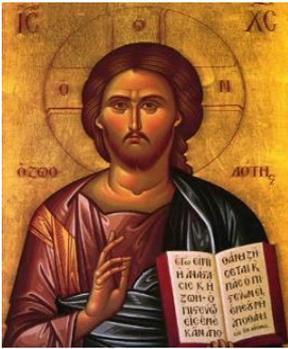
*You shall guard us, O Lord; You shall preserve us.  
Verse: Save me, O Lord, for the holy man has ceased.*



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 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.

### **After the Exclamation**

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and to those in the tombs, He has granted life. (3)

### **Response to First Antiphon**

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

### **Response to Second Antiphon**

Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead, We sing to You,  
Alleluia (4)

### **Response to Third Antiphon**

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

### **Entrance Hymn**

Bless God in the churches, the Lord from the fountains of Israel.  
Save us, O Son of God, risen from the dead, we sing to You,  
Alleluia.

### **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 the 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)

### **Trisagion Hymn**

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

### **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)

### **Hymn after Communion**

Christ is risen from the dead, trampling down death by death, and to those in the tombs, He has granted life. (3)

### **Dismissal Hymn**

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

**Orthodox Saints:** For Saints of the Day, please visit the parish website at [https://stannagocutah.org/?page\\_id=4529](https://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=4529), or the parish Facebook page.

**Memorial Services:** To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony [atfranthony@stannagocutah.org](mailto:atfranthony@stannagocutah.org) or 801-824-3987.

### **PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

The Parish Council is excited to announce that stewardship and other donations to St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church can now be quickly and easily made via text message using GIVE+ Text, a text donation platform offered through Vanco, our online donation partner.

To make your first donation to St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church via text message, follow these four simple steps:

1. Send a text message to 844-936-2414 (St. Anna's dedicated Give+ Text number), stating the amount you would like to donate followed by the account code in the body of the text, using the following format: \$xx 0x. The available account codes are as follows:

- 01-Stewardship
- 02-Altar & Benevolence
- 03-Building Fund
- 04-Miscellaneous giving
- 05-Candles-Pangari
- 06-Candles-Vigil

2. You will receive a return text message containing a link for you to complete your donation.

3. Click on the link in the return text to enter your name, address and credit card information and register yourself as a Give+ Text user.

4. You will receive another text message confirming your donation.

Future text donations are even easier! All you have to do is text the amount you want to donate followed by the applicable account code (\$xx 0x) to 844-936-2414 (St. Anna's dedicated Give+ Text number). The credit card entered at the time of your initial registration will be charged your donation amount, and you will receive a confirming text message.

Further information on the Give+ Text donation platform can be found through the following video tutorials available on YouTube:

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4tgrZk6fEy4&feature=youtu.be>

If you have any questions, please contact our Assistant Treasurer, Nick Daskalas, at [treasurer@stannagocutah.org](mailto:treasurer@stannagocutah.org) or 801-633-2607.

Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will be held, Monday, June 15, 2020, at 7:00 p.m.

Fr. Anthony is beginning discussions with ministry leaders to get classes, Bible Studies and Virtual Fellowship Times up as soon as possible. We will continue to explore all possible avenues to keep us connected as a family of faith.

## **ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Parish Outreach Program Update**

Thank you to the ministry leaders and volunteer callers for their continuing efforts to keep us connected. This vital Parish communication network provides an ongoing mechanism for staying in touch, addressing requests for assistance or home visits from Father, and helping with access to virtual Church services/programs. For questions, please contact Service Ministry Chairs, Alisanne Korologos (801) 567-3569 or Ann Sasich (801) 518.2528.

### **St. Anna Virtual Food Drive Update - New Goal \$7500**

Thanks to your incredible generosity, we surpassed the initial goal of \$5000 within two days of announcing our Virtual Food Drive to support Utah Food Bank's COVID-19 campaign. What an amazing outpouring of love and caring from our Parish to help families facing hunger at this difficult time!

The Virtual Food Drive, hosted by the Women's Ministry Team, will continue through May with a new fundraising goal of **\$7500**. Please note: the Food Bank has adjusted our St. Anna webpage to list all donor names (unless anonymous was requested).

