

The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 11:19-30

In those days, those apostles who were scattered because of the persecution that arose over Stephen traveled as far as Phoenicia and Cyprus and Antioch, speaking the word to none except Jews. But there were some of them, men of Cyprus and Cyrene, who on coming to Antioch spoke to the Greeks also, preaching the Lord Jesus. And the hand of the Lord was with them, and a great number that believed turned to the Lord. News of this came to the ears of the church in Jerusalem, and they sent Barnabas to Antioch. When he came and saw the grace of God, he was glad; and he exhorted them all to remain faithful to the Lord with steadfast purpose; for he was a good man, full of the Holy Spirit and of faith. And a large company was added to the Lord. So Barnabas went to Tarsus to look for Saul; and when he had found him, he brought him to Antioch. For a whole year they met with the church, and taught a large company of people; and in Antioch the disciples were for the first time called Christians. Now in these days prophets came down from Jerusalem to Antioch. And one of them named Agabos stood up and foretold by the Spirit that there would be a great famine over all the world; and this took place in the days of Claudius. And the disciples determined, every one according to his ability, to send relief to the brethren who lived in Judea, and they did so, sending it to the elders by the hand of Barnabas and Saul.

The Gospel According to John 4:5-42

At that time, Jesus came to a city of Samaria, called Sychar, near the field that Jacob gave to his son Joseph. Jacob's well was there, and so Jesus, wearied as he was with his journey, sat down beside the well. It was about the sixth hour. There came a woman of Samaria to draw water. Jesus said to her, "Give me a drink." For his disciples had gone away into the city to buy food. The Samaritan woman said to him, "How is it that you, a Jew, ask a drink of me, a woman of Samaria?" For Jews have no dealings with Samaritans. Jesus answered her, "If you knew the gift of God, and who it is that is saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked him and he would have given you living water." The woman said to him, "Sir, you have nothing to draw with, and the well is deep; where do you get that living water? Are you greater than our father Jacob, who gave us the well, and drank from it himself, and his sons, and his cattle?" Jesus said to her, "Everyone who drinks of this water will thirst again, but whoever drinks of the water that I shall give him will never thirst; the water that I shall give him will become in him a spring of water welling up to eternal life." The woman said to him, "Sir, give me this water, that I may not thirst, nor come here to draw." Jesus said to her, "Go, call your husband, and come here." The woman answered him, "I have no husband." Jesus said to her, "You are right in saying, 'I have no husband'; for you have had five husbands, and he whom you now have is not your husband; this you said truly." The woman said to him, "Sir, I perceive that you are a prophet. Our fathers worshiped on this mountain; and you say that Jerusalem is the place where men ought to worship." Jesus said to her, "Woman, believe me, the hour is coming when neither on this mountain nor in Jerusalem will you worship the Father. You worship what you do not know; we worship what we know, for salvation is from the Jews. But the hour is coming, and now is, when the true worshipers will worship the Father in spirit and truth, for such the Father seeks to worship him. God is spirit, and those who worship him must worship in spirit and truth." The woman said to him, "I know that the Messiah is coming (he who is called Christ); when he comes, he will show us all things." Jesus said to her, "I who speak to you am he." Just then his disciples came. They marveled that he was talking with a woman, but none said, "What do you wish?" or, "Why are you talking with her?" So the woman left her water jar, and went away into the city and said to the people, "Come, see a man who told me all that I ever did. Can this be the Christ?" They went out of the city and were coming to him. Meanwhile the disciples besought him, saying "Rabbi, eat." But he said to them, "I have food to eat of which you do not know." So the disciples said to one another, "Has anyone brought him food?" Jesus said to them, "My food is to do the will of him who sent me, and to accomplish his work. Do you not say, 'There are yet four months, then comes the harvest'? I tell you, lift up your eyes, and see how the fields are already white for harvest. He who reaps receives wages, and gathers fruit for eternal life, so that sower and reaper may rejoice together. For here the saying holds true, 'One sows and another reaps.' I sent you to reap that for which you did not labor; others have labored, and you have entered into their labor." Many Samaritans from that city believed in him because of the woman's testimony. "He told me all that I ever did." So when the Samaritans came to him, they asked him to stay with them; and he stayed there two days. And many more believed because of his word. They said to the woman, "It is no longer because of your words that we believe, for we have heard ourselves, and we know that this is indeed Christ the Savior of the world."

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FREE VALET PARKING AVAILABLE EVERY SUNDAY

May 18, 2025
Sunday of the Samaritan Woman

CHRIST IS RISEN!!!

MEMORIAL

20 year Memorial for late Eleni Isaac. May her memory be eternal!

