

## Epistle Reading

### Acts of the Apostles 5:12-20

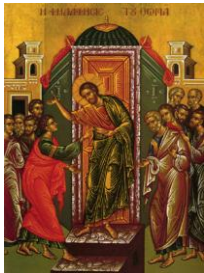


IN THOSE DAYS, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits,

and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

## Gospel Reading

### The Gospel of John 20:19-31



On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them: "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, even so I send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them, and said to them: "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they

are retained."

Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him: "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them: "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe."

Eight days later, His disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them, and said: "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see my hands; and put out your hand, and place it in my side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to Him: "Have you believed because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe."

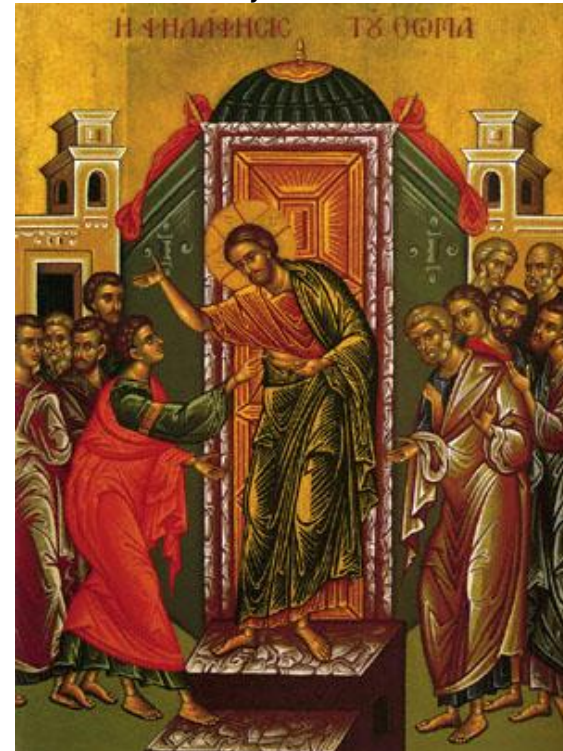
Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing you may have life in His name.



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**Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> 2015**

*Sunday of Thomas*



**To contact our clergy, please call the numbers listed below:**

**Reverend Father Matthew Gilbert: 801-556-1139**

**Reverend Father Elias Koucos: 801-556-4640**

**Reverend Father George Politis (retired)**

**Holy Trinity Cathedral: 279 S. 300 W. SLC, UT 84101, (801) 328-9681**  
**Prophet Elias Church: 5335 Highland Dr. Holladay, UT 84117, (801) 277-2693**

### Sunday Services

**April 19<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

*Sunday of Thomas*

**Holy Trinity:** Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Fr. Matthew

**Prophet Elias:** Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Fr. Elias

### Weekday Services

**April 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2015**

*Feast Day of St. George*

**Prophet Elias Only:** Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Fr. Matthew & Fr. Elias

### Sunday Services

**April 26<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

*Sunday of the Holy Myrrhbearers*

**Holy Trinity:** Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Fr. Elias

**Prophet Elias:** Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Fr. Matthew

### Memorials

**April 26<sup>th</sup>**

His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos	10 Year	HT/PE
Jeanne Royal	3 Year	Holy Trinity
Harry (Aristedis) Royal	1 Year	Holy Trinity
Betty Royal	40 Day	Holy Trinity
Constance Karras	1 Year	Holy Trinity
His Eminence Archbishop Iakovos	10 Year	Prophet Elias

**When Scheduling Memorials...** Memorials must be scheduled through Fr. Matthew. For inquiries regarding memorials or to schedule one, please contact Fr. Matthew at 801-556-1139 or [matthewthepriest@gmail.com](mailto:matthewthepriest@gmail.com).

### Prayer List

Steve, Tami, Mariane, Rose Marie,

\*If you would like to add a name to the prayer list you can do so by calling the main office at Holy Trinity at 801-328-9681.\*

### **Stephanie Papanikolas Memorial Scholarship U of U Spring Semester 2015 Applications**

Applications for the Stephanie Papanikolas Memorial Scholarship for the Spring Semester 2015 for students attending the University of Utah are now available in the offices at both Holy Trinity and Prophet Elias. Applicants must submit completed applications to Fr. Matthew before May 1<sup>st</sup>, 2015. There will be two scholarships of \$500 awarded.

### PAN ARCADIAN WESTERN DISTRICT SCHOLARSHIP

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### **Luncheon Honoring Utah Supreme Court Justice Constandinos Himonas**

Please join us in honoring Supreme Court Justice Constantinos Himonas sponsored by the Hellenic Bar Association and the Greek Orthodox Community of Greater Salt Lake City on April 26, 2015 immediately following Church at Holy Trinity. For more information, please call the church office at (801)328-9681.

