



GREEK ORTHODOX METROPOLIS OF DENVER

May 17, 2024

To the Reverend Clergy, the Devout Laity, and the Pious Monastics of the Holy Metropolis of Denver,

Christ is Risen! Truly He is Risen!

With a heart full of gratitude, I announce to you with great joy and solemnity that, guided by the Holy Spirit, on May 17, 2024, *the Holy and Sacred Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate has elected Bishop Constantine Moralis as Metropolitan of Denver.* May His Eminence continue to shepherd you with wisdom, compassion, and faith. As you celebrate this momentous occasion, I offer the following for consideration and implementation:

1. Commemoration of Metropolitan Constantine

From this point forward, *all clergy within the Holy Metropolis of Denver are to commemorate His Eminence Metropolitan Constantine* in divine services (e.g. “For our Archbishop Constantine...” and “Among the first Lord, Remember our Archbishop Constantine...”). Let his name be lifted in prayer and thanksgiving, as he assumes the mantle of spiritual leadership entrusted to him by Jesus Christ and the Holy and Sacred Synod of the Ecumenical Patriarchate.

2. Transitional Period

As the *locum tenens*, I will continue to serve and support the Metropolis of Denver until the formal enthronement of Metropolitan Constantine. During this period, I will work closely with His Eminence to ensure a smooth and effective transition, assisting him as he steps into his new role as your spiritual father and leader.

3. Enthronement Ceremony

The enthronement of Metropolitan Constantine will occur on Saturday, June 22nd at the Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Assumption in Denver, CO. Further details regarding the enthronement will be communicated to you in the coming days.

Beloved friends,

Let us unite in prayer and thanksgiving, asking for God’s blessings upon Metropolitan Constantine. May the Lord Jesus Christ grant him courage, wisdom, and discernment to shepherd you according to God’s divine will.

With love and profound admiration,

+NATHANAEL, Metropolitan of Chicago
Locum Tenens, Metropolis of Denver