

St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church

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11th Sunday of Matthew Sunday, August 24, 2025

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Epistle Reading: Paul's First Letter to Corinthians (9:2-12)

Prokeimenon. Mode 2. Psalm 117.

The Lord is my strength and my song, and He became my salvation.

Verse: The Lord chastened and corrected me, but He did not give me up to death.



Brethren, you are the seal of my apostleship in the Lord. This is my defense to those who would examine me. Do we not have the right to our food and drink? Do we not have the right to be accompanied by a wife as sister, as the other apostles and the brothers of the Lord and Cephas? Or is it only Barnabas and I who have no right to refrain from working for a living? Who serves as a soldier at his own expense? Who

plants a vineyard without eating any of its fruit? Who tends a flock without getting some of the milk? Do I say this on human authority? Does not the law say the same? For it is written in the law of Moses, "You shall not muzzle an ox when it is treading out the grain." Is it for oxen that God is concerned? Does he not speak entirely for our sake? It was written for our sake, because the plowman should plow in hope and the thresher thresh in hope of a share in the crop. If we have sown spiritual good among you, is it too much if we reap your material things? If others share this rightful claim upon you, do not we still more? Nevertheless, we have not made use of this right, but we endure anything rather than put an obstacle in the way of the gospel of Christ.

Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Matthew (18:23-35)

The Lord said this parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and all that he had, and payment to be made. So the servant fell on his knees, imploring him, 'Lord, have patience with me, and I will pay you everything.' And out of pity for him the lord of that servant released him and



forgave him the debt. But that same servant, as he went out, came upon one of his fellow servants who owed him a hundred denarii; and seizing him by the throat he said, 'Pay what you owe.' So his fellow servant fell down and besought him, 'Have patience with me, and I will pay you.' He refused and went and put him in prison till he should pay the debt. When his fellow servants saw what had

taken place, they were greatly distressed, and they went and reported to their lord all that had taken place. Then his lord summoned him and said to him, 'You wicked servant! I forgave you all that debt because you besought me; and should not you have had mercy on your fellow servant, as I had mercy on you?' And in anger his lord delivered him to the torturers, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to everyone of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."

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

When You descended into death, Life immortal, You vanquished the pow'r of hell by your resplendent divinity, and when You raised the dead from the depths of darkness, all the heavenly powers cried out triumphantly: O giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You. (Liturgy Book page 103)

Entrance Hymn

Come, let us worship and bow down before Christ. Save us, O Son of God, who rose from the dead, save us who sing to You: Alleluia (Liturgy Book page 37)

Resurrectional Apolytikion

When You descended into death, Life immortal, You vanquished the pow'r of hell by your resplendent divinity, and when You raised the dead from the depths of darkness, all the heavenly powers cried out triumphantly: O giver of life, Christ our God, glory to You. (Liturgy Book page 103)

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

Your holy birth delivered Joachim and Anna from the reproach of childlessness and liberated Adam and Eve from death's corruption, O Pure One. Thus freed from the stain of sin, we your people honor your birth, crying out to you: A woman thought barren brings forth the Theotokos who nourishes Christ our life. (Liturgy Book page 229)

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 Hymns

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 available through the <u>St. Anna YouTube Channel</u>.

St. Anna Photo Gallery: Access the parish's current and historical photos at https://www.saintannagallery.org/.

<u>Memorial Services - May Their Memory be Eternal</u>: To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony at 801-824-3987 or <u>franthony@stannagocutah.org</u>.

<u>Parking Reminder:</u> Park only in designated, striped spots. Do not park in undesignated areas or block other vehicles. Overflow parking is available in the Lunatic Fringe lot (south) and KinderCare lot (north). Parking under the bell tower is <u>NOT</u> permitted. Your cooperation is appreciated!

<u>Church Etiquette:</u> As we return to the routine of Sunday School, please refresh yourself on the basics of Orthodox church etiquette:

- Do not enter or move around the sanctuary at the following times:
 - ❖ During the Small Entrance (when the procession with the Gospel takes place)
 - During the Epistle Reading
 - During the Gospel Reading
 - During the priest's sermon

- When the priest is censing and facing the congregation
- During the Great Entrance (when the procession of the Holy Gifts takes place)
- When the priest is blessing the congregation
- ❖ During the recitation of the Nicene Creed ("I believe...")
- During the Consecration of the Holy Gifts
- ❖ During the recitation of the Lord's Prayer ("Our Father...")
- ❖ Any other time during a service when the priest is on the altar facing the congregation.
- Please silence and refrain from using your cell phones in the sanctuary.
- Please remain standing throughout Holy Communion, even if you are not receiving.
- Please follow the instructions provided by the clergy and/or the Parish Council relating to dismissal for Holy Communion and receiving antidoron. Please do <u>not</u> leave your seat or row to process to the altar until invited to do so by a Parish Council usher.
- Greeting, talking to, or visiting with other parishioners should be reserved for after services, when congregated in the exonarthex (the area between the front doors of the church and the entrance to the narthex) or fellowship hall. It is inappropriate to greet, talk to, or visit fellow parishioners while processing to receive or while returning to your seat after receiving the Sacrament of Holy Communion, or when processing to receive or leaving the church after receiving antidoron.

