

Epistle Reading

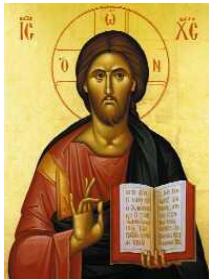
St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 9:2-12



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 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 benefits? 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

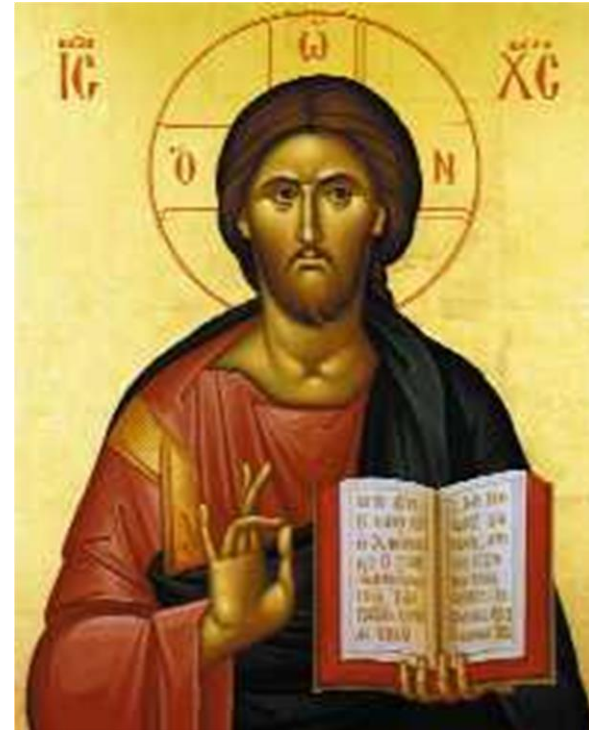


The Lord said this parable: "The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who wished to settle accounts with his servants. When he began the reckoning, one was brought to him who owed him ten thousand talents; and as he could not pay, his lord ordered him to be sold, with his wife and children and 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 jailors, till he should pay all his debt. So also my heavenly Father will do to every one of you, if you do not forgive your brother from your heart."



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September 4th, 2016
11th Sunday of Matthew



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

Reverend Father Matthew Gilbert: 801-556-1139

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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

September 4th, 2016 **11th Sunday of Matthew**
 Holy Trinity (Only) Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Fr. Elias

September 11th, 2016 **Sunday before Holy Cross**
 Holy Trinity (Only) Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Fr. Elias

Please be aware of the time change for Sunday Liturgical services.
 Starting **Sunday September 18th**, Orthros is at 9:00am followed by
 Divine Liturgy at 10:00am

Weekday Services

Thursday,
September 8th, 2016 **Nativity of the Theotokos**
 Prophet Elias Orthros 8:30am followed by Divine Liturgy Fr. Elias

Tuesday,
September 13th, 2016 **Great Vespers for the Elevation of the Holy Cross with Artoklasia**
 Prophet Elias 6:00pm Fr. Elias

Wednesday,
September 14th, 2016 **Elevation of the Holy Cross**
 Prophet Elias Orthros 8:30am followed by Divine Liturgy Fr. Elias

Memorials

September 11th, 2016
 Olive Paras 3 Months Holy Trinity
 Gust Paras 9 Months Holy Trinity

September 18th, 2016
 Maria Kambaladou 6 Months Prophet Elias

September 25th, 2016
 Mary Maroudas 1 Year Holy Trinity
 Constantina Demas 2 Years Holy Trinity

When Scheduling Memorials... Memorial must be scheduled through **Fr. Elias**.
 For inquiries, regarding memorials please contact Fr. Elias at
801-556-4640 or freliask@yahoo.com.

