

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



Sunday of St. John Climacus Sunday, April 14, 2024

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

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## Epistle Reading: Paul's Letter to the Hebrews (Heb. 6:13-20)

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, when God made a promise to Abraham, since he had no one greater by whom to swear, he swore to himself, saying, "Surely I will bless you and multiply you." thus Abraham, having patiently And endured, obtained the promise. Men indeed swear by a greater than themselves, and in all disputes an oath is final for their confirmation. So when God desired to show

more convincingly to the heirs of the promise the unchangeable character of his purpose, he interposed with an oath, so that through two unchangeable things, in which it is impossible that God should prove false, we who have fled for refuge might have strong encouragement to seize the hope set before us. We have this as a sure and steadfast anchor of the soul, a hope that enters into the inner shrine behind the curtain, where Jesus has gone as a forerunner on our behalf, having become a high priest for ever after the order of Melchizedek.

#### Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Mark (9:17-31)



At that time, a man came to Jesus kneeling and saying: "Teacher, I brought my son to you, for he has a dumb spirit; and wherever it seizes him it dashes him down; and he foams and grinds his teeth and becomes rigid; and I asked your disciples to cast it out, and they were not able." And he answered them, "O faithless generation, how long am I to be with you? How long am I to bear with you? Bring

him to me." And they brought the boy to him; and when the spirit saw him, immediately it convulsed the boy, and he fell on the ground and rolled about, foaming at the mouth. And Jesus asked his father, "How long has he had this?" And he said, "From childhood. And it has often cast him into the fire and into the water, to destroy him; but if you can do anything, have pity on us and help us." And Jesus said to him, "If you can! All things are possible to him who believes." Immediately the father of the child cried out and said, "I believe; help my unbelief!" And when Jesus saw that a crowd came running together, he rebuked the unclean spirit, saying to it, "You dumb and deaf spirit, I command you, come out of him, and never enter him again." And after crying out and convulsing him terribly, it came out, and the boy was like a corpse; so that most of them said, "He is dead." But Jesus took him by the hand and lifted him up, and he arose. And when he had entered the house, his disciples asked him privately, "Why could we not cast it out?" And he said to them, "This kind cannot be driven out by anything but prayer and fasting." They went on from there and passed through Galilee. And he would not have any one know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of man will be delivered into the hands of men, and they will kill him; and when he is killed, after three days he will rise."

#### **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, risen from the dead, we 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 Devout Man

Like warm and gentle rain, your tears of compunction made the desert burst forth in bloom. Your patient endurance made your suff'rings bear fruit one-hundred-fold and your wondrous deeds have filled all the world with light. O holy father John, intercede with Christ our God to save our souls. (Liturgy Book page 137)

### 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**

Victorious Lady, mighty champion defending us, we your servants now inscribe to you this hymn of thanks, for you rescued us from stuff'ring and tribulation. Theotokos, with your power that can never fail, keep us safe from ev'ry danger our whole life long that we may cry to you: Rejoice, O Bride unwedded. (Liturgy Book page 269).

## Trisagion Hymn

Holy God, Holy Mighty, Holy Immortal, have mercy on us. (3) (Liturgy Book page 39)

## Megalynarion (Hymn for the Theotokos)

In you, O woman full of grace, all creation rejoices, the orders of angels and the race of mankind. O hallow'd temple and spiritual paradise, glory of virginal souls, from you our God was incarnate and became a child, He who is God from all ages. By making your womb His throne He made you more spacious, more spacious than all the heavens. In you, O woman full of grace all creation, all creation rejoices. Glory to you. (Liturgy Book page 299)

### 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, April 14, 2024:* Chryssi Zervos Kocolas (40 days); Helen Yannias (5 years); Stephania Zervos (17 years)

*Sunday, April 21, 2024:* Marions Poulos (1 year); John Feotis (2 years); Joe Xiras (12 years); Jim Georgelas (18 years); Olga Xiras (43 years); Argyro Georgelas (49 years); Pantelis Georgelas (58 years); Mike Xiras (58 years)

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

#### **Epistle Readers:**

TODAY, April 14, 2024: Christo Petrogeorge April 21, 2024: Sam Simos

April 28, 2024: Jonathan Petrogeorge

<u>Special Collection for Holy Cross School of Theology.</u> Per the direction of His Grace Bishop Constantine of Sassima, the

