#### The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 6:1-7

In those days, when the disciples were increasing in number, the Hellenists murmured against the Hebrews because their widows were neglected in the daily distribution. And the twelve summoned the body of the disciples and said, "it is not right that we should give up preaching the word of God to serve tables. Therefore, brethren, pick out from among you seven men of good repute, full of the Spirit and of wisdom, whom we may appoint to this duty. But we will devote ourselves to prayer and to the ministry of the word." And what they said pleased the whole multitude, and they chose Stephen, a man full of faith and of the Holy Spirit, and Philip, and Prochoros, and Nicanor, and Timon, and Parmenas, and Nicolaos, a proselyte of Antioch. These they set before the apostles, and they prayed and laid their hands upon them. And the word of God increased; and the number of the disciples multiplied greatly in Jerusalem, and a great many of the priests were obedient to the faith.

#### The Gospel According to Mark 15:43-47; 16:1-8

At that time, Joseph of Arimathea, a respected member of the council, who was also himself looking for the kingdom of God, took courage and went to Pilate, and asked for the body of Jesus. And Pilate wondered if he were already dead; and summoning the centurion, he asked him whether he was already dead. And when he learned from the centurion that he was dead, he granted the body to Joseph. And he bought a linen shroud, and taking him down, wrapped him in the linen shroud, and laid him in a tomb which had been hewn out of the rock; and he rolled a stone against the door of the tomb. Mary Magdalene and Mary the mother of Joses saw where he was laid. And when the sabbath was past, Mary Magdalene, and Mary the mother of James, and Salome, bought spices, so that they might go and anoint him. And very early on the first day of the week they went to the tomb when the sun had risen. And they were saying to one another, "Who will roll away the stone for us from the door of the tomb?" And looking up, they saw that the stone was rolled back; for it was very large. And entering the tomb, they saw a young man sitting on the right side, dressed in a white robe; and they were amazed. And he said to them, "Do not be amazed; you seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here; see the place where they laid him. But go, tell his disciples and Peter that he is going before you to Galilee; there you will see him, as he told you." And they went out and fled from the tomb; for trembling and astonishment had come upon them; and they said nothing to anyone, for they were afraid.

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#### May 19, 2024 Sunday of the Myrrh-Bearing Women

## CHRIST IS RISEN!!!

#### ARTOKLASIA

In honor of St. Constantine & Helen from Makris-Sarolas family.

Mommy & Me will gather for their monthly class after Holy Communion. This is the final meeting before the summer break! All parents with children 40 days – 4 years old are encouraged to participate!

**MONDAY, MAY 20** 5:00 p.m. - Children Greek Class

ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ 20 ΜΑΙΟΥ 5:00 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ανηλίκων

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**TUESDAY, MAY 21** 

9:00 a.m. - Orthros & Divine Liturgy + Feast of St. Constantine & Helen

11:30 a.m. - Metropolis Feed the Hungry 5:30 p.m. - Adult Greek Class (intermediate I) 6:45 p.m. - Adult Greek Class (beginner)

#### **THURSDAY, MAY 23**

ПЕМПТН 23 МАЮУ 5:30 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ενηλίκων

5:30 p.m. - Adult Greek Class (advanced) 6:45 p.m. - Adult Greek Class (intermediate II) 6:45 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ενηλίκων

WELCOME TO OUR VISITORS

We are glad you came, and we hope your visit was memorable and meaningful in every way. Our doors and hearts are always open to you. Please feel free to introduce yourself after the liturgy to our Clergy and members of our parish council. They will answer questions you may have and provide you with information regarding the programs we offer.

#### A NOTE TO VISITORS ABOUT HOLY COMMUNION

We welcome to this celebration those Christians who are not united with us. It is a sad consequence of the divisions in Christianity that we cannot extend a general invitation to receive Holy Communion. We thank you, though, for joining us in prayer and invite you to partake of the blessed bread at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy.

