



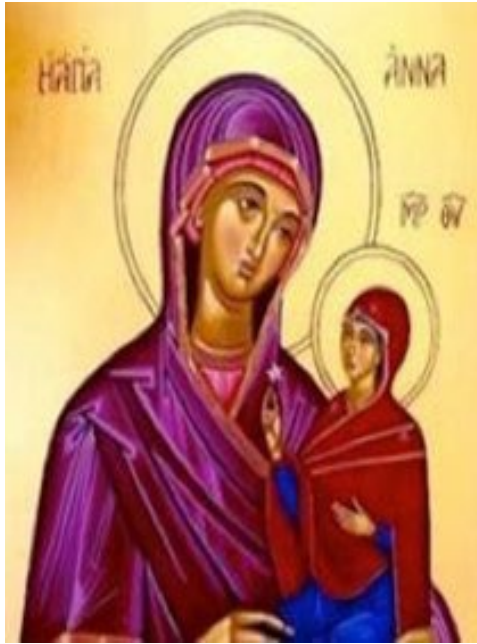
# CHURCH BULLETIN



## **St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church**

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**Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee:**

**Triodion Begins Today**

**February 1, 2026**

**Reverend Protopresbyter Anthony Savas  
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## Epistle Reading: Paul's Letter to the Romans (8:28-39)

*Prokeimenon. Mode 4. Psalms 15, 67.*

*To the saints on His earth, in them the Lord magnified all His will.*

*Verse: Bless God in the churches.*



Brethren, we know that in everything God works for good with those who love him, who are called according to his purpose. For those whom he foreknew he also predestined to be conformed to the image of his Son, in order that he might be the first-born among many brethren. And those whom he predestined he also called; and those whom he called he also justified; and those whom he justified he also glorified. What then shall we say to this? If God is for us, who is against us? He who did not spare his own Son but gave him up for us all, will he not also give us all things with him? Who shall bring any charge against God's elect? It is God who justifies; who is to condemn? Is it Christ Jesus, who died, yes, who was raised from the dead, who is at the right hand of God, who indeed intercedes for us? Who shall separate us from the love of Christ? Shall tribulation, or distress, or persecution, or famine, or nakedness, or peril, or sword? As it is written, "For your sake we are being killed all the day long; we are regarded as sheep to be slaughtered." No, in all these things we are more than conquerors through him who loved us. For I am sure that neither death, nor life, nor angels, nor principalities, nor things present, nor things to come, nor powers, nor height, nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus our Lord.

## Gospel Reading: The Gospel According to Luke (18:10-14)



The Lord said this parable, "Two men went up into the temple to pray, one a Pharisee and the other a tax collector. The Pharisee stood and prayed thus with himself, 'God, I thank you that I am not like other men, extortioners, unjust, adulterers, or even like this tax collector. I fast twice a week, I give tithes of all that I get.' But the

tax collector, standing far off, would not even lift up his eyes to heaven, but beat his breast, saying, 'God, be merciful to me a sinner!' I tell you, this man went down to his house justified rather than the other; for everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, but he who humbles himself will be exalted."

### **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**

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 who sing to You: Alleluia.  
(Liturgy Book page 37)

### **Resurrectional Apolytikion**

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### **Hymn for the Forefeast**

The choir of heaven's hosts, from the vaults of the heavens, bends forward to the earth and beholds as an infant the first-born of all creation being carried in the embrace of His holy virgin Mother

unto the Temple. And with us they sign today a fore-festal anthem, in awe and astonishment.

### **Hymn for the Martyr**

Your Martyr, O Lord, was worthily awarded by You the crown of incorruption, in that he contested for You our immortal God. Since he possessed Your power, he defeated the tyrants, dashing the demons' powerless displays of defiance. O Christ God, at his fervent entreaties, save our souls.

### **Apolytikion 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**

With our hearts instead of arms today, believers, with most pure and righteous thoughts let us receive in our embrace the Lord and Master who comes to us, and let us offer our fore-festal hymns of praise.

### **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 available through the [St. Anna YouTube Channel](#).

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

### **Memorial Services - May Their Memory be Eternal:**

*Sunday, February 8, 2026: Nick Savas (20 years)*

To schedule a memorial service, please contact Fr. Anthony at 801-824-3987 or [franthonny@stannagocutah.org](mailto:franthonny@stannagocutah.org).

