

Epistle Reading

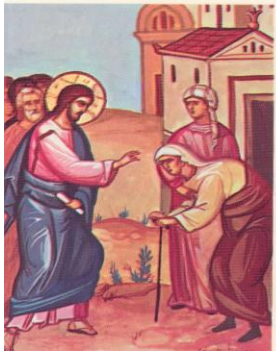
St. Paul's Letter to the Ephesians 5:8-19



Walk as children of light (for the fruit of light is found in all that is good and right and true), and try to learn what is pleasing to the Lord. Take no part in the unfruitful works of darkness, but instead expose them. For it is a shame even to speak of the things that they do in secret; but when anything is exposed by the light it becomes visible, for anything that becomes visible is light. Therefore it is said, "Awake, O sleeper, and arise from the dead, and Christ shall give you light." Look carefully then how you walk, not as unwise men but as wise, making the most of the time, because the days are evil. Therefore do not be foolish, but understand what the will of the Lord is. And do not get drunk with wine, for that is debauchery; but be filled with the Spirit, addressing one another in psalms and hymns and spiritual songs, singing and making melody to the Lord with all your heart.

Gospel Reading

The Gospel of Luke 13:10-17



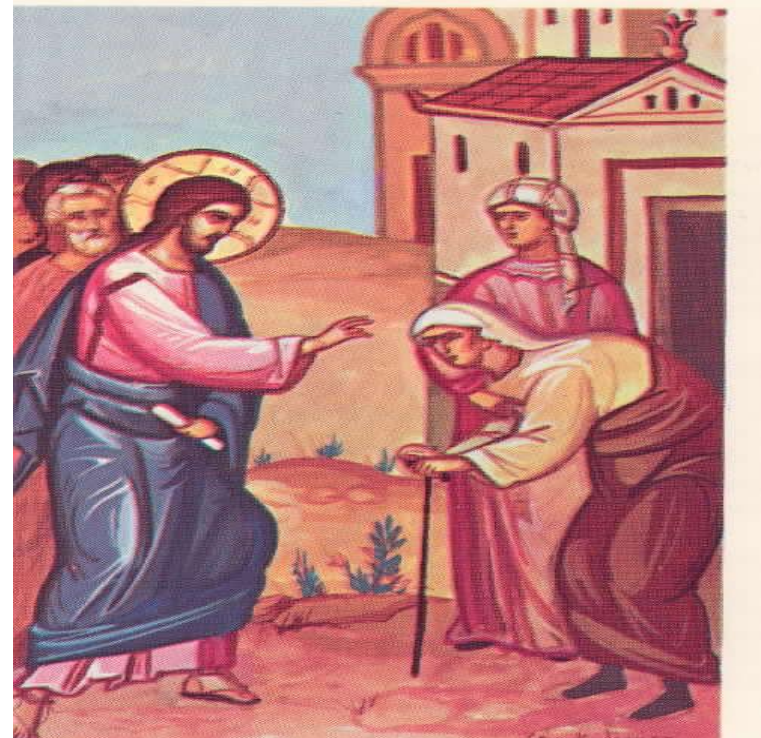
At that time, Jesus was teaching in one of the synagogues on the sabbath. And there was a woman who had a spirit of infirmity for eighteen years; she was bent over and could not fully straighten herself. And when Jesus saw her, he called her and said to her, "Woman, you are freed from your infirmity." And he laid his hands upon her, and immediately she was made straight, and she praised God. But the ruler of the synagogue, indignant because Jesus had healed on the sabbath, said to the people, "There are six days on which

work ought to be done; come on those days and be healed, and not on the sabbath day." Then the Lord answered him, "You hypocrites! Does not each of you on the sabbath untie his ox or his donkey from the manger, and lead it away to water it? And ought not this woman, a daughter of Abraham whom Satan bound for eighteen years, be loosed from this bond on the sabbath day?" As he said this, all his adversaries were put to shame; and all the people rejoiced at all the glorious things that were done by him.



Greek Orthodox Church of Greater Salt Lake
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Sunday, December 7th, 2014
10th Sunday of Luke



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

December 7th

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

Weekday Services

December 9th

HT Only – Orthros **8:30am** follow by Liturgy - Conception of the Theotokos (Father Matthew Officiating; Father Elias Assisting)

December 10th

HT Only - **10:00am to 11:00am** Advent Paraclesis (with Anointing) (Father Matthew Officiating; Father Elias Assisting)

December 12th

HT Only – Orthros at **8:30am** follow by Liturgy-Feast of Saint Spyridon (Father Matthew Officiating; (Father Elias Assisting)

Memorials

December 7th

Dalene Bavelas	1 Year	Holy Trinity
Harry Mamalis	1 Year	Holy Trinity

December 14th

Elise Sefandonakis	3 Months	Holy Trinity
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December 21st

Helen Kalivas	5 Year	Prophet Elias
Tony Kalivas	17 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.