#### 2024 CATHEDRAL GREEK LANGUAGE COURSES FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS!

The Cathedral through the efforts of our Greek Language Director, Dimitra Georgouses has been blessed with several semesters of full classes! Continue to spread the word about our amazing Greek Language program for Adults and Children! SEPTEMBER 2024 REGISTRATION IS NOW OPEN!

#### WE NEED YOUR EMAIL!

When submitting your Stewardship card, please write your email account so that you may receive information about services activities and events that are happening at our church. If you are not receiving our emails, call the church office and submit your email address.

#### **BYZANTINE MUSIC**

We are blessed to have Mr. Niko Kourentzis as our head chanter at the Cathedral. Niko is a trained Byzantine Musician with two degrees and is able to teach the art of Byzantine music. We are exploring the opportunity to have a Byzantine music school formed under his direction for anyone interested. If you would like more information or to be added to the list of people interested in this ministry please email the cathedral office or call the office at 312-664-5485. Children and adults of all ages encouraged!

#### 2024 SUNDAY SCHOOL

We invite all children ages 4 and above to join our Sunday School Program. Class begins after Holy Communion. We ask parents to bring the kids to the Narthex and the Sunday School Teachers will escort the students to the classrooms. Parents are encouraged to stay in the Cathedral until the end of the Divine Liturgy. THE FINAL DAY OF SUNDAY SCHOOL WILL BE JUNE 2, 2024 JOIN THE CATHEDRAL PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY

2024 Philoptochos Membership Forms are now available-please pick one up at the Pangari to fill out & return to Polyxeni Kapsalis. If you have any questions please feel free to contact her at 815-353-3999 and/or polyxenikapsalis@gmail.com.

#### MOMMY AND ME

A ministry of the Cathedral for parents and children 40 days – 4 years old. If you are a new mom looking to meet the other moms of the community and begin to foster a Christian relationship amongst your families, please join us! For information call the Cathedral office. Classes will meet the third Sunday of every month after Holy Communion in the Sunday School Classrooms! **STEWARDSHIP 2024** 

On behalf of our stewardship committee, we thank all of our 2023 stewards! Our stewardship committee sent out the 2024 stewardship packets. Please prayerfully review the packet and offer your 2024 pledge!

#### SAVE THE DATES 2024 GREEK FEST!

It is time to begin planning for the Gold Coast Greek Fest! This year our Festival will take place over the weekend of June 14, 15 & 16! Please mark the dates in your calendar and plan on volunteering to help make this year's festival an even bigger success than last! We need all of our stewards and friends' help! If you would like to be a part of the festival committee please contact the Cathedral office! We need everyone's participation!

#### ANNUAL METROPOLIS JUNIOR OLYMPICS

This year once again the Metropolis Junior Olympics will be hosted over memorial day weekend at SS. Constantine and Helen, Palos Hills, IL. We encourage all of our parents to have their children participate in this great athletic program and represent our Cathedral Community. Please see Fr. Stamati for information and to Participate.

#### 2024 CATHEDRAL GOLD COAST GREEK FEST

Our 2024 Gold Coast Greek Fest is around the corner! Thank you to those who have already offered a sponsorship, purchased raffle tickets and volunteered to assist throughout the three-day event! Please remember that sponsorships are due no later than Sunday, June 9! Please consider offering some time to volunteer! This is a great way to assist your Cathedral and meet new people! To volunteer, or to purchase raffle tickets or to become sponsor please visit the Cathedral Website. NOTICE: SPRING GENERAL ASSEMBLY

Cathedral Stewards in good standing for 2024 are invited to participate in the Spring 2024 General Assembly Meeting. The meeting will take place on Sunday, June 2 in the Cathedral Hall immediately after the Divine Liturgy.

#### + Αγ. Κωνσταντίνου & Ελένης 11:30 π.μ. - Πρόγραμμα για απόρους 5:30 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ενηλίκων

6:45 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ενηλίκων

9:00 π.μ. - Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία

## With the love and generosity of our faithful we are looking to purchase some new items for the Cathedral Altar. If you are able to offer one of the below items, please contact the Cathedral Office.