**House Blessings:** During the weeks following the Feast of Theophany (The appearance of the Holy Trinity at Christ's Baptism - Celebrated January 6th), it is customary for the Parish Priest to bless the homes of his parishioners with Holy Water from the Great Sanctification of the Waters, asking the Lord to grant peace, health, salvation, and protection upon the home, and to the family who resides there. It is also appropriate during this special time to have your business blessed as well if you desire to do so. This is a wonderful opportunity for one of our Parish Priests to see you and your family in the comfortable environment of your own home. This is the best occasion to share with your Priest your thoughts and dreams concerning our parish community.

Upon the priest's arrival, please have the family ready to begin the blessing service. Lights should be turned on in all the rooms of the house that are to be blessed. Please make sure that all televisions,

radios, and computers are off at the time of the blessing. Please also be prepared to provide a list of all names of family members who live in the house so that he can properly pray for them.

**Save the Date - Lifesavers CPR ❤️:**

*Date:* Saturday, February 21, 2026

*Time:* 9:00 a.m. to Noon

*Location:* St Anna Fellowship Hall

*Cost:* \$40/person (8 person minimum requirement)

Includes: class materials; American Heart Association BLS CPR certification (adult, child, infant); use of AED; and first responder Q&A.

Sponsored by Philoptochos and the Medical Advisory Ministry Team. For more information and to sign-up, please email Julie Steele at [JsSteele1@gmail.com](mailto:JsSteele1@gmail.com).

**Save the Date - St. Anna Lenten Retreat.** Our annual Lenten Retreat will be held Saturday, February 28, 2026, with author and theologian Christopher Lockwood.

**Children's Liturgy Bags:** 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.

**Church Etiquette:** As we begin a new calendar year, please refresh yourself on the basics of Orthodox church etiquette:

- **Do not enter or move around the nave 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 censuring 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.
- Do not cross your legs or feet while sitting in church.
  - Do not walk in front of the altar at any time during services. If you need to move from one side of the church to the other, use the side aisles to walk to the back of the sanctuary and cross only at the back of the sanctuary.
  - Please do not allow children to play on or around the adult baptismal font.
  - Please silence and refrain from using your cell phones in the nave.
  - When the stanchion rope at the back of the church is closed, please do not enter or exit center aisle.
  - 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 not 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.

- **Please return to your seats following Holy Communion and refrain from entering the fellowship hall for coffee and snacks until after church has been dismissed following antidoron.**

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

## PARISH COUNCIL ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Parish Council Meeting:** The next Parish Council meeting will be held Monday, February 23, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

### **Weekly Assignments:**

*Sunday, February 1, 2026:* Charles Deneris (Early/Lead); Gretchen Jungert (Late/Close)

*Sunday, February 8, 2026:* Chris Gounaris (Early/Lead); Elaine Peterson (Late/Close); Fellowship: Savas Family in Memory of Nick Savas

To sponsor a fellowship hour, please contact Fr. Anthony at [franthony@stannagocutah.org](mailto:franthony@stannagocutah.org).

## PHILOPTOCHOS ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Philoptochos Meeting:** Our next meeting will be held on Monday, February 23, 2026, at 6:30 p.m.

## YOUTH MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Young Adult League (YAL):** YAL meets on the first Tuesday of each month. YAL discussions will be led by Chad Volk. YAL is for young adults aged 18 and up who have graduated high school. Additional outings and events will be announced as they are scheduled.

**YAL Night with the Jazz Game:** Join us as the Utah Jazz take on the Portland Trailblazers on Thursday, February 12, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Delta Center. 20 free tickets available on a first come, first serve basis. Text Fr. Anthony at 801-824-3987 to reserve yours today!

**Greek Orthodox Youth Association (GOYA):** GOYA meets on the second Tuesday of each month. GOYA discussions will be led by Fr. Elias Koucos, Liath Dawood, and Alexia Kraenbuhl. GOYA is for youth in grades six through twelve. Additional outings and events will be announced as they are scheduled.

**GOYA with the Utah Mammoth:** Join us as the Utah Mammoth take on the Edmonton Oilers on Tuesday, March 24, 2026, at 7:00 p.m. in the Delta Center. 34 free tickets available on a first come, first serve basis. Text Fr. Anthony at 801-824-3987 to reserve yours today!

**Junior Orthodox Youth (JOY):** JOY meets on the third Tuesday of each month. Monthly discussions will be led by Kristina Packer. JOY is for children in grades first through fifth. Additional outings and events will be announced as they are scheduled.

## **ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Morning Bible Study:** Morning Bible Study with John Kaloudis is held on Wednesday mornings at 10:30 a.m.