### **Hellenic Cultural Association**

After Church at Holy Trinity, the HCA will be sharing the names of lost miners in Carbon County. We're supporting the **Miners Memorial** project in Price, Utah. They're looking for **ANY INFORMATION** you could add to their data base. Please stop by and look over the names, you'll be amazed!

### **GO THE DISTANCE! SAINT SOPHIA SCHOOL 5K RUN/WALK**

**When: Saturday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2015 8:00AM**

**Where: 5341 South Highland Drive Salt Lake City, Utah 84117**

Go the distance with Saint Sophia School this May! Walk, run, or push a stroller along the quiet, pastoral, tree-lined streets in the Saint Sophia School neighborhood. Cross the finish line and enjoy the festivities, music, drinks, and prizes. No bikes or dogs allowed. Children under the age of 13 must be accompanied by an adult. Packet Pick Up Friday, May 1, 2015 9:30am-5:30pm (school office) Call 801-424-1297. Online Registration Only: [www.active.com](http://www.active.com) search for SAINT SOPHIA SCHOOL

### **YOUTH EVENTS**

Camp Emmanuel will be held at Manzano Mountain Retreat in Torreon, New Mexico, near Albuquerque. The Junior Session (ages 11-14) will be held June 7-13, while the Senior Session (ages 15-18) will take place June 14-20. Information and registration is available at: [youth.denver.goarch.org/events/2015-events/2015-camp-emmanuel-home](http://youth.denver.goarch.org/events/2015-events/2015-camp-emmanuel-home). The deadline for early registration **at a reduced rate** is March 31, and the final registration deadline is May 1, 2015. The supplemental paperwork for campers is due by May 15.

THE DATE – SATURDAY, AUGUST 15, 2015. MORE INFORMATION TO FOLLOW.

**Sunday School Students:** It's time to design the Sunday School Year Book cover! Please submit your entry to your Sunday School teacher by April 26<sup>th</sup>. Entries should be on an 8.5x11 white paper. Please include your name and grade. Any questions, please contact Paul K. at [801.870.1514](tel:801.870.1514) or Elenie S. at [801.718.7515](tel:801.718.7515). Thanks!

Desired Greek speaking Caretaker needed for part-time assistance of an elderly lady. Possible living arrangements with an attached apartment. Call: [801-835-8382](tel:801-835-8382).

### **44th NATIONAL PAA CONVENTION ALBUM**

Show your support of the convention by participating in the convention album! These albums become important historical archives of our community. There are two ways to contribute. Ad pages are available in full or half page size for businesses or family portraits. The Family History section will feature histories/photos of Cretans in Utah. Contact the Album Editor, Elpitha Tsoutsounakis at [paaSLCalbum@gmail.com](mailto:paaSLCalbum@gmail.com) for inquiries. We will be selling both types of pages online and after church following Easter. [www.PAASLC2015.org](http://www.PAASLC2015.org).

### **Holy Mother Philoptochos Χριστός Ανέστη!**

The Holy Mother Philoptochos wishes to thank all the ladies for their time in helping with the Loukomathes and all the Holy Week preparations. We would also like to thank the community for their continued support.

**Our next meeting will be held on April 22, 6:30 PM, at HT.**

### **Prayer Service marking the Anniversary of the 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Armenian Genocide**

Please mark your calendar and join our fellow Christians at an Evening Prayer service, held on Friday, May 1<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM, following the liturgy of the Book of Common Prayer of the Episcopal Church. The 100th anniversary of what's generally referred to as the Armenian Genocide was a *Christian* genocide in Asia Minor (involving Greeks and Assyrians as well) and the ongoing persecution of Christian minorities in the Middle East today. We hope that you can attend and give homage to those who lost their lives in this continuing tragedy.

### **DAUGHTERS OF MINOS**

-The next Daughters of Minos meeting will held at Prophet Elias on Sunday, April 19<sup>th</sup> at 3 pm. The Kri Kri will NOT be practicing during this month's meeting.  
-The Daughters of Minos will be making the dolmathes for the festival at Holy Trinity on Friday, April 24<sup>th</sup> and Saturday April 25<sup>th</sup> from 9 am to 7 pm.  
-The Daughters of Minos Mother's Day Luncheon will be held on Saturday, May 9<sup>th</sup> at 11 am at Little America Hotel. The hotel is located at 500 South Main Street. The cost is \$40 for adults and \$17 for children 12 and under. The entree choices are Chicken Breast Florentine or Grilled Teriyaki Salmon. The children's meal will be chicken fingers and macaroni and cheese. To make a reservation contact Xanthi Athousakis at [801558-5430](tel:8015585430) [xanthi@aol.com](mailto:xanthi@aol.com) or Kathy Paras [801671-1964](tel:8016711964) [nkgparas@msn.com](mailto:nkgparas@msn.com)  
Tickets will be sold at both churches on April 26<sup>th</sup> and May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **PROPHET ELIAS PHILOPTOCHOS**

#### **Χριστός Ανέστη**

Helping hands made it possible to accomplish all the projects of Holy Week that lead up to Pascha. Immense appreciation to the PE Philoptochos stewards, family, friends, and the Orthodox community at large for participating in dyeing eggs, decorating the Kouvouklion, and helping with the Anastasi meal.