Prayer List

Bill, Kim, Margaret, Ruth, Stephanie, Steve, Tami, Alexander, Alexis, Tony, Nick, Jill, Margaret, Brooke, Preston, George, Charissa, Madeline, Edie, Sabina, Wendy, Magdy, Eric, Helen, Jordan, Dee, Mihalis, Brent, Marie, Niko, Carol, John, Mary

Cell Phone Etiquette

Please make sure your cell phone is **OFF** when entering Church. Phones should be turned off and not used in Church. Please do not text, or check messages. Thank you for your consideration and respect for others.

Last Reminder for Parish Elections

Elections will take place on **Sunday December 7th** at both churches after services, until 3:00 pm.

Job Position Available

There is a full time position available for an Office Administrator at the Holy Trinity Cathedral. Qualified candidates must demonstrate excellent interpersonal skills, be well organized and able to handle multiple tasks. Main duties include weekly bulletins, assisting Clergy, website maintenance, and excellent computer skills. Candidate must be familiar with both Microsoft Word and Excel programs. Send a cover letter and resume to orthodoxy3@gmail.com or contact Cindy Skedros at 801-560-9728.

Job Position Available

There is a part time position available for a Maintenance Assistant for Prophet Elias Church and the LaFrance Apartments. Candidates must be flexible in hours 26-40 per week a plus. Qualified candidates must be able to handle all basic maintenance issues with both facilities. Main duties include cleaning and repair. Send a brief resume to orthodoxy3@gmail.com or contact Cindy Skedros at 801-560-9728.

Job Opening for Operations Manager:

Short description: Supervise and manage all administrative functions of the Greek Orthodox Church of Greater Salt Lake. Oversee and maintain all facilities. Help with festival; oversee master calendar and scheduling of facilities. Requirements:

- High School Diploma
- Bachelors' Degree in Business Administration or related field preferred
- 4+ years experience managing others
- Developing budgets and human resource administration
- Proficient with Microsoft Office (Excel, Word, PowerPoint)
- Demonstrate leadership and work ethic in a fast paced environment
- Excellent written and verbal communications, presentation and speaking skills
- Honesty and Integrity
- Strong initiative and desire to succeed
- Strong organization and time management skills
- Willing to work various days and times

Send a cover letter and resume to orthodoxy3@gmail.com or contact Cindy Skedros at 801-560-9728.

Parish Council Meeting

At Prophet Elias Board Room on December 8th at 6:30pm

Live in Caretaker Needed

Live in Caretaker needed for a senior couple. Room and board provided. If you are interested, please call Connie Yengich at [801-793-9393](tel:801-793-9393) or Fr. Elias at 801-556-4640 for further details.



Project Recognize

The Daughters of Penelope is continuing Project Recognize. This project seeks to recognize women of Hellenic descent/Phil-Hellenes/Daughters of Penelope who served or currently serve in any branch, or in any capacity of the military and the Peace Corps. Please send the names to Joanne Saltas via email at joannesaltas@gmail.com by **February 21, 2015**.

Arcadian Ladies Club/Christmas Party

On **Saturday, December 13, 2014** there will be a Christmas Party for the Arcadian Ladies Club at the Oasis Café (151 S. 500E.) at 10:30am. There will be an open menu brunch (select menu choice on day). RSVP to Karen at 801-913-2414 or karenanast@gmail.com. Please bring a lady's clothing item – gently used is fine.

A Message from Philoptochos

Do you need some help for the holidays! Well let Philoptochos help you out! We are currently taking pre-orders for baklava; 30 pieces for \$30. We now have pastichio for \$25 a pan, and we also have our famous koulouria available for \$6 a dozen. They will be on sale after church, in the hall on Sunday. If you need anything before then, please call Connie at [801-793-9393](tel:801-793-9393). We thank you for your continued support. Have a blessed Holiday Season!

Upcoming Philoptochos Events

We are now selling our famous Koulouria for \$6.00 per dozen and Pastichio \$25.00 per pan. We are also taking pre-orders for baklava at both churches.

