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Metropolis of Chicago Begins Parish Baseline Initiative

ELK GROVE VILLAGE, IL, February 12, 2019 – The Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago today announced the launch of a Baseline Survey initiative which seeks to gather current and historical information about the 58 parishes of the Metropolis.

Parish priests and Parish Council Presidents are requested to work with parish ministry leaders to complete the survey by March 4. The baselining of parishes was highlighted by His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael as he visited parishes throughout the Listening Tour over the summer of 2018.

“The best way to prepare for the future is to have an objective and accurate picture of where we were in the past and where we are today. To this end, the Baseline Committee seeks to collect and analyze fundamental information about the parish demographics, ministries, sacramental life and basic financials,” His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael said.

According to His Eminence, the information gathered will improve understanding the current state of the Metropolis and also will provide important and useful information for the Metropolis of Chicago Strategic Planning Process. The next Strategic Planning Retreat is scheduled for May 17 – 19.

About the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago

Tracing its roots back to 1923, the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago is the diocese of Greek Orthodox faithful in Illinois, Iowa, Minnesota, Wisconsin as well as northern Indiana and southeastern Missouri consisting of 58 parishes and two monastic communities. The Metropolis is one of nine regions in the Greek Orthodox Archdiocese of America and is presided over by His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael. The general offices of the Metropolis are temporarily located in Elk Grove Village, Illinois. For more information, visit www.chicago.goarch.org. To sign up for news from the Metropolis, visit: <http://chicago.goarch.org/signup>.

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