



St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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Sunday of the Prodigal Son
Sunday, February 28, 2021
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 6:12-20

Prokeimenon. Mode 1. Psalm 11

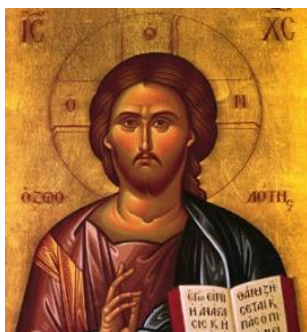
You shall guard us, O Lord; You shall preserve us.

Verse: Save me, O Lord, for the holy man has ceased.



Brethren, "all things are lawful for me," but not all things are helpful. "All things are lawful for me," but I will not be enslaved by anything. "Food is meant for the stomach and the stomach for food" – and God will destroy both one and the other. The body is not meant for immorality, but for the Lord, and the Lord for the body. And God raised the Lord and will also raise us up by his power. Do you not know that your bodies are members of Christ? Shall I therefore take the members of Christ and make them members of a prostitute? Never! Do you not know that he who joins himself to a prostitute becomes one body with her? For, as it is written, "The two shall become one flesh." But he who is united to the Lord becomes one spirit with him. Shun immorality. Every other sin which a man commits is outside the body; but the immoral man sins against his own body. Do you not know that your body is a temple of the Holy Spirit within you, which you have from God? You are not your own; you were bought with a price. So glorify God in your body and in your spirit which belong to God.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Luke 15:11-32



The Lord said this parable: "There was a man who had two sons; and the younger of them said to his father, 'Father, give me the share of the property that falls to me.' And he divided his living between them. Not

many days later, the younger son gathered all he had and took his journey into a far country, and there he squandered his property in loose living. And when he had spent everything, a great famine arose in that country, and he began to be in want. So he went and joined himself to one of the citizens of that country, who sent him into his fields to feed swine. And he would gladly have fed on the pods that the swine ate; and no one gave him anything. But when he came to himself he said, 'How many of my father's hired servants have bread enough and to spare, but I perish here with hunger! I will arise and go to my father, and I will say to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son; treat me as one of your hired servants.' And he arose and came to his father. But while he was yet at a distance, his father saw him and had compassion, and ran and embraced him and kissed him. And the son said to him, 'Father, I have sinned against heaven and before you; I am no longer worthy to be called your son.' But the father said to his servants, 'Bring quickly the best robe, and put it on him; and put a ring on his hand, and shoes on his feet; and bring the fatted calf and kill it, and let us eat and make merry; for this my son was dead, and is alive again; he was lost, and is found.' And they began to make merry. Now his elder son was in the field; and as he came and drew near to the house, he heard music and dancing. And he called one of the servants and asked what this meant. And he said to him, 'Your brother has come, and your father has killed the fatted calf, because he has received him safe and sound.' But he was angry and refused to go in. His father came out and entreated him, but he answered his father, 'Lo, these many years I have served you, and I never disobeyed your command; yet you never gave me a kid, that I might make merry with my friends. But when this son of yours came, who has devoured your living with harlots, you killed for him the fatted calf!' And he said to him, 'Son, you are always with me, and all that is mine is yours. It was fitting to make merry and be glad, for this your brother was dead, and is alive; he was lost, and is found.'

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 carried in the arms of Simeon the Just, save us who sing to you Alleluia. (4) (Liturgy Book pg. 196)

Response to Third Antiphon

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)

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. (p. 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 forgiveness for those who honor you, O blessed one.

Kontakion

From my Father's glory I have foolishly turned away. By my sins I squandered all the riches He gave me. Therefore like the prodigal I cry out to Him: I have sinned before You, compassionate Father. Accept my repentance, and take me back again as one of Your hired servants. (p. 257)

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 honorable 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:

Tuesday, February 23, 2021: Joe Polidori (40 days)

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

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will be held, March 22, 2021, at 7:00 p.m.

Update to Worship Service: 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.

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.

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 attend for live worship.

We have enjoyed consistent and robust participation in our live worship since June, 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.

