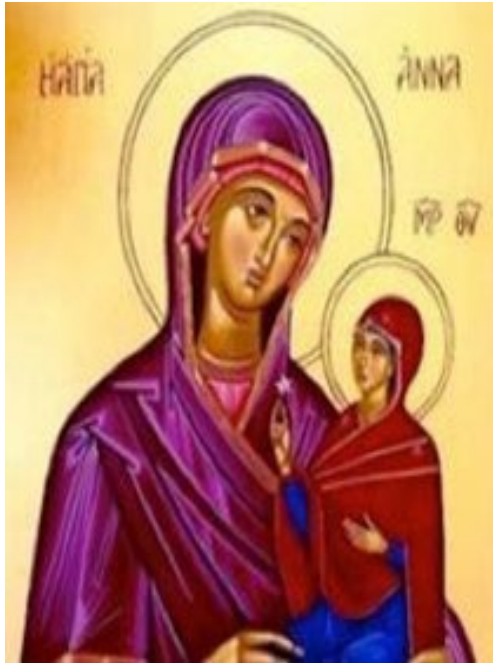




CHURCH BULLETIN



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Pentecost Sunday
Sunday, June 23, 2024

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Epistle Reading: Paul's First Letter to Corinthians (4:9-16)

Prokeimenon. Mode pl. 4. Psalm 18.

Their proclamation went forth into all the earth.

Verse: The heavens declare the glory of God.



Brethren, God has exhibited us apostles as last of all, like men sentenced to death; because we have become a spectacle to the world, to angels and to men. We are fools for Christ's sake, but you are wise in Christ. We are weak, but you are strong. You are held in honor, but we in disrepute. To the present hour we hunger and thirst, we are ill-clad and buffeted and homeless, and we labor, working with our own hands. When reviled, we bless; when persecuted, we endure; when slandered, we try to conciliate; we have become, and are now, as the refuse of the world, the off-scouring of all things. I do not write this to make you ashamed, but to admonish you as my beloved children. For though you have countless guides in Christ, you do not have many fathers. For I became your father in Christ Jesus through the gospel. I urge you, then, be imitators of me.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to John (10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30)



The Lord said to his disciples, "Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me."

Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones,

judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."

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.

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 Apostles

O holy Apostles, make intercession to our merciful God, that He grant our souls forgiveness of offenses.

Hymn for the Saints

Throughout the world Your Church is adorned with the blood of the martyrs as with royal purple and fine linen. Through them she cries out to You, Christ our God: Grant your lasting peace to all the

world and bestow on our souls Your great mercy. (Liturgy Book page 175)

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

To You, O Lord, Creator of the universe, the world offers the God bearing martyrs as the first fruits of creation. Through their prayers, and through those of the Theotokos, keep Your Church in perfect peace, O Savior rich in mercy. (Liturgy Book page 283)

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'orable 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

Their proclamation went forth into all the earth, and their words to the ends of the world. Alleluia

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

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:

Sunday, July 21, 2024: Catherine Douras (5 years); Tony Douras (15 years)

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

Pentecost Sunday Services: Pentecost TODAY, Sunday, June 23, 2024, will be held **one hour early** so Fr. Anthony and the youth who are participating in Camp Emmanuel can make their 2:00 p.m. flight to Denver. Orthros: 8:00 a.m./Divine Liturgy: 9:00 a.m.

STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who have turned in their 2024 stewardship commitment cards. As of June 12, we have received 169 commitments totaling \$444,074, putting us at 97.6% 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 [parish 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!

POST LITURGY FELLOWSHIP

As our parish has grown, it is becoming increasingly difficult to find weekly hosts for fellowship hour. Accordingly, and as discussed at last week's Parish Assembly, the Parish Council will sponsor *light* refreshments during the fellowship hour, except as follows:

1. We will ask a different ministry team (Philoptochos, Men's Ministry, Sunday School, Youth, Forever Young, etc.) to host one fellowship hour each month, so that each ministry team is asked to host one fellowship hour over the course of the year. Each ministry can determine for itself how extensive it desires the food offerings to be on its assigned Sunday and will also be responsible for cleaning up following fellowship on its assigned Sunday.
2. Anyone wishing to host a fellowship hour for a memorial or other special occasion may do so by contacting Father Anthony at franthony@stannagocutah.org or 801-824-3987. We will no longer maintain the sign-up book in the fellowship hall.

Please remember that it is EVERYONE's responsibility to clean up after themselves and their families during fellowship hour. It is expected that you will clear and dispose of your own plates, cups, etc. The Parish Council also encourages those who can remain until the end of fellowship hour to assist in cleaning up so that the work does not continually fall on the same people week after week.

Project Mexico Pancake Breakfast Fundraiser: Please join us Sunday, June 30, 2024, following Liturgy for a pancake breakfast fundraiser in support of the St. Anna Mission Trip to Project Mexico! At the end of August, 15 St. Anna parishioners will travel to Tijuana, Mexico to build a home for a family in need. We can certainly use your prayers, support, and if able, your contributions

towards our efforts. Money raised for the trip will help with registration fees, air transportation, and a monetary gift to the St. Innocent Orphanage where we stay during the trip. Thank you for your support, and please keep the families of Project Mexico and the children of St. Innocent's in your prayers. Gracias!

