

Epistle Reading

St. Paul's Letter to the Hebrews 11:33-40; 12:1-2



BRETHREN, all the saints through faith conquered kingdoms, enforced justice, received promises, stopped the mouths of lions, quenched raging fire, escaped the edge of the sword, won strength out of weakness, became mighty in war, put foreign armies to flight. Women received their dead by resurrection. Some were tortured, refusing to accept release, that they might rise again to a better life. Others suffered mocking and scourging, and even chains and imprisonment. They were stoned, they were sawn in two, they were tempted, they were killed with the sword; they went about in skins of sheep and goats, destitute, afflicted, ill-treated - of whom the world was not worthy - wandering over deserts and mountains and in dens and caves of the earth. And all these, though well attested by their faith, did not receive what was promised, since God had foreseen something better for us, that apart from us they should not be made perfect. Therefore, since we are surrounded by so great a cloud of witnesses, let us also lay aside every weight, and sin which clings so closely, and let us run with perseverance the race that is set before us, looking to Jesus the pioneer and perfecter of our faith.

Gospel Reading

The Gospel According to Matthew 10:32-33; 37-38; 19:27-30



The Lord said to his disciples, "Every one who acknowledges me before men, I also will acknowledge before my Father who is in heaven; but whoever denies me before men, I also will deny him before my Father who is in heaven. He who loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me; and he who loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and he who does not take his cross and follow me is not worthy of me." Then Peter said in reply, "Lo, we have left everything and followed you. What then shall we have?" Jesus said to them, "Truly, I say to you, in the new world, when the Son of man shall sit on his glorious throne, you who have followed me will also sit on twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. And every one who has left houses or brothers or sisters or father or mother or children or lands, for my name's sake, will receive a hundredfold, and inherit eternal life. But many that are first will be last, and the last first."



Greek Orthodox Church of Greater Salt Lake
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Sunday, June 26th, 2016 The Sunday of All Saints



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

June 26th, 2016

The Sunday of All Saints

Prophet Elias Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Fr. Elias
Please note there will be no Services at Holy Trinity this Sunday.

July 3rd, 2016

2nd Sunday of Matthew

Holy Trinity Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Fr. Luke
Prophet Elias Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Fr. Matthew/
Fr. Makarios

Weekday Services

The Services Below Have Been Cancelled

June 29th, 2016

Feast of Saints Peter and Paul

Cancelled

June 30th, 2016

Synaxis of the Holy Apostles

Cancelled

Memorials

June 26th, 2016

Mary M. Mannos	1 Year	Prophet Elias
Spirro J. Mannos	15 Years	Prophet Elias

****Coffee Hour will be hosted by the Mannos Family****

July 3rd, 2016

Georgios Armaou	40 Days	Holy Trinity
Gus Katis	1 Year	Prophet Elias
Christine Vassiliades	5 Years	Prophet Elias
Pete Vassiliades	26 Years	Prophet Elias

****Coffee Hour will be hosted by the Armaou Family****

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.

Prayer List

Joan, Julie, Tamara, Charissa, Linda, Marlee, Irene, Juliet, Lisa, Matthew,
Fr. Matthew

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.

Accounting/Bookkeeping Position Available

Immediate opening available for an Accounting Assistant position. located at the Holy Trinity Cathedral office. Requirements are as follows; highly knowledgeable with all facets of QuickBooks, QuickBooks class coding, bank reconciliation, payroll processing, accounts payable, accounts receivable, invoicing, report processing, and other minor duties. If you meet these qualifications, please send a Resume to Connie Yengich at conniegoc@gmail.com. Please contact Connie at [801-328-9681](tel:801-328-9681) for all inquiries. We look forward to hearing from you.



THE SOCIETY OF ATHANASIOS DIAKOS

Family Barbecue

For the membership, their guests,
and prospective members.

