

Epistle Reading

St. Paul's First Letter to the Corinthians 1:18-24

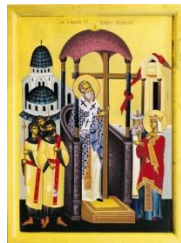


BRETHREN, the word of the cross is folly to those who are perishing, but to us who are being saved it is the power of God. For it is written, "I will destroy the wisdom of the wise, and the cleverness of the clever I will thwart." Where is the wise man? Where is the scribe? Where is the debater of this age? Has not God made foolish the wisdom of the world? For since, in the wisdom of God, the world did not know God through wisdom, it pleased God through the folly of what we preach to save those who believe. For Jews demand signs and Greeks seek

wisdom, but we preach Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and folly to Gentiles, but to those who are called, both Jews and Greeks, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God.

Gospel Reading

The Gospel of John 19:6-11, 13-20, 25-28, 30



At that time, when the chief priests and the officers saw him, they cried out, "Crucify him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Take him yourselves and crucify him, for I find no crime in him." The Jews answered him, "We have a law, and by that law he ought to die, because he has made himself the Son of God."

When Pilate heard these words, he was the more afraid; he entered the praetorium again and said to Jesus, "Where are you from?" But Jesus gave no answer. Pilate therefore said to him, "You will not

speak to me? Do you not know that I have power to release you, and power to crucify you?" Jesus answered him, "You would have no power over me unless it had been given you from above; therefore he who delivered me to you has the greater sin." When Pilate heard these words, he brought Jesus out and sat down on the judgment seat at a place called the Pavement, and in Hebrew, Gabbatha. Now it was the day of Preparation of the Passover; it was about the sixth hour. He said to the Jews, "Behold your King!" They cried out, "Away with him, away with him, crucify him!" Pilate said to them, "Shall I crucify your King!" The chief priests answered, "We have no king but Caesar." Then he handed him over to them to be crucified. So they took Jesus, and he went out, bearing his own cross, to the place called the place of a skull, which is called in Hebrew Golgotha. There they crucified him, and with him two others, one on either side, and Jesus between them. Pilate also wrote a title and put it on the cross; it read, "Jesus of Nazareth, the King of the Jews." Many of the Jews read this title, for the place where Jesus was crucified was near the city; and it was written in Hebrew, in Latin, and in Greek.

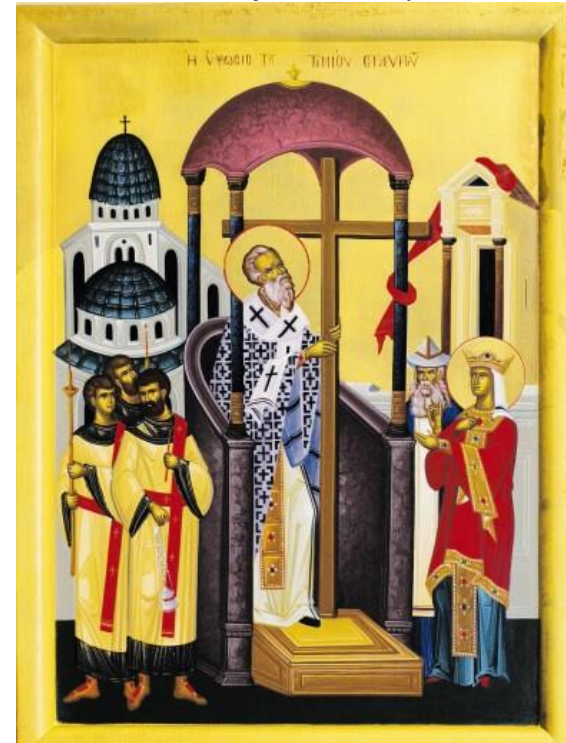
But standing by the cross of Jesus were his mother, and his mother's sister, Mary the wife of Clopas, and Mary Magdalene. When Jesus saw his mother, and the disciple whom he loved standing near, he said to his mother, "Woman, behold your son!" Then he said to the disciple, "Behold your mother!" And from that hour the disciple took her to his own home. Then when Jesus had received the vinegar, he said, "It is finished"; and he bowed his head and gave up his spirit.



Greek Orthodox Church of Greater Salt Lake
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Sunday, September 14th, 2014

Exaltation of the Holy Cross



If you need to reach clergy, you can reach them at the numbers listed below:

Reverend Father Matthew Gilbert 801-556-1139

Reverend Father Elias Koucos 801-556-4640

Reverend Father George Politis (retired)

Reverend Dn. Anatoli Kireiev

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

Sunday Services

September 14th

Holy Trinity: Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Father Matthew
Prophet Elias: Orthros 8:30am/Divine Liturgy 9:30am Father Elias

Memorials

September 21st

John Panos 40 Days Holy Trinity
Nick Ziakis 40 Days Holy Trinity
Sylvia Park 1 Year Prophet Elias
Charles Stavros 2 Year Prophet Elias
Zoe Stavros 2 Year Prophet Elias

September 28th

Sheryl Markham 1 Year Prophet Elias

October 5th

Mike B. Sergakis* 30 Years Holy Trinity

The Sergakis and Wedemeyer families will host Coffee Hour at Holy Trinity

When Scheduling Memorials... From this point forward, ALL scheduling of Memorials must be done through FATHER MATTHEW **ONLY**. For inquiries regarding Memorials or to schedule one, you must, from now on, call or email Father Matthew directly at 801- 556-1139 or fr.matthewg@gocslc.org.