ARTOKLASIA

The Pan Arcadian Federation of America – Midwest District every year sponsors the ceremony of Breaking & Blessing of the Holy Bread in memory of the holy saints (poliouthon) of Tripolis, Paul & Demetrios.

We wish and pray to the most Gracious God to keep them in His blessings.

May their memory of historic and martyric life be an example to all of us in everyday life.

The Governor, the Board & all present Arcadians

ΑΡΤΟΚΛΑΣΙΑ

Η Παναρκαδική Ομοσπονδία Αμερικής, όπως κάθε χρόνο, έτσι και φέτος κάνει την αρτοκλασία εις μνήμη των Αγίων και πολιούχων της Τρίπολης, Παύλου και Δημητρίου. Ευχόμεθα και παρακαλούμε τον Πανάγαθον Θεόν μας να τους έχει πάντοτε στα δεξιά Του, και σε εμάς να παραμένει η αγία ιστορική και μαρτυρική μνήμη τους εις τον αιώνα, αιώνων. Διότι με την αφοσίωση των και την μαρτυρική υπομονή των έγιναν παράδειγμα χριστιανικό προς μίμησιν.

Ο Κυβερνήτης, το Συμβούλιο και όλοι οι παρεβρεθέντες Αρκάδες

Today's fellowship is hosted by the Pan Arcadian Federation of America – Midwest District.

MONDAY, MAY 19

5:30 p.m. - Children Greek Class

ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ 19 ΜΑΙΟΥ

5:30 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ανηλίκων

TUESDAY, MAY 20

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)

ΤΡΙΤΗ 20 ΜΑΙΟΥ

11:30 π.μ. - Πρόγραμμα για απόρους

5:30 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ενηλίκων

6:45 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ενηλίκων

WEDNESDAY, MAY 21

9:00 a.m. - Orthros & Divine Liturgy

+ **Feast of St. Constantine & Helen**

TETARTH 21 ΜΑΙΟΥ

9:00 π.μ. - Όρθρος & Θεία Λειτουργία

+ **Αγ. Κωνσταντίνου & Ελένης**

THURSDAY, MAY 22

5:30 p.m. - Adult Greek Class (advanced)

6:45 p.m. - Adult Greek Class (upper intermediate)

ΠΕΜΠΤΗ 22 ΜΑΙΟΥ

5:30 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ενηλίκων

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.

COFFEE HOUR HOSTING

If you are interested in hosting Coffee Hour, Philoptochos can help by purchasing items needed, setting up and serving. There are two options available (\$150 for coffee, paper goods and baked items OR \$200 for coffee, paper goods, baked items and spanakopites/tiropites). Call the Cathedral Office for more information.

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.

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! **REGISTRATION IS ONGOING!**

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 or visit our website and submit your email address.

WHAT IS STEWARDSHIP?

Orthodox Christian Stewardship is a way of life, which acknowledges accountability, reverence, and responsibility before God. **A primary goal of Stewardship is to promote spiritual growth and strengthen faith.** Please consider becoming a steward of the Cathedral TODAY!

ONLINE GIVING

Did you know that you can offer your 2025 Stewardship online? Stewards are able to offer a one time gift or set up a requiring payment to fulfill the stewardship for 2025. Those who set up online giving in 2024 should reset the giving for 2025 as it will not role over. Once you set up your online account you are able to visit the Cathedral Stewardship tab on our website and make adjustments to your account anytime. Thank you for your support and offering to our blessed Cathedral

JOIN THE CATHEDRAL PHILOPTOCHOS SOCIETY

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!

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Please note, Sunday School will meet after Holy Communion on Sunday mornings and will end at the conclusion of the Divine Liturgy. All children of the Cathedral and children visiting may participate.

SAVE THE DATE

Our Annual Gold Coast Greek Festival will take place on June 20, 21, 22. We need your help! If you would like to join our festival committee, please email the Cathedral office.

LET'S STAY IN TOUCH

- Did you know that the Cathedral can be found on Facebook and Instagram? Like us or follow us to stay in touch!
- Have you added the Cathedral Calendar to your personal Calendar so you don't miss upcoming events and services? Visit our website and follow the link to add the Calendar to your personal digital Calendar!
- Are you receiving our weekly emails & bulletins? Visit us online to subscribe to our email server and click "Join our Email list" on our homepage!

2025 JUNIOR OLYMPICS

Please note that our city parishes are joining forces for this years Junior Olympics for more info contact the cathedral office and speak with Fr. Stamati.

