

St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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Fifth Sunday of Matthew Sunday, July 12, 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: St. Paul's Letter to the Romans 10:1-10

Prokeimenon, Mode 4 Psalm 103

The holy ones shall boast in glory. *Verse: Sing to the Lord a new song*



Brethren, my heart's desire and prayer to God for them is that they may be saved. I bear them witness that they have a zeal for God, but it is not enlightened. For, being ignorant of the righteousness that comes from God, and seeking to establish their own, they did not submit to God's righteousness. For Christ is the end of the law, that every one who has faith may be justified. Moses writes that the man who practices the righteousness which is based on the law shall live by it. But the

righteousness based on faith says, Do not say in your heart, "Who will ascend into heaven?" (that is, to bring Christ down) or "Who will descend into the abyss?" (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say? The word is near you, on your lips and in your heart (that is, the word of faith which we preach); because, if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For man believes with his heart and so is justified, and he confesses with his lips and so is saved.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Matthew 8: 28-34; 9: 1



At that time, when Jesus came to the other side, to the country of the Gergesenes, two demoniacs met him, coming out of the tombs, so fierce that no one would pass that way. And behold, they cried out, "What have you to do with us, O Son of God? Have you

come here to torment us before the time?" Now a herd of many swine was feeding at some distance from them. And the demons begged him, "If you cast us out, send us away into the herd of swine." And he said to them, "Go." So they came out and went into the swine; and behold, the whole herd rushed down the steep bank into the sea, and perished in the waters. The herdsmen fled, and going into the city they told everything, and what had happened to the demoniacs. And behold, all the city came out to meet Jesus; and when they saw him, they begged him to leave their neighborhood. And getting into a boat he crossed over and came to his own city.

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 Holy Comforter, save us who sing to you: Alleluia (3) (Liturgy Book page 29)

Response to Third Antiphon

The joyful news of Your resurrection was proclaimed by the angel to the women disciples. Having thrown off the curse that fell on Adam, they ran elatedly to tell the apostles: Death has been vanquished; Christ our God is risen from the dead, blessing all the world with His great mercy. (Liturgy Book page 111)

Entrance Hymn

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who rose from the dead, save us sing to You: Alleluia. (Liturgy page 37)

Resurrectional Apolytikion

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Apolytikion of the Parish 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

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)

Trisagion Hymn

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

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, 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)

<u>Orthodox Saints:</u> For Saints of the Day, please visit the parish website at https://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=4529, or the parish Facebook page.

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

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reduced Interest on Building Acquisition Loan: With interest rates dropping, the Parish Council approached First Utah Bank to see if we could reduce the interest rate on the loan we took to purchase our building last October, and First Utah Bank agreed to lower our rate from 5% to 4.62%. As a result of the reduced interest rate, we will save approximately \$378 per month on our mortgage payments. This will result in an annual savings of approximately \$4,500, with total savings of almost \$35,000 over the term of the loan. First Utah Bank also graciously agreed to waive all fees and costs associated with the transaction. First Utah Bank has proven to be a wonderful partner for our parish, and we appreciate their support!

New Way to Pay Fair share and Other Church Donations: 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 or <u>801-633-2607</u>.

<u>Parish Council Meeting:</u> The next Parish Council meeting will be held, Monday, July 20, 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

Community Service Project - St. Anna's First Annual American Red Cross Blood Drive

St. Anna's, under the leadership of the Women's Ministry Team, will host its First Annual American Red Cross Blood Drive on Sunday, August 2nd from 12:30 pm to 6:30 pm. The Red Cross has been conducting blood drives inside of businesses and churches to support hospitals, which are using more blood while fewer people are donating (due to fears about COVID).

To ensure the health and safety of its staff, donors and recipients, the Red Cross implements stringent guidelines and protocols that exceed city and county mandates, including temp stations, physical distancing, masks and gloves, sanitation throughout the drive, etc. The Red Cross will set up approximately 5 stations in the St Anna's Fellowship Hall and will sanitize before and after each procedure.

In addition, the Red Cross just announced that they have added the FDA approved COVID-19 antibody test to every blood donation. Now, donors will receive an email three weeks after the drive to let them know if they have any antibodies in their blood in response to exposure.

Parishioners and community members are invited to donate blood to support this essential community health need. Donors will make appointments for specific times - we are hoping to register 25-35 volunteers. For questions, contact Beverly Bartel, Project Chair: bmbartel@yahoo.com, 801-750-0645 or go directly to the following link to sign up

yourself. https://www.redcrossblood.org/give.html/donation-time. See flyer for more information.

Parish Outreach Program

A gentle reminder that the Parish Outreach Program is available to any parishioner who may need assistance during this time of social distancing. Please do not hesitate to contact Service Ministry Chairs Alisanne Korologos (801.557.3569) or Ann Sasich (801.518.2528) if you need any help. Be safe and stay well.

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Bulletin Announcements</u>: Our next weekly bulletin will be published for Sunday July 19, 2020. Please send requested bulletin announcements to Elaine Peterson at layniep53@comcast.net no later than *Tuesday*, *July 14*, 2020, *at 5:00 p.m.*

<u>Parish Mobile App</u>: 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

NEW ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Candle Lighting and Donations</u>: 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 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_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 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 and clicking on the "Donate Now" button.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

<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 Dmitri Smirnov at <u>treasurer@stannagocutah.org</u> for further details.

MUSIC MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Choir Practice:</u> Choir Practices are postponed at this time. Contact Sophie Wondolowski at swondo@comcast.net with questions.

STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020 Stewardship Update: As of July 8, 2020, we are at \$295,510; 87% 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 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.

WOMEN'S MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Women's Ministry Team Meeting</u>: 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 Please keep everyone in your prayers during this new lifestyle we are faced with and stay safe.

St. Anna Capital Campaign Ministry Committee

PRAYER LIST

Angela, Athena, Barbara, Brooke, Carol, Chad, Charissa, Chris, Christopher, Cynthia, Debbie, Don, Ellie, Eugene, Eugeniy, Gary, George, Greg, Gus, Haylee, Helen, Irene, 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, Theodore, and Theresa

PARISH CALENDAR

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

July 2020						
Sunday 12 Fifth Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	Monday 13	Tuesday 14 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	Wednesday 15 Bible Study Via Zoom 7:00 pm	Thursday 16 Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary 7:00 pm Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	Friday 17	Saturday 18 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
19 Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	20 Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm	21 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	22 Bible Study Via Zoom 7:00 pm	23 Paraklesis to St. Anna 7:00 pm Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	24	25 Dormition of the Righteous Ancestor of God, St. Anna 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks
26 Seventh Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	27	28 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	29 Bible Study Via Zoom 7:00 pm	30 Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary 7:00 pm Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	31	

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 \$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!