

# St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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Eighth Sunday of Matthew Sunday, August 2, 2020 Orthros: 9:00 a.m.

Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.

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## Epistle Reading: St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 1:10-17

Prokeimenon, Grave Mode Psalm 28

The Lord will give strength to His people; the Lord will bless His people with peace.

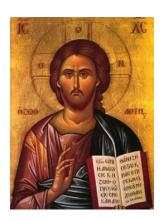
Verse: Bring to the Lord, O you sons of God, bring to the Lord glory and honor.



Brethren, I appeal to you by the name of our Lord Jesus Christ, that all of you agree and that there be no dissensions among you, but that you be united in the same mind and the same judgment. For it has been reported to me by Chloe's people that there is quarreling among you, my brethren. What I mean is that each one of you says, "I belong to Paul," or "I belong to Apollos," or "I belong to Cephas," or "I belong to Christ." Is Christ divided? Was Paul crucified for you? Or were you baptized

in the name of Paul? I thank God that I baptized none of you except Crispos and Gaius; lest any one should say that you were baptized in my name. (I did baptize also the household of Stephanas. Beyond that, I do not know whether I baptized any one else.) For Christ did not send me to baptize but to preach the gospel, and not with eloquent wisdom, lest the cross of Christ be emptied of its power.

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



At that time, Jesus saw a great throng; and he had compassion on them, and healed their sick. When it was evening, the disciples came to him and said, "This is a lonely place, and the day is now over; send the crowds away to go into the villages and buy food for themselves." Jesus said, "They need not go away; you give them something to eat." They said to him, "We have only five loaves here and two fish."

And he said, "Bring them here to me." Then he ordered the crowds to sit down on the grass; and taking the five loaves and the two fish he looked up to heaven, and blessed, and broke and gave the loaves to the disciples, and the disciples gave them to the crowds. And they all ate and were satisfied. And they took up twelve baskets full of the broken pieces left over. And those who ate were about five thousand men, besides women and children. Then he made the disciples get into the boat and go before him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds.

# 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

By Your cross, O Lord, You destroyed death; to the thief You opened paradise. The myrrh-bearers' sorrow You transformed into joy, and You sent Your apostles forth to proclaim that You had risen from the dead. Christ our God, bestowing on all the world Your great mercy. (Liturgy Book Page 123)

### **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 Book page 37)

# **Resurrectional Apolytikion**

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### For the Proto-martyr

O Stephen, a crown of royalty was laid on your head \* for contests you courageously endured for Christ our God, \* as first among Martyr saints. \* You stood in accusation of the raging Judeans; \* and you saw your Savior at the right hand of the Father. \* We pray that you will ever entreat Him to save our souls.

## **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**

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)

# **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 <a href="https://stannagocutah.org/?page\_id=4529">https://stannagocutah.org/?page\_id=4529</a>, or the parish Facebook page.

# Memorial Services - May Her Memory be Eternal:

<u>Next Sunday, August 9, 2020:</u> Presbytera Cyndy Kourametis (40 days)

**Memorial Services:** To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony **at franthony@stannagocutah.org** 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 Your Stewardship and Other Church

<u>Donations</u>: 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, August 17, 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**

Father Anthony has asked that a new round of Outreach calls be made to every Parish family over the next couple of weeks. The Volunteer Callers will check in to see how everyone is doing and if there are any needs or requests for assistance. They will also ask if parishioners are attending Church in-person and/or accessing livestreaming services and if there are any impediments keeping them from taking part in liturgical life.

A huge thank you to the Ministry Leaders, Service Coordinators and Volunteer Callers for your commitment to keeping our Church community connected. Stay well and God bless.

Service Ministry Team

## **COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>Bulletin Announcements</u>: Our next weekly bulletin will be published for Sunday August 7, 2020. Please send requested bulletin announcements to Elaine Peterson at

<u>layniep53@comcast.net</u> no later than *Tuesday, August 4, 2020, at 5:00 p.m.* 

<u>Parish Mobile App</u>: The St. Anna mobile app is available through the Apple App Store at <a href="www.itunes.apple.com/us/app/st.-anna-greek-orthodox-church/id1140666277?ls=1&mt=8">www.itunes.apple.com/us/app/st.-anna-greek-orthodox-church/id1140666277?ls=1&mt=8</a> and through Google Play at <a href="www.play.google.com/store/apps\_details?id=com.conduit.app\_fa0fc07216b24e93b1993aa947209c07.app">www.play.google.com/store/apps\_details?id=com.conduit.app\_fa0fc07216b24e93b1993aa947209c07.app</a>

#### **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 <a href="https://stannagocutah.org/?page\_id=2666">https://stannagocutah.org/?page\_id=2666</a> 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.

