



St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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**Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew
Sunday, September 6, 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 First Letter to the Corinthians 16:13-24

Prokeimenon. Mode 4 Psalm 103

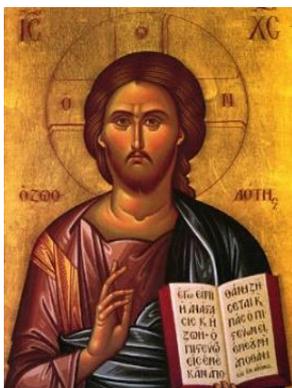
O Lord, Your works shall be magnified greatly; You made all things in wisdom.

Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, You are magnified exceedingly.



Brethren, be watchful, stand firm in your faith, be courageous, be strong. Let all that you do be done in love. Now, brethren, you know that the household of Stephanas were the first converts in Achaia, and they have devoted themselves to the service of the saints; I urge you to be subject to such men and to every fellow worker and laborer. I rejoice at the coming of Stephanas and Fortunatus and Achaicos, because they have made up for your absence; for they refreshed my spirit as well as yours. Give recognition to such men. The churches of Asia send greetings. Aquila and Prisca, together with the church in their house, send you hearty greetings in the Lord. All the brethren send greetings. Greet one another with a holy kiss. I, Paul, write this greeting with my own hand. If any one has no love for the Lord, let him be accursed. Our Lord, come! The grace of the Lord Jesus be with you. My love be with you all in Christ Jesus. Amen.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Matthew 21:33-42



Oh Lord said this parable, "There was a householder who planted a vineyard, and set a hedge around it, and dug a wine press in it, and built a tower, and let it out to tenants, and went into another country. When the season of fruit drew near, he sent his servants to the tenants, to get his fruit; and the tenants took his servants

and beat one, killed another, and stoned another. Again he sent other servants, more than the first; and they did the same to them. Afterward he sent his son to them, saying 'They will respect my son.' But when the tenants saw the son, they said to themselves, 'This is the heir; come, let us kill him and have his inheritance.' And they took him and cast him out of the vineyard and killed him. When therefore the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?" They said to him, "He will put those wretches to a miserable death, and let out the vineyard to other tenants who will give him the fruits in their seasons." Jesus said to them, "Have you never read in the scriptures: 'The very stone which the builders rejected has become the head of the corner; this was the Lord's doing, and it was marvelous in our eyes?'"

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 (4)
(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 Book page 37)

Resurrectional Apolytikion

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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))

For the Archangel

O Chief Commander of the heavenly armies, * we the unworthy now entreat you in earnest, * to fortify us by your supplications to the Lord, * and shelter us beneath the wings of your spiritual glory, * guarding us who run to you and fervently entreat you: * As the Commander of the hosts on high, * rescue us faithful from dangers of every kind.

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

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)

It is truly right to call you blessed O Theotokos, ever blessed, most pure and the mother, the mother of our God. More hon'able 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)

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

Memorial Service - May His Memory be Eternal:

Sunday, September 6, 2020: Fr. Matthew Gilbert (4 years)

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 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 801-633-2607.

Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will be held, Monday, September 21, 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 Calls - Thank you A heartfelt thank you to the Ministry Leaders, Service Coordinators and Volunteer Callers for your commitment to keeping our Church community connected by providing ongoing contact with all of our Parish families. Stay well and God bless. Service Ministry Team

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements: Our next weekly bulletin will be published for Sunday September 13, 2020. Please send requested bulletin announcements to Elaine Peterson at layniep53@comcast.net no later than *Tuesday, September 8, 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 and through Google Play at 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 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

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 for further details.

STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

2020 Stewardship Update: As of September 1, 2020, we are at \$296,010; 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 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.

PRAYER LIST

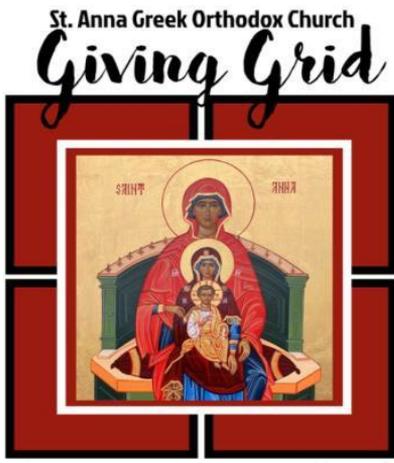
Alexander, Angela, Anna, Athena, Christy, Debbie, Don, Elleney, Fotini, Gary, George, Helen, Laurie, Luke, Lydia, Nicolay, Nicole, Nina, Pavel, Steve, Theodore, Val and Weston.

PARISH CALENDAR

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

ST. ANNA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN (SACC) UPDATE

Dear
Parishioners and Friends of St. Anna,



Buy a Square...Answer Our Prayer!

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 (www.givinggrid.com/stanna) 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 Sunday, August 2, 2020 and will be open **through September 14, 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



SAVE THE DATE

*“All Under the Same
Moon” Gala*

A VIRTUAL FUNDRAISING EVENT
HOSTED BY SAINT SOPHIA SCHOOL

Nov 6, 2020 @ 7pm

*Although we are unable to celebrate under
the same roof, we are still together “All
Under the Same Moon.”*

*Please join us for A Virtual Fundraiser to
help support the
Saint Sophia School.*

**PLEASE GO TO
THE LINK
BELOW.**

saintsophia.home.qtego.net



September 2020

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
6 Thirteenth Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	7	8 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	9	10 Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary 7:00 pm Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	11	12 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
13 Sunday before Holy Cross 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	14 The Universal Elevation of the Cross 8:00 am Orthros/ 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	15 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	16	17 Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary 7:00 pm Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	18	19 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
20 Sunday after Holy Cross 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	21 Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm	22 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	23	24 Paraklesis Service to St. Anna, Mother of the Theotokos 7:00 pm Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	25	26 Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
27 First Sunday of Luke 9:00 am Orthros/ 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	28	29 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am Divine Liturgy Limited Live Worship with Social Distancing and Facemasks	30			

Don't forget to purchase a square!

Information above

St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church
Giving Grid



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