



St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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**The Holy Fathers of the 7th Council
Sunday, October 11, 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 Second Letter to Titus 3:8-15

Prokeimenon Mode 4 The Prayer of Azariash

Blessed are You, O Lord God of our fathers

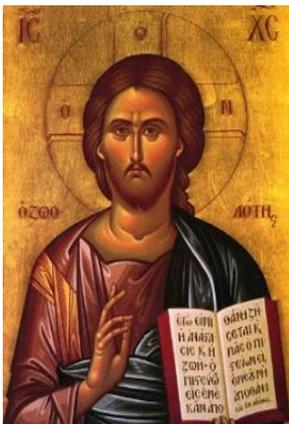
Verse: For You are righteous in all You did for us.



Titus, my son, the saying is sure. I desire you to insist on these things, so that those who have believed in God may be careful to apply themselves to good deeds; these are excellent and profitable to men. But avoid stupid controversies, genealogies, dissensions, and quarrels over the law, for they are unprofitable and futile. As for a man who is factious, after admonishing him once or twice, have nothing more to do with him, knowing that such a person is perverted and sinful; he is self-condemned.

When I send Artemas or Tychicos to you, do your best to come to me at Nicopolis, for I have decided to spend the winter there. Do your best to speed Zenas the lawyer and Apollos on their way; see that they lack nothing. And let our people learn to apply themselves to good deeds, so as to help cases of urgent need, and not to be unfruitful. All who are with me send greeting to you. Greet those who love us in the faith. Grace be with you all. Amen.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Luke 8:5-15



The Lord said this parable: "A sower went out to sow his seed; and as he sowed, some fell along the path, and was trodden under foot, and the birds of the air devoured it. And some fell on the rock; and as it grew up, it withered away, because it had no moisture. And some fell among thorns; and the thorns grew with it and choked it. And some fell into good soil and grew, and yielded a hundredfold." And when his

disciples asked him what this parable meant, he said, "To you it has been given to know the secrets of the kingdom of God; but for others they are in parables, so that seeing they may not see, and hearing they may not understand. Now the parable is this: The seed is the word of God. The ones along the path are those who have heard; then the devil comes and takes away the word from their hearts, that they may not believe and be saved. And the ones on the rock are those who, when they hear the word, receive it with joy; but these have no root, they believe for a while and in time of temptation fall away. And as for what fell among the thorns, they are those who hear, but as they go on their way they are choked by the cares and riches and pleasures of life, and their fruit does not mature. And as for that in the good soil, they are those who, hearing the word, hold it fast in an honest and good heart, and bring forth fruit with patience." As he said these things, he cried out, "He who has ears to hear, let him hear."

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 who were crucified in the flesh, save us who sing to You, Alleluia. (4)

Response to Third Antiphon

Although your tomb was sealed with a stone, O Saviour, and Your most pure body was guarded by the soldiers, You rose on the third day giving life to all the world. Therefore O giver of life, the powers of heaven praise You: Glory to your resurrection, O Christ. Glory to your kingdom. Glory to your saving wisdom, O only lover of mankind. (Liturgy Book page 99)

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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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

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'orable 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 Services: May Their Memories be Eternal:

Sunday, October 11, 2020: Bunnie Varanakis (1 year)

Sunday, October 18, 2020: Mary Vosnos (8 months); George Vosnos (6 months)

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

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Update to Worship Service: As Father Anthony mentioned in an earlier email, steps have been taken to reconfigure our worship space to allow for the addition of more seats in the nave. The Parish Council also asked our Medical Advisory Ministry Team, made up of various medical professionals, to come together to review our coronavirus protocols to determine whether any adjustments needed to be made, and to make further recommendations as we

move into the fall and begin our Sunday School program. Their recommendations were presented to and discussed amongst the Parish Council at its regularly scheduled monthly meeting last Monday.

With the additional seating that has been added to the nave, we have increased our total seating capacity in the nave to accommodate approximately 100 parishioners, even with appropriate social distancing. Given the increased capacity in the nave, and consistent with the recommendations of the Medical Advisory Ministry Team, **the Parish Council has determined that it is NOT necessary to require reservations for Sunday Liturgy at this time.**

Should attendance on any given Sunday exceed the number of people that may safely be allowed in the nave while maintaining proper social distancing, it will be necessary for us to ask parishioners to worship from the Fellowship Hall, with social distancing, via live stream. It may also be necessary for us to revisit the implementation of a reservation system in the event we continually exceed seating capacity in the nave, or if there is a change to state or local guidance further limiting the number of people who are allowed to be in attendance for live worship.