**Roots and Fruits of Orthodoxy:** The Roots and Fruits of Orthodoxy classes will be held each Tuesday at 7:00 p.m., through *Tuesday February 17, 2026* (before Great Lent begins). For those who are brand new to the Faith, for those fairly new to the Faith, and for those who want to rediscover and more fully appreciate their faith, this experience is for you!

## **ST. ANNA SERVICE MINISTRY ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Food Support Program:** Ongoing parish and community donations are essential to support the three Diamond Ridge/Entrada pantries, which currently serve 2,800 people per month. In addition to students, increasing numbers of families, older folks from the neighborhood and homeless individuals are regularly accessing the pantries. Please continue to bring food donations every Sunday. God bless!

## **FOREVER YOUNG ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**Forever Young:** Our next Forever Young gathering will be held

Thursday, February 19, 2026, at 11:30 a.m. Please contact AnnaSophia at [annasoclark@gmail.com](mailto:annasoclark@gmail.com) with any questions or suggestions.

## COMMUNICATION MINISTRY TEAM ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Next Bulletin:** The next bulletin will be published for Sunday, February 8, 2026. Please send requested announcements to Michael Petrogeorge at [mppetrogeorge@gmail.com](mailto:mppetrogeorge@gmail.com) no later than **Tuesday, February 3, 2026, at 5:00 p.m.** Thank you!

## COMMUNITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Community Service Project:** The Holy Trinity and Prophet Elias Philoptochos is hosting a community-wide service project on Saturday, February 14, 2026, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Holy Trinity Warehouse, 279 S. 300 West, Salt Lake City. Everyone is invited to join in preparing 1,250 sack lunches to help support the Catholic Community Services for their meal service on President's Day. Contact Fran Matragos at 801-455-0090 or Jolene Vasiliadis at 801-652-9594 with questions.

## PRAYER LIST

Alexa, Cristina Georgiana, Elaine, Ellen, Georgette, Izzy, Jimmy,  
Mary, Milo, Ryan, Samantha, Tina

If you wish to add a new name to the prayer list, please email Michael Petrogeorge at [mppetrogeorge@gmail.com](mailto:mppetrogeorge@gmail.com).

## PARISH CALENDAR

Visit the [parish website](#) for an electronic copy. Unless otherwise specified, all events will be held at St. Anna.

Sunday, February 1, 2026 (Sunday of the Publican and Pharisee: Tridion Begins Today)

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

Monday, February 2, 2026 (The Presentation of our Lord and Savior in the Temple)

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

Tuesday, February 3, 2026

- 7:00 p.m.: Adult Religious Education and YAL Meeting

Wednesday, February 4, 2026

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

Saturday, February 7, 2026

- 5:00 p.m.: Great Vespers

Sunday, February 8, 2026 (Sunday of the Prodigal Son)

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

Tuesday, February 10, 2026 (Hieromartyr Haralambos)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy
- 7:00 p.m.: Adult Religious Education and GOYA Meeting

Wednesday, February 11, 2026

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

Thursday, February 12, 2026

- 7:00 p.m.: YAL Night with the Utah Jazz @ Delta Center

Saturday, February 14, 2026 (Saturday of Souls)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros and Divine Liturgy
- 5:00 p.m.: Great Vespers

Sunday, February 15, 2026 (Judgement (Meatfare) Sunday)

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

Tuesday, February 17, 2026

- 7:00 p.m.: Adult Religious Education and JOY Meeting

Wednesday, February 18, 2026

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study

Thursday, February 19, 2026

- 11:30 a.m.: Forever Young

Saturday, February 21, 2026 (Saturday of Souls)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros and Divine Liturgy
- 9:00 a.m. – Noon: CPR Training
- 5:00 p.m.: Great Vespers

Sunday, February 22, 2026 (Forgiveness (Cheesefare) Sunday)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy
- 7:00 p.m.: Forgiveness Great Vespers

Monday, February 23, 2026 (Great Lent Begins)

- 6:00 p.m.: Great Compline
- 6:30 p.m.: Philoptochos Meeting
- 7:00 p.m.: Parish Council Meeting

Wednesday, February 25, 2026

- 10:30 a.m.: Morning Bible Study
- 6:00 p.m.: Presanctified Liturgy followed by Lenten Dinner and Lecture

Friday, February 27, 2026

- 10:00 a.m.: Paraklesis to St. Anna
- 7:00 p.m.: First Salutations to the Theotokos