December 8 - 11 – Baklava! Yes, we will be making Baklava. If you are available to help we would love to see you. We will start at 9:00am each day at Holy Trinity and continue through the evening. Please help us accomplish this huge endeavor. Anytime during the day will be appreciated! We would love to even see some men!

Daughters of Penelope

Christmas Pot Luck Meeting: Sunday **December 7th** at **5:00pm**. The Cottonwood Condo Club House (1890 E. 5150 S.). Bring a dish and enjoy the Sisterhood.

Upcoming Events: **January 31st, 2015**. Save the date, *Basil the Comedian* is coming to Salt Lake City. Contact joannesaltas@gmail.com for more information.

Sunday School Christmas Program

Sunday **December 21st** at both churches right after liturgy.
Continental Breakfast to follow. If you have any questions please
call Paul Karahalios at 801-870-1514
or Elenie Sefandonakis at 801-718-7515

SANTA'S COMING.....

Children of all ages are invited to join our community sponsored event on Saturday, **December 20th** from **9:00am** to noon in the small gym at Prophet Elias, 5335 S. Highland Dr. Along with Breakfast there will be Photos with Santa, Christmas Stories with Mrs. Santa, Activities, Crafts and Fun with Family and Friends. See you there! Breakfast \$5.00 Photo with Santa \$3.00.

IMPORTANT MESSAGES FROM FATHER MATTHEW

CONSIDER SOME SPIRITUAL HOUSECLEANING...

A well-known prayer of our Church describes the Spirit of God as "present in all places and filling all things". God's Spirit works in, and through, the Holy Mysteries of the Church and we are drawn ever-closer to God in these visible sacramental actions of the Church. Let us, especially in this Holy Nativity Season, avail ourselves of the opportunity to strengthen our spiritual life and grow closer to our Lord through the Holy Sacrament of Confession.

To do this, I encourage EVERYONE -- ALL SINGLE FAITHFUL AND ALL FAMILIES -- FATHERS, MOTHERS and CHILDREN (ages five and older) to MAKE AN APPOINTMENT TO SEE ME for the Sacrament of HOLY CONFESSION. This is a necessary and soul-saving sacrament that is too often overlooked within our parish families. Please call me on my cell phone at 801-556-1139 to schedule Holy Confession for you and your family.

SPECIAL SERVICES THIS WEEK

The Feast of the CONCEPTION OF THE THEOTOKOS will take place on Tuesday, **December 9** at **Holy Trinity** with Orthros at **8:30am** followed immediately by Divine Liturgy. The next ADVENT PARACLESIS service with Anointing will take place this Wednesday, **December 10** at **10:00am** at **Holy Trinity**. The Feast of SAINT SPYRIDON THE WONDERWORKER will be celebrated on Friday, **December 12** at **Holy Trinity** with Orthros at **8:30am** followed immediately by Divine Liturgy.

TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY

You are warmly invited to join our wonderful and engaging TUESDAY MORNING BIBLE STUDY group! We have begun our study of the BOOK OF REVELATION. Please join us Tuesday, **December 9** at **10:30am** at the back of the coffee shop at Little America Hotel. Beginning Tuesday, **December 16** at **10:30am**, and every Tuesday on which bible study will be held, we will be meeting in the private room just inside the coffee shop next to the hostess stand. We will be able to order breakfast or lunch which will help waive the cost of the room. We look forward to seeing you!

FOOD FOR THE HUNGRY SOUL!

The early winter issue of my CROSS+WALK newsletter has just been completed. If you haven't yet requested to receive it -- either by email or first class mail -- and would like to, please contact me. I now also offer a brief bi-weekly spiritual and inspirational message entitled FEED MY SHEEP via email which is sent *only* to those who request it. To receive the bi-weekly FEED MY SHEEP message and/or to receive the CROSS+WALK newsletter, please call or text me at 801-556-1139, or email me at matthewthepriest@gmail.com.

Humbly in Christ, Father Matthew

Youth Ministry Information

Thank you everyone who participated in helping raise money and goods for the Road Home! Your generous donations will help those in need during this time of year when help is needed the most. On behalf of our Youth we express our gratitude and appreciation for all your generous and thoughtful contributions and support! We have drawn the names of the winners for the first week of December and they are **Laurisa Melonas, Chris Venezelos, David Robol**. Congratulations to our winners. Watch for next week winners.

