



OBJECT ID	1993.43.12
OBJECT NAME	Medal
DATE CREATED	1960
MATERIAL	Metal
OBJECT ENTITIES	Chelos, Judge (is related to)
RELATED ITEMS	Plaque, 1993.43.2 Gavel, 1993.43.3 Photograph, 1993.43.4 Plaque, 1993.43.5 Medal, Commemorative, 1993.43.6 Photograph, 1993.43.7 Photograph, 1993.43.9 Photograph, 1993.43.11 Nameplate, 1993.43.13
ACCESS POINTS	Annunciation Greek Orthodox Church Medals St. Demetrios Greek Orthodox Church United Greek Orthodox Churches of Chicago

#### OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Golden equaline cross medal attached to a red, white and blue ribbon. The plaque in the center of the medal reads "United Greek Orthodox Churches. Chicago, 1910-1960, Fifty Years of Christian Service. Annunciation, St. Demetrios." On the back of the medal "Judge James Chelos, Trustee" is engraved.

#### ORIGIN

The Annunciation Cathedral of Chicago was established in 1892 by a group of people who had emigrated from Laconia and some of the Greek Islands. The community first rented a hall on Randolph near Union Street and asked the Holy Synod of Athens for a priest. Fr. Panagiotis of Ithaca was signed as the

first priest and in March of 1892 the first Divine Liturgy was celebrated. -

1910 saw the completion of the Cathedral at an estimated cost of \$100,000. It was modeled after a Cathedral in Athens and today stands as the oldest surviving building in Chicago constructed as a Byzantine church.

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#### **CITATION**

Medal, 1960, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 04/26/24.

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