



On June 10, 2020 the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago made the following statement:

As the Greek Orthodox Metropolis of Chicago continues to reunite the faithful with their parish homes, it is taking steps to ensure that this reunion is grounded in the sacramental life of the Church. In line with [the May 31 statement regarding the Sacraments of Holy Unction and Confession](#), today, the Metropolis of Chicago has offered its clergy directives and special rubrics for celebrating the Sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation and Marriage. Effective immediately, provided that parishes adhere to Orders and Directives as [set forth by the Metropolis of Chicago](#) and by local authorities, the clergy are able to offer these sacraments of initiation and matrimony.

Commenting on this important development, His Eminence Metropolitan Nathanael of Chicago stated: “By resuming the Sacraments of Baptism, Chrismation and Marriage, our people are now able to fully participate in the sacramental life of the Church. I am truly grateful to the members of the Metropolis Liturgical Committee, the Metropolis Chancellor, our regional Vicars, and the entire clergy brotherhood. Through their efforts and cooperation, our infants, children and catechumens can be joined to Christ, and our couples can be joined to each other in Christ.”

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, 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 Lombard, Illinois. For more information and to get involved, visit our [website](#), join a [Strategic Planning Team](#), sign up to receive [Metropolis news](#) and follow us on [Facebook](#), [LinkedIn](#) and [YouTube](#).

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