



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS
NOMINATION FORM (2020)

Date: _____ For the position of _____

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

(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) _____ (Parish) _____

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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.

PLEASE NOTE:

- All candidates must submit a completed nomination form even if they are standing for reelection.
- 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; they can be any combination of clergy or lay.
- Duplication of this form is permitted.
- Due to COVID-19 we have adapted our process. Signatures may take the form of an email from the signer to the Secretary of Convention confirming nomination.

Return this nomination form, via email ONLY, by August 30, 2020 to: The Secretary of Convention, Wende Wheeler at wende.wheeler@gmail.com

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

- Rector of Saints James and Andrew, Greenfield from 2013-Present
- Clerical Member of Diocesan Council from 2014-2019

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

I am deeply committed to the work of the Episcopal Church, particularly as it pertains to considering how our faith translates into action and public policies. I am eager to listen, learn, and engage in conversations about how our pandemic experience is shifting our theology and approach to being Church.

Provide a 40-50 word Statement on issues that you believe are important in the life of the diocese and the church.

The issues which feel most pressing at this time are continuing the work of dismantling racism; moving beyond masculine and binary language for God in our worship; continued liturgical and musical innovations; creation care; and exploring how our pandemic experience is shifting our theology and approach to being Church now.