Electronic COVID-19 Contact Tracing Form: Parishioners participating in live-worship are now able 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 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 only 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.

Easy Way to Pay Your Stewardship and Other Church Donations: The Parish Council has implemented a new way for stewardship and other donations made 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.be>.

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.

ADULT AND FAMILY MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS



St Anna 2nd Annual Golf Classic
June 12, 2021
Thanksgiving Point - Lehi, Utah
Check out the website below for details

StAnnaGolfClassic2021.com

Pam & Tom Martinez 801-623-7346; 602-999-5177

Co-Chairs

Nick Varanakis 801-694-9019

Advisor

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bulletin Announcements: Please note the next bulletin will be published for Sunday, March 7, 2021. Please send requested bulletin announcements to **Elaine Peterson** at **layniep53@comcast.net** no later than **Tuesday, March 2, 2021, 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 Phill Floor at treasurer@stannagocutah.org for further details.

STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

2021 Stewardship Update: As of Tuesday, February 1, 2021, we have received stewardship commitments for 2021 totaling

\$278,582 putting us at 82% of our \$340,000 goal! If you have not yet had an opportunity to complete your 2021 Stewardship Commitment Card, please bring it to church this week or mail it to PO Box 171224, Holladay, Utah 84117. Stewardship cards can also be submitted online at https://stannagocutah.org/?page_id=21.

Stewardship, as you well know, is the absolute life-blood of our community's financial health. We do not pass trays or make seasonal appeals to pay our operational expenses. To God's glory, and to your credit, we sustain primarily through Stewardship and the sustained giving of our contributors.

PAN ORTHODOX, FRATERNAL, AND OTHER COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminders from the Daughters of Minos: Each month we like to provide chapters' news to the Kriti Magazine. If you would like to announce the graduation, engagement, wedding, baptism, retirement, or a recent death, or any important update in your family, please send in the information and a photo if you would like to our historian Angie Katsanevas at 801-231-7626 or angiekatsanevas@aol.com before the third of each month.

PRAYER LIST

Alex, Alexander, Ange, Angela, Anna, Athena, Barbara, Bill, Briana, Carol, Charissa, Charlie, Chris, Christy, Cora, Debbie, Dena, Diane, Dimitri, Don, Elleney, Fotini, Fred, George, Helen, Irene, Jill, John, Juliet, Kathy, Kim, Kris, Luke, Lydia, Mary, Nicolay, Nicole, Nina, Pavel, Sam, Sandra, Sophia, Sophie, Stan, Steve, Theodore, Val and Weston.

PARISH CALENDAR

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

February 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
28 Fifteenth Sunday of Luke 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy						

March 2021

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am	3	4 Paraklesis to the Most Holy Theotokos 6:30 pm	5	6 Saturday of Souls 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
7 Sixteenth Sunday of Matthew 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	8	9 Divine Liturgy for Seniors and High Risk 9:00 am	10	11 Paraklesis to the Most Holy Theotokos 6:30 pm	12	13 Saturday of Souls 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
14 Forgiveness Sunday 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy Forgiveness Great Vespers 7:00 pm	15 First Day of Great Lent Great Compline 7:00 pm	16 Senior Presanctified Liturgy 9:00 am Women's Ministry Team Meeting 7:00 pm	17 Presanctified Liturgy 7:00 pm	18	19 Paraklesis to the Most Holy Theotokos 10:00 am Salutations to the Most Holy Theotokos 7:00 pm	20 Saturday of Souls 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only
21 Sunday of Orthodoxy 9:00 am Orthros 10:00 am Divine Liturgy	22 Compline 6:00 pm Parish Council Meeting 7:00 pm	23 Senior Presanctified Liturgy 9:00 am	24 Presanctified Liturgy 7:00 pm	25 Annunciation of the Virgin Mary Orthros 8:00 am Liturgy 9:00 am	26 Paraklesis to St. Anna, Mother of the Theotokos 10:00 am Salutations to the Most Holy Theotokos 7:00 pm	27 Saturday of Souls 8:00 am Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy and Memorial Service Great Vespers 5:00 pm Live Stream Only