Prayer List

Julie, Tamara, Charissa, Linda, Marlee, Irene, Juliet, Lisa, Matthew, Fr. Matthew,
 Ed, Kimberly, Sophia, Austin, Sarah, Angela

**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**

GREEK FESTIVAL 2016 FOOD PREP SCHEDULE

Dates are subject to change

FOOD ITEM	CHAIRMAN	PREP DATES
Karithopita	Zeta Tsagaris	September 4



GREEK FESTIVAL 2016
SEPTEMBER 9TH-11TH
FRIDAY 11:00AM-11:00PM
SATURDAY 11:00AM-11:00PM
SUNDAY 11:00AM-8:00PM
WE CAN'T WAIT TO SEE YOU THERE!

FESTIVAL VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Food Line volunteers needed for Sunday all shifts available.
 Please contact Orië Kambouris at 801-808-6542 or email at
Oriekambouris@hotmail.com

Food Line volunteers are also needed for Saturday all shifts available. Please
 contact Tina Kelaidis – Dover at 801-647-9534 or email at
tina.kelaidis@cbtravel.com

Pastry Booth Volunteers needed Friday, Saturday and Sunday.
 All Shifts available. Please contact Andrea Orton 801-557-4137
 Jolene Vasilias 801-652-9594 Alicia Mares 801-673-3340

Gyro Booth needs your help! Come show us how you Gyro!
 Volunteers needed Friday, Saturday and Sunday, all shifts.
 Please contact Chris Mantas at 801-557-8280.

Special Message from Father Matthew

During my cancer treatments, I often feel quite fatigued and weak and I ask for your forgiveness and the forgiveness of the faithful when I am not able to respond. It is for this reason that, for those who wish to offer their prayers of love, support, and encouragement, please have them contact Presbyteria Denise on her cell phone at [801-557-2008](tel:801-557-2008) and she will do her best to respond to each and every one.

Beloved Faithful,

When I was ordained nearly 35 years ago, my ordaining bishop placed the Amon's (the **Body of Christ**) into my trembling hands, saying "**Receive this pledge and preserve it whole and intact unto your last breath, for you shall be held accountable for it at the Second and Awesome Coming of our Lord, God, and Savior, Jesus Christ**".

The Lord gives to the priest a sacred '*deposit*' which the priest must guard and protect, and our Lord expects him to present it back to Him undefiled in that day when He shall come again to judge the world with justice. For the Lord says to each priest, "**I shall hold you accountable**". This means that the priest is accountable for the **souls** entrusted to his care. With fear and awe, I remember this daily! But I also remember daily my shortcomings, my sinfulness, and my unworthiness. So I humbly ask your forgiveness of me, Matthew, the unworthy priest.

Please know, though, that I am always praying for the salvation of the souls entrusted to me. When one comes to me and asks me to pray for some particular matters occupying him, we must know that is not enough. My prayer must **also** find a response in you. God, Who sends His grace on us, must find our arms open to receive it. And whatever He permits will be for the benefit of our soul. Nothing is achieved, however, if the priest is praying and we are *sleeping* (meaning that *we too*, together with our spiritual father, must toil for the salvation of our soul!).

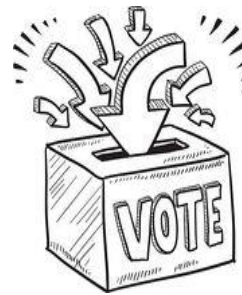
As newly-canonized Saint Porphyrios says, may our Lord also enlighten us to become more like the angels in our lives and in our prayers. The angels only glorify God. This glorification of God is a very subtle matter; it eludes human criteria. We often are very material and earth-bound, and for that reason we usually pray to God in a self-interested manner. We ask Him to order our affairs, to help our businesses do well, to protect our health and to safeguard our children. These are reasonable requests. But we pray in a human way and with self-interest. **I, too**, fall short in this! Glorifying God is prayer *without* self-interest.

