

I am Fr. Anthony Cook, a recent graduate of Holy Cross Greek Orthodox School of Theology, a recent ordinand to the priesthood, and the assistant priest at Assumption Greek Orthodox Church in Saint Clair Shores, MI. My participation on this blog is intended to provide something of a center for reviews of popular movies as they are released in the theatres. Comments and discussion are welcome, of course.

Thus far, I have published only one review, discussing *The Golden Compass*, New Line Cinema's recently released effort to repeat the success of their *Lord of the Rings* trilogy.

[The review may be found here](#)

--anyone familiar with the controversy surrounding the movie's release will not be surprised that an Orthodox priest does not come away with a positive opinion. But the reasons might surprise you a little bit.

That brings me to an important point: the disclaimer. Yes, I am a priest. Just because I am a priest does not mean that my opinion regarding the suitability of any particular movie will agree with yours, as parents, or as serious Orthodox Christians seeking to live a purer life. I will make an effort to mention any objectionable content, but cannot promise to mention it all. And there may be instances where I find a movie worthwhile in spite of its content. As in all things, let the reader beware.

For the moment, my intention is to review whatever movies I have seen and about which I think I have something worthwhile to say. But I will certainly consider requests for a review of a specific movie--just mention it in the comments here.