PLEASE JOIN US TO HONOR THE GRADUATES AT
OCFILLINOIS

Orthodox Christian Fellowship
University of Illinois Urbana Champaign

Orthodox Christian Alumni in
Action & Nika House
Reception and Fundraiser

JUNE 5, 2025 | 6:00 - 11:00 PM

Saint Haralambos
7373 N Caldwell Ave, Niles, IL 60714

\$50 MIN DONATION PER PERSON.
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Please register using this Google form
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Heavy appetizers, open bar,
and dancing
(Music provided by DJ Markos)

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**GREEK
FEST**

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4pm-11pm | 12pm-11pm | 12pm-10pm

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GRADUATE SUNDAY

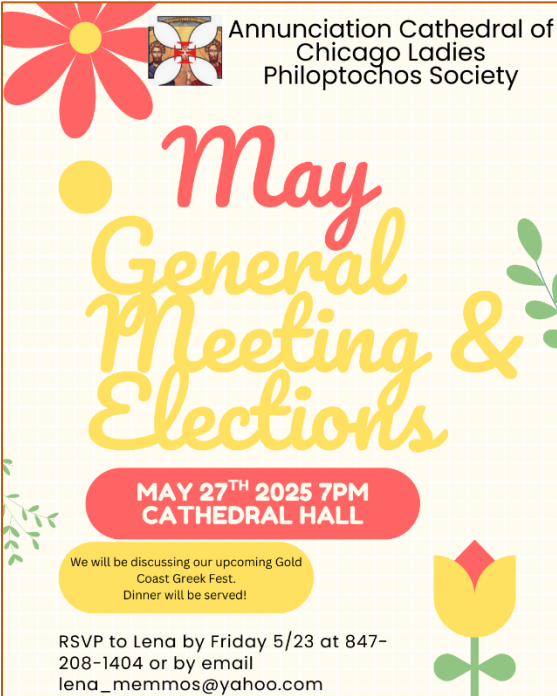
HONORING ALL OF OUR 8TH GRADE, HIGH SCHOOL, COLLEGE, MASTERS AND PHD GRADUATES!

SUNDAY, JUNE 1, 2025
AFTER THE DIVINE LITURGY

PLEASE SUBMIT YOUR NAME AND GRADUATE INFO TO THE CATHEDRAL OFFICE NO LATER THAN MAY 28

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312-664-6485

Annunciation Cathedral of Chicago Ladies Philoptochos Society



May General Meeting & Elections

**MAY 27TH 2025 7PM
CATHEDRAL HALL**

We will be discussing our upcoming Gold Coast Greek Fest. Dinner will be served!

RSVP to Lena by Friday 5/23 at 847-208-1404 or by email
lena_memmos@yahoo.com

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral Presents:
Peripatein A Center for Greek language and culture

CHILDREN'S GREEK LANGUAGE CLASSES

Tuition 2025-2026
Full Year Based off three, 10 week quarters
1st Child - \$600 (\$350/term)
2nd Child - \$500 (\$350/term)
3rd child - \$400 (\$350/term)

PRESCHOOL & ELEMENTARY LEVEL
Classes for children ages 3-10 years old are on Monday evening from 5:30 - 6:45 PM

TWEEN/TEENS
Classes for children ages 10 and up are on Tuesday evening from 5:30 - 6:45 PM

FOR QUESTIONS:
Children's Classes: Ms. Regina at reginavasilop@gmail.com
Tween/Teen Ms. Dimitra at peripatolanguage@gmail.com

IN-PERSON AT ANNUNCIATION GREEK ORTHODOX CATHEDRAL CHICAGO, IL

Preschool & Elementary Enrollment Link 

Tween/Teen Enrollment Link 

Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral Presents:
Peripatein a Center for Greek Language and Culture

ADULT GREEK LANGUAGE CLASSES

LEVELS

Tuesday:
Beginner Class 6:45 - 8:00 PM
Early Intermediate 5:30 - 6:45 PM

Thursday:
Advanced class 5:30 - 6:45 PM
Upper Intermediate 6:45 - 8:00 PM

Tuition
full year based off three, ten-week quarters:
Full year \$500
One quarter: \$250

Contact Us:
peripatolanguage@gmail.com

<https://www.annunciationcathedralchicago.org/ministries/greek-school/>


GREEK NIGHT

GOYA Dance

Inviting all GOYA 6th - 12th Grades

Hosted by
St. John the Baptist

Friday, May 30, 2025
7:00 pm - 10:00 pm

 \$10 Entrance Fee

Music by DJ Χρηστος
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MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP



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
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Des Plaines, IL 60018
847-375-0095
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Application deadline: May 30, 2025

To apply, please visit the following link, or scan the QR code below:
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