The angels do not pray in order to receive something; they are selfless. But God also gave to each of us the possibility for our prayer to be an unending doxology, an angelic prayer. This is where the great secret lies. When we enter into this prayer, we will glorify God continually, leaving everything to Him, just as our Holy Orthodox Church confidently prays, "**...Let us commit ourselves and all our life to Christ our God**".

With much love in Christ,
Father Matthew

YOUTH MINISTRIES

SAVE THE DATE



GOYA ELECTIONS

We will be electing Jr. & Sr. Goya Officers for 2016-2017 on **September 25th** after Sunday School at Holy Trinity. We will wait for students driving down from Prophet Elias. Lunch will be served, come join us and be part of the team who helps plan upcoming Goya events!



***GOYA Basketball is around the corner! ***

Start thinking about your UCAA GOYA teams now. Boys and girl's teams, grades 3rd through 12th are eligible to participate.

Registration will start on September 25, 2016

****Basketball Tournament News***

There is **also** GOYA Basketball Tournament that our youth are eligible to participate in. 2017 GOYA Tournament will take place in Dallas, Texas from January 13-16, 2017.

This is separate from the UCAA GOYA basketball teams, to participate, additional registration/teams are required.

Registration opens, October 7, 2016. More details to follow.

ORTHODOX CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP

BBQ

Join us for an evening of fun, food and fellowship with friends!

Date: September 18, 2016

Time: 6:30 p.m.

Place: Prophet Elias Pavilion

5335 Highland Drive

Holladay, Utah



****First Day of Sunday School; September 18th****

Good luck to all students going back to school! We wanted to let you know that the first day of Sunday School class will be on September 18th. There will be a special blessing that day for all of the kids at both churches as we start our new school year. Details to follow. Watch your mail for the upcoming Sunday School year Calendar of Events.

****Sunday School Teachers Needed at Prophet Elias and Holy Trinity****

If you are interested in teaching Sunday School, please let us know. For Holy Trinity, the following grades are specifically needed: 6th grade (co-teacher); 7th, 8th and 9th grade. Please contact Paul K at 801-870-1514 or Denise N at 801-604-6782 for PE; Elenie S at 801-718-7515 for HT. Thank you!



GREEK FESTIVAL 2016

SEPTEMBER 9, 10, 11

Win a beautiful 2016 Mercedes Benz GLC

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Drawing to be held on Sunday, Sept. 11th at 7 p.m.

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279 South 300 West

Salt Lake City, Utah

**Contact a Parish Council member for information
on how to purchase your tickets.**

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SEPTEMBER 9, 10, 11



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GREEK FESTIVAL 2016

SEPTEMBER 9, 10, 11

18 SEAT UTAH JAZZ SUITE, CATERING INCLUDED

Donated by Zions Bank (specific event to be names at a later date)

TWO (2) ECONOMY-CLASS TICKETS TO GREECE

Provided by Greek Festival

PLATINUM 1.8 CARAT DIAMOND CHANDELIER EARRINGS

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55" SAMSUNG FLAT SCREEN TV

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MANY OTHER PRIZES

DONATION \$5.00 – Payable to Greek Festival

This ticket good for drawings only, not for admission

Prizes given away nightly 7 p.m. — 4 Grand Prizes drawn Sunday at 7 p.m.

Hellenic Memorial Cultural Center

279 South 300 West

Salt Lake City, Utah

(Winner need not be present to win)



GIFT CERTIFICATES

A GREAT GIFT FOR YOUR FRIENDS AND FAMILY

Gift Certificates are now available for Admissions for \$3, along with \$5 and \$10 food certificates. To purchase please call the church office at 801-328-9681 to place your order so that we can have them ready for you to pick up. Thank you.

FESTIVAL POSTERS

If you have a favorite business that you frequent and can give them a poster to advertise the Festival, it would be fabulous!

Posters available this Sunday in the Narthex at Holy Trinity and Prophet Elias and also at the office. If you have any questions, please call the church office at 801-328-9681. Thank you.