Chancellor of the Metropolis of Denver, we were to offer a special collection on the Sunday of the Holy Cross for the benefit of the seminarians and students of our Metropolis who are studying at the Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology in Brookline, Massachusetts. Such an emphasis on a special collection would have gotten lost in the many other commemorations, including God Parent Sunday, the Procession of the Holy Cross, the Memorials for our departed priests, and the visit of Fr. Christopher. Therefore, this Sunday, we will offer the opportunity for us to actively participate in the lives of those who have dedicated themselves to the service of God and His holy Church. There will be a special collection tray in the narthex as we depart. Please be generous towards those who sacrificially serve.

**Lenten, Holy Week, and Paschal Donations**: Donations are requested for the following items needed for our Lenten, Holy Week, and Paschal services (donation amounts have not increased from prior years):

<u>Lent:</u>	
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
<u>Palm Sunday:</u>	
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 Lilies 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!

### PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Parish Council Meeting:** The next Parish Council meeting will be held tomorrow, Monday, April 15, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

## SAVE THE DATE - SPRING PARISH ASSEMBLY

Mark your calendars and make plans to join us for the Spring Parish Assembly on Sunday, June 2, 2024. Important reports will be given, and we will vote on important issues. Our parish assemblies are as important now as they were in the formative years of our parish (maybe even more important). The active participation of all the committed stewards in our parish decision making is needed and appreciated!

#### PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**<u>Philoptochos Meeting:</u>** Philoptochos will not meet in April. The meeting date for May is TBD.

**<u>Koulourakia</u>**: Next Sunday, April 21, 2024, we will be selling Koulourakia (Easter cookies) for \$8.00 a dozen.

<u>**Tsoureki:**</u> On Palm Sunday, April 28, 2024, we will be selling Tsoureki (Easter bread) for \$15.00 per loaf (limit 2 loaves per family).

#### STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who have turned in their 2024 stewardship commitment cards. As of April 9, we have received 157 commitments totaling \$425,934, putting us at 93.6% 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> <u>website</u>. 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!

## FELLOWSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to the Kocolas and Zervos families for hosting today's fellowship hour in honor of Chryssi Kocolas Zervos, Stephania Zervos and Helen Yannias. May their memories be eternal!

If you would like to host a future 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, fellowship hosts are expected to <u>set up</u> their food prior to fellowship hour <u>AND</u> <u>clean up</u> after fellowship hour. Thank you in advance for your generosity and support of our fellowship ministry!

#### ST. ANNA SERVICE MINISTRY FOOD SUPPORT PROGRAM

#### What is the Food Support Program?

In 2021 in response to the critical need to address hunger in our community, St. Anna established our Church building as a permanent collection site to supplement local pantries that distribute food to families in need throughout the Sandy area.

#### Who does this program serve?

The program provides ongoing food support to three pantries located at Diamond Ridge/Entrada Schools in the Canyon School District. Due to growing need these pantries currently serve and support 2700 individuals per month compared to the 350 people in 2021.

#### How do we support this program?

Parishioners can bring nonperishable food items to place in the Blue Bin whenever the church is open. In addition, our community neighbors have been invited to participate by donating nonperishable food items every Tuesday.

#### Where is the Blue Bin located?

The Blue Bin is located in the Fellowship Hall for all parishioners. On Tuesdays, between 10:00 am and 5:00 pm, the Blue Bin is placed outside for parishioners and community neighbors to drop off donations. A flag is also placed outside as a reminder.

## When is the donated food delivered?

Once a week, volunteers from our Men's Ministry collect and deliver the food donations to the Diamond Ridge/Entrada pantries in Sandy.

#### What food items are needed?

All canned meats and fish, canned vegetables and fruit, instant meals such as Cup o' Noodles and Mac and Cheese, granola bars and snack items, peanut butter, jelly, rice, noodles, flour, sugar and dry milk.

*Thank you, St. Anna parishioners, for working together with love and compassion to help families facing hunger!* 

### YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**JOY:** JOY meets the third Thursday of every month at 7:00 p.m. The next meeting will be held April 18, 2024. All children in grades 1-5 are welcome and encouraged to attend!