## **STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS**

<u>2020 Stewardship Update</u>: As of July 28, 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.

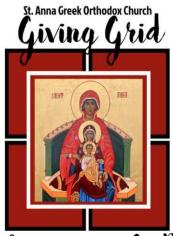
#### **PRAYER LIST**

Angela, Athena, Barbara, Brooke, Carol, Chad, Charissa, Chris, Christopher, Debbie, Don, Elaine, Ellie, Eugene, Eugeniy, Gary, George, Greg, Gus, Haylee, Helen, Irene, Jacqui, Jill, Jim, Joe, Jordan, Julie, Kay, Ken, Kimberly, Lynne, Madeline, Mary, Mary Lynn, Maureen, Myles, Natalia, Natalie, Nicole, Paisley, Patty, Pete, Preston, Sophie, Stan, Stephanie, Steve, Tamara, Theodore, and Theresa.

## PARISH CALENDAR

**Vi**sit www.stannagocutah.org/?page\_id=1663 to obtain an electronic copy of the parish calendar.

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



Buy a Square...Answer Our Prayer!

Dear Parishioners and Friends of St. Anna,

On behalf of the Capital Campaign Ministry, we hope and pray everyone is doing well and staying safe during this trying time.

At this time of social distancing, we are reminded of the wonderful annual activities our parish has enjoyed in the past few years, including the Golf Tournament, Tables Extraordinaire, and St. Anna's Name Day Picnic. These events have been remarkably successful and have been critical components of helping us build our community, our programs, and our physical buildings, all in service to our Lord.

Regrettably, this year, the pandemic has resulted in cancellation of these important events. As a result, we have searched for an alternative to raise funds for our parish.

Thankfully, we have a solution! We are launching an innovative, fun, and easy virtual online fundraiser called the "St. Anna Giving Grid."

The St. Anna Giving Grid (<u>www.givinggrid.com/stanna</u>) is an online grid of five hundred squares, each with a dollar amount from \$1 to \$500 per square and every amount in between (in other words, there is a \$1 square, \$2 square, \$3 square, all the way to the \$500 square). You have the opportunity to purchase any available square (or multiple squares). The wonderful feature of the St. Anna Giving Grid is that, because there are opportunities to donate a broad range of amounts, everyone (and we mean *everyone*) can participate!

When you purchase a square, you can upload your name and a photo, which will appear in place of the square you purchased, along with your name. Each square will become part of our Giving Grid. Our goal is to fill the entire grid with the beautiful faces of St. Anna parishioners and friends of St. Anna.

As you prayerfully decide which square (or squares) to purchase, and to maximize the success of our campaign, we encourage you to:

- Remember the amounts you and your family may have otherwise donated in the course of participating in the Golf Tournament, Tables Extraordinaire, and the Parish Name Day Picnic, and consider making a comparable donation
- Involve our youth by encouraging them to purchase a square—remember, there are squares which can be purchased for as little as \$1, \$2, \$3, so everyone can participate
- Share the Giving Grid on social media (the Giving Grid has a button which allows you to share on your social media account)
- Share the Giving Grid link with friends and family outside of our parish
- Explore the photos and videos we have uploaded to the Giving Grid site, which contain beautiful pictures from our community activities

St. Anna's Giving Grid will be launched <u>Sunday</u>, <u>August 2</u>, <u>2020</u> and <u>will be open</u> through August 31, 2020.

## Remember to Buy a Square... Answer Our Prayer!

Further details on participating are above. If you have any questions or would like to make an offline donation (including by check), please contact givinggrid@stannagocutah.org, or you can contact me at 801-694-9019.

Although we are physically distanced, our beautiful St. Anna parish has always met our challenges by opening our hearts to ensure that our community continues to flourish.

Nick E. Varanakis Capital Campaign Ministry

August 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
Eighth Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks St. Anna's First Annual American Red Cross Blood Drive 12:30-6:30 pm	3	4 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	5	6 Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary 7:00 pm Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	7	8 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
9 Ninth Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	10	11 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 8:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	12	13 Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary 7:00 pm Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	14	15 Dormition of the Theotokos 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Liturgy  Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
16 Tenth Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine	17 Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm	18 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy	19	20 Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary 7:00 pm Limited Live	21	Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only

Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks		Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks		Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks		
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30 Twelfth Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	31					

September 2020						
Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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6 Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	7	8	9	10	11	



Sponsored by the Women's Ministry Team