We have enjoyed consistent and robust participation in our live worship these past few months, and consider it a blessing to be in the position where we have to consider the possibility of exceeding our available capacity. The Parish Council, in coordination with the Medical Advisory Ministry Team, will do its best to minimize the inconvenience of our parishioners, maximize the opportunities for live worship, and timely communicate any necessary changes in protocols that may arise.

The Parish Council appreciates your continued cooperation, patience, flexibility and support as we navigate through these difficult and unprecedented times and continue to take the steps necessary to safely and consistently facilitate the continuation of our live worship and the commencement of our Sunday School program. We will continue to do our best to continue to make decisions with the health and safety of our parishioners at the

forefront of our minds, with the fervent prayer that we will soon be able to remove all restrictions and return to the joys of full parish life.

New Electronic COVID-19 Contact Tracing Form. Commencing Sunday, October 4, 2020, parishioners participating in live-worship will have the option to submit their contact tracing information electronically, using a Google form. To use the form, simply scan the QR code located on the table in the narthex using the camera on your personal smartphone device. The form will ask for your email address, the date of the service, the type of service (i.e., Divine Liturgy, Paraklesis, other), your name, the names of those in your household attending with you, and your phone number. The information submitted through the electronically submitted form will be recorded in a Google sheet to which only Fr. Anthony and the Parish Council have access. This is the same Google sheet in which we have been entering the information provided on the paper forms since the church reopened for live worship back in June. The information contained in the Google sheet is used by the members of the Parish Council and/or Medical Advisory Ministry Team to contact parishioners in attendance at a given service insofar as it is subsequently learned that another parishioner has tested positive for COVID-19 within 14 days after attending such service. The information is not used for any other purpose. Paper contact tracing forms will continue to be available for those parishioners who are unable to access the Google form using a smartphone.

Your continued cooperation in completing the contact tracing forms (electronically or on paper) is greatly appreciated. Since June, we have had two instances where a parishioner tested positive for COVID-19 within 14 days after they had attended an in-person service. As a result of our contact tracing efforts, we were able to quickly contact all other parishioners who had attended the same service to alert them of a possible COVID-19 exposure so that they could monitor for symptoms and, if desired, contact their personal health care provider. In each instance, due to God's blessings and the various safety protocols that we have put into place with the guidance of our Medical Advisory Ministry Team,

no other parishioners are known to have contracted the virus as a result of their attendance at church.

Save the Date - Fall Parish Assembly: Our Fall Parish Assembly has been scheduled for Sunday, November 1, 2020, at 3:00 p.m. With the blessing of His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah, the Parish Assembly will be held virtually, with limited in person attendance being allowed for those parishioners that do not have technological capabilities to participate virtually. Further details to come. The final agenda will include, among other items, election of the 2020 Board of Elections, postponement of the 2019 audit and report to 2021, election of the 2020 Board of Auditors, the 2019 (year-end) and 2020 (through third quarter) financial reports, adoption of the 2021 budget, and Parish Council candidate nominations.

Parish Council Elections: Parish Council elections will be held Sunday, December 6, 2020. With the blessing of His Eminence Metropolitan Isaiah and in accordance with our local parish by-laws, voting through absentee ballot will be allowed and encouraged. Socially distanced in-person voting will also be allowed. Further details to come.

Parish Council Nominations: This year, we will hold an election for six parish council seats. The Parish Council members with expiring terms are: Mike Daskalas, Nick Daskalas, Michael Petrogeorge, Myra Shenk, Dmitri Smirnov, and Julie Steele. A number of these current Parish Council members do not intend to seek reelection, and we will need new volunteers to run for the Parish Council to help lead our parish as we emerge (hopefully soon) from the COVID-19 pandemic and into the future. Please contact Fr. Anthony if you have an interest in serving a two-year term on the Parish Council, commencing January 2021.

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 Fun

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>

u.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, October 19, 2020 at 7:00 p.m.

ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Orthodox Inquirers' Class

If you're interested in learning about the Orthodox Church which was founded by Jesus Christ and has maintained a living connection over the centuries with the early church, the Orthodox Inquirers class is for you!

The class is open to adults inquiring about the orthodox faith and Christians who would like to deepen their understanding of their faith. The class will begin on Thursday, October 15, 2020 at 7:30 p.m. through 9:00 p.m. following Paraklesis services. The class will be held inside the church. Zoom will be available for those who are unable to attend in person. We will be studying the book, *Introducing the Orthodox Church-Its Faith and Life* by Anthony Coniaris.

"The orthodox inquirer will find this book a refreshing, interesting, authentic, contemporary, down to earth and practical introduction to the Orthodox Christian faith," says Rev. Stanley S. Harakas.

Service Projects for October thru December, 2020

Operation School Bell at the Assistance League - REGISTER NOW!

Please join other parishioners to assemble individual bags with brand new winter coats, hoodies, jeans, shirts, underwear, and hygiene items for children in need. This coming Tuesday, October 13, 2020 from 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. and/or 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. at the Assistance League 2060 East 3300 South

Note: There will be a limit of 12 volunteers during each time period. Due to COVID-19, please bring your masks, gloves and observe social distancing. A maximum of two volunteers will be allowed in the clothing collection aisles. There will also be jobs for volunteers who may need to sit or have difficulty walking. PRE-REGISTER by calling or texting Kathy Shand at 801-554-4250 to sign up for a time slot.

Operation Chimney Drop: The Annual Parish Sub-for-Santa project will be held November 1 thru 29, 2020. We are once again collaborating with Head Start to help 60 children and Aging Services to help 20 seniors in need from the Sandy community. Parishioners will choose an ornament (wish list) for a girl, boy, or senior, purchase presents, and return them to Church in a large plastic bag by November 29, 2020 to be sorted and delivered. If you'd like to volunteer to help with our Christmas project, please contact Kathy Shand (801-554-4250), kmschand@gmail.com or Joanne Dokos (801-815-5293), jwdokos@hotmail.com.

Food Pantry Drop off site: Projected Start: To Be Determined. We want to establish St. Anna as a drop-off site for the Copperview Food Pantry, which serves Head Start and other low-income families in Sandy and the greater community. St. Anna would support the Copperview Food Pantry, operated by Utah Community Action, through parishioner donations of needed non-perishable food and hygiene items. Stay tuned for further information.

BUILDING COMMITTEE MINISTRY

The Building Committee Ministry is asking for more volunteer support in order to keep our beautiful St. Anna spaces clean, safe and sanitized after each service. Please contact Myles Carrera at mylescarrera@gmail.com or 801-645-6088 for our volunteer team's weekly schedule and any updates

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements: Our next weekly bulletin will be published for Sunday October 18, 2020. Please send requested bulletin announcements to Elaine Peterson at layniep53@comcast.net no later than *Tuesday, October 13, 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

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 October 6, 2020, we are at \$296,810; 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.

ST. ANNA CAPITAL CAMPAIGN (SACC) UPDATE

Dear St. Anna Parishioners and Friends:

You are incredible! Six weeks ago, we started our online virtual campaign, Giving Grid, to make up for the amounts that our in-person fundraisers would have generated. We had no idea what to expect, or what was realistic, but we asked for your help. You answered the call in abundance!

The Giving Grid virtual campaign officially came to a close on September 14, on the feast day of the Elevation of the Holy Cross. Your generosity resulted in a total of **\$61,004** in donations through the Giving Grid for our beloved St. Anna parish! This will enable us to continue the work of Christ's Holy Church. Seeing your names and your photos as they popped up on the Giving Grid helped us all feel a bit more connected. In the coming days, we will be compiling a video of the squares on the Giving Grid, so please look for that communication.

We understand that these are challenging circumstances. To all those who were able to donate, we extend our heartfelt gratitude for your continuing support and prayers. Thank you from the bottom of our hearts.

In His Love,

Fr. Anthony Savas, Protopresbyter, St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

Michael Petrogeorge, President,

St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

Elaina Maragakis Simos, Giving Grid Chair

Nick Varanakis, Capital Campaign Chair

PRAYER LIST

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

PARISH CALENDAR

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

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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.*

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BELOW.**

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