Sunday, June 26th

5:00 p.m. at

FAIRMONT PARK
(2361 South 900 East North Bowery)

Menu: NY Strip Steak-Certified Angus Beef,
patates, corn, salata, roll,
soft drink or coffee, fruit.

**Pitas, pastries and other
personal favorites are welcome!

PLUS A FABULOUS RAFFLE with great PRIZES

COST:

Adults \$15.00 ~ Children Under 12 \$10.00

IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM FATHER MATTHEW

ENDURING LIFE'S DIFFICULTIES JOYFULLY (PART FOUR)

If we carefully considered and examined the weight of the Lord's Cross, our own cross would seem minute and light as a feather. The Lord was hanging on the Cross naked and without any help from anyone. This is why He voiced, "My God, My God, why have You forsaken Me?" We, on the other hand, are neither naked nor nailed to and hanging from such a cross. On the contrary, we receive considerable consolation from our friends and relatives during difficult moments. Additionally, God has promised to be next to us in times of sorrow, and with His help we can endure any hardship. Our Lord endured various tortures and suffered such a cruel death on account of our sins. We, on the other hand, cannot tolerate even the slightest pain, which our good Lord sends for our own benefit and correction.

Christ prayed for them who crucified Him, "Forgive them, O Father, for they do not know what they are doing", whereas we do not want to forgive anyone who hurts us even a bit. The good thief confessed Christ while he was on the cross, yet we ridicule Christ along with the evil thief saying, *If You are the Son of God, save Yourself and us*". In times of difficulty we deny Him by contending, "If You are God, deliver us from our cross, and we will believe in You. You should allow ungodly and evil people to suffer, not us. We have done nothing wrong..."

We sit back and allow a thief to surpass us in the faith! A condemned criminal in a state of such harsh suffering and punishment was able to understand better than us the benefit of sorrows. We should imitate the good thief and confess Christ during every sorrow and hardship – even bitter death itself --, welcoming difficulties as true Christians and genuine children of God.

If the Lord entered into the glory and bliss after first suffering and enduring His Passion, how much more fitting is it for His servants to suffer in order to inherit the Kingdom that does not belong to them? How is it possible for us to have it easier than our Master, or as students to be greater than our Teacher? Christ suffered for us, and we do not want to suffer in order to save our own soul? The Son of God chose to ascend to the Father through scorn and humiliation and we desire recognition and praise? When we experience difficulties and sorrows, let us not only endure them patiently without complaining, but let us rejoice, because, indeed, "The sufferings of this present life are not worthy of and cannot be compared to the future glory that will be revealed to us."

To be concluded next week...

LAZY DAYS OF SUMMER? NOT FOR ORTHODOX CHRISTIANS

The Holy Fathers state, "In all you do, remember the end of your life, and then you will never sin. Prepare your work for your departure (to eternal life), and get everything ready for the road... If we have done something to our neighbor, if we have hated anyone, let us be reconciled before the judgment. Settle everything here, so that we may approach that bench without liabilities". It is said that the end of the world will come when the number of saints replaces the number of fallen angels. We are called to be saints and nothing less! Let us, therefore, be vigilant and get to our spiritual work. I am always available and welcome each and every one of you to the soul-saving sacrament of Holy Confession; so may the Lord strengthen your soul and sow in your heart faith, hope, and almsgiving, the greatest and most important virtues, for faith makes us believe, hope makes us have trust, and almsgiving makes us love God. These three virtues are equally needed for our salvation.

THROUGH THE PRAYERS OF THY SAINTS, LORD JESUS CHRIST, HAVE MERCY ON US!

On this first Sunday after Pentecost, our Holy Orthodox Church commemorates the memory of **ALL THE SAINTS** of God, known and unknown. Thus, in order that we may receive assistance of all those who have been pleasing to God from every part of the earth, the Holy Fathers have established this feast, encompassing all, from the earliest saints to the most recent, from those who are well known to those who are unknown, sanctified by the Holy Spirit Who rests in them. This Sunday of All Saints, going back at least to the time of Saint John Chrysostom, is observed not only as an opportunity for the Church to present to her living membership Christian ideals to be emulated, but also as an opportunity to establish unity between the Triumphant Church in heaven and His Militant Church on earth.