Let Our Focus of the Season Be On Christ

Let us remember that the season celebrates the love of God revealed in the coming of Christ. For those with faith, the colored lights, the green trees, the wreaths and the flowers are the symbols of the joy of Christmas. Let us celebrate the joy of Christ's coming!

Let us also share the love that God brings with His Holy Nativity with others. Christ has come to bear witness to the Father's love for us. We too can share this love with others, especially with the poor and less fortunate among us. We can be sensitive to those who cannot easily celebrate because of a loss in their lives. Let us be the ambassadors of God who share His care and philanthropy.

Speaker and Reader

Today at Holy Trinity we are blessed to have **Pisti Gamvroulas** read the Epistle and **Georgeanna Souvall** as our speaker. Our Youth will continue to be participants in the Liturgical Life of our Church by reading and speaking. Please acknowledge their efforts and commitment.

Lambs -- Hope - Joy

Wednesday, **December 10, 2014** starting at 6:00pm at Prophet Elias Children will be working on a family tree with the Patron Saints of their family. Please join us for dinner, fun and fellowship and the joy of the season. Call Heather Saltas at 801-674-8731 or Fr. Elias at 801-556-4640.

Senior GOYA

Senior GOYA Christmas Party and White Elephant Gift Exchange Save The Date - Friday, **December 19, 2014** Time and Place to Be Announced.

Junior GOYA

Junior GOYA Christmas Party and White Elephant Gift Exchange Saturday, **December 20, 2014, 7:00pm -10:30pm** at the home of Elena Katsohirakis 6241 South Shenandoah Park Ave. (1765 East). Bring a gift to exchange not to exceed \$10 and your Christmas spirit to share in food fun and the spirit of the season. Call Elena Katsohirakis with any questions at [801-942-9932](tel:801-942-9932). Parents also asked to help bring food. Please call Georgia at the same number above to volunteer.

Jr. and Sr. GOYA Service Project and Movie Night

Thursday, **December 11, 2014** at **6:00pm -- 9:00pm** at the Hellenic Cultural Center. Assemble Hygiene Kits and Movie night. We will prepare hygiene kits for shipment and watch the movie Heaven Is For Real. Enjoy Pizza, a great movie, Popcorn, gratifying feelings and fellowship. We need every young adult. Parents welcome to join us.

GOYA Metropolis Basketball Tournament Registration is now closed. Everyone who has registered must make Hotel room reservations through the Metropolis of Denver registration site ([Hotel Reservations and Information](#)) by **December 11, 2014**. After this date, the availability of rooms cannot be guaranteed.

Additional details regarding the Bible Bowl include the following:

- Junior Goyans will be quizzed only on the Epistle of Titus;
- Senior Goyans will be quizzed on the Epistles of 1 Timothy and 2 Timothy.

Stewardship is about the Joy of Giving Freely

Stewardship is a practice that can help shape our world and ourselves in such a way that we can experience God's grace, love and communion in the present. Stewardship is about what is possible for us as humans now rather than later. It makes us aware of the potential for experiencing joy by giving to God. We are returning to God in thanksgiving for what He has done for us. God is never outdone in generosity. A steward is a manager, someone who looks after someone else's property. That is what we are. We are all managers in God's kingdom, and we have a responsibility to protect and grow God's gifts by giving and returning to Him the blessings He has bestowed on us so they may multiply in His Kingdom here on earth.

Annual Christmas Angel Tree

We are again providing assistance through the generosity of our community to families who are in need during the Christmas season. Please help those in need by choosing an angel off our wreaths that are now placed in the narthex of both churches. Thank you.

PAN ARCADIAN FEDERATION

Salt Lake City Chapter #90 is having their annual Christmas Party on **Thursday, December 11th** 2014 at **7:30pm** at Aristo's (224 South 1300 East). This is open to the entire community. **Please RSVP** to Karen Anastasopoulos at 801-913-2414 or karenanast@gmail.com by **December 8th**. Dinner will be served "family style."



Prophet Elias Choir Concert

The Prophet Elias choir will present its seventeenth annual free dinner at **6:00pm** and concert at **7:00pm** at Christmas time on the evening of **Sunday, December 14th** in the social hall small gym at Prophet Elias church. For more information please contact Micky Maritsas at 801-262-3789 or palmicpm@netscape.net. Leave a message if there's no answer.

Attention: Daughters of Minos

Elections and the next meeting will be in January under a new presidency that we are really excited to welcome. The election committee has received nominations for all positions but anyone who wishes to run or nominate additional people, can still do so by contacting election committee members Orié Kambouris at 801-808-6542 or Christie Zervos-Tatum at 801-243-8144.

