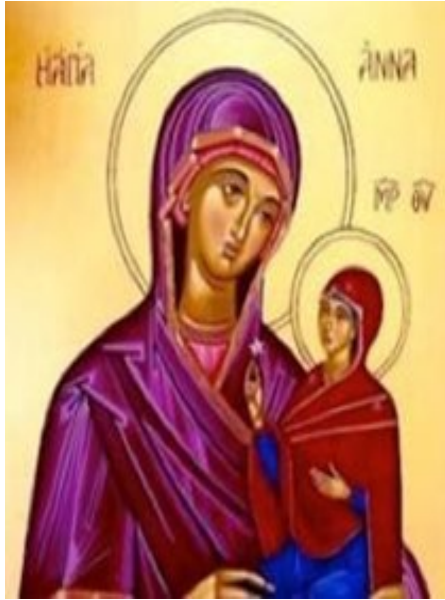




**St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church**  
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**Sunday, January 7, 2024**

**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: Acts of the Apostles (19:1-8)

*Prokeimenon. Grave Mode. Psalm 63*

*The righteous man shall be glad in the Lord.*

*Verse: Hear my voice, O God.*



In those days, while Apollos was at Corinth, Paul passed through the upper country and came to Ephesus. There he found some disciples. And he said to them, "Did you receive the Holy Spirit when you believed?" And they said, "No, we have never even heard that there is a Holy Spirit. And he said, "Into what then were you baptized?" They said, "Into John's baptism." And Paul said, "John baptized with the baptism of repentance, telling the people to believe in the one who was to come after him, that is, Jesus." On hearing this, they were baptized in the name of the Lord Jesus. And when Paul had laid his hands upon them, the Holy Spirit came on them; and they spoke with tongues and prophesied. There were about twelve of them in all. And he entered the synagogue and for three months spoke boldly, arguing and pleading about the kingdom of God.

## Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to John (1:29-34)



At that time, John saw Jesus coming toward him, and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world! This is he of whom I said, 'After me comes a man who ranks before me, for he was before me.' I myself did not know him; but for this I came baptizing with water, that he might be revealed to Israel." And John bore witness, "I saw the Spirit descend as a dove from heaven, and it remained on him. I myself did not know him; but he who sent me to baptize with water said to me, 'He on whom you see the Spirit descend and remain, this is he who baptizes with the Holy Spirit.' And I have seen and have borne witness that this is the Son of God."

### **Response to First Antiphon**

Through the intercessions of the Theotokos, Savior, save us (4)  
(Liturgy Book page 25)

### **Response to Second Antiphon**

Save us, O Son of God, who were baptized by John in the Jordan,  
save us who sing to You, Alleluia. (4) (Liturgy Book page 195)

### **Response to Third Antiphon**

At your baptism in the Jordan, O Lord, the worship of the Trinity  
was made manifest, for the Father's voice bore You witness by  
calling You his beloved Son, and the Spirit in the form of a dove  
confirmed the truth of the Father's Word. O Christ our God, You  
have appeared to us and enlightened the world. Glory to You.  
(Liturgy Book page 209)

### **Entrance Hymn**

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. God is the Lord,  
and He revealed Himself to us. Save us, O Son of God, who were  
baptized in the Jordan by John. We sing to You, Alleluia.

### **Resurrectional Apolytikion**

The angelic powers appeared at Your tomb, the soldiers guarding  
it became as dead men, and Mary stood at Your grave seeking,  
seeking Your most pure body. But You made hell a captive; You  
were untouched by its might. You came to the virgin and granted  
life. O Lord, who rose from the dead, glory to You. (Liturgy Book  
page 119)

### **Hymn for the Feast**

At your baptism in the Jordan, O Lord, the worship of the Trinity  
was made manifest, for the Father's voice bore You witness by  
calling You his beloved Son, and the Spirit in the form of a dove  
confirmed the truth of the Father's Word. O Christ our God, You  
have appeared to us and enlightened the world. Glory to You.  
(Liturgy Book page 209)

### **Hymn for the Forerunner**

The memory of the just is observed with hymns of praise; for you  
suffices the testimony of the Lord, O Forerunner. You have proved

to be truly more ven'erable than the Prophets, since you were granted to baptize in the river the One whom they proclaimed. Therefore, when for the truth you had contested, rejoicing, to those in Hades you preached the Gospel, that God was manifested in the flesh, and takes away the sin of the world, and grants to us the great mercy.

### **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 forgiveness for those who honor you, O blessed one.

### **Kontakion**

You have revealed Yourself to the world today, and Your light shines forth on us, who sing Your praise with full knowledge: You have come to us, O Lord; You are made manifest, O inaccessible Light. (Liturgy Book page 249)

### **Trisagion Hymn**

As many of you as have been baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves in Christ, Alleluia. (3) (Liturgy book page 293)

### **Megalynarion (Hymn for the Theotokos)**

O my soul, magnify the ever-virgin Maid who from the curse has redeemed us.

