

NOMINATIONS

TREASURER OF THE DIOCESE (ELECT 1)



Linda Mitchell Riley, EDOT

I am blessed with the rich diverse experience in working for corporations, government and entities in educational, housing and employment programs across Illinois. I am enjoying applying that knowledge to the Episcopal Diocese of Texas and our outreach mission to 152 churches and surrounding communities.

SECRETARY OF THE DIOCESE (ELECT 1)



The Rev. Canon John A. Logan, EDOT

I have served as Diocesan Secretary with four of the nine bishops of Texas. It's the kind of experience that is helped if you have a lot of resilience and a good sense of humor. I think I still have both and would enjoy the opportunity to continue serving in this capacity.

STANDING COMMITTEE: CLERGY (ELECT 1)



The Rev. Genevieve Razim, Associate, Christ Church Cathedral, Houston

As a member of the Standing Committee, it would be an honor and a joy to grant candidacy and consent to the ordination of mission-minded persons seeking to serve God's diverse and beloved people and grow the Church in a variety of models and contexts. Shaped by prayer and informed by my prior service on the Standing Committee and service in the wider church as a board member of Episcopal Relief & Development, I would seek to provide faithful and wise counsel within the committee and to our Bishop.



The Rev. Bradley Joseph Sullivan, Associate, Emmanuel, Houston

I would like to serve on the Standing Committee of the Diocese of Texas because I believe in continuing to build up a church that is focused on Jesus and his mission, a church that seeks and serves those beyond itself. Through advising our Bishop and giving consent to ordinations, I would be able to fulfill my calling in a new way. The role of advisor and listener is vital to any leader, and I find fulfillment in having honest conversations and bringing a variety of others' beliefs to my rector's ear. I would do the same for our Bishop.



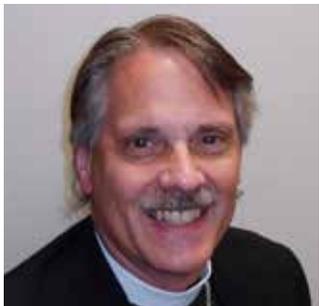
The Rev. Mitchell Tollett, Rector, St. Francis, Tyler

I would be honored to serve for the Episcopal Diocese of Texas as a member of the Standing Committee. I believe I am qualified because I have been Dean of the Northeast Convocation for the last three years and I have served on the Executive Board for the Diocese for the last three years. I also come with a lifetime of experience outside of the Diocese, such as serving the U.S. Navy for four years and working for major technology companies.



The Rev. Lisa Hunt, Rector, St. Stephen's, Houston

I would like to serve on the Standing Committee because I care about the ministry of the Church, especially how we are going to face the challenges of ordained ministry in the future. I have mentored many clergy over my years as a priest; I care about formation and deployment. I also have served on the Standing Committee in the Diocese of Tennessee and worked as the chaplain and member of the Episcopate Committee, the search committee for the Bishop Diocesan. I believe I bring experience to the Standing Committee as the Diocese prepares for its future and its leadership transitions.



The Rev. Jim Liberatore, Rector, St. Andrew's, Pearland

My passion is for turning the church "inside out" by creating avenues for people to serve in the community and in creating spaces to build relationships. I have worked in the Diocese of Texas for 32 years and have served as Chair of the Division of Evangelism and Renewal, offered numerous workshops on parish growth/revitalization and entrepreneurial leadership. I believe with my experience and leadership in the Diocese, I would be a good fit for the Standing Committee.

STANDING COMMITTEE: LAY (ELECT 1)



Ed Ziegler, Holy Comforter, Spring

I am interested in being elected to the Standing Committee because I think that it is an important part of being the body of the Church to participate in the selection and confirmation of those seeking holy orders. I feel like my background in human resources, college counseling, lay church employment and running a small business would fit well in the process of this committee. Lifting the right leaders up in our Diocese is what helps keep us strong and relevant. I would like to be a part of that.



Amber Zenti, Calvary, Richmond

Living life as an Episcopalian is truly a way of life. Our Church and God charge us with preparing for a life of service. As my family moved from city to city over many years, the Church challenged me to become involved as an active participant by serving on multiple vestries, as Senior Warden and on Stewardship, Outreach and Capital Campaign initiatives. Leading strategic planning efforts has called me to look ahead, to envision new possibilities for the Church in today's world. Currently, I use my experience in public relations and marketing to guide congregations across denominations in communications and stewardship. After prayerful reflection, I feel God's call to serve our Diocese as a member of the Standing Committee of the Episcopal Diocese of Texas.

EXECUTIVE BOARD: CLERGY (ELECT 2)



The Rev. Ashley Cook, Episcopal Missioner, Stephen F. Austin

It's my joy to offer to the Executive Board and the Church my community-based experience in education, advocacy and development in at-risk child and family services, as well as my years of lay and clergy experience. This includes: diocesan youth ministry and college missional community. God-willing, I will serve our Lord Jesus Christ to my best ability toward the goals of the board in the missionary, educational and social service work of the Diocese. My husband, Steve, and I live in Lufkin, and have two children: one post-grad student, and one high school senior.

