

St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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17th Sunday of Matthew Sunday, February 18, 2024

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

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Epistle Reading: Paul's Second Letter to the Corinthians (6:16-18; 7:1)

Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Psalm 103.

O Lord, Your works shall be magnified greatly; You made all things in wisdom. Verse: Bless the Lord, O my soul. O Lord my God, You are magnified exceedingly.



Brethren, you are the temple of the living God; as God said, "I will live in them and move among them, and I will be their God, and they shall be my people. Therefore come out from them, and be separate from them, says the Lord, and touch nothing unclean; then I will welcome you, and I will be a father to you, and you shall be my sons and daughters, says the

Lord Almighty." Since we have these promises, beloved, let us cleanse ourselves from every defilement of body and spirit, and make holiness perfect in the fear of God.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Matthew (15:21-28)



At that time, Jesus went to the district of Tyre and Sidon. And behold, a Canaanite woman from that region came out and cried, "Have mercy on me, O Lord, Son of David; my daughter is severely possessed by a demon." But he did not answer her a word. And his disciples came and begged him, saying, "Send her away, for she is crying after us." He

answered, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But she came and knelt before him, saying, "Lord, help me." And he answered, "It is not fair to take the children's bread and throw it to the dogs." She said, "Yes, Lord, yet even the dogs eat the crumbs that fall from their master's table." Then Jesus answered her, "O woman, great is your faith! Be it done for you as you desire." And her daughter was healed instantly.

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

The joyful news of Your resurrection was proclaimed by the angel to the women disciples. Having thrown off the curse that fell on Adam, they ran elatedly to tell the apostles: Death has been vanquished; Christ our God is risen from the dead, blessing all the world with His great mercy. (Liturgy Book page 111)

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 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'rable 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).

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Online Chapel:</u> 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 25, 2024: Dan Agrapides (40 days); Nick Savas (18 years); Raisa Subbotina (10 years); Vera Gladkih (21 years); Lubov Truhnina (28 years); Nikolas Gavrusev (32 years); Sara Gavrusev (36 years); Stephan Subbotina (39 years); Kiryll Gavrusev (40 years); Evdokia Gavrusev (59 years); Olimpiada Truhnina (61 years)

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

Epistle Reader:

TODAY, Sunday, February 18, 2024: Jonathan Petrogeorge Sunday, February 25, 2024: Nicholas Simos

FELLOWSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to the Mau and Nagy families for hosting today's fellowship hour!

If you would like to host fellowship hour on these dates or any future date, please 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!

Parking: For Sunday services, the parish has arranged for overflow parking in the Lunatic Fringe parking lot to the south and the KinderCare parking lot to the north. Feel free to park in one of these lots if the main parking lot is full.

<u>House Blessings:</u> 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.

<u>Lenten Retreat</u>: Our annual Lenten Retreat will be held Friday, March 29, 2024, with Dr. Evgenia (Jeannie) Constantinou. The retreat will begin with Salutations to the Theotokos at 6:00 p.m.

<u>Project Mexico</u>: Our parish is making plans to again participate in a service ministry trip to Project Mexico/St. Innocence Orphanage in Tijuana, Mexico, July 30 through August 5, 2024. If you are interested in participating, please text Maria Soter at 801-631-2006.

STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who have turned in their 2024 stewardship cards. As of February 14, we have received 128 stewardship commitments totaling \$342,049, putting us 75.2% of our budgeted goal (\$455,000).

The 2024 budget 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. We are off to a great start and with the support and participation of all our faithful parishioners we are prayerfully confident this goal can be achieved.

If you were a St. Anna Steward the last two years, your 2024 stewardship packet should have been mailed to you weeks ago. If you are new to the community and would like to become a St. Anna steward, you can still obtain a 2024 stewardship commitment card. They are on display in the Narthex and available on the <u>parish</u> website.

The generosity and vision of our parishioners has historically been 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!

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Parish Council Meeting</u>: The next Parish Council meeting will be held Monday, March 18, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Philoptochos Meeting:</u> Our next meeting will be held Monday, February 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

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.

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

YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>IOY:</u> JOY meets the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held March 14, 2024. All children in grades 1-5 are welcome and encouraged to attend!