THE HOLY APOSTLES FAST

The **HOLY APOSTLES FAST** begins **tomorrow** and ends with the Feast of Saints Peter and Paul on June 29. Let us strive to observe this fasting period, which is not as strict as Great Lent; (fish, for example, may be eaten). As Saint John of Kronstadt reminds us, "Begin to fulfill the commandments relating to small things, and you will come to fulfill the commandments relating to great things. Begin by fulfilling the commandment of fasting, and you will eventually learn to fulfill all the commandments. He that is faithful in that which is least is faithful also in much".

*Humbly in Christ,
Father Matthew*

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

UPCOMING GOYA EVENT

SUMMER SWIM PARTY

Watch for details to follow

VCS
2016

“The Miracles of Christ”

2016 VACATION CHURCH SCHOOL

Holy Trinity/Prophet Elias

July 18th- July 21st

9:00am - 1:00p.m.

Friday, July 22nd field Trip to KSL weather station 12:00 noon

Lunch and snacks provided

For Youth going into kindergarten through sixth grade

Volunteers. needed, contact Father Elias [801-556-4640](tel:801-556-4640)

Everyone Welcome!

PAN ARCADIAN SUMMER PICNIC

For the entire Community

Sunday, July 24, 2016

4:00 pm

George Washington Park, Lower Pavilion

Parley's Canyon, Exit 134

Roast Lamb and all the trimmings

Raffle



YOUNG HEART

The Young at Heart will be having their annual summer picnic on **Thursday July 14th** at the Hellenic Memorial Hall at noon. Beat the heat and join us for lunch, schools out bring the grand kids. Food, fellowship, fun & BINGO!! We hope to see you there.



SAVE THE DATE

Prophet Elias Name Day Picnic
Sunday, July 17, 2016

Prophet Elias Pavilion

Come and Celebrate the Church's Name Day!

More Details to Follow

SAVE THE DATE

Daughters of Minos
Hosts Wendover Getaway
August 27th, 2016

Only \$18.00 Free buffet, \$5 cash back and more .
8:45 a.m. Bus departs from Holy Trinity 5:45 p.m. Return to Salt Lake
All reservations must be prepaid **SPACE IS LIMITED** ~Send check or
cash ~ Kathy Paras 4250 S. Wander Lane, SLC UT 84124 Questions:
801.671-1964



SUMMER TRIP TO WENDOVER

New Date
Saturday, July 23rd
Time:

8:30am leave Prophet Elias
9:00am leave Holy Trinity
Return: 5:00 pm leave Rainbow Hotel

Cost: \$17.00/person \$5 cash Back & all-you-can eat buffet

R.S.V.P

Ted Giannopoulos-(801) 467-7224,
Bill Kandas-(801) 272-1906 and Basil Chelemes (801) 580-1338



**COMMUNITY
LAGOON DAY**

Sunday, July 24th

Bring the entire family and enjoy a fun filled day at Lagoon, and don't forget the roller coaster!

Discount Passes will be available at the Narthex at both Holy Trinity and Prophet Elias, and the church office.



Community Wish List

Please find below a Wish List of items for our Community.
If you see a particular item you would like to donate to, please call Connie at the church office, 801-328-9681.
We would love to hear from you.

COMPLETED - New Roof for the Large Gym at Prophet Elias \$34,500 (donations to date \$25,000)
Repair Roof Tiles on the Cathedral - \$3,000
HVAC Roof Top Unit - Replacement in the Dining Room, Holy Trinity \$28,000 (donations to date \$15,000)
Medium sized Pots and Pans for Holy Trinity and Prophet Elias - \$600
Commercial Carpet Cleaning Machine - \$3,500
2 Water Fountains for Prophet Elias - \$1,500
Pavilion Completion – Restrooms, Kitchen
Commercial Cordless Vacuum for Prophet Elias - \$1,500
Updated Sound System for Interior of the Church at Prophet Elias - \$12,000
Replace Pumps in Basement at Prophet Elias - \$3,000 (donations to date \$2,500)
Commercial Floor Scrubbing Machine - \$3,500

We thank you for your continued support of our Community.