Come celebrate the holiday season at the Daughters of Minos annual Christmas dinner at Primo Restaurant, 4699 S. Highland Drive on **Wednesday, December 10th**. Social hour begins at **6:00pm**. dinner at **7:00pm**. Dinner cost \$45 per person. Menu options are chicken marsala or salmon. Children's portions are available. We will be selling tickets at both churches on December 7th. For additional information and to make your reservation please contact Pam Makris at 801-557-1788. Call soon, as space is filling up fast. Looking forward to celebrating the season with all of you!

Thank you everyone who attended our last meeting of the year on **November 12th**. We voted to have new bylaws thanks to our legal advisor, Artemis Vamianakis. We also had elections and new officers are taking office in January. We are excited to welcome all these wonderful ladies who are willing to step up and help our organization become bigger and better. Congratulations to:

Maria Papadakis – President
Mary Manousakis – 1st Vice President,
Stella Sarandos – 2nd Vice President,
MaryAnn Proestakis – Secretary,
Sophia Fradelakis – Treasurer
Jennifer Klonizos – Historian

We are looking forward to these new officers to bring a new era and new ideas to the organization.

Thank you,
Roula Sargetakis
President, Daughter of Minos
801-466-6533

Saint Sophia School

Introducing. . . Toddler Tuesday

Registration is now open

Session I: September 2 – December 9

Session II: January 13 – May 12

All classes are from 9:00am – 11:00am

Reserve a spot by emailing Brian Lampe

Brian.lampe@saintsophiaschool.org

or

Pick up your enrollment application at Saint Sophia School

Located 5341 Highland Drive, Holladay, Utah 84117

801-424-1297

SAVE THE DATE

March 7th, 2015. The Hellenic Cuisine Academy celebrates its 5th year in 2015 with cookbook author and Mediterranean food expert Stephanie Patsalis. The evening will begin with a cooking demonstration followed by a salmon dinner and book signing. Tickets may be purchased starting on **December 1st**. If you have any questions or would like to purchase a table for this event, please contact Vickie Peters at [801-262-3233](tel:801-262-3233).

Attention Incoming Dionysius Dancers

This notice is for anybody who would like to join the Dionysius Dance Group. We will be having our first year dancer meeting on Sunday, **DECEMBER 14th** at **2:00pm** in the Prophet Elias Boardroom. There will be a lot of important information discussed, so attendance is highly recommended. If you have any questions, you may call any of the four officers:

President – Kosta Priskos: 801-839-8234

Vice President – Whitney Anderson: 801-915-1012

Secretary – Michael Giamalakis: 801-824-3275

Treasurer – Sarah Orton: 801-673-3153

The Society of Athanasios Diakos

Come join us for our Christmas luncheon on **Sunday, December 7th** at 1:00pm at the Cottonwood Country Club (1780 E. Lakewood Dr., 1st street south of Prophet Elias). Admission is \$30.00 per person, or \$15.00 for children 12 and under. Deadline for reservations is Wednesday, December 3rd. The menu includes prime rib and a fish buffet. There will be a raffle and prizes. Please make your check for your reservation to: Athanasios Diakos, 2471 East Lexington Circle, Salt Lake City, UT 84124. If you have any questions, please call 801-273-1921.

CrossRoad 2015 Applications Available Now!

Calling all high school juniors & seniors who may be interested in applying to this 10-day summer program at HCHC! CrossRoad is a ten-day academic summer institute that prepares high school juniors and seniors to make big life decisions and connect with the Orthodox Christian theological and spiritual tradition. Hosted on the scenic Hellenic College Holy Cross campus, overlooking the beautiful Boston skyline, participants experience daily worship, visit local parishes, tour Boston, and spend a day at the beach.

June Session: June 20 – June 30

July Session: July 7 – July 17

Application Priority Deadline: March 2nd 2015

Apply at <http://www.crossroadinstitute.org/apply>. Call Fr. Elias with any questions at 801-556-4640.



KALA XRISTOUYENNA!!

The Young at Heart Luncheon will take place on Thursday **December 11th** at noon, at the Hellenic Memorial Hall. The meal will be a delicious fish luncheon, vegetable, salad, wine and BINGO of course. Bring a dessert if like. Rumor has it a visitor from the North Pole will make an appearance. We hope to see you all there.

Pancretan Association of America

