

St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church 9201 South 1300 East, Sandy, UT 84094 385-313-9358



Sunday after Epiphany Sunday, January 14, 2024

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

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Epistle Reading: Paul's Letter to the Ephesians (4:7-13)

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 2. Psalm 32.

Let Your mercy, O Lord, be upon us. Verse: Rejoice greatly in the Lord, O righteous ones.



Brethren, grace was given to each of us according to the measure of Christ's gift. Therefore it is said, "When he ascended on high he led a host of captives, and he gave gifts to men." (in saying, "He ascended," what does it mean but that he had also descended into the lower parts of the earth? He who descended is he who also ascended far above all the heavens, that he might fill all things.)

And his gifts were that some should be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until we all attain to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to mature manhood, to the measure of the stature of the fullness of Christ.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Matthew (4:12-17)



At that time, Jesus heard that John had been arrested, He withdrew into Galilee; and leaving Nazareth He went and dwelt in Capernaum by the sea, in the territory of Zebulun and Naphtali, that what was spoken by the prophet Isaiah might be fulfilled: "The land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, toward the sea, across the Jordan, Galilee of the Gentiles, the people who sat in darkness

have seen a great light, and for those who sat in the region and shadow of death light has dawned." From that time Jesus began to preach, saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand."

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

By Your cross, O Lord, You destroyed death; to the thief You opened paradise. The myrrh-bearers' sorrow You transformed into joy, and You sent Your apostles forth to proclaim that You had risen from the dead, Christ our God, bestowing on all the world Your great mercy. (Liturgy Book page 123)

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 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.

<u>Kontakion</u>

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

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (Liturgy Book page 39)

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 grace of God has appeared, for the salvation of all people. Alleluia. (p. 327)

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 <u>Archdiocese's Online Chapel</u>.

<u>St. Anna Livestream</u>: Livestreaming is back up and running on the <u>St. Anna YouTube Channel</u>.

Memorial Services - May Their Memories Be Eternal:

Sunday, February 11, 2024: Caleb Jungert (1 year)

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

<u>Epistle Reader:</u> TODAY, Sunday, January 14, 2024: Dimitri Savas Sunday, January 21, 2024: Eva Williams Sunday, January 28, 2024: Siad Dawood Sunday, February 4, 2024: Elena Gounaris

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 to see you and your family in the comfortable environment of your own home. This is the best occasion to share your thoughts and dreams concerning our parish community with your priest.

To request a blessing, please complete the blessing request form, available in the narthex and attached to Fr. Anthony'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 RECIPES! 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 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!

<u>Church Etiquette</u>: 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 censing 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. 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!

FELLOWSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to St. Anna Philoptochos for hosting today's fellowship hour as part of our Vasilopita celebration!

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 <u>set up</u> their food prior to fellowship hour <u>AND clean up</u> after fellowship hour. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support of our fellowship ministry!

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

2024 Parish Council Officers: Congratulations to our 2024 Parish Council Officers: Steve Simos, President; Julie Steele, Vice President; Elaine Peterson, Recording Secretary; George Sergakis, Corresponding Secretary; Dmitri Smirnov, Treasurer; Peter Yannias, 1st Asst. Treasurer; and Pam Martinez, 2nd Asst Treasurer. God bless them in their service to our parish.

Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will be held Monday, February 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>**Philoptochos Meeting:</u>** Our first meeting of the new year will be held on Monday, January 22, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.</u>

<u>Vasilopita Celebration</u>: The St. Anna Philoptochos will host the annual Vasilopita celebration TODAY, January 14, 2024, following Divine Liturgy. Due to our limited fellowship space, we will be cutting the Vasilopites in the church, immediately following divine liturgy. Rather than our traditional auction, the breads and cakes

will be displayed and sold in the exonarthex of the church. A light lunch will also be served during fellowship hour.

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.

<u>Orthodox Inquirers' Class:</u> The Orthodox Inquirers class will meet at the church every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

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, 2024. All children in grades 1-5 are welcome and encouraged to attend!

FOREVER YOUNG

<u>Next Gathering</u>: The next gathering of Forever Young will be held Thursday, January 18, 2024, at 11:30 a.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

<u>Scouting News!</u> 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 <u>scouts.troop4@gmail.com</u> or 801-750-8472 or Scoutmaster Scott Wilde at 801-718-9589 or <u>dzikiszczur@aol.com</u>.

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 (<u>scouts.troop4@gmail.com</u>)

Daughters of Minos – January Membership Meeting. Daughters of Minos will hold a membership meeting on Sunday, January 21, 2024, at 4:00 p.m. in the Board Room at Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church, 5335 S Highland Dr, Holladay, UT 84117. Enter from the south (St. Sophia) side of the building. We will be swearing in our new officers and board and making plans for the new year.

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 <u>cfloor7456@msn.com</u> or Kathy Floor at 801-450-9626.

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next bulletin will be published for Sunday, January 21, 2024. Please send requested bulletin announcements to Michael Petrogeorge at <u>mppetrogeorge@gmail.com</u> no later than **Tuesday**, **January 16, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.** Thank you!

PRAYER LIST

Alex, Charles, Daniel, Eva, Katherine, Luke

Please email Michael Petrogeorge at <u>mppetrogeorge@gmail.com</u> by Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. to add names to the prayer list.

PARISH CALENDAR

Visit the <u>parish website</u> 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 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

<u>Thursday, January 18, 2024</u>

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

Sunday, January 21, 2024 (12th Sunday of Luke)

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

Monday, January 22, 2024

• 7:00 p.m.: Philoptochos Meeting

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 (15th Sunday of Luke)

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

<u>*Tuesday, January 30, 2024*</u> (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

<u>Friday, February 2, 2024</u> (The Presentation of Our Lord and Savior in the Temple)

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

Sunday, February 4, 2024 (15th Sunday of Matthew)

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

Wednesday, February 7, 2024

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



GREEK ALL OVER

January 20, 2024 St. Thomas More Catholic Church 3015 E Creek Rd. Cottonwood Heights, UT 84093

\$75 Dinner & Comedy Show 6pm Social Hour - 7pm Dinner CASH BAR- TABLES OF 8 & 10 AVAILABLE RSVP- CHRIS FLOOR 801.450.2105 or KATHY FLOOR 801.450.9626 Cfloor7456@msn.com

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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