Prayer List

Bill, Kim, Margaret, Ruth, Georgette, Stephanie, Steve, Tami, Alexander, Tony, Nick, Jill, Margaret, Preston, George, Charissa, Madeline, Edie

Bible Study

On Tuesday, September 16th at 10:30am-12:00pm at Little America

Parish Council Meeting

On Monday, September 15th at 6:30pm at Prophet Elias

GOURMET FOOD SALE

Today after church we will be selling gourmet food items from the Greek Festival at both churches.....More info to be included.....

Art of the Bingham Canyon Mine

Want to learn more about the **Bingham Canyon Mine**, the science, history, and art? There is an exhibit at the **U of U Museum of Fine Arts (UMFA)** that shows the amazing history of the Bingham Canyon Mine, with over 100 paintings, drawings, and photographs of the mine's development, the effect on the economy, and culture. The display ends **September 28th**, so take the family and learn more about this incredible piece of our **Hellenic history and tradition**. Visit umfa.utah.edu for more.

IOCC UPDATE ON CRISIS IN SYRIA

The International Orthodox Christian Charities (IOCC) is a 501c(3) organization that provides humanitarian aid and emergency disaster relief worldwide. The IOCC is reaching out to parishes across the country to provide help in providing emergency assistance to families in war torn Syria. As a service project for our Sunday School children, we are organizing the assembly of much needed Emergency Back to School kits and Emergency Hygiene kits. These kits will provide basic necessities that displaced families and children so desperately need.

On Sunday, Sept. 21, 2014 there will be a Back To Sunday School Appreciation Picnic held at the Prophet Elias pavillion immediately following Sunday School at 12:30pm. We will have a table set-up and staffed with Emergency Kits on display and will have a donation basket available for donations to pay for the supplies we need to build the kits. Please consider this prayerfully and give from your heart to help our kids with this worthy service project.

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The Classical Greek Theatre 2014 presents...

Euripides' dark tragedy "Hecuba"- The Mother of all Misfortune. At Red Butte Garden Amphitheater, on **Saturdays** and **Sundays, September 20th, 21st, 27th & 28th**, at **9:00am**. Pre-show orientation lecture begins at **8:30am**.

CRETAN GENERAL ASSEMBLY

is scheduled for **Sunday, September 28th from 4:00pm-6:00pm** at Prophet Elias. Please join us for this informative meeting to receive updates on the PAA 2015 Convention in Salt Lake City. Topics to be discussed include: Event Planning Progress, Final Packet Pricing, and Registration. Your participation to this important meeting will be greatly appreciated. See you then.

IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM FATHER MATTHEW

MY EMAIL ADDRESS IS CHANGING

Please be aware that I am in the process of transitioning to a NEW EMAIL ADDRESS: matthewthepriest@gmail.com. Please UPDATE your "contacts" list to reflect my new email address. Although right now I will still receive emails at fr.matthewwg@gocslc.org, please know that in the near future I will no longer be using that email address.

A NEW PUBLICATION TO HELP US IN OUR SPIRITUAL LIFE IN CHRIST...

Within the next several weeks, I will be inaugurating a monthly publication consisting of all things pertaining to one's SPIRITUAL LIFE. If you would like to receive this publication either by email or by first class mail, you MUST contact ME DIRECTLY since I alone will be undertaking and overseeing this publication. You may call me or text me at 556-1139 or you may email me at my new email address: matthewthepriest@gmail.com. Please let me know if you would like to receive this new monthly publication to assist you in your spiritual growth in Christ!

SUNDAY SCHOOL UPDATE

A special THANK YOU to all who have come forward to assist in our SUNDAY SCHOOL PROGRAMS! I am deeply touched by the devotion shown by many of you. I am very pleased to announce that Elenie Sefandonakis has graciously come forward to help oversee our parish Sunday School program together with Paul Karahalios. If you are interested in teaching SUNDAY SCHOOL at either church this year, I encourage you to please contact Elenie (718-7515 orelenie@merrickbank.com or eleniesefandonakis@yahoo.com), or Paul (870-1514 or paulk2p@aol.com), or me (556-1139 or matthewthepriest@gmail.com) at your earliest convenience. I also am working to establish a QUARTERLY SUNDAY SCHOOL NEWSLETTER with the first issue available in mid-Fall. We look forward to welcoming all new and returning teachers (and students) into our Sunday School family this school year which begins with Family Worship Sunday TODAY (September 14) followed by the beginning of Sunday School Classes at Holy Trinity and Prophet Elias NEXT Sunday, September 21. All are warmly invited to our WELCOME BACK PICNIC at the Prophet Elias Pavilion next Sunday, September 21, following Divine Liturgy.

