

#### St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

9201 South 1300 East, Sandy, UT 84094 385-313-9358



Forgiveness Sunday / Cheesefare Sunday Sunday, March 17, 2024

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

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## Epistle Reading: Paul's Letter to the Romans (13:11-14; 14:1-4)

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 4. Psalm 75.

Pray and return to the Lord Your God. Verse: In Judah God is known; His name is great in Israel.



Brethren, salvation is nearer to us now than when we first believed; the night is far gone, the day is at hand. Let us then cast off the works of darkness and put on the armor of light; let us conduct ourselves becomingly as in the day, not in reveling and drunkenness, not in debauchery and licentiousness, not in quarreling and jealousy. But put on the Lord

Jesus Christ, and make no provision for the flesh, to gratify its desires. As for the man who is weak in faith, welcome him, but not for disputes over opinions. One believes he may eat anything, while the weak man eats only vegetables. Let not him who eats despise him who abstains, and let not him who abstains pass judgment on him who eats; for God has welcomed him. Who are you to pass judgment on the servant of another? It is before his own master that he stands or falls. And he will be upheld, for God is able to make him stand.

# Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Matthew (6:14-21)



The Lord said, "If you forgive men their trespasses, your heavenly Father also will forgive you; but if you do not forgive men their trespasses, neither will your Father forgive your trespasses. And when you fast, do not look dismal, like the hypocrites, for they disfigure their faces that their fasting may be seen by men. Truly, I say to you, they have

received their reward. But when you fast, anoint your head and wash your face, that your fasting may not be seen by men but by your Father who is in secret; and your Father who sees in secret will reward you. Do not lay up for yourselves treasures on earth, where moth and rust consume and where thieves break in and steal, but lay up for yourselves treasures in heaven, where neither moth nor

rust consumes and where thieves do not break in and steal. For where your treasure is, there will your heart be also."

#### 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**

From on high You descended, O merciful Lord. You accepted the cross and three days in the tomb to free us from the bondage of sin, O our life and resurrection. Glory to You, O Lord. (Liturgy Book page 127)

#### **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**

From on high You descended, O merciful Lord. You accepted the cross and three days in the tomb to free us from the bondage of sin, O our life and resurrection. Glory to You, O Lord. (Liturgy Book page 127)

#### 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 You who are the source of all wisdom and discernment, instructor of the ignorant and champion of the poor; strengthen my heart, O Master, and grant me understanding. O Word of the Father, bring words to my lips, that nothing would keep me from

crying out to You: In Your compassion have mercy on me, for I have fallen. (Liturgy Book page 265)

#### **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:

TODAY, Sunday, March 17, 2024: Michael Gallegos (40 days); Mary Barker (1 year)

Sunday, April 7, 2024: We have been given special permission to celebrate a Memorial Service on the Third Sunday of Great Lent,

the Sunday of the Cross, and welcome Presbytera Eleni Foreso and her children, as we honor her husband, Fr. Jimi Foreso, together with Heirmonk Ambrose Omayas and Fr. James Tavlarides, all of Blessed Memory. The icons of Ss. Iakovos and Ambrose of Milan were chosen and sponsored to honor these lovely priests and their patron saints. May their memories be eternal as they continue to serve as presbyters before the very Throne of God.

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

#### **Epistle Readers:**

TODAY, March 17, 2024: Dimitri Savas

March 24, 2024: Jonathan Petrogeorge

March 31, 2024: Eva Williams

#### FELLOWSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to the Gallegos family 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!

<u>Godparent Sunday:</u> Sunday, April 7, 2024, Sunday of the Holy Cross, is Godparent Sunday at St. Anna. Invite your Godparents/Godchildren from any parish to join you at St. Anna for Communion and fellowship!

<u>Congratulations</u>: Congratulations to the winners of our parish St. John Chrysostom Oratorical Festival, held this past Sunday. Elena Gounaris placed first in the senior division, and Nicholas Simos placed first in the junior division. Both Elena and Nicholas will represent St. Anna at the Metropolis of Denver Oratorical Festival

to be held in April at St. Dionysios Greek Orthodox Church in Overland Park, Kansas.