O all spotless Bride, surpassing comprehension are the wonders of your childbirth, blessed Mother! Through you obtaining comprehensive salvation, we bring you a gift in striking up this worthy hymn of gratitude to you our Benefactress

### **Communion Hymn**

The memory of the righteous will endure forever. Alleluia. (Liturgy Book page 328)

### **Hymn after Communion**

At your baptism in the Jordan, O Lord, the worship of the Trinity was made manifest, for the Father's voice bore You witness by calling You his beloved Son, and the Spirit in the form of a dove

confirmed the truth of the Father's Word. O Christ our God, You have appeared to us and enlightened the world. Glory to You. (Liturgy Book page 209)

### 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](#).

**Memorial Services – May Their Memories Be Eternal:** TODAY, Sunday, January 7, 2023: Lanny Davis (23 years).

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

**Epistle Reader:** TODAY, Sunday January 7, 2024: Jonathan Petrogeorge

Sunday, January 14, 2024: Dimitri Savas

Sunday, January 21, 2024: Eva Williams

Sunday, January 28, 2024: Siad Dawood

Sunday, February 4, 2024: Elena Gounaris

**Fellowship Hour:** Thank you to Aphrodite Daskalas, Phill and Liberty Mudrock, Tony and Alisanne Korologos, and Sophie Wondoloski for hosting today's fellowship hour! If you would like to host a future fellowship hour, contact Julie Steele at 801-971-5277 or sign up in the binder available during fellowship hour after church. In addition to bringing refreshments for fellowship hour, fellowship hosts are expected to **set up** their food prior to fellowship hour **AND clean up** after fellowship hour. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support of our fellowship ministry!

**House Blessings:** During the weeks following the Feast of Theophany (The appearance of the Holy Trinity at Christ's Baptism – Celebrated January 6th), it is customary for the Parish Priest to

bless the homes of his parishioners with Holy Water from the Great Sanctification of the Waters, asking the Lord to grant peace, health, salvation, and protection upon the home, and to the family who resides there. It is also appropriate during this special time to have your business blessed as well if you desire to do so. This is a wonderful opportunity for Fr. Anthony see you and your family in the comfortable environment of your own home. This is the best occasion to share with your priest, your thoughts and dreams concerning our parish community.

To request a blessing, please complete the blessing request form, available in the narthex and attached to Fr. Anthon's weekly email and return it to Fr. Anthony.

Upon Fr. Anthony's arrival, please have the family ready to begin the blessing service. Lights should be turned on in all the rooms of the house that are to be blessed. Please make sure that all televisions, radios, and computers are off at the time of the blessing. Please also be prepared to provide a list of all names of family members who live in the house so that he can properly pray for them.

**St Anna Greek Orthodox Church Community Cookbook – CALL FOR RECIPIES!** Someone once said that cooking for others is an expression of love. No matter your ethnic or religious background, we would love to include your favorite recipes in the third edition of the St Anna Greek Orthodox Church Community Cookbook. We are looking for recipes in the following categories: appetizers, bread and breakfast, entrees, salads, side dishes, soups and stews, and sweets and treats. Please include recipe title, category name and the contributor's name. Recipes are due January 31, 2024, and may be submitted electronically or in hard copy to Tanya Smirnov ([tanya.smirnov0505@gmail.com](mailto:tanya.smirnov0505@gmail.com) or 630-946-4948). If you have already provided your recipe before for the previous book edition, there is no need to send it again. Thank you for participating in publishing this beautiful book!

**Church Etiquette:** As we begin a new calendar year, it's a good time to refresh ourselves on Orthodox church etiquette:

- Do not enter or move around the sanctuary at the following times:

- ❖ During the Small Entrance (when the procession with the Gospel takes place)
  - ❖ During the Epistle Reading
  - ❖ During the Gospel Reading
  - ❖ During the priest's sermon
  - ❖ When the priest is censuring and is facing the congregation
  - ❖ During the Great Entrance (when the procession of the Holy Gifts takes place)
  - ❖ When the priest is blessing the congregation
  - ❖ During the recitation of the Nicene Creed ("I believe...")
  - ❖ During the Consecration of the Holy Gifts
  - ❖ During the recitation of the Lord's Prayer ("Our Father...")
- Silence and refrain from using your cell phones in the sanctuary.
  - Refrain from talking or visiting with other parishioners during the Sacrament of Holy Communion and while receiving antidoron. Please reserve such conversation for the fellowship hour following Liturgy.
  - We all look forward to moving into the new sanctuary where we will have a center and two side aisles, allowing us to return to a more normalized flow of dismissal for Holy Communion and antidoron. Until then, please follow the instructions provided by the clergy and/or the Parish Council. Do not leave your seat to process to the altar until invited to do so by a Parish Council usher. Your cooperation in this regard is greatly appreciated.

## PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Parish Council Meeting:** The next Parish Council meeting will be held Monday, February 12, 2023, at 7:00 p.m.

## PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Philoptochos Meeting:** Our first meeting of the new year will be held on Monday, January 22, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

**Save the date:** Vasilopita Sunday will be held next Sunday, January 14, 2024. Please contact Sophie Wondolowski at 801-278-3395 or [sophwondo@gmail.com](mailto:sophwondo@gmail.com) if you can bake a Vasilopita for this annual event!

**Thank You for Participating in Operation Chimney Drop!** A huge thank you to all our generous parishioners for sharing your time and love with 53 children and 35 seniors during the holiday season. The smiling faces of the children on Christmas morning could only be matched by the smiles of their parents while watching their children on that wonderful morning. And the seniors who now have an extra gift card to use are happy to share our generosity. We also made sure each senior had new warm socks, a warm throw, and a sweet treat to enjoy some Christmas cheer. Thank you to all for helping to fill Christmas dreams and wishes!

## YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**JOY:** JOY meets the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held January 18, 2023. All children in grades 1-5 are welcome and encouraged to attend!

## ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Morning Bible Study:** Morning Bible Study, led by John Kaloudis, is held 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.

**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.

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



## ST. ANNA SERVICE MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Food Support Program:** The Diamond Ridge/Entrada pantries are currently serving 2200 food insecure individuals per month, up from 1400 in September. The need is growing, and ongoing donations are vitally important. ***FILL THE BIN!***

## STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

The budget for 2024 approved at our Fall Parish Assembly calls for a fourteen percent (14%) increase in total stewardship commitments (as compared to the 2023 budget) to meet the increased financial commitments associated with the financing obtained to fund the purchase of our property, the build out of our sanctuary, and the other renovations and improvements at our church. With the support and participation of our faithful parishioners we are confident this goal can be achieved.

If you were a 2023 steward but unable to pick up your 2024 Stewardship Packet from a Parish Council member at church please watch for your packet in the mail. Packets for new stewards are available in the narthex.

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. 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 801-718-9589 or [dzikiszczur@aol.com](mailto:dzikiszczur@aol.com).

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))

**AHEPA Fundraiser with Basile the Comedian:** The AHEPA Scholarship/AHEPA House Fundraiser with Basile the Comedian will be held Saturday, January 20, 2024, at St. Thomas More Catholic Church (Meyer Hall), 3015 E. Creek Road, Cottonwood Heights. 6:00 p.m. Social Hour; 7:00 p.m. Dinner. \$75 per person for dinner and comedy show. Cash bar. Tables of 8 or 10 available. RSVP to Chris Floor at 801-450-2105 or [cfloor7456@msn.com](mailto:cfloor7456@msn.com) or Kathy Floor at 801-450-9626.

### COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next bulletin will be published for Sunday, January 14, 2024. Please send requested bulletin announcements to Michael Petrogeorge at [mppetetrogeorge@gmail.com](mailto:mppetrogeorge@gmail.com) no later than **Tuesday, January 9, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.** Thank you!

### PRAYER LIST

Alex, Daniel, Eva, Katherine

Please email Michael Petrogeorge at [mppetetrogeorge@gmail.com](mailto:mppetetrogeorge@gmail.com) by Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. to add names to the prayer 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, January 7, 2024

- 9:00 a.m.: Orthros
- 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy

#### Wednesday, January 10, 2024

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m.: Orthodox Inquirer's Class / Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series

Sunday, January 14, 2024 (Leavetaking of the Theophany of Our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ)

- 9:00 a.m.: Orthros

- 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy
- *Following Liturgy: Vasilopita Lunch and Auction*

Wednesday, January 17, 2024 (St. Anthony the Great)

- 9:00 a.m.: Orthros
- 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy
- 7:00 p.m.: Orthodox Inquirer's Class / Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series

Thursday, January 18, 2024

- 11:30 am.: Forever Young
- 7:00 p.m.: JOY Meeting

Sunday, January 21, 2024 (12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke)

- 9:00 a.m.: Orthros
- 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, January 24, 2024

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m.: Orthodox Inquirer's Class / Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series

Thursday, January 25, 2024 (St. Gregory the Great)

- 9:00 a.m.: Orthros
- 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy

Friday, January 26, 2024

- 7:00 p.m.: Supplicatory Canon to St. Anna (Paraklesis)

Sunday, January 28, 2024 (15<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Luke)

- 9:00 a.m.: Orthros
- 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy

Tuesday, January 30, 2024 (Synaxis of the Three Hierarchs: Basil the Great, Gregory the Theologian, and John Chrysostom)

- 9:00 a.m.: Orthros
- 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, January 31, 2024

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m.: Orthodox Inquirer's Class / Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series

**AHEPA** presents a  
SCHOLARSHIP and AHEPA HOUSE fundraiser

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**January 20, 2024**  
St. Thomas More Catholic Church  
3015 E Creek Rd.  
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\$75 Dinner & Comedy Show  
6pm Social Hour - 7pm Dinner  
CASH BAR- TABLES OF 8 & 10 AVAILABLE  
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**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**



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