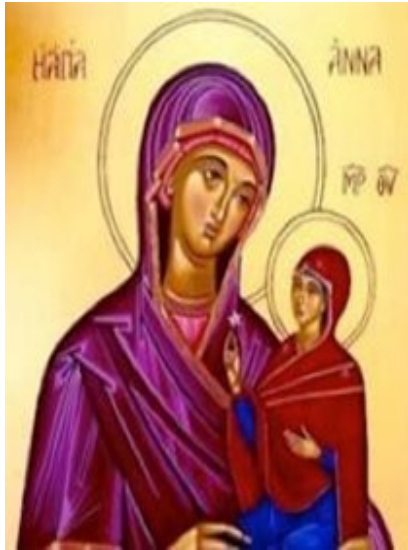




# CHURCH BULLETIN



**St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church**  
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**10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke**

**Sunday, December 10, 2023**

**Orthros: 9:00 a.m.**

**Divine Liturgy: 10:00 a.m.**

**Reverend Protopresbyter Anthony Savas**  
**Reverend Protopresbyter Elias Koucos, Retired**  
**Deacon John Kavass**

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## Epistle Reading: Paul's Letter to the Ephesians (6:10-17)

*Prokeimenon. Mode 2. Psalm 117.*

*The Lord is my strength and my song, and He became my salvation.*

*Verse: The Lord chastened and corrected me, but He did not give me up to death.*



Brethren, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. For we are not contending against flesh and blood, but against the principalities, against the powers, against the world rulers of this present darkness, against the spiritual hosts of wickedness in the heavenly places. Therefore take the whole armor of God, that you may be able to withstand in the evil day, and having done all, to stand. Stand, therefore, having girded your loins with truth, and having put on the breastplate of righteousness, and having shod your feet with the equipment of the gospel of peace; besides all these, taking the shield of faith, with which you can quench all the flaming darts of the evil one. And take the helmet of salvation, and the sword of the Spirit, which is the word of God.

## Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Luke (13:10-17)



At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" As

he said this, all his adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.

### **Response to First Antiphon**

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us (3).  
(Liturgy Book page 25)

### **Response to Second Antiphon**

Save us, O Son of God, who rose from the dead, save us who sing to You, Alleluia (3). (Liturgy Book page 29)

### **Response to Third Antiphon**

When You descended into death, Life immortal, You vanquished the pow'r of hell by your resplendent divinity, and when You raised the dead from the depths of darkness, all the heavenly powers cried out triumphantly: O giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You. (Liturgy Book page 103)

### **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**

When You descended into death, Life immortal, You vanquished the pow'r of hell by your resplendent divinity, and when You raised the dead from the depths of darkness, all the heavenly powers cried out triumphantly: O giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You. (Liturgy Book page 103)

### **Hymn for the Saints**

When they had deadened burning impulses and movements of sinful passions by their self-control and virtue, then the Martyrs of Christ were given the divine grace of driving away the illnesses of the sick and working wonders, alive and after their death. Paradoxical miracle it is indeed, that naked bones should pour out cures abundantly. Glory be to our only God

### **Hymn for the Saints**

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**

Today the Virgin goes forth, making her way to a cave where from her, ineffably, God the eternal Word will be born. Let the world be filled with joy, hearing these tidings. Joining the angels and shepherds let us give glory to Him who is God from all ages, yet wills to be seen as a little child. (Liturgy Book page 241).

### **Trisagion Hymn**

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (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. 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).

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Online Chapel:** For Saints and Readings of the Day, please visit the [Archdiocese's Online Chapel](#).

**St. Anna Livestream:** Livestreaming is back up and running on the [St. Anna YouTube Channel](#).

**Epistle Reader:** Misha Bradford

**Memorial Services – May Their Memories Be Eternal:**

*TODAY, Sunday, December 10, 2023:* Mary Koucos (28 years); William J. Koucos (50 years)

*Sunday, December 17, 2023:* Tony Kalivas (26 years); Helen Kalivas (13 years); Tom Martinez (2 years)

To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony at [franthonny@stannagocutah.org](mailto:franthonny@stannagocutah.org) or 801-824-3987.