The overwhelming support of the Pascha Giving Tree played a key role in providing items for the Easter Bags given to our many parishioners.

Our gratitude and thanks.

PE Philoptochos General Meeting: Tuesday, April 21<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 pm at Prophet Elias Church.

**IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM FATHER MATTHEW**  
**CHRIST IS RISEN! TRULY HE IS RISEN!**

The joyous Paschal greeting, "**CHRIST IS RISEN**", with which we greet and embrace each other during this holy season of the Resurrection, is never casual or empty. It speaks loudly of God's immeasurable love for the world; the life-giving sacrifice of His Son; the marvelous restoration of creation; and the newness of life to which we have been called. It speaks to us as well about our need to abandon our blind and selfish ways and surrender ourselves and each other to the Risen Lord. Just as in beholding His Incarnate Son, the Father sees and loves us all as sons and adopts us through the Incarnation of His Son, then it is plain that in the face of every man we must see and love some aspect of the face of Christ Himself. Let us embrace one another, and let us forgive all things in the Resurrection. May our Church, our homes, and our souls be filled with the radiance of the Resurrection and the illuminating truth of our faith in Christ.

Our **TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY** will resume again this **Tuesday, April 21 at 10:30am** in the Little America Coffee Shop. Even if you have not yet joined us, please don't hesitate to take part in this wonderful study on the Book of Revelation! We welcome everyone!

Please be aware that I will be attending the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Denver **CLERGY RETREAT** followed by the Metropolis **CLERGY-LAITY CONGRESS** in Houston, Texas from **April 28-May 2**.

If you would like to receive my weekly **FEED MY SHEEP** e-message, and/or if you would also like to receive my bi-monthly **CROSS+WALK newsletter** (this newsletter can be mailed or emailed; the next issue will be available this coming week), please let me know by calling, texting, or writing me at [801-556-1139](tel:801-556-1139) or [matthewthepriest@gmail.com](mailto:matthewthepriest@gmail.com).

*Humbly in the Risen Christ,  
Father Matthew*

*Your presence is requested at the  
Jenny Pappas Skedros Memorial  
11<sup>th</sup> Annual*

*A Taste of  
Greece*

Celebrating Pentecost Sunday and Holy Trinity Cathedral Feastday  
**May 31, 2015**  
6:00 pm

Adults: \$40  
Children 12 & under: \$10  
Children under 5: Free

Tickets are available at both churches after Sunday service.  
**Donations are welcome and appreciated**

## 2015 † Greek Orthodox Sports League Basketball Camp

The GSL staff is looking forward to another exciting year for our annual Sports League Basketball Camp. Our camp is designed to provide players with outstanding instruction, teamwork, sportsmanship and fun. We hope that you will join us this summer.

### CAMP DETAILS

**JUNE 8<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup>, 2015**

AM Session (boys and girls 3-6<sup>th</sup> grade) 9:00am –12:00pm (Doors open at 8:00am)

PM Session (boys and girls 7-10<sup>th</sup> grade) 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Location: Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Church (5335 South Highland Drive Holladay, Utah) **Cost: \$70.00.** Registration forms are available at both churches. Please contact Gerard Gallegos @ 647-2829 for more information.

### **Volunteers needed:**

GSL is looking for volunteers to help with our youth Basketball Camp that will be held June 8<sup>th</sup> -11<sup>th</sup>, 2015. Two shifts daily 9:00am-12:00pm and 1:00pm-4:00pm. Must be 14 years of age or older.

If interested please contact Gerard Gallegos 801-647-2829 or 801-484-5470.

## Community Survey

The Parish Council of the Greek Orthodox Community of Greater Salt Lake hopes you will take a few minutes to fill out the survey that was sent to you by mail or electronic email. The survey has been designed to determine the needs and concerns of the Greek

Orthodox Community of Greater Salt Lake, as we attempt to move forward in a positive direction and build for the future. One questionnaire/link has been sent to each adult parishioner on our mailing list. Your responses will be kept anonymous. Note the survey will only allow one response per computer. Please call the office if additional adult family members need to be sent the link, or if one need to be mailed to you. The results of the survey will be compiled and analyzed by Maria Shilaos Nelson at the University of Utah. Please complete the survey as soon as possible by April 22nd so the results can be tabulated in time for the General Assembly on May 3rd. We thank you in advance for your participation. The link is also provided below.

