

**Recommendations are now being taken by the Nominating Committee  
for the following positions to be elected at the 158th Diocesan Convention  
November 11, 2023**

**Standing Committee (Article IX, sections 1-7)**

**One clergy and one layperson to be elected to four-year terms ending 2027**

The Standing Committee consists of four clergy and four laypersons and acts primarily as the council of advice to the Diocesan Bishop. It also fills vacancies in electable seats on diocesan bodies or committees that may occur during the recess of the Convention. If there is no Diocesan Bishop, or they are incapacitated, the Standing Committee becomes the Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese. Usually meets monthly on the second Tuesday at 4 p.m. **All Standing Committee members also serve as members of Diocesan Council** which meets at least five times each year, usually Tuesdays at 7 p.m.

**Board of Trustees (Article X, sections 1-2)**

**One layperson to be elected to a three-year term ending 2026**

The Board of Trustees consists of the Bishop, one layperson elected from each District, four laypersons elected by Diocesan Convention, and four laypersons appointed by the bishop. This body is responsible for the collection and disposition of all real and personal property and financial resources gifted to or received by the diocese, for the purpose of the aid, benefit and advancement of the diocese, its parishes and organizations. Usually meets monthly on the third Tuesday at 3:45 p.m. via Zoom.

**Committee on Constitution and Canons (Canon X)**

**One clergy and one layperson to be elected to three-year terms ending 2026**

This body, comprised of three clergy and three lay persons, examines the canons of the diocese and makes recommendations for additions and revisions that may be necessary. Meets as needs require.

**Cathedral Chapter (Canon XIV)**

**One clergy and one layperson to be elected to three-year terms ending 2026**

The three clergy and three lay representatives to this body serve as the Convention's voice on the Trinity Cathedral Chapter, which oversees the mission and availability of the cathedral church to the entire diocese. Meets three times annually – February, May and November.

**Commission on Ministry (Canon XXX)**

**One member to be elected to a three-year term ending 2026**

The Commission on Ministry assists the Bishop in matters pertaining to the enlistment and selection of persons for Ministry, in the guidance and pastoral care of candidates for Holy Orders, and in the examination of persons for Holy Orders. The Bishop appoints a number of lay and clergy members sufficient to carry out the duties of the Commission. In addition, one member is elected each year by Convention. All terms are for three years. Usually meets monthly on the fourth Tuesday at 6:00 p.m.

## **Growth Fund**

### **One member to be elected to a three-year term ending 2026**

This body consists of two members appointed by Diocesan Council, two appointed by the Board of Trustees and two elected by Diocesan Convention. The Growth Fund makes grants upon special request from an account funded by parish contribution and meets as needed.

## **Regional Disciplinary Board (Canon XIX-B)**

### **One clergy to be elected to a three-year term ending 2026**

Comprised of 13 members from six participating dioceses, the Regional Disciplinary Board tries cases brought against priests or deacons of the diocese who are charged with an actionable offense in which ecclesial discipline may be required. Each of the dioceses selects one member of the Clergy and one member of the Laity to serve on the Disciplinary Board. Meets as need arises.

## **The following will be elected by District at Convention:**

**District 1:** One Layperson to Board of Trustees for a three-year term  
One Layperson to Diocesan Council for a four-year term

**District 2:** None

**District 3:** None

**District 4:** One Layperson to Board of Trustees for a three-year term

Diocesan Council (Canon V) acts on behalf of Convention when Convention is not in session. It evaluates policies, programs and other activities of the diocese, makes recommendations to Convention and gives general oversight to the work, mission, budget and human resources of the diocese. The Diocesan Council consists of the Bishop, the Chancellor of the Diocese, the members of Standing Committee, and one lay Deputy to Convention from each District. Meets at least five times each year, usually Tuesdays at 7 p.m.