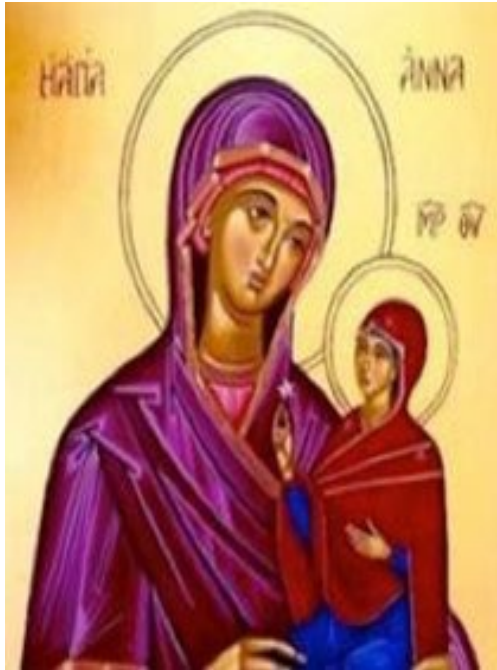




# CHURCH BULLETIN



**St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church**  
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**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew**  
**Sunday, July 21, 2024**

**Reverend Protopresbyter Anthony Savas**  
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## Epistle Reading: Paul's Letter to the Romans (6:18-23)

*Prokeimenon. Mode 3. Psalm 46.*

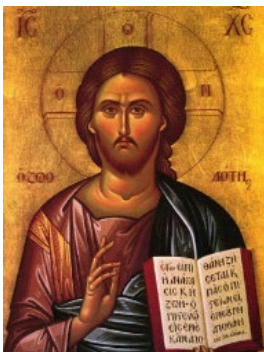
*Sing praises to God; sing praises; sing praises to our King; sing praises.*

*Verse: Oh, clap your hands, all you nations; shout to God with the voice of rejoicing.*



Brethren, having been set free from sin, you have become slaves of righteousness. I am speaking in human terms, because of the weakness of your flesh. For just as you once yielded your members to impurity and to greater and greater iniquity, so now yield your members to righteousness for sanctification. When you were slaves of sin, you were free in regard to righteousness. But then what return did you get from the things of which you are now ashamed? The end of those things is death. But now that you have been set free from sin and have become slaves of God, the return you get is sanctification and its end, eternal life. For the wages of sin is death, but the free gift of God is eternal life in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Matthew (8:5-13)



At that time, as Jesus entered Capernaum, a centurion came forward to him, beseeching him and saying, "Lord, my servant is lying paralyzed at home, in terrible distress." And he said to him, "I will come and heal him." But the centurion answered him, "Lord, I am not worthy to have you come under my roof; but only say the word, and my servant will be healed. For I am a man under authority, with soldiers under me; and I say to one, 'Go,' and he goes, and to another, 'Come,' and he comes, and to my slave, 'Do this,' and he does it." When Jesus heard him, he marveled, and said to those who followed him, "Truly, I say to you, not even in Israel have I found such faith. I tell you, many will come from east and west and sit at table with Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob

in the kingdom of heaven, while the sons of the kingdom will be thrown into the outer darkness; there men will weep and gnash their teeth." And to the centurion Jesus said, "Go; be it done for you as you have believed." And the servant was healed at that very moment.

### **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**

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord has shown the mighty power of His arm. He has trampled down death by death, becoming the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell and has granted to all the world His great mercy. (Liturgy Book page 107)

### **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**

Let the heavens rejoice and the earth be glad, for the Lord has shown the mighty power of His arm. He has trampled down death by death, becoming the first born of the dead. He has delivered us from the depths of hell and has granted to all the world His great mercy. (Liturgy Book page 107)

### **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**

Grant long life, Lord, to our master and hierarch. (Liturgy Book page 343).

## **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:**

*TODAY, 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](mailto:franthony@stannagocutah.org) or 801-824-3987.

**A Thank You from Elaine Peterson:** I would like to express my heartfelt thank you to the men's ministry team, especially Moses Williams (chef extraordinaire), for preparing the amazing dinner Saturday evening in celebration of St. Anna's historic Thyranoixia. A huge shout out to the committee members: Fr. Anthony Savas, Saunee Cairo, Stephanie Chachas, Phill Floor, Chuck Karpakis, Jannette Knowley, Breanne Labounty, Kathy Shand and Nick & Ellen Varanakis. I could never have taken on this huge endeavor without this team! Also thank you to the platers, servers, and young men who assisted with serving clergy. Thank you to Chris Dokos for the music; Angela & Mike Petrogeorge, Irene Kocolas Petrogeorge, & Steve Simos for helping the committee with clean-up. And thank you to Gourmandise's Draper and Napoli's Sandy for the generous discounts on pastries and dinner rolls. Please support these local businesses! With love in Christ, Elaine Peterson.