FOREVER YOUNG

Next Gathering: The next gathering of Forever Young will be held Thursday, March 14, 2024, at 11:30 a.m.

ST. ANNA SERVICE MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Food Support Program - Please Donate!</u> Ongoing parish and community donations are essential to support the Diamond Ridge/Entrada pantries serving increasing numbers of our neighbors facing hunger. In addition to the nonperishables listed on the attached flyer, urgently needed food items include canned meats (tuna, chicken, etc.), canned fruit, pasta, and sauces. **FILL THE BIN!**

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Daughters of Minos Appreciation Event:</u> Sunday, February 25, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. at Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church Gym, 5335 S. Highland Drive, Holladay. R.S.V.P. to Georgiann Pino at 801-450-0187.

Hellenic Cultural Association Membership Luncheon: The Hellenic Cultural Association Membership Luncheon will be held Sunday, February 25, 2024, at 12:30 p.m. at the Holy Trinity Memorial Hall, 279 S. 300 West, Salt Lake City. Free to members. \$35 to become a member and be part of the HCA. \$15 for ages 12 and under. Join us to honor Kosta and Victoria Louras for the dedication and help throughout the years to further the purpose and goals of the HCA. We have much to share about our accomplishments and outreach!

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next bulletin will be published for Sunday, February 25, 2024. Please send requested bulletin announcements to Michael Petrogeorge at mppetrogeorge@gmail.com no later than Tuesday, February 20, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Thank you!

PRAYER LIST

Alex, Charles, Chris, Daniel, Eva, Jami, Katherine, Luke, Maria, Mary Lynn, Omar, Pam, Penny, Phil, Tammy

Please email Michael Petrogeorge at mpetrogeorge@gmail.com 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, February 18, 2024 (Sunday of the Canaanite)

• 9:00 a.m.: Orthros

• 10:00 a.m.: Divine Liturgy

Wednesday, February 21, 2024

• 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

• 7:00 p.m.: Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series

Friday, February 23, 2024

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

Saturday, February 24, 2024

• 10:00 a.m.: Paraklesis for the recently concluded Inquirer's Class

<u>Sunday, February 25, 2024</u> (Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee: Triodion Begins)

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

Monday, February 26, 2024

• 6:30 p.m.: Philoptochos Meeting

Wednesday, February 28, 2024

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m.: Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series

Sunday, March 3, 2024 (Sunday of the Prodigal Son)

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

Wednesday, March 6, 2024

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m.: Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series

Saturday, March 9, 2024 (Saturday of Souls)

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

Sunday, March 10, 2024 (Judgement Sunday / Meatfare Sunday)

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

Wednesday, March 13, 2024

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study
- 7:00 p.m.: Fr. Thomas Hopko Discussion Series

Thursday, March 14, 2024

• 11:30 a.m.: Forever Young

• 7:00 *p.m.*: JOY Meeting

Saturday, March 16, 2024 (Saturday of Souls)

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

Sunday, March 17, 2024 (Forgiveness Sunday / Cheesefare Sunday)

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

Monday, March 18, 2024 (First Day of Lent)

- 6:00 p.m.: Great Compline
- 7:00 p.m.: Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, March 20, 2024

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m.: Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts / Lenten Lecture

Friday, March 22, 2024

• 7:00 p.m.: Salutations to the Theotokos

Saturday, March 23, 2024 (Saturday of Souls)

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

Sunday, March 24, 2024 (Sunday of Orthodoxy)

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

Monday, March 25, 2024

- 6:00 p.m.: Great Compline
- 7:00 p.m.: Philoptochos Meeting

Wednesday, March 27, 2024

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m.: Liturgy of the Presanctified Gifts and Lenten Lecture/Dinner

Friday, March 29, 2024

• *6:00 p.m.:* Salutations to the Theotokos followed by Lenten Retreat with Dr. Evgenia (Jeannie) Constantinou



Daughters of Minos Member Appreciation Event

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 25 PROPHET ELIAS 5PM

DINNER, DRINKS, MINGLING

MEMBERS WITH 1ST-3RD GRADERS ATTEND FOR INFO AND REGISTRATION (NO PRACTICE) FOR KRI-KRI





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St. Anna Food Support Program

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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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