**A Musical Christmas Concert:** All are cordially invited to attend an entertaining and inspiring Christmas concert presented by the combined choirs of Holy Trinity Greek Orthodox Cathedral, Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church, and St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church on Sunday, December 17, 2023, at 5:00 p.m., in the new St. Anna Sanctuary. See attached flyer for details. If you plan to attend the Lenten dinner following the concert, please R.S.V.P to Sophie Wondolowski at [sophwondo@gmail.com](mailto:sophwondo@gmail.com).

**2023 Nativity Services**



**Sunday, December 24, 2023**

5:00 p.m. – Nativity Matins

6:00 p.m. – Nativity Divine Liturgy on Eve of Christmas

**Monday, December 25, 2023**

10:00 a.m. – Nativity Divine Liturgy

**PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Parish Council Elections:** Elections for the 2024 Parish Council will be held TODAY, Sunday, December 10, 2023. There are five (5) Parish Council seats up for election this year, with the following candidates having been nominated to fill the open seats: Michael Petrogeorge, George Sergakis (incumbent), Steve Simos

(incumbent), Sam Soter (incumbent), and Moses Williams. Voting will commence immediately following Divine Liturgy and close at 1:30 p.m. To be eligible to vote you must be a steward of the parish in good standing and have paid at least three-fourths (3/4) of your stewardship commitment for 2024. If you have questions about your stewardship status, contact Parish Council Treasurer Dmitri Smirnov at [treasurer@stannagocutah.org](mailto:treasurer@stannagocutah.org).

**Parish Council Meeting:** The next Parish Council meeting will be held Monday, December 18, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

## PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Philoptochos Meeting:** Due to the holidays, we will not hold meetings in December. Our first meeting of the new year will be held on Monday, January 22, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

**Holiday Baking for You!** You can pick up your koulourakia order after church today, December 10, 2023. Contact Sophie Wondolowski at 801-278-3395 or [sophwondo@gmail.com](mailto:sophwondo@gmail.com) with any questions.

**It's a Baby Shower - Help Fill the Bassinet!** St. Innocent Orphanage is being blessed with babies, so St. Anna Philoptochos is hosting them a shower! These little ones need diapers, bottles, blankets, burp cloths, and so much more. They are in great need of diapers sizes 2, 3 and 4. If you would like to help, please visit this [Amazon page](#) to purchase a gift through Amazon that will be sent directly to the orphanage. Please also place a greeting card with good wishes, advice, blessings, etc. in the bassinet at church, and we will send them to the orphanage. Thank you!

## YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**JOY:** JOY meets the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held December 21, 2023. All children in grades 1-5 are welcome and encouraged to attend!

**GOYA:** Join us for our annual ice-skating outing TODAY, Sunday, December 10, 2023, at Gallivan Center, 74 East 2000 South, Salt Lake City. Bring \$12.50 for skates and admission. GOYA will sponsor pizza after liturgy and then we will change our clothes and head out! GOYA is for those in grades 6-12.

**Young Adult League (YAL) Christmas Social:** All young adults aged 18-30(ish) are invited to join us for our Christmas gathering on Friday, December 15, 2023, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. at Social Axe Throwing, 1154 S. 300 West, Salt Lake City. RSVP to Fr. Anthony via text at 801-824-3987.!

## ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Morning Bible Study:** Morning Bible Study, led by John Kaloudis, will resume in January 2024, on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. We will be discussing Mark's Gospel and meet at St. Anna, in the hopes that more parishioners can join us. For more information contact John Kaloudis at 801-230-5121.