Saturday, February 28, 2026 (Saturday of Souls)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy
- St. Anna Lenten Retreat with Author and Theologian Christopher Lockwood
- 5:00 p.m.: Great Vespers

Sunday, March 1, 2026 (Sunday of Orthodoxy)

- 9:00 a.m. / 10:00 a.m.: Orthros / Divine Liturgy and Procession of the Icons
- 6:00 p.m.: Pan Orthodox Great Vespers @ Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church, 5335 S. Highland Drive, Holladay

Monday, March 2, 2026

- 6:00 p.m.: Great Compline

Wednesday, March 4, 2026

- 6:00 p.m.: Presanctified Liturgy followed by Lenten Dinner and Lecture

Friday, March 6, 2026

- 7:00 p.m.: Second Salutations to the Theotokos

**St. Anna's Garden  
Wedding & Event Center**

(St. Anna Greek Orthodox Church of Utah, Inc.)  
9201 S 1300 East, Sandy, UT 84094

<b>Rental Options*</b>	<b>Non-Parishioner Pricing</b>	<b>Parishioner Pricing<sup>1</sup></b>
<i>Option 1:</i> Main Indoor Event Hall and Kitchen (for food storage, staging and reheating <u>only</u> )	\$3,000.00	\$1,800.00
<i>Option 2:</i> Main Indoor Event Hall, Outdoor Event Space, and Kitchen (for food storage, staging and reheating <u>only</u> )	\$3,500.00	\$2,100.00
<i>Option 3:</i> Main Indoor Event Hall and Kitchen (for full-service food production)	\$4,000.00	\$2,400.00
<i>Option 4:</i> Main Indoor Event Hall, Outdoor Event Space, and Kitchen (for full-service food production)	\$4,500.00	\$2,700.00
<i>Option 5:</i> Outdoor Event Space and Kitchen (for food storage, staging and reheating <u>only</u> )	\$3,000.00	\$1,800.00
<i>Option 6:</i> Outdoor Event Space and Kitchen (for full-service food preparation)	\$4,000.00 <sup>2</sup>	\$2,100.00
<i>Optional Add On (for Options 1-6):</i> Ceremony Set Up Fee	\$495.00	\$297.00

<sup>1</sup>Parishioners hosting an event for 100 or fewer guests are allowed to use the Main Indoor Event Hall or Outdoor Event Space and Kitchen (for storage of pre-prepared food plus access to ice maker only) without a set rental fee but will be asked to make a free will donation.

<sup>2</sup>Please note that the price for this option has been corrected.

\*Non-parishioner renters hosting a catered event are required to use St. Anna Garden's preferred caterer, Bella Bella Cuisine. Parishioner renters hosting a catered event may utilize any caterer of their choice. Non-catered events are subject to the kitchen use restrictions in the selected rental option.

\*Pricing for options 1-6 includes the use of standard tables, standard resin chairs (mahogany with black seat cushions), and white or ivory tablecloths. Custom tables, chairs, chair covers, and tablecloths may be available for an additional fee. Parishioners hosting an event for 100 or fewer guests and making a free-will donation may use standard tables and standard resin chairs but will be required to provide their own tablecloths.

\*Rental does NOT include access to the parish warehouse or any items stored therein. No one (parishioners or otherwise) should borrow items from the warehouse for use during non-parish hosted events (on or offsite).

# St. Anna Food Support Program

## HELP FIGHT HUNGER

Food Collection Site  
Serving Sandy Area Food Pantries

### 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 anytime the church is open.

Beginning in October

**ST. ANNA**

**YOUTH**

**MINISTRIES**

**YOUNG ADULTS (18-30ish)  
1ST Tuesday of the Month**

**GOYA (Middle/High School)  
2ND Tuesday of the Month**

**JOY (Elementary School)  
3RD Tuesday of the Month**

# ***TWO YOUTH SPORTING EVENTS***



St. Anna Young Adults  
Utah Jazz Game  
Utah vs. Portland  
February 12th  
7:00 pm  
Meet at the Note  
6:15 pm  
Text Fr. Anthony  
to R.S.V.P.  
801-824-3987  
First Come First Served  
20 Free Tickets

St. Anna GOYA  
Utah Mammoth Game  
Utah vs. Edmonton  
March 24th  
7:00 pm  
Meet at the Church  
5:30 pm to Carpool  
Text Fr. Anthony  
to R.S.V.P.  
801-824-3987  
First Come First Served  
34 Free Tickets

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