



THE EPISCOPAL DIOCESE OF WESTERN MASSACHUSETTS NOMINATION FORM (2025)

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 / They 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.

(Print)	_____	(Signed)	_____	(Parish)	_____
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(Print)	_____	(Signed)	_____	(Parish)	_____

NOTE: Signatures may be submitted via this form, or may take the form of an email to the Secretary of Convention indicating the endorser's support.

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 delegates or delegates-elect of the Diocesan Convention listed above 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. _

Return this nomination form, via email ONLY, by August 30, 2025 to: The Secretary of Convention, Wende Wheeler at wende.wheeler@gmail.com

Diocesan Convention Nomination Form (2025)

1. Elected or Appointed Positions

- Pastor - Christ the King Lutheran Church - Wilbraham (2011-2018)
- Priest-in-charge then Rector - Church of the Epiphany - Wilbraham (2014-2018)
- Rector - St. John's - Williamstown (2018-present)
- Co-Chair - Diocesan Task Force for Exploring Common Mission with The Diocese of Massachusetts (2020-2022)
- Member - Standing Committee of the Diocese (2020-present)
- President - Standing Committee of the Diocese, Ex-officio Vice President of Diocesan Council (2023-present)

2. Working with the Presiding Bishop's office in the Bishop search process has given me a new appreciation for the work of the wider Church. While to this point I have been focused on the work of this Diocese (as well as our various collaborations with DioMass), I am eager to see how the Episcopal Church might more fully and faithfully respond to its mission in the world.

3. To quote Kelly Fryer: "The world needs what we have!" In this time of great anxiety, fear and despair, more than ever the world needs our Episcopal witness. I also believe we are at a critical moment as the Episcopal Church rethinks how we can do ministry more effectively in a new age.