ORTHODOX WOMEN STRONG

I am pleased to announce the formation of a WOMEN'S GROUP, a coming together of women of all ages, sharing their unique struggles and joys as they aim to live their Orthodox faith every day, in every situation. Led by Presbytera Denise, it will be offered quarterly, and then more frequently as the group grows. The *tentative* date for the first gathering will be Saturday, October 4 at 11am. I am still working on a location, and am open to your suggestions!

SEEKING INDIVIDUALS TO MAKE KOLIVA

With the many Memorials that are being scheduled, the need has arisen for *more* individuals to PREPARE KOLIVA, which is the boiled wheat kernels that are offered during the Memorial Services. Whatever amount you may charge for the preparation of Koliva would be solely between you and the family that has requested the Koliva. Often when families call me to schedule a Memorial, I am asked to provide a list of those individuals who make the Koliva. If you would like to be added to this list, I encourage you to please call me on my cell phone at [556-1139](tel:556-1139) or email me at matthewthepriest@gmail.com.

*Humbly in Christ,
Father Matthew*

Welcome Back Youth

We extend our best wishes and prayers to all our beloved youth for a very successful academic year and the start of a New Ecclesiastical Year. We are excited and anxious for all the great events and happenings we have in store for you. Please make every effort to attend and encourage your friends to attend with you.

Our first Youth Ministry Week is September 14th thru the 20th.

-Monday, September 15th is Pizza and Social get together for all College Students at the Hellenic Cultural Center. Come and enjoy some food, fellowship and camaraderie. Join in on the planning of future events. We will be there starting at **6:30pm** until **8:30pm**. Bring your appetite and suggestions for other activities and projects.

-Tuesday, September 16th from **6:30pm-8:00pm** is Sr. GOYA Pizza Night and Elections. We will elect officers for the coming year and begin planning for other events. Bring a friend and your appetite and plan to run for office.

-Wednesday, September 17th from **6:30pm-8:00pm** is our Lambs – Hope-Joy Pizza and activity evening. Come and learn how to start a family tree, enjoy some great food and have fun.

-Thursday, September 18th from **7:00pm-9:00pm** is Jr. GOYA Pizza Night and Elections. We will elect officers for the coming year and begin planning for other events. Bring a friend and your appetite and plan to run for office.

Look forward to being with you. God bless,
+fr. elias



The Young at Heart will be going to **Wendover NV**. on **Saturday, September 20th**. Cost: \$10.00 paid in advance, get back \$7.00 and a free Buffet. We leave Prophet Elias at **8:30am** then from Memorial Hall at **9:00am** return at **7:00pm**. Please RSVP with Angie Kontgis 801-359-0961 or Bill Kandas 801-272-1906.

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Please contact Terry Theodorou at Terry@BestBBQSpices.com with any question. Thank you!

A GREAT BIG THANK YOU

On behalf of our Youth we extend a great big thank you and express our gratitude and appreciation for a wonderful evening honoring our Youth. Thanks go out to the following that without their efforts and commitment we would not have been able to have such a successful and fantastic evening. May our Lord return a hundredfold the blessings you so willingly gave. God bless. Christina Athas, Cyndia Cayias, Mike Katsanevas at the Highland Dr. Crown Burger, Denise and Nick Nikols, Heather Sampinos, Elenie Sefandonakis, Pam Zoumadakis, HT and PE Philoptochos.

SUNDAY SCHOOL REGISTRATION

Early Registration for Sunday school is now available on our church website (gocslc.org). Registration only takes a minute. If you are unable to register online, you can fill out the form provided in either church narthex and bring it into the main office at Holy Trinity. The official first day of classes will be on **Sunday, September 21st** with a welcome back picnic at **12:30pm** at the Prophet Elias Picnic Pavilion.

HAVE YOU BEEN TO OUR WEBSITE LATELY?...

Make sure to go to our church website to catch up and see all of the wonderful things going on in our community. Sign your kids up for Sunday School in less than a minute with our quick registration form, pay stewardship or make a donation online, access the church directory from our home page, view our church calendar, be the first to see the new bulletin each week and more!

Greek School Registration:

Registration will be at Holy Trinity on **Saturday, September 20th at 10:00am - 12:00pm** and at Prophet Elias on **Tuesday, September 16th & Thursday, September 18th from 6:30pm-8:00pm**. Classes will begin at Holy Trinity on **Saturday, September 27th at 10:00am-1:00pm** and at Prophet Elias on **Tuesday, September 23rd at 6:30pm-8:00pm**.

FESTIVAL FOOD FOR SALE

BILINGUAL TEMPORARY OFFICE SPECIALISTS NEEDED

The Salt Lake County Election Division is recruiting dedicated, reliable individuals to work in the 2014 General Election

If you or anyone you know is interested please apply online at:

www.slco.org and click on 'jobs'.