



# Shared Blessings

## Diocesan Convention 2009

THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF RHODE ISLAND

## Dear Convention Delegate:

Thank you for representing your parish as a Delegate to the 219th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island.

This year's Convention will begin on **Friday, October 23rd, 2009 at 6:00pm**, celebrating the 80th anniversary of the Cathedral of St. John, with Eucharist followed by a collation in Synod Hall. Bishop Wolf has invited Bishop John Zawo from our Companion Diocese, the Diocese of Ezo, to be our guest preacher. He has accepted, pending his ability to obtain a visa. **Saturday, October 24, 2009** will begin our business session at the Marriott Downtown, One Orms Street, Providence, with registration starting at **7:00 am**.

There are two mailings sent out for Convention:

This is the first and is sent by email only to all delegates as well as to the parishes and clergy. Please be sure to read all the information you receive in the attached documents and respond on or before the deadlines given. These forms are also available on the diocesan web site [www.episcopalri.org](http://www.episcopalri.org). The second mailing, usually mailed by the 1st week of October, will contain all the material you will need to bring with you to Convention.

If this is your first time to serve as a Delegate, you may have questions and/or concerns regarding your responsibilities.

Please contact me at any time if I can be of assistance to you.

If for some reason you cannot attend the Convention, please pass this information along to the alternate who will be going in your place. Alternates will not receive this email from the diocesan office.

Don't forget the September 24th deadline for nominations and resolutions (attached). I look forward to seeing you at our Convention in October.

Best Regards,

*Liz Crawley*

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## RESOLUTION FORM

### INSTRUCTIONS

- **Resolutions may be submitted by delegates to convention and all canonically resident clergy only.**
- Following the practice of the General Convention and Robert's Rules of Order, 1970 ed., we are discouraging the use of preambles ("whereas" clauses) in the composition of proposed resolutions.
- Reasons and justifications may be included in an explanation following the resolution, to clarify that a vote is being taken only on the substance of the resolution.

RESOLUTION TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

RESOLVED, That

### EXPLANATION

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by (Print): \_\_\_\_\_

Parish (or other) \_\_\_\_\_

**Resolutions must be submitted no later than **SEPTEMBER 24, 2009** (30 days prior to Convention) to:**

Chair of Resolutions Committee  
The Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island  
275 North Main Street Providence, RI 02903-1298



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### VACANCIES TO BE ELECTED AT CONVENTION

Standing Committee: 1 Clerical, 1 Lay

Diocesan Council: 1 Clerical, 2 Lay

Commission on Finance: 1 Lay

Commission on Congregational Development: 1 Clerical, 1 Lay



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### NOMINATION FORM

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- Please use a **separate form** for each nomination
- *Nominations must be signed by at least three (3) Convention Delegates or Clerical members of Convention, and the permission of the nominee must have been secured in advance.*

Position or Committee \_\_\_\_\_ Term \_\_\_\_\_

Nominee Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_ Town \_\_\_\_\_

#### Biographical data of nominee

*Please limit to 150 words and include the following information, as may be appropriate: occupation, diocesan service, parochial responsibilities, community involvement, etc.) Use other side of this form if needed.*

We, the undersigned members of Convention, submit this NOMINATION (three nominators required) and we CERTIFY that we have secured the permission of the nominee.

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**Completed form must be received on or before **SEPTEMBER 24th**. (30 days prior to Convention)**

Fax the form to the Diocesan Office at 401-331-9430

*OR* mail it in an envelope clearly marked NOMINATION and addressed to:

Committee on Elections  
The Episcopal Diocese of Rhode Island  
275 North Main Street, Providence, Rhode Island 02903-1298