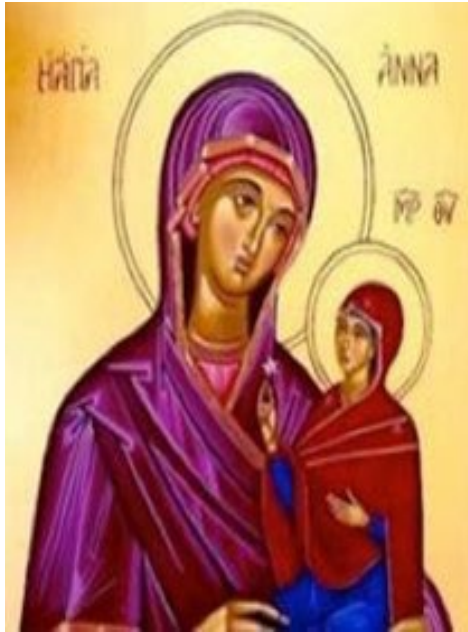




CHURCH BULLETIN



St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church
9201 South 1300 East, Sandy, UT 84094
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2nd Sunday of Matthew
Sunday, July 7, 2024

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Epistle Reading: Paul's First Letter to the Galatians (3:23 - 29; 4:1 - 5)

Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Psalm 67.

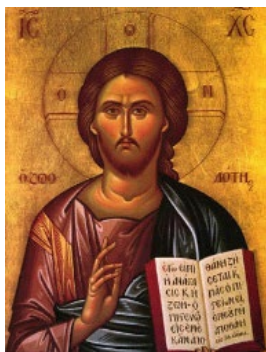
God is wondrous in His saints.

Verse: Bless God in the churches.



Brethren, before faith came, we were confined under the law, kept under restraint until faith should be revealed. So that the law was our custodian until Christ came, that we might be justified by faith. But now that faith has come, we are no longer under a custodian; for in Christ Jesus you are all sons of God, through faith. For as many of you as were baptized into Christ have put on Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free, there is neither male nor female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you are Christ's, then you are Abraham's offspring, heirs according to promise. I mean that the heir, as long as he is a child, is no better than a slave, though he is the owner of all the estate; but he is under guardians and trustees until the date set by the father. So with us; when we were children, we were slaves to the elemental spirits of the universe. But when the time had fully come, God sent forth his Son, born of a woman, born under the law, to redeem those who were under the law, so that we might receive adoption as sons.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Matthew (4:18 - 23)



At that time, as Jesus walked by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter and Andrew his brother, casting a net into the sea; for they were fishermen. And he said to them, "Follow me, and I will make you fishers of men." Immediately they left their nets and followed him. And going on from there he saw two other brothers, James the son of Zebedee and John his brother, in the boat with Zebedee their father, mending their nets, and he called them. Immediately they left their

boat and their father, and followed him. And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues and preaching the gospel of the kingdom and healing every disease and every infirmity among the people.

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

Although your tomb was sealed with a stone, O Saviour, and Your most pure body was guarded by the soldiers, You rose on the third day giving life to all the world. Therefore O giver of life, the powers of heaven praise You: Glory to your resurrection, O Christ. Glory to your kingdom. Glory to your saving wisdom, O only lover of mankind. (Liturgy Book page 99)

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

Although your tomb was sealed with a stone, O Saviour, and Your most pure body was guarded by the soldiers, You rose on the third day giving life to all the world. Therefore O giver of life, the powers of heaven praise You: Glory to your resurrection, O Christ. Glory to your kingdom. Glory to your saving wisdom, O only lover of mankind. (Liturgy Book page 99)

Hymn for the Holy Woman

Your maiden Martyr, like a lamb, cries out, "O Jesus, for You, my pure Bridegroom, I long; and seeking You I compete; and I am crucified and buried with You in Your baptism. I suffer for Your sake, that I may reign with You. I die for You that I may also live in You. Accept me as an unblemished sacrifice as I offer myself to You

with love." At her entreaties and intercessions, save our souls, O Merciful Lord.