- 1 pure silver Kantzion (Hand Censor for Lent and Holy Week) \$4500
- 1 pure silver zeon (Hot water vessel for Holy Communion) \$1500
- 1 white altar table covering directly below the embroidered vestments \$500
- 2 sets of embroidered bishop candle ribbons \$350 each set (\$750 total)
- 3 sets of Christ is Risen Anastasi decorative ribbons \$200 each set (\$600 total)
- 1 set of Anastasi chalice set covers with embroidered icon of the Resurrection \$2500
- 1 set of Lenten chalice set covers with embroidered icon of the Nymphio \$1500
- 1 set of feast day blue embroidered chalice set covers with icon- \$2000
- 3 altar boy processional lanterns \$325 each (\$975 total)

Any of the above items may be donated in memory of a loved one or for the health and well-being of an individual or family. The names that are offered for health or in memory will be commemorated at all the Divine Liturgies at the Cathedral.

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THURSDAY

SERVICE STARTS AT 6:30PM, DINNER WILL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOW



John G Adinamis was a 3rd generation funeral director in Chicago. He was known for his compassion and caring and his deep devotion to the Greek Orthodox community.

John was a fervent believer in stewardship especially helping the underserved in Chicago. Giving back was very important to John and his mission was to encourage youth to get involved and volunteer.

The purpose of this scholarship is to give financial assistance to college bound students of Greek American descent who demonstrate a strong commitment to community service and volunteerism.

Two \$1000 scholarships will be awarded yearly.

John G. Adinamis Memorial Scholarship c/o Vanessa Adinamis 2800 S River Rd. Ste 170 Des Plaines, IL 60018 847-375-0095 info@jgamemorial.org

Application deadline: May 30, 2024

To apply, please visit the following link, or scan the QR code below: https://memoryeternalfunerals.com/jgamemorial-scholarship/



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## GREEK LANGUAGE CLASS

## DATE/TIMES:

ADULTS FALL - WINTER - SPRING TERM FALL TERM BEGINS OCTOBER 8 BEGINNER - TUES EVENING 6:45 - 8:00 INTERMEDIATE I - TUES EVENING 5:30 - 6:45 UPPER INTERMEDIATE - THURS EVENING 6:45 - 8:00 ADVANCED - THURS EVENING 5:30 - 6:45

LOCATION: HYBRID CLASS OPTIONS FOR ADULTS VIA ZOOM OR IN PERSON AT ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL, CHICAGO, IL

COST: TUITION OF \$500 FOR THREE TERMS OR \$250 PER TERM

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MORE INFORMATION: PERIPATOLANGUAGE@GMAIL.COM

\*FOR STUDENTS STRUGGLING WITH TUITION COST, PLEASE REACH OUT DIRECTLY.

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Greek Language classes

CHILDREN'S CLASSES 2024-2025 SEPTEMBER 23 TO JUNE 2 MONDAY EVENING 5:30-6:45 PM

PLEASE CONTACT MS. REGINA AT REGINAVASILOP@GMAIL.COM

TUITION (ANNUAL - 30 WEEKS)\* \$600 FIRST STUDENT \$500 SECOND STUDENT \$400 THIRD + STUDENT(S)

PAYMENT PLANS ARE AVAILABLE IF YOU ARE STRUGGLING WITH TUITION, PLEASE CONTACT US. WE DON'T WANT TUITION TO BE A PLANE ENROLLMENT

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ANNUNCIATION CATHEDRAL

HONORING ALL OF OUR 8TH GRADE, HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE, MASTERS AND PHD GRADUATES!

> SUNDAY, JUNE 2 AFTER THE DIVINE LITURGY

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NAME AND GRADUATE INFO TO THE CATHEDRAL OFFICE NO LATER THAN MAY 31

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