



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS
NOMINATION FORM (2018)

Date: September 30 '18 For the position of Cathedral Chapter

I / we wish to place in nomination the name of Rev Don Beth Washburn
(Name in full, as he or she signs it)

St Stephen's / Westborough
(Congregation of Nominee)

She / He has given consent to this Nomination and, if elected, will serve in accord with the terms and responsibilities assigned to that particular office. Also, the three undersigned delegates or delegates-elect of the Diocesan Convention have consented to this nomination. At least two of the undersigned must represent Congregations other than that of which the nominee is a member.

(Signed) [Signature] (Parish) Trinity / Milford

(Signed) [Signature] (Parish) St Stephen's / Westborough

(Signed) Melvin Robbins (Parish) St. Stephen's Westborough.

FOR THE PERSON NOMINATED: Please submit your answers to the following questions. Please type or write legibly in black ink, and keep your answers brief.

1. List any elected or appointed positions or ministries held at the parish, diocesan, provincial and/or national church level.
2. Provide a 40-50 word Statement on why you seek to serve in the office for which you are being nominated.
3. Provide a 40-50 word Statement on issues that you believe are important in the life of the diocese and the church.
4. **OPTION:** Provide a short 2-3 minute YouTube video that covers the above questions.

Return this nomination form by August 28, 2018 to:

The Secretary of Convention
The Episcopal Diocese of Western Mass.
37 Chestnut Street
Springfield, MA 01103

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2018 Nomination Form

The Rev Dcn Beth Washburn of St. Stephen's in Westborough

Position: Clerical Representative for the Cathedral Chapter.

1. List any elected or appointed positions or ministries held at the parish, diocesan, provincial and/or national church level.

- *Current service:*

- *Vocational Deacon serving at St. Stephen's in Westborough*
- *Member of the Mission Development Initiative Grant Committee*
- *Chairperson of Credentials and Registration for Diocesan Convention*

- *Past service:*

- *Diocesan Council member under Bishop Scruton*
- *Deputy to General Convention in 2006, 2009, 2012*
- *Senior Warden of Trinity in Milford*
- *Clerk of Vestry at Trinity/Milford*
- *Eucharistic Minister*
- *Stephen Minister*
- *Youth Group Leader*
- *Sunday School Teacher*
- *Altar Guild member*

2. Provide a 40–50 word statement on why you seek to serve in the office for which you are being nominated.

I seek to serve as a clerical member from the Worcester corridor to The Chapter of Christ Church Cathedral. I believe it is important to have representation from all parts of our diocese and is a best practice which allows for all regions of our diocese to be represented. In addition, it helps to continue to build new relationships among us in the diocese. I bring a willingness to learn and to contribute in order to help bring the needs of the diocese to the Cathedral and help ensure its ministry to the churches within diocese and beyond.

3. Provide a 40–50 word statement on issues that you believe are important to the life of the diocese and Church.

In a time of sharp rancor and divide among so many, the Church stands in a unique position to help not only equip its members to "go into the world in peace" but to also "love and serve the Lord" as people who will continue to love all whom they meet while also modeling how to respect the dignity of each and every person just as Christ loves us.