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'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

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

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 7, 2024: Steve Zoumadakis (10 years)

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

Sunday, July 28, 2024: Dan Agrapides (6 months)

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

Congratulations: Congratulations to Georgiann Petrogeorge and baby Maria Eleni Petrogeorge on the celebration of their 40-Day Blessing last Sunday following Divine Liturgy. Please take the time to pray for Mom and Baby, together with Maria's Daddy, Manouso and big brother, Pano. God bless the growing Petrogeorge Family!

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who have turned in their 2024 stewardship commitment cards. As of July 3, we have received 170 commitments totaling \$445,074, putting us at 97.8% 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!

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Philoptochos Meeting: The next Philoptochos meeting will be held tomorrow, Monday, July 22, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

FOREVER YOUNG

Forever Young: The next gathering of Forever Young will be held Thursday, July 18, 2024, at 11:30 a.m. We will not gather in August.

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!

ST. ANNA SERVICE MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Save the Date - Blood Drive: Save the date for St. Anna's annual blood drive. Tuesday, September 3, 2024. Noon - 6:00 p.m.

Food Support Program: As a permanent food collection site, ongoing donations from our parish and community are key to help

support the Diamond Ridge/Entrada pantries that serve Sandy area youth and families facing hunger. **Fill the bin!**

**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 NEXT weekend, 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.

On Saturday, July 13, 2024, the Thyranoixia (Formal Opening of the Doors) service will be held at 5:30 p.m. followed by Great Vespers with his Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America. Join us following services for a community celebration on St. Anna's south patio. No RSVP required.

On Sunday, July 14, 2024, (Sunday of the Holy Fathers of the 4th Ecumenical Council), please join us for Orthros at 9:00 a.m. and a Hierarchical Liturgy commencing at 10:00 a.m., followed by a luncheon in our fellowship hall honoring His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America and His Eminence Metropolitan Constantine of Denver. No RSVP required.

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!

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.

COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

AHEPA BBQ: Please join us for the AHEPA BBQ benefiting AHEPA HOUSE. Sunday, July 28, 2024, at the Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church Pavilion, 5335 S Highland Dr, Holladay. 4:00 p.m. Social Hour / 5:00 p.m. Dinner. Barbeque lamb, chicken pilafi, and salad. All are welcome!

Fun Bus to Wendover: Please join The Society of Athanasios Diakos on their fun bus to Wendover! Saturday, July 27, 2024, \$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, July 14, 2024. Please send requested announcements to Michael Petrogeorge at mppetrogeorge@gmail.com no later than **Tuesday, July 9, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.** Thank you!

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, 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

Friday, August 2, 2024

- 7:00 p.m.: Small Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary (on the South Patio)

Sunday, August 4, 2024 (6th Sunday of Matthew)

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

Monday, August 5, 2024

- 7:00 p.m.: Small Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary (on the South Patio)

Tuesday, August 6, 2024 (Transfiguration of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ)

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

Wednesday, August 7, 2024

- 7:00 p.m.: Small Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary (on the South Patio)

Thursday, August 8, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice

Sunday, August 11, 2024 (7th Sunday of Matthew)

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

Monday, August 12, 2024

- 7:00 p.m.: Small Paraklesis to the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary (on the South Patio)

Wednesday, August 14, 2024

- 6:00 p.m.: Great Vespers for the Dormition of the Theotokos and Ever-Virgin Mary

Thursday, August 15, 2024 (Dormition of our Most Holy Lady the Theotokos and Ever Virgin Mary)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy
- 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice

Sunday, August 18, 2024 (8th Sunday of Matthew)

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

Monday, August 19, 2024

- 7:00 p.m.: Parish Council Meeting

Thursday, August 22, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice

Sunday, August 25, 2024 (9th Sunday of Matthew)

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

Monday, August 26, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Philoptochos Meeting

Thursday, August 29, 2024 (Feast of the Beheading of St. John the Baptist)

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

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.

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

THYRANOIXIA WEEKEND

Saturday, July 13th
5:30 pm - Opening of the Doors
Followed by Great Vespers and a
Celebratory Dinner on the Back Grounds

Sunday, July 14th
9:00 am - Orthros, 10:00 am
Hierarchical Divine Liturgy
Followed by a Celebratory Luncheon
in the Fellowship Hall

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Metropolitan Constantine of Denver
Bishop Spyridon of Amastris