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ACCESS POINTS	Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral

## **OBJECT DESCRIPTION**

Black and white photograph of the interior of The Annunciation Cathedral. This photo was taken from the balcony of the cathedral looking down, towards the Holy Altar. The iconostas, or wall made up of large icons, creates the backdrop. There is a prominent, round, floor-to-ceiling pillar on the left side of the photo. An Epitaphios, a beautifully carved bier topped with a gazebo-like canopy, is centered in front of the iconostas. It is adorned with a magnificently large spray of fresh flowers and a cross. Three people are standing around a round candle stand at the front of the church. A row of pews with several ladies and some children are on each side of the aisle and are visible at the bottom of the photograph.

## **ORIGIN**

Centrally located near the heart of the city, the Annunciation Greek Orthodox Cathedral is the oldest church edifice built specifically as a Greek Orthodox Church in the Metropolis of Chicago.



Established by the original Greek Orthodox community in the city in 1892, the church was built on its present site in 1910 and faithfully models the Byzantine-Renaissance style of architecture.

Throughout its sacramental life the community and her clergy have served every level of society through a wide range or programs and services. As Cathedral for the Metropolis of Chicago, the church serves as a focal point for major Metropolis ministries such as the "Feed the Hungry" program, the Bishop's Task Force on AIDS and Metropolis and Clergy conferences.

As cathedral, the Church of the Annunciation is the seat of the Metropolitan of Chicago, spiritual father and bishop to sixty parishes and two monastic communities in the states of Illinois, Indiana, Iowa, Minnesota, Missouri and Wisconsin.

## **CITATION**

Photograph, April 30, 1948, National Hellenic Museum, https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/. Accessed 03/28/24.