

Nominations for Elections at the 122nd Session of Diocesan Synod – May 12 & 13, 2023

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 possess 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 <u>nominee is required to consent</u> to the nomination in writing.

This year we are asking that each nominee provide a **more detailed biography** and if possible; a passport style **photograph.** We hope that this will help people identify the candidates and offer a more informed choice. We ask that nominees fill out the Biography section on reverse side of the **Nomination Form.**

Elections will take place on **Saturday, May 13, 2023.** Though nominations may be submitted until the Close of Nominations on **Friday, May 12, 2023 at 2:00 pm**, in order that biographies can be distributed to Synod Delegates before proceedings begin, <u>we strongly urge you to please submit these by</u> **April 28, 2023**. Nominations submitted after that time may appear in the Synod materials by name only.

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 2023 are the following.

1. The Treasurer

The Treasurer is a member of Diocesan Council, serves as Chair of the Standing Committee on Management, Property & Finance 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 the six archdeaconries, 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 their 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 12, 2023.

4. The Court of the Diocese of New Westminster

A total of six members of the Court (3 Lay and 3 Priests) to be elected to serve a two-year term. The Court 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

Four people to be elected: 2 Lay and 2 Clergy (should the recommended addition of one clergy and one lay member pass Second Reading)

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 2024. 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 2023

Two delegates, to be elected to attend the General Synod the Anglican Church of Canada in Calgary in July 2023. Travel and accommodation expenses will be reimbursed.

1 Lay delegate.

1 Youth delegate. Youth nominees must be between the ages of 16 and 25 years old on June 27, 2023.

10. Delegates to General Synod 2025

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 on July 1, 2025

Please submit your nominations as soon as possible to:

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Yours in Christ,

The Nominations Committee for Synod 2023 Kerry Baisley