Raffle Tickets Are Now Available!

Tickets have been mailed out and you should be receiving them soon. If you need additional tickets, stop by the church office or call at 801-328-9681. We will be happy to send you more. We appreciate all your help and support in selling the Raffle Tickets.

Good Luck to Everyone!

NEW PARKING STICKERS

Please note that the old stickers will be ineffective after September 12, 2016.

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.



YOUNG AT HEART

The Young at Heart will be going to Wendover, Nev. on **Thursday September 22**. Got tired from all the Greek Festival work? Well come with us and get rejuvenated with a trip to Wendover on a luxurious bus. Leave

Prophet Elias at 8:30 a.m. and then from the Memorial Hall at 9:00 a.m. leave Montego Bay in Wendover at 5:00 p.m. Cost: \$17.00 which includes \$7.00 back and a free tasty BUFFET! So RSVP now with Bill Kandas 272-1906 or Bill Rekouniotis 673-0424. Come join the fun and win some!

HCA

The HCA will travel on the famous scenic Heber valley railroad **Saturday October 1, 2016**. Meet at the Heber valley train station at 10:30. Some participants may attend a no host luncheon in Heber after ride ends at 2:00. Thirty tickets have been purchased by HCA. You may also purchase tickets yourself. 30.00 each. Veterans pay half. Email Staci at smakris12@gmail.com for further info. Come and enjoy the ride with friends!

Stewardship List

It has come to our attention, that on the Stewardship list published on August 19th, the names of some Stewards were inadvertently left off the list. Please accept our sincere apology for this error. We thank you for your continued patience and support of our Community and will make every effort to rectify the issue going forward.

SAVE THE DATE:

Wine & Chef's Tastings an evening to benefit IOCC

Thursday, October 13, 2016 5:30 – 8:00 p.m.

The Alta Club 100 E South Temple

Includes wine flight and hors d'oeuvres

Free Valet – Silent Auction Suggested Donation \$85 per person

Purchase tickets at iocc.org/slc

Moses the Prophet & Godseer



The Prophet Moses-whose name means "one who draws forth," or "is drawn from," that is, from the water-was the pinnacle of the lovers of wisdom, the supremely wise lawgiver, the most ancient historian of all. He was of the tribe of Levi, the son of Amram and Jochabed (Num. 26:59). He was born in Egypt in the seventeenth century before Christ. While yet a babe of three months, he was placed in a basket made of papyrus and covered with pitch, and cast into the streams of the Nile for fear of Pharaoh's decree to the mid-wives of the Hebrews, that all

the male children of the Hebrews be put to death. He was taken up from the river by Pharaoh's daughter, became her adopted son, and was reared and dwelt in the King's palace for forty years. Afterward, when he was some sixty years old, he fled to Madian, where, on Mount Horeb, he saw the vision of the burning bush. Thus he was ordained by God to lead Israel and bring it out of the land of Egypt. He led Israel through the Red Sea as it were dry land and governed the people for forty years. He wrought many signs and wonders, and wrote the first five books of the Old Testament, which are called the Pentateuch. When he reached the land of Moab, he ascended Mount Nabau, on the peak called Phasga, and there, by divine command, he reposed in the sixteenth century before Christ, having lived for some 120 years. The first two Odes of the Old Testament, "Let us sing to the Lord" and "Attend, O heaven, and I will speak," were written by him. Of these hymns, the first was chanted by the shore of the Red Sea as soon as the Israelites had crossed it; the second, in the land of Moab, a few days before his repose. The Holy High Priest Aaron was the elder brother of the Holy Prophet Moses. He was appointed by God to serve as the spokesman of Moses before the people, and also before Pharaoh, in Egypt. Afterwards, in the wilderness, he was called to the ministry of the high priesthood, as narrated in the books of Exodus, Leviticus, and Numbers in the Old Testament. The name Aaron means "enlightened."