



Diocese of New Westminster

ANGLICAN CHURCH OF CANADA

Nominations for Elections at the 117th Session of Diocesan Synod – May 26 & 27, 2017

TO: Clergy, Members of Diocesan Council, and Lay Delegates to Synod

Dear Friends:

We ask you to put forward nominations for the positions below to which people will be elected at Synod.

Our hope is to have our diocese's many forms of diversity reflected in its leadership, and to have a robust list of candidates from which to choose. We encourage you to consider especially those who have the necessary gifts but may not yet have had the chance to serve in a diocesan capacity.

We invite parish clergy to meet with their Church Committee and to look within their parish to identify suitable nominees for this ministry in our diocese. Note that the nominee is required to consent to the nomination in writing.

Nominations may be submitted until the close of nominations on Friday, May 26, 2017 at 2:00 p.m. Elections will take place on Saturday, May 27, 2017. In order that biographies can be distributed to Synod Delegates before proceedings begin, please submit your nominations by Wednesday, May 17, 2017.

Updated lists of nominees will be posted on the diocesan website and as a part of the delegate registration package. A full list of nominees will be announced at Synod after the close of nominations.

Positions to be filled at Synod 2017 are the following.

1. **The Treasurer**

The Treasurer is a member of Diocesan Council, serves as Chair of the Standing Committee on Management, Finance & Property and of two of its sub-committees. Regular meetings include one evening and one late afternoon meeting each month, and additional meetings from time to time.

2. **Archdeaconry Representatives to Diocesan Council**

There are two Archdeaconry Representatives elected in each of six archdeacons, 1 Lay and 1 Clergy. At Synod, the registered Members of each Archdeaconry vote to elect members to Council from their own Archdeaconry. Terms are for two years. Archdeaconry Representatives are asked to:

- attend meetings as scheduled and participate as active members of Diocesan Council;
- communicate regularly with each of the parishes within the respective archdeaconry and keep members informed about diocesan, deanery and archdeaconry events;
- in consultation with the Regional Archdeacon, and Regional Deans, participate in and help facilitate deanery and archdeaconry events.

3. **Youth Representatives to Diocesan Council**

Two youth representatives to be elected to serve a two-year term. Nominees must be between the ages of 15 and 25 years old on May 26, 2017.

4. The Board of Discipline

A total of six members of the Board of Discipline (3 Lay and 3 Priests) to be elected to serve a two-year term. The Board is at the call of the Diocesan Bishop or Commissary.

- a) Lay nominees must be at least 26 years old and communicant members of the diocese for at least the last three years;
- b) Priests must be ordained for at least 10 years or have served in this diocese at least two years.

5. The Bishop's Advisory Committee on Appointments

The Bishop's Advisory Committee on Appointments advises the Bishop about appointments and assignments in the diocese. Six people are to be elected:

- 3 Clergy for a two-year term
- 3 Lay for a two-year term

6. Secretaries of Synod

Two people to be elected: 1 Lay and 1 Clergy
Attendance for minute-taking is required at all Synods.

7. The Anglican Initiatives Fund Administrators

Two people to be elected: 1 Lay and 1 Clergy

8. Delegates to Provincial Synod

Five delegates, plus alternates, to be elected to attend the Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of BC and Yukon in September 2018. Travel and accommodation expenses are reimbursed.

- 2 Clerical delegates and 2 clerical alternate delegates
- 3 Lay delegates and 3 Lay alternate delegates.

9. Delegates to General Synod

Seven delegates, plus alternates, to be elected to attend the General Synod the Anglican Church of Canada in Vancouver in July 2019. Travel and accommodation expenses will be reimbursed.

- 3 Clerical delegates and 3 Clerical alternate delegates
- 3 Lay delegates and 3 Lay alternate delegates.
- 1 Youth delegate and 1 Youth alternate delegate. Youth nominees must be between the ages of 16 and 25 years old in July, 2019.

Please submit your nominations as soon as possible to:

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Yours in Christ,

*The Nominations Committee for Synod 2017
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