

# Positions to Be Elected at Synod 2015

#### The Treasurer

The Treasurer is a member of Diocesan Council, serves as Chair of the Standing Committee on Management, Property, & Financial Oversight 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. One person is elected for a two-year term.

## **Archdeaconry Representatives to Diocesan Council**

Archdeaconry Representatives (Clergy and Lay) are elected for two year terms as members of Diocesan Council (the Executive Committee of Diocesan Synod) and, with the Bishop, Chancellor, Treasurer, Registrar (or Legal Assessor), are responsible for governing the diocese between Synods. Diocesan Council meets six times a year or at the call of the Bishop. Each Archdeaconry elects two representatives – one lay and one clergy.

#### 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 22, 2015. Diocesan Council meets six times per year or at the call of the Bishop.

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

#### The Bishop's Advisory Committee on Appointments

The Bishop's Advisory Committee on Appointments advises the Bishop about appointments and assignments in the diocese. Meetings are called by the Bishop when a short-list of applicants for a vacant position has been assembled, so they vary. Four people are to be elected: 2 Clergy for a two-year term and 2 Lay for a two-year term

## **Secretaries of Synod**

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

#### **The Anglican Initiatives Fund Administrators**

Two people to be elected: 1 Lay and 1 Clergy to administer bequeathed funds for the needs of the people of the diocese. AIF meetings are quarterly at the Synod Office.

# **Provincial Synod Delegate**

Provincial Synod Delegates (Clergy and Lay) are elected to represent the Diocese at the Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of BC and Yukon. This is a tri-annual meeting of five dioceses (New Westminster, British Columbia, Kootenay, Caledonia, Kootenay) and the Anglican Parishes of the Central Interior [APCI]. This is a tri-annual meeting which deals with various issues relevant to the Anglican Church in our region. Five delegates, plus alternates, to be elected to attend the three-day Synod taking place at Sorrento Centre from September 18 – 20, 2015. Travel and accommodation expenses are reimbursed. Meals are provided. Alternate delegates would only attend if a delegate cannot fulfill their responsibility.

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

#### **General Synod Delegate**

General Synod Delegates (Clergy, Lay and Youth) represent the Diocese at the meeting of General Synod that is held somewhere in Canada every third year for seven days (including travel). It next meets in Toronto July 7-13, 2016. General Synod deals with substantive theological and policy issues and financial matters of concern to Anglicans across Canada. Delegates' expenses for travel, accommodation and meals are paid by General Synod. Eleven delegates, plus alternates, to be elected. Alternates attend the meetings only if delegates are unable to fulfill their responsibilities.

- 5 Clerical delegates and 5 Clerical alternate delegates
- 5 Lay delegates and 5 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 7, 2016.

For more information on these positions or on the nominating process, please contact any member of the Nominations Committee: The Rev. Kelly Duncan, The Rev. Vivian Lam, and Mr. Tony Sauder. You can reach us through email at <a href="mailto:pcolvin@vancouver.anglican.ca">pcolvin@vancouver.anglican.ca</a> or by phone to the Synod Office at 604-684-6306 ext. 210. Thank you for your consideration!