With your continued support and Utah Food Bank's purchasing power (\$1 donated is worth \$7.66 in goods and services), every donation in any amount will have a significant impact for families who are food deprived. To view the St. Anna website, go to: <http://fighthunger.utahfoodbank.org/goto/stannas> and follow the directions on how to donate. If you have questions, contact Kathy Floor, Project Chair, at (801) 450-9626. Thank you and God bless!



This Year's St. Anna Golf Classic has been rescheduled to  
June 12, 2021 at Thanksgiving Point

Pam Martinez 801-623-7346 - Penny Mills 801-518-3786

Co-Chairs

Tom Martinez - Lloyd Mills

Advisors

**Saint Anna Parish Fishing Trip to Strawberry Reservoir has  
been cancelled**

We regret that we must cancel the annual Parish Fishing Trip for this year due to regulations limiting the number of people gathered in one place and the need to social distance. We hope and pray that this pandemic will subside and that we can return to the joy this trip offers over 100 participants each year in terms of fellowship, fishing, food and worship.

**COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Bulletin Announcements: Our next weekly bulletin will be published for Sunday May 31, 2020. Please send requested bulletin

announcements to Elaine Peterson at [layniep53@comcast.net](mailto:layniep53@comcast.net) no later than *Tuesday, May 26, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.*

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](http://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](http://www.play.google.com/store/apps/details?id=com.conduit.app_fa0fc07216b24e93b1993aa947209c07.app)

## NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Candle Lighting and Donations:** As we navigate through these difficult times, we invite all faithful to remotely light a candle and offer a prayer. Fr. Anthony will light as many narthex and vigil (7-day) candles as you would like to request. To make a request, simply email Fr. Anthony at [franthony@stannagocutah.org](mailto:franthony@stannagocutah.org) specifying the number and type of candles you would like to have lit, providing the name(s) you would like to have read for each candle. You can also call Fr. Anthony at 801-824-3987 to make your request and provide your name(s).

To make a donation for the candles requested, simply click on the link below to access our online donation page. On the line for "Other Donations" insert the amount you wish to donate and type "Candle Donations" in the adjacent comment box. Donations can also be mailed via check addressed to:

Donations can also be mailed via check to St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church, P.O. Box 171224, Holladay, Utah 84117.

May God continue to bless and protect all people of the world as we navigate through these challenging times.

### **Message from Peter Yannias, Stewardship Ministry Team Chair:**

"It is by offering our blessings back to God that He will be able to continue His forgiving, healing, liberating, empowering, transfiguring, loving ministry through the Church. For God, Infinite though He is, has chosen to work through us, through our gifts, to continue His saving work in the world today." - Fr. Anthony M. Coniaris

As stewardship chairman I am asking each of you to please be vigilant in your stewardship commitment to our beautiful new St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church. Though we are not attending service as we would normally, we need everyone, if possible, to not delay in honoring their financial commitment to our parish so that the parish can continue to honor its financial commitments. Stewardship payments may be sent by check via mail to St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church, P.O. Box 171224, Holladay, Utah 84117. Stewardship payments may also be made online through the parish website by visiting **[https://stannagocutah.org/?page\\_id=2666](https://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=2666) and clicking on the "Donate Now" button.**

If you have not yet completed your 2020 stewardship commitment card, now is the critical time to do so. Visit [https://stannagocutah.org/?page\\_id=21](https://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=21) to access the St. Anna 2020 Stewardship commitment card on our website. The Stewardship page on the St. Anna website also discusses different options for submitting your stewardship payments.

You might consider making any offerings you would otherwise make at the pangari for candles, etc. by check via mail to St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church, P.O. Box 171224, Holladay, Utah 84117, or online by visiting **[https://stannagocutah.org/?page\\_id=2666](https://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=2666) and clicking on the "Donate Now" button.**

### **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**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 [treasurer@stannagocutah.org](mailto:treasurer@stannagocutah.org) for further details.

### **MUSIC MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Choir Practice:** Choir Practices are postponed at this time. Contact Sophie Wondolowski at [swondo@comcast.net](mailto:swondo@comcast.net) with questions.