**Orthodox Inquirers' Class:** The Orthodox Inquirers class will meet at the church every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

**Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series:** Please join us for the Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series at the church every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

## ST. ANNA SERVICE MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Food Support Program - Help fight hunger!** Ongoing food donations from our Parish and the community are vitally important to support the Diamond Ridge/Entrada pantries serving over 1400 people per month. **FILL THE BIN!**

## STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who have turned in their 2023 stewardship cards. As of November 8, 2023, we have received 162 stewardship commitments totaling \$404,008! Funding our parish needs through stewardship continues to be a defining aspect of this community. We very much appreciate your prayerful commitment and continued support. Thank you for being an active part of our every success, unto the glory of God!

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Scouting News!** St. Anna's would like to welcome Scout Troop 4. They will begin meeting at our Church on Monday evenings beginning January 8, 2023. All boys ages 11-17 are

invited to visit any time to see if they would be interested in joining. Meetings typically start at 7:00 p.m. unless there is a special event. The troop will be holding a meet and greet in January for parents to come learn more about the Scouting program. We will post specific dates and times as soon as plans are set. For further information, please contact Mark Hunter at [scouts.troop4@gmail.com](mailto:scouts.troop4@gmail.com) or 801-750-8472 or Scoutmaster Scott Wilde at [dzikiszczur@aol.com](mailto:dzikiszczur@aol.com) or 801-718-9589.

We are also exploring the option of starting a Cub Scout pack at St. Anna's and trying to get a feel for how many parents may be interested in having their children involved in Cub Scouts. If you would like to see a Cub Scout pack started at St. Anna please contact Mark Hunter ([scouts.troop4@gmail.com](mailto:scouts.troop4@gmail.com))

### **Save the Date - Basile the Comedian:**



*What: AHEPA Scholarship/AHEPA House Fundraiser*

*When: Saturday, January 20, 2024*

*Location: St. Thomas More Catholic Church, Meyer Hall, 3015 E Creek Rd, Cottonwood Heights*

*Cost: \$75 per person (includes dinner & comedy show)*

**Pan Arcadian Christmas Party:** All are invited to the Pan Arcadian Chapter #90 Christmas Party!



*When: Tuesday, December 19, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.*

*Location: Sunday's Best, 10672 S. State Street, Sandy*

*Cost: \$50 for Adults; \$20 for children*

Adult menu options include seared chicken, glazed baby carrots, and mashed potatoes OR egg noodles, curry broth, and seasonal vegetables. Children menu options include cheeseburger, pasta with butter, OR chicken fingers. Salad,



dessert, and non-alcoholic beverages included. Cash Bar for alcoholic beverages. RSVP with your menu selection to Karen Anastasopoulos at 801-913-2414 or [karenanast@gmail.com](mailto:karenanast@gmail.com) by Tuesday, December 12, 2023.

## PRAYER LIST

Alexis, Amie, Amy, Andrew, Anna, Ava, Calley, Caroline, Corey, Deborah, Don, Elaine, Elena, Jerry, Jim, Linda, Liz, Lynn, Maria, Mary, Marylynn, Michael, Nicole, Pam, Penny, Richard, Ryley, Stephanie, Steve, Theodore, Tinsley, Travis, Tyler, and Vanni

Please email Michael Petrogeorge at [mppetrogeorge@gmail.com](mailto:mppetrogeorge@gmail.com) by Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. to add or remove names from the list.

## PARISH CALENDAR

Visit the [parish website](#) for an electronic copy. Unless otherwise specified, all events will be held at St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church, 9201 S. 1300 East, Sandy.

Sunday, December 10, 2023 (10<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke)

- 9:00 a.m.: Orthros
- 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy
- *After Liturgy:* Parish Council elections / GOYA: Pizza at St. Anna followed by Ice Skating at Gallivan Center, 74 E. 200 South, Salt Lake City

Wednesday, December 13, 2023

- 7:00 p.m.: Orthodox Inquirer's Class / Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series

Saturday, December 16, 2023

- 1:00 p.m.: Annual St. Modestos Pet Blessing
- 7:00 p.m.: Gingerbread House Family Night

Sunday, December 17, 2023 (11<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke)