The cooperation of all parishioners in maintaining the proper decorum during all services is much appreciated.

<u>Children's Liturgy Bags:</u> The children's activity bags are available for use during church services and are not meant to be taken home. Please be sure to return the bags following the service so they can be restocked and reused for future services. If you inadvertently took a bag home, please return it the next time you come to church.

PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Parish Council Meeting</u>: The next Parish Council meeting will be held Monday, September 15, 2025, at 7:00 p.m.

Weekly Assignments:

Sunday, August 24, 2025: Charles Deneris (Early/Lead); Gretchen Jungert (Late/Close)

Sunday, August 31, 2025: Charles Deneris (Early/Lead); Chris Gounaris (Late/Close)

STEWARDSHIP ANNOUNCEMENTS

Thank you to all who have turned in their 2025 stewardship cards. As of August 13, we have received 190 stewardship commitments totaling \$476,623.00, putting us at 97.3% of our budgeted goal (\$490,000). To ensure we meet the continued financial commitments of our parish, the 2025 budget approved at our Fall Parish Assembly includes Stewardship donations totaling \$490,000, representing a three percent (3%) increase over 2024 collections. With the continued support and participation of our dedicated parishioners, we are confident this objective can be achieved!

PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Yard Sale Fund Raiser: Philoptochos will host a yard sale fundraiser in the St. Anna front parking lot on Saturday, September 20, 2025, from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. We are seeking donated items to sell. Donations will be accepted ONLY on the morning of the sale. Sorry, but no clothing or furniture items will be accepted. Please price your donated items prior to dropping them off the morning of the sale. Volunteers are also needed to work the sale. If you would like to volunteer or have any other questions, please contact Stephanie Chachas at 801-631-5665.

<u>Philoptochos Meeting:</u> Our next meeting will be held Monday, September 22, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.

YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Sunday School:</u> Classes for the 2025-26 Sunday School year will commence TODAY, August 24, 2025. Please register your children using the QR code on the flyer on the back of this bulletin.

We are looking forward to a wonderful year with our parish youth! This year in our lessons we will be learning more about the miracles of Christ as they help us on our faith journey. The first two miracles - healing of the paralytic (John 5:1-15) and the healing of the noble's son (John 4: 46-54) - will guide us as we better understand not just physical illness, but the sickness of sin. Please ask your young people about their lessons!

Please note: There will be no Sunday School classes NEXT SUNDAY, August 31, 2025 (Labor Day weekend), Sunday, November 30, 2025 (Thanksgiving weekend), or Sunday, December 28, 2025 (Christmas week). On Sunday, September 14, 2025, students will remain in church with their families to participate in the procession of the Holy Cross.

<u>St. Stylianos Children's Ministry:</u> If you believe your child would benefit from the services of the St. Stylianos Ministry, please use the QR code on the flyer towards the back of this bulletin to complete our information.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS

Morning Bible Study: Morning Bible Study with John Kaloudis will resume on Wednesday, September 17, 2025, at 10:30 a.m. Unless otherwise announced, Morning Bible Study will meet each Wednesday at 10:30 a.m. at St. Anna.

FOREVER YOUNG ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Forever Young:</u> Our next gathering will be held on Thursday, September 18, 2025. Please contact AnnaSophia at AnnaSoClark@gmail.com with any questions. See you there!

ST. ANNA SERVICE MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Food Support Program:</u> Please continue to bring food donations to Church whenever there are services. Thank you for your ongoing generosity to support the Diamond Ridge/Entrada pantries. Fill the bin!

9/11 National Day of Service

- 2,000 people need help.
- 13 Sandy area churches will collect hygiene items to help 2,000 people.
- St Anna has been asked to help by supplying 670 bags with toothpaste, toothbrushes and dental floss.
- The cost of each bag is \$5.00
- Please donate to help St Anna fill our 670 bags.
- Cinch sacks full of the hygiene items will be put together and given to Canyon School District and the Utah Refugee Connection on Saturday, September 6, the 911 National Day of Service.

COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

<u>Next Bulletin:</u> The next bulletin will be published for Sunday, August 31, 2025. Please send requested announcements to Michael Petrogeorge at mppetrogeorge@gmail.com no later than **Tuesday**, **August 26, 2025, at 5:00 p.m.** Thank you!

PRAYER LIST

Alexandra, Athanasios, Barbara, Cristina Georgiana, Izzy, Juliana, Kris, Lorlee, Marie, Rochelle (Rose)

If you would like to add a name to the prayer list, email Michael Petrogeorge at mppetrogeorge@gmail.com.

PARISH CALENDAR

Visit the <u>parish website</u> for an electronic copy. Unless otherwise specified, all events will be held at St. Anna.

Sunday, August 24, 2025 (11th Sunday of Matthew)

 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy and first day of Sunday School classes for the 2025-2025 Sunday School year

Friday, August 29, 2025 (Beheading of St. John the Baptist)

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

Sunday, August 31, 2025 (11th Sunday of Matthew)

• 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy (No Sunday School classes – Labor Day weekend)

Monday, September 1, 2025 (Ecclesiastical New Year)

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

<u>Sunday, September 7, 2025</u> (Sunday Before the Holy Cross)

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

Monday, September 8, 2025 (Nativity of the Theotokos)

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

Tuesday, September 9, 2025 (Synaxis of Ss. Joachim and Anna)

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

Sunday, September 14, 2025 (Elevation of the Holy Cross)

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

Monday, September 15, 2025

• 7:00 p.m.: Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, September 17, 2025

• 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

Thursday, September 18, 2025

• 11:30 a.m.: Forever Young

Sunday, September 21, 2025 (Sunday After Holy Cross)

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

Monday, September 22, 2025

• 6:30 p.m.: Philoptochos Meeting

Wednesday, September 24, 2025

• 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

Sunday, September 28, 2025 (1st Sunday of Luke)

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

Wednesday, October 1, 2025

• 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

Sunday, October 5, 2025 (2nd Sunday of Luke)

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

Wednesday, October 8, 2025

• 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

Sunday, October 12, 2025 (Sunday of the 7th Ecumenical Council)

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

Wednesday, October 15, 2025

• 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

Sunday, October 19, 2025 (3rd Sunday of Luke)

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

Monday, October 20, 2025

• 7:00 p.m.: Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 22, 2025

• 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

Sunday, October 26, 2025 (6th Sunday of Luke)

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

Monday, October 27, 2025

• 6:30 p.m.: Philoptochos Meeting

Wednesday, October 29, 2025

• 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

<u>Saturday, November 1, 2025</u> (Ss. Cosmas and Damian the Unmercenaries)

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

Sunday, November 2, 2025 (5th Sunday of Luke)

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

Wednesday, November 5, 2025

• 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study



HOSTED BY MINOS, DAUGHTERS OF MINOS & MINOTAVROS

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28

P.E. PAVILLION SOCIAL 5PM DINNER 6PM

DINNER-DRINKS-MUSIC-PAREA

PERFORMANCE BY KRI KRI

PRE BUY BEFORE 9/24 ADULTS \$15 CHILDREN \$10 DOOR PRICES ADULTS \$25 CHILDREN \$20



SAME DATE

OCTOBER 18, 2025

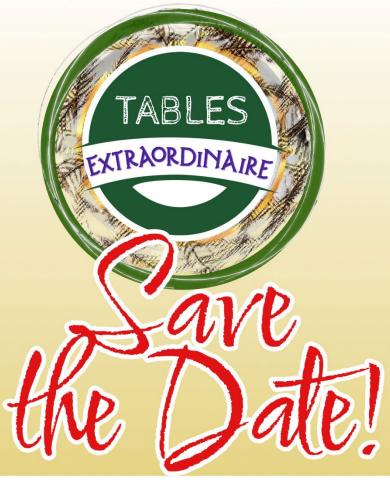
ANGELO TSAROUCHAS

"The Funny Greek"
St Anna Greek Orthodox Church

AHEPA Fundraiser



St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church Annual Fundraiser



November 8, 2025 6:00 p.m.

St. Anna Fellowship Hall More details to come!

Please help us make our annual fundraiser a success!





St. Stylianos Children's Ministry

Stylianos Children's Ministry is here to support a feeling of belonging for children of all abilities.

Our goal is to provide all children a place where they feel accepted, seen, befriended, needed, and loved.

Please take a minute to fill out the form through this QR codel. This will help us get to know your child and your family.

We are VERY glad you are here!

St Anna Sunday School Registration

August 24th Kickoff

Please register!

- Child's name and grade
- Family contact information
- Any additional information

2025-2026



https://bit.ly/StAnnaSundaySchool

