The reading is from Acts of the Apostles 5:12-20

In those days, many signs and wonders were done among the people by the hands of the apostles. And they were all together in Solomon's Portico. None of the rest dared join them, but the people held them in high honor. And more than ever believers were added to the Lord, multitudes both of men and women, so that they even carried out the sick into the streets, and laid them on beds and pallets, that as Peter came by at least his shadow might fall on some of them. The people also gathered from the towns around Jerusalem, bringing the sick and those afflicted with unclean spirits, and they were all healed. But the high priest rose up and all who were with him, that is, the party of the Sadducees, and filled with jealousy they arrested the apostles and put them in the common prison. But at night an angel of the Lord opened the prison doors and brought them out and said, "Go and stand in the temple and speak to the people all the words of this Life."

The Gospel According to John 20:19-31

On the evening of that day, the first day of the week, the doors being shut where the disciples were for fear of the Jews, Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, "Peace be with you." When He had said this, He showed them His hands and His side. Then the disciples were glad when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent Me, even so I send you." And when He had said this, He breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. If you forgive the sins of any, they are forgiven; if you retain the sins of any, they are retained." Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came. So the other disciples told him, "We have seen the Lord." But he said to them, "Unless I see in His hands the print of the nails, and place my finger in the mark of the nails, and place my hand in His side, I will not believe." Eight days later, His disciples were again in the house, and Thomas was with them. The doors were shut, but Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." Then He said to Thomas, "Put your finger here, and see My hands; and put out your hand, and place it in My side; do not be faithless, but believing." Thomas answered Him, "My Lord and My God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you believed because you have seen Me? Blessed are those who have not seen and yet believe." Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of the disciples, which are not written in this book; but these are written that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing, you may have life in His name.



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April 27, 2025

Thomas Sunday

CHRIST IS RISEN!!!

ARTOKLASIA

For the health and well being of all Chrysafites, friends and family members.

Offered by the Toumplis Family and Argianas-Papas Family.

Coffee Hour is hosted by the Argianas-Papas Family, in memory of Kosta and Aikaterini Argianas.

MONDAY, APRIL 28

5:30 p.m. - Children Greek Class

TUESDAY, APRIL 29

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 1

5:30 p.m. - Adult Greek Class (advanced) 6:45 p.m. - Adult Greek Class (upper intermediate)

ΔΕΥΤΕΡΑ 28 ΑΠΡΙΛΙΟΥ

5:30 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ανηλίκων

ΤΡΙΤΗ 29 ΑΠΡΙΛΙΟΥ

11:30 π.μ. - Πρόγραμμα για απόρους 5:30 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ενηλίκων 6:45 μ.μ. - Τάξη Ελ. Γλώσσας ενηλίκων

ПЕМПТН 1 МАІОУ

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 you 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 line 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!



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33rd Annual IOCC Chicago Grand Banquet

Thursday, May 8, 2025

Cocktails 6:00 pm | Dinner 7:00 pm

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Please join us for an amazing evening of fellowship and learn how your generosity helps those in need in places like Greece, the Holy Land, Ukraine, and right here in the US. Please consider contributing to IOCC by becoming an IOCC Banquet Benefactor, Sponsor, Patron, or Friend.



\$125 per person | \$1,250 per table RSVP by Friday, April 25



Register at iocc.org/Chicago

The fair market value (FMV) for each ticket is \$70. Only the portion of the payment that exceeds the FMV is deductible as a charitable contribution.

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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

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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

MORE INFORMATION: PERIPATOLANGUAGE@GMAIL.COM

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

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