Holy Week and Paschal Donations: Thank you for your generous donations towards our Holy Week and Paschal needs. Total collections were \$ 10,961.38. Expenses recorded to date are \$ 10,980. Any remainder will be placed in the altar and benevolence fund.

**Hierarchical Visit and Thyranoixia
(Formal Opening of the Doors)
July 12-14, 2024**

We are pleased to announce the visit of His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America the weekend of July 12-14, 2024, for the events surrounding our Thyranoixia, or formal opening the doors of our church! Together with Metropolitan Constantine of Denver and Bishop Spyridon of Amastris and Archdeacon Dionysios Papiris, the Archbishop will lead us in a weekend of prayer, celebration, fellowship and Christ's love.

As you can imagine, undertaking a visit of this scope and magnitude will require a substantial financial commitment from our parish. The clergy and parish council are committed to three objectives for this visit: to create an unforgettable experience with the dignity it deserves, to do it responsibly, and not to charge for any events, including meals.

Therefore, we are asking for your assistance. Any personal underwriting will be much appreciated. Airfare, ground transportation, accommodations, printing, honoraria, the Celebration Dinner on Saturday, the Celebration Luncheon on Sunday, all require a commitment to their success.

If you can contribute toward this effort, in any appreciated amount, please make your donations earmarked "Thyranoixia Weekend."

We have celebrated many milestones along our parish's ten-year history. This historic weekend is the current culmination of them all. Congratulations for this accomplishment and God Bless you for your dedication, vision and generosity!

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Parish Council Meeting: The next Parish Council meeting will be held Monday, August 19, 2024, at 7:00 p.m.

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Philoptochos Meeting: The next Philoptochos meeting will be held tomorrow, Monday, June 24, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

SUNDAY SCHOOL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Sunday School has concluded for the 2023-24 school year and will resume in the fall.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Bible Study: Morning Bible Study has concluded for the summer. We will resume in September.

Adult Education Seminar: The Adult Education Summer Series will commence on Wednesday, July 17, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. Details coming soon!

FOREVER YOUNG

Forever Young: The next gathering of Forever Young will be held Thursday, July 18, 2024, at 11:30 a.m.

ST. ANNA SERVICE MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Food Support Program: Please continue to bring nonperishable food items to Church whenever there are services and on Tuesdays from 10-6 when the blue bin is placed outside to collect donations.

Fill the bin!

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Fun Bus to Wendover: Please join The Society of Athanasios Diakos on their fun bus to Wendover!

When: Saturday, July 27, 2024

Cost: \$25 (you will receive \$20 back from the casino).

Bus departs from Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church (5335 S Highland Dr, Holladay) at 8:30 a.m. and from Holy Trinity Greek

Orthodox Cathedral (279 S 300 W, Salt Lake City) at 9:00 a.m. Bus leaves from Wendover at 5:00 p.m. Reservations required. Payment due in advance. No cancellations allowed.

RSVP to Bill Rekouniotis at 801-673-0424 or Bill Chaus at 801-573-3348.

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next bulletin will be published for Sunday, June 30, 2024. Please send requested announcements to Michael Petrogeorge at mppetrogeorge@gmail.com no later than **Tuesday, June 25, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.** Thank you!

PRAYER LIST

Alex, Anthony, Barbara, Blake, Hannah, Jami, Joe (Joseph), Lexi, Matt, Natalie, Patrick, Phil, Rachelle, Roberta, Sarah, Shalom, Stacie, Tiffany, Will, Xavier

To add a name to the prayer list, please email Michael Petrogeorge at mppetrogeorge@gmail.com by Tuesday at 5:00 p.m.

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, June 23, 2024 (Holy Pentecost – **Note Special Times**)

- **8:00 a.m./9:00 a.m.:** Orthros / Divine Liturgy

Monday, June 24, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Philoptochos Meeting

Thursday, June 27, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice

Friday, June 28, 2024

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

Sunday, June 30, 2024 (Synaxis of the Twelve Holy Apostles)

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

Sunday, July 7, 2024 (2nd Sunday of Matthew)

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

Thursday, July 11, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice

Saturday, July 13, 2024

- 5:30 p.m.: Thyranoxia (Formal Opening of the Doors) and Great Vespers with His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, followed by a community celebration on St. Anna's south patio.

Sunday, July 14, 2024 (Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Hierarchical Liturgy, followed by luncheon honoring His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America and His Eminence Constantine of Denver.

Thursday, July 18, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice

Sunday, July 21, 2024 (4th Sunday of Matthew)

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

Monday, July 22, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Philoptochos Meeting

Wednesday, July 24, 2024

- 5:00 p.m.: Great Vespers for the Dormition of St. Anna

Thursday, July 25, 2024 (Dormition of St. Anna, mother of the Theotokos and Matron Saint of our Parish)

- 8:00 a.m. / 9:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy
- 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice

Friday, July 26, 2024

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

Sunday, July 28, 2024 (5th Sunday of Matthew)

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

Thursday, August 1, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice



Pancake Breakfast

To Benefit our Mission Trip to Project Mexico

**SUNDAY, JUNE 30TH AFTER THE DIVINE LITURGY
THANKS TO THE MEN'S MINISTRY FOR COOKING
FREE WILL OFFERING, SO PLEASE BE GENEROUS**



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

Save the Dates

Weekend of July 13-14, 2024

THYRANOIXIA
(Formal Opening of the Doors)

With His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros
of America, Returning to St. Anna's