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Gospel: Matt. 14:14-22

July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2017

Epistle: 1Cor. 1:10-18

Apostles of the 70 Silas, Silvanus  
And their Companions

**Schedule of Divine Services**

**Sunday, July 30<sup>th</sup>**, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m.

**Saturday, August 5<sup>th</sup>**, Great Vespers 6:30 p.m. - **Eve of the Feast of Transfiguration of Christ**- blessing of Wheat, Wine & Oil

**Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>**, Matins 8:00 a.m. Divine Liturgy 9:30 a.m. - **Feast of the Transfiguration of Christ & followed by the blessing of Fresh Fruit**

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**Theme Baskets for our Parish Festival** are being accepted underneath the Church. **Please take time out and begin planning your theme basket and bring it to Church.** We thank you in advance! Last year we had over 110 theme baskets!

**Chicken, Rib & Pork Chop BBQ (Featuring Kundlas of Hamlin)** will be held on Saturday, August 26<sup>th</sup>, 12-3p.m. take-out only at St. Michael's Center. This event will also help establish seed money for our Parish Festival in September. **Tickets will go on sale this morning. Please see Mary Mathena. We thank you for your continued support**

**The next Christmas in September Parish Festival & Car Show Meeting will** be held this Thursday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> at 6:00 p.m. underneath the Church. Please make every effort to attend. **The Festival is scheduled to be held on, Friday, September 22, Saturday, September 23 and Sunday, (Car Show) September 24. Our Parish Web-site: [stmichaeljermyn.org](http://stmichaeljermyn.org), has a place to make donations. Please click on; [donations@stmichaeljermyn.org](mailto:donations@stmichaeljermyn.org).**

**The Heat & Air Collection** will be taken this morning during the second offering. Please use the special envelopes provided. We thank you in advance for your generosity.

**Christmas in September Raffle Tickets** have been sent out to all parishioners. The first prize is **\$1,000.00**, Second Prize is **\$500.00** and Third Prize is **\$250.00**. The Raffle Ticket returns will establish seed money needed for our Parish Festival. Please return the tickets ASAP. **Thank you for your support in advance!**

**Christmas in September Festival: Donation List 2017:** Venue Tents \$600.00, Stage/Tent for Bands \$600.00, Advertisement see Fr. John, Music Entertainment for Friday and Sunday \$1000.00, Potato Pancake Mix \$45.00 per bucket (12 buckets), 6 cases of French Fries \$250.00, Propane for fryers \$150.00, Oil for fryers \$150.00, Hamburg for Wimpies /Hamburgers \$125.00, Hot Dogs/Sauerkraut \$75.00, Kielbasa for sandwiches \$100.00.

**Monetary Donations:** Kitchen Supplies (Aluminium Foil, Bags, Plastic Wrap, Containers) \$150.00 Ketchup/Mustard \$50.00, Paper products (Napkins, Paper Towels) \$100.00, Coffee/Creamers/Sugars/ \$100.00, All Bread Products (All Rolls, Rye Bread) \$150.00, Garbage Products (Bags) \$50.00, Plastic Utensils \$50.00. **Please see George Petorak and make your intention known. God bless you for your donation in advance!**

**The Next Perogi Project for Parish Festival** will be held on Tuesday, August 8<sup>th</sup> at St. Michael's Center beginning at 8:00 a.m. **Please mark this on your calendar of events come and help us!**

**Harvest Dance & Dinner Buffet featuring the Music of GTO on Saturday, November 4<sup>th</sup>, from 6 – 10 p.m., at St. Michael's Center.** This is being sponsored by St. Mary's Altar Society. Please mark this important date on your calendar of events and plan to support us!

**Church Dues** are being accepted \$160.00 per member. If you are in the arrears and want to reconcile your balance, please contact Ann Narcoonis any Monday evening in the Church Parlor.

**Please remember in your prayers:** Ann Butler a guest at the Elmeroft of Mid-Valley, Michael Klaptach a guest at the Wayne Woodlands Manor, in Waymart., Pa. Ann Ferenchak in the Carbondale Nursing Home. **Irene Kiehart's address: Atria at Farmington, 111 Scott Swamp Rd, Rm.14B Farmington, CT 06032.**

**Hostesses: Sunday,** July 30<sup>th</sup>; Ruthann Lasichak, Joann Lasichak, Matushka Kathy Kowalczyk, Sunday, August 6<sup>th</sup>; Victoria Kravetsky, Valerie Nidoh, Theresa Krenitsky, Sunday, August 13<sup>th</sup>; Susan Schlasta, Mary Mathena Jeanie Malec, Sunday, August 20<sup>th</sup>; Ann Narcoonis, Marilyn Petorak, Maryann Serafini, Sunday, August 27<sup>th</sup>; Millie Telep, Karen Wanas, Matushka Dolores Petorak.

**The Dormition fast** was established as preceding the great feasts of the Transfiguration of the Lord and of the Dormition of the Mother of God. It lasts two weeks—from August 1/14 The Dormition fast comes down to us from the early days of Christianity. St. Symeon of Thessalonica writes that, "The fast in August [Dormition fast] was established in honor of the Mother of God the Word; Who, foreknowing Her repose, ascetically labored and fasted for us as always. Therefore, we also should fast and praise Her, emulating Her life, urging Her thereby to pray for us."