### **THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU!!!**

Thank you to everyone who helped to make our Thyranoixia (formal opening of the doors) such a blessed and wonderful event for all involved!

First and foremost, thank you to His Eminence Archbishop Elpidophoros of America, His Eminence Metropolitan Constantine, His Grace Bishop Spyridon, and Archdeacon Dinoysios Papiris for traveling to celebrate this very special occasion with our parish. Thank you to Fr. Anthony for his leadership in planning such a memorable weekend, along with Fr. Elias and Deacon John for their continued love and spiritual guidance!

Thank you to Parish Council President Steve Simos and our entire Parish Council for their leadership and support in dedicating much needed funds to the weekend's activities and celebrations!

Thank you to our altar boys, along with Damian Savas and Zachary Petrogeorge, who worked hard throughout the weekend to help our services run so smoothly!

Thank you to the renowned Protopsaltis Dr. Nektarios Antoniou of the Oakland Cathedral for his beautiful chanting and for sharing his musical expertise with our talented church musicians, to whom we also express our deepest gratitude and appreciation for their beautiful voices!

Thank you to Philoptochos President Stephanie Chachas for the beautiful bow that adorned our front doors during the Thyranoixia, and all the ladies of Philoptochos for cleaning the church, baking desserts, and supporting our efforts in any way requested all weekend!

Thank you to our Men's Ministry, chaired by Ron Steele, for their endless energy and hard work in setting up our fellowship hall, cooking the delicious dinner on Saturday evening, and always being there to do everything and anything asked of them!

Thank you to Elaina Maragakis Simos for designing and making the gorgeous favors handed out to all families in attendance Saturday evening!

Thank you to Elaine Peterson and her dedicated committee for planning and putting on the beautiful Agape celebration following the Thyranoixia and Great Vespers on Saturday evening!

Thank you to Barbara Hillas and her amazing committee for the wonderful luncheon following the Archehierarchical Liturgy on Sunday afternoon!

And last, but definitely not least, thank you to all our stewards, parishioners and guests for their generous financial support of our parish and the weekend, and participation in celebrating this joyous and historic occasion in the life of our parish!

## 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 the Spring 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](mailto: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.

## STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who have turned in their 2024 stewardship commitment cards. As of July 8, we have received 174 commitments totaling \$450,774, putting us at 99.1% 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!

### 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:** We are canceling our July meeting. The next Philoptochos meeting will be held Monday, August 26, 2024, at 6:30 p.m.

### FOREVER YOUNG

**Forever Young:** We will not gather in August. Stay tuned for information about resuming this fall.

### 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!**

### ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

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



**Adult Education Seminar:** Please join us for our Adult Education Summer Series held each Wednesday through August 7, 2024, at 6:30 p.m. (except as otherwise noted below):

- *Wednesday, July 24, 2024 @ 5:00 p.m.:* Great Vespers for the Feast of the Dormition of St. Anna the Ancestor of Christ
- *Wednesday, July 31, 2024:* Proper Christian Math, 1+1+1=1: The Holy Trinity
- *Wednesday, August 7, 2024:* Pucker Up! Iconography – Not Portraits, Not Idols, Not Pretty Pictures, Not Religious Art. So, What, Then?

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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.

**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. Cost: \$45 in advance; \$50 at the door. Call Elias Pylidis at 801-558-5989 for ticket information. All are welcome!

## COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

The next bulletin will be published for Sunday, July 21, 2024. Please send requested announcements to Michael Petrogeorge at [mppetrogeorge@gmail.com](mailto:mppetrogeorge@gmail.com) no later than **Tuesday, July 16, 2024, at 5:00 p.m.** Thank you!

## PRAYER LIST

Alex, Anthony, Barbara, Blake, Hannah, Jami, Joe (Joseph), Lexi, Matt, Natalie, Patrick, Phil, Rachele, Roberta, Sarah, Shalom,

Stacie, Tiffany, Will, Xavier

To add a name to the prayer list, please email Michael Petrogeorge at [mppetrogeorge@gmail.com](mailto: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, July 21, 2024 (4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew)

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

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 (5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew)

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

Thursday, August 1, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Choir Practice

Wednesday, July 31, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Adult Religious Education: Proper Christian Math, 1+1+1 = 1: The Holy Trinity

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 (6<sup>th</sup> 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

- 6:30 p.m.: Adult Religious Education: Pucker Up! Iconography – Not Portraits, Not Idols, Not Pretty Pictures, Not Religious Art. So, What, Then?
- 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 (7<sup>th</sup> 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 the Ancestor of Christ

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 (8<sup>th</sup> 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 (9<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Matthew)

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

Monday, August 26, 2024

- 6:30 p.m.: Philoptochos Meeting

# 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