Holy Friday Lenten Retreat – The King on Trial: Our annual Holy Friday Lenten Retreat will be held on Holy Friday, May 3, 2024, from 11:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Please make plans for your children and grandchildren in grades 1-12 to attend! Lunch will be served. School excuse forms are available in the Narthex.

## ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Morning Bible Study:</u> Morning Bible Study, led by John Kaloudis, will resume on Wednesday, May 8, 2024, at 10:30 a.m.

## COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

#### PRAYER LIST

Alex, Becky, Charles, Chris, Daniel, Dillon, Elias, Emily, Emmanouel, Eva, Jami, Joey, Katherine, Luke, Maria, Mariam, Mary Lynn, Michael, Pam, Penny, Phil, Richard, Sophie, Tammy, Tyler

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, April 14, 2024 (Sunday of St. John Climacus)

• 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy Monday, April 15, 2024

• 6:00 p.m.: Great Compline

Wednesday, April 17, 2024

• 6:00 p.m.: Presanctified Liturgy and Lenten Lecture *Thursday, April 18, 2024* 

- 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice
- 7:00 p.m.: JOY Meeting

Friday, April 19, 2024

• 7:00 p.m.: Akathist Hymn

Sunday, April 21, 2024 (Sunday of St. John Climacus)

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

<u>Thursday, April 25, 2024</u>

• 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Pan Arcadian Western District Scholarship 2024:** Applicants must be a member or have a grandparent or parent who is a member of the local Arcadian Chapter #90. Postmark deadline May 28, 2024. Contact Karen Anastasopoulos at 801-913-2424 or <u>karenanast@gmail.com</u> with questions. The application is available at: <u>http://www.panarcadianwest.org/news.htm</u>.



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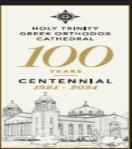
Brunch, fashion show, raffle \$65/ADULT \$35/CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER Open seating only, RSVP by May 1st

Purchase tickets at <u>www.bit.ly/3Vy0tgk</u>, use the QR code, or call Georgiann 801.450.0187



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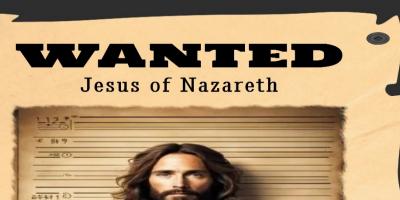
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All Proceeds Benefit St. Annas Greek Orthodox Church Registration starts at 7:00 AM Shotgun starts at 8:00 AM



St. Anna's Holy Friday Youth Retreat May 3, 2024 from 11:30 to 4:30 pm Grades One through Twelve School Excuse Forms Available

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Saturday June 1st

> For More Information Contact: Sam Soter

#### Holy Week and Pascha, 2024

Saturday, 27 Saturday of Lazarus Orthros 8:00 am Divine Liturgy 9:00 am Palm Sunday Great Vespers 5:00 pm

Palm Sunday, April 28 Orthros 9:00 am Divine Liturgy 10:00 am Bridegroom Service 7:00 pm

Holy Monday, April 29 Bridegroom Service 7:00 pm

Holy Tuesday, April 30 Bridegroom Service 7:00 pm

Holy Wednesday, May 1 Liturgy of Presanctified Gifts 9:00 am Sacrament of Holy Oil (Unction) 3:00 pm Sacrament of Holy Oil (Unction) 7:00 pm His Grace Bishop Constantine of Sassima will Celebrate the Afternoon Unction Service.

Holy Thursday, May 2 Vesperal Liturgy for the Institution of the Eucharist 10:00 am Service of Holy Passion and Reading of the Twelve Gospels 7:00 pm P

Great and Holy Friday, May 3 Royal Hours 9:00 am Holy Friday Youth Retreat 11:30 through Vespers Deposition from the Cross Great Vespers 3:00 pm Lamentations and Procession 7:00 pm

Holy Saturday, May 4 Vesperal Liturgy 10:00 am Resurrection Vigil, Service and Divine Liturgy 11:00 pm

Holy Pascha, May 5 Agape Vespers 2:00 pm St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church , Sandy, Utah