<u>Lenten</u>, <u>Holy Week and Paschal Donations</u>: Donations are requested for the following items needed for our Lenten, Holy Week and Pacshal services (prices have not increased from prior years):

#### Lent:

Daffodils for Sunday of the Holy Cross	\$130.00
Flowers for Salutations to the Theotokos	5 @ \$120.00
Incense for Lent, Holy Week & Pascha	\$100.00
Palm Sunday:	
Palm Strips for Crosses and Decorative Palms	\$250.00
Holy Week & Pascha:	
Flowers for Bridegroom Icon	\$350.00
Floral Wreath for the Crucifix	\$200.00
12 Candles - Service of 12 Gospels	12 @ \$5.00
Rose Petals for Lamentation Service	\$60.00
Rose Petals for Holy Saturday/Pascha	\$600.00
Case of Bay Leaves for Holy Saturday/Pascha	\$125.00
Rose Water for Lamentation Service	\$25.00
One Case Sacramental Wine	\$200.00
Gardenias for Holy Friday and Holy Saturday	\$350.00
Easter Lillies for the Solea	\$325.00
Altar Candles for Paschal Season	\$650.00
Three Cases of Brown Eggs for the Anastasi	\$200.00
Ribbon & Net for Eggs	\$100.00
Flowers for Kouvouklion (Holy Friday)	\$2,000.00
Guest Chanter Stipend and Travel Expenses	\$3,000.00

Please return your donation in the memorial envelope available at the Pangari (narthex counter), which has a place for you to write the names of the departed loved ones whom you wish Fr. Anthony to memorialize during the Holy Friday Evening Service as we pray before the Epitaphios. In the event more funds are collected than required, excess monies will be placed in the Benevolence/Altar Fund. The full amount of our collection will be printed in the weekly bulletin following Pascha (Easter).

Thank you for contributing towards the dignity and beauty of our divine services!

#### STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who have turned in their 2024 stewardship cards. As of March 13, we have received 142 stewardship commitments totaling \$377,199, putting us at 83% 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. With the support and participation of our faithful parishioners we are confident this goal can be achieved.

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 tomorrow, Monday, March 18, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

#### PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Philoptochos Meeting:</u> Our next meeting will be held Monday, March 25, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

#### ST. ANNA FISHING TRIP & FAMILY RETREAT AT 8000 FEET

June 20-23, 2024, at Daniels Summit Lodge (www.danielssummit.com)

In addition to great fishing at Strawberry Reservoir, many other family-oriented activities are available at or near the Lodge, including swimming, hot tub, ATV rentals, hiking, mountain biking, horseback riding, golfing in Heber Valley, Heber Creeper Historic Railroad ride, zip lines, and various kids' activities on the grounds of the Lodge.

This information is critical to securing your lodging which could go fast. More detailed information and registration forms will be forthcoming.

#### **Lodging & Camping**

A block of rooms has been set aside for our event at Daniels Summit Lodge. Both single king and double queen rooms are available for \$150 on Thursday and Friday and \$160 on Saturday. Contact Shayla or Becky at 435-548-2300 ASAP to secure a room as they are limited. Mention our St. Anna Church Group.

Developed campsites at Lodgepole campground, less than a mile down canyon from the Lodge, can be reserved online at: <a href="https://www.recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/231930">www.recreation.gov/camping/campgrounds/231930</a>. Campsite fees are \$28.00 per night with a 50% discount for Senior Pass holders. Reserve a spot ASAP.

Dispersed or primitive RV or tent camping is allowed on Forest Service property adjacent to the Lodge's southeast boundary along Main Canyon Rd (Forest Service Road 046) There is no charge for use of this public land.

#### **Meals**

Full group meals will be enjoyed on Friday and Saturday nights in the Summit Banquet room & patio of the Daniels Summit Lodge. Lodge and Marina restaurants are available for non-group meals.

#### Questions

Contact Mark Vrontikis at 801-231-5525 or <a href="mark@vrontikis.com">mark@vrontikis.com</a> or <a href="mark@vrontikis.com">chuck Karpakis@gmail.com</a>.

#### 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 21, 2024. All children in grades 1-5 are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Save the Date - GOYA Lenten Retreat: Our annual GOYA Lenten Retreat will be held Friday, April 12, 2024 (following Salutations) and Saturday, April 13, 2024, at the Rogers' Ranch just outside Park City, Utah. Plenty of parental supervision will be provided. More info to come! Text Fr. Anthony at 801-824-3987 with any questions.

#### FOREVER YOUNG

Next Gathering: The next gathering of Forever Young will be held Thursday, March 21, 2024, at 11:30 a.m.

#### ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Morning Bible Study:</u> Morning Bible Study, led by John Kaloudis, is held on Wednesdays at 10:30 a.m. We will be discussing Matthew's Gospel and meet at St. Anna. For more information contact John Kaloudis at 801-230-5121.

#### ST. ANNA SERVICE MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Food Support Program:</u> The Diamond Ridge/Entrada pantries are 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, canned fruit (pop tops), pasta and sauces. *FILL THE BIN!* 

#### COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next bulletin will be published for Sunday, March 24, 2024. Please send requested announcements to Michael Petrogeorge at <a href="mailto:mppetrogeorge@gmail.com">mppetrogeorge@gmail.com</a> no later than Tuesday, March 19, 2024, at 5:00 p.m. Thank you!

