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OBJECT NAME	Photograph
ACCESS POINTS	church Pew SS Constantine and Helen

OBJECT DESCRIPTION

Photo taken inside SS Constantine and Helen Greek Orthodox Church. There is a row of pews on either side of the photograph. At the front there is a small fence with a gate that has a cross on either side of the door. There are two men standing inside of the little fence. There are arches on the outside of the pews. The arches go down in the middle to form two arches at the top. Above the arches, there are windows that are rounded at the top. There are two chandeliers hanging from the ceiling. There are angles at the top of the front wall who are holding a banner with Greek words written on it. It is attached to a brownish colored piece of paper, which is black on the back. Black and white photograph.

ORIGIN

The Greek Orthodox Church is governed by a council of Bishops, called the Holy Synod. They are known for their tradition of iconography, and their use of the Divine Liturgy on Sundays.

Helen was the mother of Constantine. They are credited with placing Christianity at the heart of Western civilization. Helen is noted for her piety while Constantine was an Emperor in the Roman Empire when Christianity was becoming the dominant religion.

CITATION

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