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The Rev. Pam Graham, Vicar, St. Thomas, Rockdale

At age 14, I played guitar and sang at the contemporary service at my church. Shortly thereafter, I taught Sunday School classes to the younger children. I have been active in parish ministry and community activities ever since. Serving my church and my community has been an integral part of my life. In his letter to the Corinthians, St. Paul informs us that we are all gifted in various ways for the good of the body of Christ on earth. I have served on the local level and would love to share the gifts I have been given on the diocesan level.



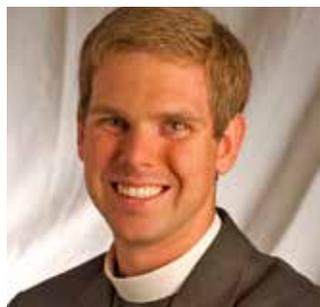
The Rev. Daryl Hay, Rector, St. Andrew's, Bryan

My experience and knowledge would contribute to the Executive Board's stewardship of the ministries of our diocese. I was raised in Pasadena where my family attended Saint Peter's/San Pedro's. As a young adult, I was active in lay ministry at Saint David's, Austin. After ordination, I served as assistant rector in Tyler and eight years as rector of Saint James' in La Grange. I am now the rector of Saint Andrew's in downtown Bryan. I have learned much about the ministry of a congregation and of our diocese in urban and rural contexts in different parts of the Diocese.



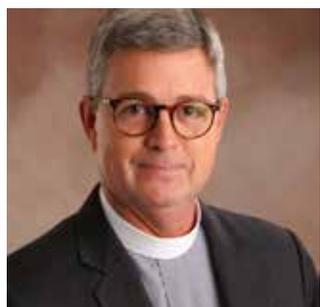
The Rev. Pedro Lopez, Vicar, St. Peter's/San Pedro, Houston

Born and raised in Colombia, SA, I joined a Roman Catholic Missionary order dedicated to serving migrants and refugees after I finished high school. Following graduation from the Universidad San Buenaventura in Bogota, I moved to Chicago to study English and pursue my theological studies in 1997. I graduated from Catholic Theological Union of Chicago with an M.Div and an M.A. In Theology and was ordained in the Roman Catholic Church in which I served until the end of 2000. I joined the Episcopal Church in 2001 and was received as a priest in 2003, serving as rector of the Episcopal Church of the Redeemer in Elgin, Il until July 2011. I became vicar of St. Peter's/ San Pedro, Pasadena in the Diocese of Texas in 2011. My wife Estela and I are the proud parents of Nathan and Peter.



The Rev. Justin Yawn, Rector, Christ Episcopal Church, Temple

In my seven years of ordained ministry, I have had the privilege to minister in several dioceses. I have participated actively on Diocesan Council in the Diocese of Florida and on the Honey Creek Commission in the Diocese of Georgia. I believe I've had a broad range of experience in the life and ministry of the Church that I can use as a member of Executive Board to support the wonderful work we are doing together in the Diocese of Texas. I believe in the vision of the Diocese and want to collaborate with other leaders to attain that vision.



The Rev. Tony Clark, Rector, St. Mark's, Beaumont

I've been honored to serve the past year on the Executive Board and learn more about the "big picture" of our diocese, our ministries and our people. This year on the Executive Board included committee work on our Constitution and Canons and I would hope to continue that work if elected to a three year term. In addition, I believe previous work in disaster recovery will prove helpful as we navigate post-Harvey. My previous diocesan experience includes serving on the Diocesan Board, Standing Committee, and Finance Committee for over twenty years in the Episcopal Diocese of Central Florida.

EXECUTIVE BOARD: LAY (ELECT 3):**DeAnna Bosch, St. Andrew's, Houston**

I'm not sure why God is calling me (I think only He knows the answer to that) but I do hear his call. I kept putting this nomination out of my mind "I've got enough other things to do, maybe after I slow down a bit, etc., etc." but it just keeps coming back. That happens to me when God is pushing me to engage in something for whatever reason. My background in accounting, systems, procedures and non-profit accounting provides skills useful in guiding the Diocese. I have over 40 years experience in corporate positions, including 11 years as an independent consultant and an additional 14 years experience with non-profit organizations, including Episcopal churches and 501(c)3s.

**Rob Endter, St. Martin's Copperas Cove**

I am a 27 year Army Veteran and a cradle Episcopalian. After retiring from the Army, I had a real estate career and am still active in community affairs. I have served God through the Episcopal Church in many capacities during my adult life but never at the diocesan level. I see service on this board as a privilege, and as an exciting opportunity to help guide the mission of the Diocese of Texas.