- 9:00 a.m.: Orthros
- 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy
- 5:00 p.m.: Choir Christmas Concert featuring the choirs of St. Anna, Prophet Elias, and Holy Trinity; Lenten dinner to follow

Monday, December 18, 2023

- 7:00 p.m.: Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, December 20, 2023

- 7:00 p.m.: Orthodox Inquirer's Class / Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series

Thursday, December 21, 2023

- 7:00 p.m.: JOY Meeting

Sunday, December 24, 2023 (Sunday before Nativity)

- 9:00 a.m.: Orthros
- 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy
- 5:00 p.m.: Nativity Matins
- 6:00 p.m.: Nativity Divine Liturgy on Eve of Christmas

Monday, December 25, 2023 (The Nativity of Our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ)

- 10:00 a.m.: Nativity Divine Liturgy

# St. Anna Food Support Program

## HELP FIGHT HUNGER

**Food Collection Site**  
**Serving Sandy Area Food Pantries**

**Drop Off Days and Times:**

**Sundays 9am to 12pm**

**Tuesdays 10am to 6pm**

**Needed Food Items**

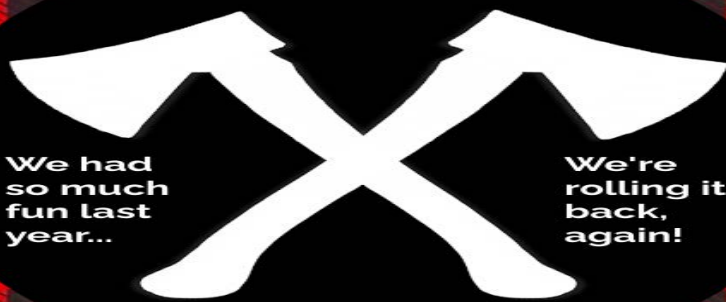
**Canned meat / Tuna**  
**Instant Meals**  
**Canned chili / Stews**  
**Rice / Noodles**

**Flour / Sugar / Dry milk**  
**Peanut butter / Jelly / Jam**  
**Granola bars / Snacks**  
**Canned fruit / Canned veggies**



Please drop off your donations in  
the big blue bin at:  
St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church  
9201 South 1300 East

**ST. ANNA YOUNG ADULTS**



We had  
so much  
fun last  
year...

We're  
rolling it  
back,  
again!

# **AXE THROWING NIGHT!!!**

**FRIDAY, DECEMBER 15TH, 7-9 PM**

**SOCIAL AXE THROWING  
1154 SOUTH 300 WEST, SLC, UTAH  
BRING \$25.00 SNACKS INCLUDED  
JOIN US, AGES 18-30(ISH)**

**MUST R.S.V.P. TO FR. ANTHONY. TEXT 801-824-3987**

## **St. Anna's Pet Blessing**

**Pet Blessing**

**Saturday, December 16, 2023  
at 1:00 pm in the Parking Lot**



**Please Bring a Monetary Donation for the Humane Society of Utah.**



DECEMBER 17, 2023 at 5:00 pm

# CHRISTMAS CONCERT

PERFORMED BY THE COMBINED CHOIRS OF:  
HOLY TRINITY GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL  
PROPHET ELIAS GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH  
ST. ANNA GREEK ORTHODOX CHURCH

Held in the New St. Anna Sanctuary  
9201 South 1300 East in Sandy

Please Join Us for a Lovely  
Evening, Celebrating the  
Nativity of our  
Savior Jesus Christ.

Lenten Dinner to Follow.

Please Bring a  
Canned Item for  
Area Food Pantries



*The St.  
Anna  
Philoptochos  
Presents  
Our...*

Three-Week Virtual

## **BABY SHOWER**

To Benefit the New Infants, Now in the Care of the

*St. Innocent  
Orphanage*



Please scan the QR Code to send gifts directly to the orphanage in Tijuana, Mexico, through their Amazon wish list. There is a bassinet at St. Anna's to fill with your personal cards, well wishes, advice and prayers. We will send your cards directly to the orphanage. Thanks!