NEW PARKING STICKERS

We are currently issuing new parking stickers. In order to receive a new parking sticker, you must be a current Steward of our Parish. The offices have a form that will need to be filled out with your car make, and license plate number. The form is available on the website at gocslc.org. Please stop by the church office at your convenience to receive your new sticker. Please keep in mind that the stickers are for our parishioners only. If you have any questions, please call the church office at (801) 328-9681. Thank you for your cooperation



GREEK FESTIVAL 2016 FOOD PREP SCHEDULE

Dates are subject to change

FOOD ITEM	CHAIRMAN	PREP DATES
Koulouria	Shelley Anderson and Jolene Vasiliadis	Completed
Dolmathes	Xanthi Asouthakis And Kathy Paras	Completed
Fasolakia	Bill Rekouniotis and Bill Kandas	July 12
Kourambiethes	Shelley Anderson and Nia Reganis	July 19
Pastichio	Angelica Bailey and Shelley Anderson	July 30
Baklava	Andrea Orton, Angela Kithas & Cindy Skedros	August 1-3 Assembly Boxing August 30 & 31
Pasta Flora	Cindy Skedros and Alex Yengich	August 5th
Galaktoboureko	Angelica Bailey & Andrea Pullos	August 26, 27
Melomakarona	Elpida Votsis	August 18, 19, & 20th
Stifatho	Cliff Orton	Completed
Keftedes	Dimitris Tsagaris, Chris Kontgis & Yanni Armaou	August 21
Tyropites	Stephanie Pappas	TBD
Karithopita	Zeta Tsagaris	September 4th
Macaroons	Christna Athos	TBD
Pork Souvlaki	Yannis Armaou	July 9-10
Chicken Souvlaki	Yannis Armaou	August 13-14

2016 Greek Orthodox Sports League Basketball Camp

The G.S.L 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

August 1st - 4th 2016

AM Session (boys and girls 3rd - 6th grade) 9:00am – 12:00pm (Doors open at 8:00am) *finishing 2nd going into 3rd grade

PM Session (boys and girls 7th - 12th grade) 1:00pm - 4:00pm Location: Prophet Elias Greek Orthodox Multipurpose Center (5335 South Highland Drive Holladay, Utah) Cost: \$70.00

If you would like to attend our Basketball Camp and are unable to, due to financial restraints, sponsorships are available on an as needs basis to have the pleasure of experiencing the GSL Basketball Camp. Please contact either Fr. Elias @ (801)556-4640; or Fr. Mathew @ (801)556-1139, if you are interested

Volunteers needed:

GSL is looking for volunteers to help with our youth Basketball Camp that will be held August 1st - 4th 2016. Two shifts daily 9:00am-12:00pm or 1:00pm-4:00pm. Must be 14 years of age or older.

If interested, please contact Gerard Gallegos 801-647-2829 or e-mail gerard100@comcast.net

AHEPA SCHOLARSHIP

The Salt Lake Chapter of AHEPA is once again offering scholarships to graduating high school seniors entering college this fall and to undergraduates currently attending a college full time. We are awarding six \$1000 scholarships to qualified applicants. Membership in AHEPA by the applicant or a family member is not required. The applicant or family must be a member of one of the Salt Lake Greek Orthodox churches. **Deadline is August 1st, 2016.** The winners will be announced at the annual AHEPA BBQ **August 28th.**

Applications are available from one of the following officers:

Chris Floor: cfloor7456@msn.com 801-450-2105

George Karahalios: george@gpphotography.com 801-541-4569

Jim Klekas: jklekas@aol.com 801-971-6060