**Rhonda Fanning, St. Martin's, Houston**

I vaguely remembered the sign that I would see on road side saying, "The Episcopal Church Welcomes You" when I was a child going to visit my grandparents in the country. I never truly understood the meaning of that sign until I walked into the doors of St. Martin's. Never in my life have I felt such acceptance, hospitality, fellowship, unconditional love and most of all God's grace. It is because of this that I truly enjoy serving the Lord. I have been honored to serve in many ways but the privilege of serving on the Commission on Ministry and the Standing Committee has been my best preparation thus far. It would be an honor to continue serving in a position that will allow me to help contribute to the building of God's kingdom here on earth.

**Carvel Glenn, St. Stephen's, Houston**

The Episcopal Church has, for 22 years, shone a light on my flawed spirituality, a gift which merits a gift in return. I am an architect. Planning and building for the future is what I do. I bring an open and questioning mind. I would be delighted to serve on the Executive Board in these times of change and renewal for the Diocese.

**Fay Jones, St. John's, Austin**

I was born into and raised in the traditions of the Episcopal Church. I have always loved the Church and its traditions. My experience with a multitude of ministries and responsibilities, and in many different locations, church sizes and worship styles, has given me a unique understanding of how the Church can be different yet the same. I am continually amazed when I think that somewhere, anywhere in the world, there are Christians worshiping just like me, thanks to the *Book of Common Prayer*. My experience with ministry leaders and volunteers, both in the church and outside, will give me helpful insights in the development and implementation of the mission of the Diocese.

**Flint Risien, St. Paul's, Katy**

As a lifelong Episcopalian, the Episcopal Church has been the cornerstone for my life and spiritual growth. I have been a member of St. Paul's, Katy since 2008 and have served on the vestry and as Senior Warden for the parish. I have also served as the Master Plan Committee Chair, Capital Campaign Director and diocesan Council delegate, as well as serving on the Diocese of Texas Nominating Committee. I hold both a Bachelor's and Master's degree in Education and am retired from a 30-year career as a public-school coach and teacher. I believe my experience in serving my parish, the diocese and as a public educator can bring a balanced perspective to doing the work of the Executive Board.

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Sandra Ward, St. John's, Austin

I'm a lifelong Episcopalian, dedicated to serving my church. After participating in diocesan Council, I possess a desire to serve the diocese on different levels, which includes the Executive Board. I have been Senior Warden and continue to serve as Lay Reader, Eucharistic Visitor, Verger and more. I have a B.S. degree in Computer Information Systems. I have worked in Human Resources for the government, with an extensive career as a project manager in telecommunications. My clear understanding of how the Church operates, along with my organizational skills and forward thinking would be a great asset to the Executive Board.



Debbie Allensworth, St. Andrew's, Pearland

I am interested in becoming a member of the Executive Board of the Diocese of Texas because I would like to be a part of the planning and vision for the future of our Diocese. I have been very involved with missional, educational and service work in the church and have shared what I have learned through speaking and teaching opportunities throughout the Diocese. I am a strategic planner and can often see the path to achieving goals and work with a team to plot out a way to reach those objectives.

TRUSTEE OF THE CHURCH CORPORATION (ELECT 1 CLERGY OR LAY)



David Harvin, St. Martin's, Houston

I am running for re-election as a Trustee of the Church Corporation because I believe strongly in its mission to ensure the wise use of the property of the Diocese and to manage prudently the investments of the Diocese and its participating churches. I believe I am qualified for the position by virtue of my training as a lawyer and experience as Chancellor of the Diocese and as a member of several institutions' investment committees. It has also been personally rewarding to interact with churches regarding their often impressive plans for improvement of their campuses and expansion of their ministries.

TRUSTEE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF THE SOUTH (ELECT 1)



Seth Hinkley, Christ Church Cathedral, Houston

I am a 1992 graduate of Sewanee, and have loved the University since I first set foot on the Mountain. My two decades of experience as a business attorney has been useful in my two terms as a trustee. During that time, the University implemented a new master plan and sustainability plan, as well as beginning a \$250 million capital campaign (which is more than 80% complete). I would like to continue that work to make Sewanee a stronger, truer version of itself. I would appreciate your vote.



Trish Houser, Trinity, Houston

Having lived on "The Mountain" and worked as assistant director of Admission at Sewanee: The University of the South during my husband's seminary education, I quickly fell in love with the place and people and found that I had my very own "Sewanee Experience" even though I was never a student myself. Both my work and fondness for the place inspired me to cultivate and articulate my own Sewanee story which I continue to share with students and families at EHS and beyond. Though I am not a graduate of the institution, I believe I can bring a unique perspective as a Lay Trustee with my wealth of knowledge gained from over a decade in the field of college admission and counseling and specifically my three years in the Office of Admission at Sewanee. I am intimately aware of the qualities that make Sewanee a truly unique place for a profound and formative college experience as well as the challenges faced by the institution. I would love to serve the university in this capacity as a way of giving back to a place that means so much to myself and my family.

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