### **DAUGHTERS OF PENELOPE NEWS**

Thank you for supporting our annual TSOUREKI (Easter Bread) sale. Proceeds go to DOP initiatives that focus on promoting philanthropy, education and the needs of women & children.

Meeting: Monday, April 20, 6:30 pm

Pot Luck dinner--bring a side dish, salad or dessert--at The COTTONWOOD CONDOMINIUM CLUBHOUSE

(approx.) 1890 East 5150 South

Elections: District & National

Convention delegates

Chapter Officers.

### **SCHEDULING EVENTS**

If you have a meeting or event scheduled at either facility, please contact the church office at 801-328-9681 one week prior to your scheduled event, to arrange for access to the building, set-up and any other needs you may have to help us make your event a success. We appreciate your cooperation.

### **ARCADIAN LADIES SUMMER PICNIC**

Mark your calendars for **Saturday, June 6, 2015** at Sunnyside Park (840 South 1600 East) at Noon. Lunch, bingo, and a great time will be offered. Please contact your list. Any questions email Karen at [karenanast@gmail.com](mailto:karenanast@gmail.com) or call her at [801-913-2414](tel:801-913-2414).

## ATTENTION POTENTIAL MATHEMATICS TUTORS, ASPIRING TEACHERS

We have a College Student in our Greek Orthodox community who needs help with Calculus, and is an aspiring Chemical Engineer. If you have some time and would like to reach out to him, it will be a blessing for you to apply your God-granted skills. His name is Gabriel Schileru, and he can be contacted at [\(801\) 837-3230](tel:801-837-3230). Thank you for your consideration; Gabe is a wonderful guy, and wants to contribute his education to the economy of the region, soon

### Experienced Live in Caregiver (Cottonwood)

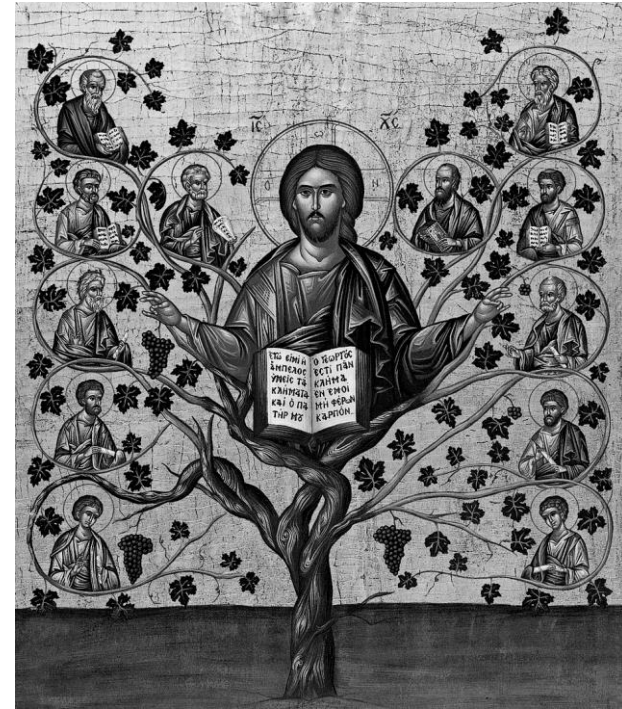
Seeking an experienced caregiver to live-in with our 89 year old mother (Greek) at her lovely home. Offering room, board, and a salary for a caregiver who can provide nursing and comfort. Must be experienced with dispensing medications, light meals and housekeeping, hygiene, and monitoring health. Looking for someone who is kind, patient and loving to the elderly. Please provide a resume with experience and your situation for live-in care. Must pass a background check and contact with past employers. Contact: Chris at [801-450-2105](tel:801-450-2105)

**SPRING 2015  
PARISH ASSEMBLY  
May 3, 2015  
2:00 PM**

Prophet Elias Church  
Notice and Agenda are being mailed out.

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## We are Called to Bear Fruit

At the Last Supper, as we read in Chapter 15 of the Gospel of John, Jesus instructed His disciples, “I Am the Vine; you are the branches.” He was telling us that the purpose of our abiding in Him is that we may bear fruit for God in the world. “By this My Father is glorified, that you bear much fruit...” (John 15:8). Just as the vine bears fruit only through its branches, so Jesus has chosen to work in the world through us. We are the members of His body – the branches through which the Vine must bear fruit. We bear fruit when we serve and support God and His Church.