## **STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS**

2020 Stewardship Update: As of May 19, 2020, we are at \$298,681 88% of our goal of \$340,000! A great start but we are not quite there. Please do your part to help us achieve our budgeted goal! Bring your completed Stewardship Commitment Card to church this Sunday or mail it to PO Box 171224, Holladay, Utah 84117.

Our 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.

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

Women's Ministry Team Meeting: Postponed until further notice.

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

Dear St. Anna Parishioners,

During these trying times, and on behalf of the Capital Campaign Committee, we pray everyone is safe and well.

Our Parish still needs you to continue to complete your pledges to the Capital Campaign in order to complete the items needed for our new church building.

If you have not had the chance to fulfill your pledge to the Capital Campaign for 2019, please prayerfully consider doing so as soon as you can.

As we have mentioned before, please consider donating to the Coffee vs Cash Campaign which is available for you to donate the cost of a cup of coffee a week toward the campaign. This will add

up over the year and help our building committee remodel our new church building.

The St. Anna Golf Tournament, which was scheduled to take place in June, has been postponed until next year. The St. Anna Golf Tournament committee has secured Thanksgiving Point for this wonderful event to be held June 12, 2021.

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](mailto:stannacampaign@stannagocutah.org)

Please keep everyone in your prayers during this new lifestyle we are faced with and stay safe.

St. Anna Capital Campaign Ministry Committee

### **SUNDAY SCHOOL AND YOUTH MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Sunday School is suspended until further notice.

### **PAN ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL, AND OTHER COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Pan Arcadian West District Scholarship 2020 UPDATE:

Due to the COVID-19 pandemic spreading throughout the communities where we all live and work, the PFA Western District Scholarship accepting applications and the awarding of these Scholarships will be moved to a later date.

### **PRAYER LIST**

Angela, Athena, Barbara, Brooke, Carol, Chad, Charissa, Chris, Christopher, Cyndy, Cynthia, Debbie, Don, Ellie, Eugene, Eugeny, Gary, George, Greg, Gus, Haylee, Jacqui, Jill, Jim, Joe, Jordan, Julie, Ken, Kimberly, Lynne, Madeline, Mary, Mary Lynn,

Maureen, Mike, Myles, Natalia, Natalie, Nicole, Paisley, Patty,  
Preston, Stephanie, Steve, Tamara, and Theodore

**PARISH CALENDAR**

Visit [www.stannagocutah.org/?page\\_id=1663](http://www.stannagocutah.org/?page_id=1663) to obtain an electronic copy of the parish calendar.

May 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
24 Sunday of the Blind Man 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:15 am Divine Liturgy	25	26	27 Paraklesis to the Theotokos 7:00 pm	28 Ascension of the Lord 8:00 am	29	30 Great Vespers 5:00 pm
31 Fathers of the 1 <sup>st</sup> Council 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:15 am Divine Liturgy						

June 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6 Saturday of the Souls 8:00 am Divine Liturgy and Memorial 9:00 am Livestream Only  Great Vespers 5:00 pm Livestream Only
7 Holy Pentecost 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Sunday School Graduation	8	9 Divine Liturgy for Seniors (65+) 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Live Worship	10	11 Paraklesis to the Theotokos 7:00 pm Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	12	13 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Livestream Only

<p>Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks</p> <p>Vespers of Kneeling following Liturgy Live Stream Only</p>		<p>with Social Distancing and Facemasks</p>				
<p>14 The Sunday of All Saints 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks</p>	<p>15 Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm</p>	<p>16 Divine Liturgy for Seniors (65+) 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks</p>	<p>17</p>	<p>18 Paraklesis to the Theotokos 7:00 pm Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks</p>	<p>19</p>	<p>20 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Livestream Only</p>
<p>21 Second Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:15 am Divine Liturgy Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks</p>	<p>22</p>	<p>23 In Anticipation of the Nativity of the Forerunner (65+) 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks</p>	<p>24 Nativity of the Forerunner 8:00 am (65+)</p>	<p>25 Paraklesis to the St. Anna 7:00 pm Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks</p>	<p>26</p>	<p>27 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Livestream Only</p>
<p>28 Third Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks</p>	<p>29</p>	<p>30 Synaxis of the Twelve Apostles (65+) 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks</p>				

## 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 8500,000.00 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 81,500,000.00 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!