#### PRAYER LIST

Alex, Charles, Chris, Chrissy, Daniel, Emily, Emmanouel, Eva, Jami, Joey, Katherine, Luke, Maria, Mariam, Mary Lynn, Omar, Pam, Penny, Phil, Tammy

Please email Michael Petrogeorge at <a href="mailto:mpetrogeorge@gmail.com">mpetrogeorge@gmail.com</a> 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, March 17, 2024 (Forgiveness Sunday/Chessefare Sunday)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy
- 7:00 p.m.: Forgiveness Great Vespers

#### 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.: Presanctified Liturgy and 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. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy

#### Sunday, March 24, 2024 (Sunday of Orthodoxy)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy and Sunday of Orthodoxy Procession
- 7:00 p.m.: Annunciation Great Vespers

#### Monday, March 25, 2024 (Annunciation)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy
- 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.: Presanctified Liturgy and Lenten Lecture

#### Friday, March 22, 2024

• 7:00 p.m.: Salutations to the Theotokos and Lenten Retreat with Dr. Evgenia Constantinou

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Lenten Schedule 2024

#### Week Three

Sunday, March 31, Second Sunday of Lent Monday, April 1,, Great Compline, 6:00 pm Wednesday, April 3, Presanctified Liturgy, 6:00 pm

Friday, April 5, Salutations to the Theotokos, 7:00 pm

#### Week One

Sunday, March 17, Forgiveness Great Vespers, 7:00 pm Monday, March 18, Great Compline, 6:00 pm Wednesday, March 20, Presanctified Liturgy, 6:00 pm

Friday, March 22, Salutations to the Theotokos, 7:00 pm

Saturday, March 23, Saturday of the Souls, 9/10:00 am

#### Week Two

Sunday, March 24, First Sunday of Lent Sunday of Orthodoxy Procession

Annunciation Great Vespers, 7:00 pm

Monday, March 25, Annunciation 9/10 am Great Compline, 6:00 pm

Wednesday, March 27, Presanctified Liturgy 6:00 pm

Friday, March 29, Salutations to the Theotokos, 6:00 pm \*

Parish Lenten Retreat to Follow with Dr. Jeannie Constantinou

#### Week Four

Sunday, April 7, Third Sunday of <mark>Lent</mark> Procession of the Holy Cross Godparent Sunday

Monday, Monday, April 8 , Great Compline, 6:00 pm

Wednesday, April 10, Presanctified Liturgy, 6:00 pm

Friday, April 12, Salutations to the Theotokos, 7:00 pm GOYA Lenten Retreat to Follow

#### Week Five

Sunday, April 14 Fourth Sunday of Lent Monday, April 15, Great Compline, 6:00 pm

Wednesday, April 17 , Presanctified Liturgy, 6:00 pm

Friday, April 19, Akathyst Hymn, 7:00 pm Sunday, April 21, Fifth Sunday of Lent

\*Salutations to the Theotokos is one hour earlier to accommodate the timing of our Lenten Retreat.

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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



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



# ST. ANNA GOLF Classic

4 Person/Team Scramble Tournament

> \$90 Green Fees Cart Lunch Range Balls

Ace Pack \$350

4 Players Green Fees Cart Lunch Club Pro Pack \$400

Hole Signage Banner Signage Sponsor 1 Player Fox Hollow

> 1400 N 200 E American Fork, UT

#### Saturday June 1st

For More Information Contact: Sam Soter sam.soter@canyonsdistrict.org

#### Tour Pro Pack \$800

4 Green Fees Cart Hole Signage Banner Signage

All Proceeds Benefit St. Annas Greek Orthodox Church Registration starts at 7:00 AM Shotgun starts at 8:00 AM





# Lenten

# RETREAT

Evening of Friday April 12-Saturday, April 13

Held at the Rodgers' Ranch Just Outside Park City, Utah

> More Info to Come. Save the Dates from Now! Plenty of Parent Supervision. Text Fr. Anthony with Questions at 801-824-3987



# St. Anna Lenten Retreat

Friday March 29

6:00 PM

Author of
"Thinking
Orthodox" and
"The Crucifixion
of the King of
Glory."

### With Dr. Evgenia Constantinou

Following the Salutations Service, stay and enjoy
Fellowship, a Discussion, Q/A, and Book Signing with one
of the most relevant Orthodox Christian Biblical Scholars of
our day. Dr. Jeannie is a prolific author, respected academic,
dynamic speaker and featured host on Ancient Faith Radio.
This Retreat is a joint venture with our Sister Parish of the
Annunciation in Pocatello, ID. We are all encouraged to join
them on Saturday for the continuation of her presentation.
Friday down here. Saturday up there, from 9:30 am to 4:30
pm. Please join us for this opportunity to learn and grow!