

**General Synod Nomination**  
(General Synod will be held July 7-13, 2016 in Toronto)



Nominee's Name: Rosemary Anstey

Phone Number:

Home address:

Email address:

Nominee's Parish: St John's Ancaster

Gender:  Male  Female  Other, please specify:

Nominee's present and past parish leadership roles:

Outreach/Social Justice Action Group chair at St Simon's Church, Oakville and current parish

Synod delegate for St Simon's Oakville and current parish; warden at St Simon's

Intercessor at both parishes

Board member, Canterbury Hills Camp

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I am a committed member of the Anglican Church and want to be involved in any initiatives to enhance the work of the church in Canada and throughout the world in order to fulfill the ministry entrusted to followers of Christ. I bring dedication and integrity to any task I undertake with the knowledge that nothing is accomplished without prayer and the support of others.

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My particular interest is in justice issues and the difference between charity and justice, and the influence the church could have on politicians both local and national for poverty reduction and aboriginal health and education. Finances are an integral part of any organization and the church is no exception.

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Nominee's Name: Ilona Bevan

Phone Number:

Home address:

Email address:

Nominee's Parish: St. Christopher's, Burlington

Gender:  Male  Female  Other, please specify:

Nominee's present and past parish leadership roles:

Presently a Licensed Lay worker serving as the Director of Children's, Youth, Young Adult and Family Ministry at St. Christopher's and is a mentor for the Youth Leadership Training Program.  
Formerly the Coordinator of Children's, Youth, and Family Ministry at Christ Church, Calgary.  
In addition to this ministry, Ilona has also coordinated outreach, and fund-raising events for "PWRDF, Dress-a-Girl-Around-the-World, The Advent Conspiracy, and Leprosy Mission Canada (now called Effect-Hope).

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I enjoy pursuing learning opportunities that can help me better understand not only my faith and my role in it, but also the church as expressed in the Anglican Church of Canada. I appreciate the gifts of the Diocese of Niagara and would like to see ways in which we contribute to the whole.

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From age 5-9, I grew up on 3 different Native Reservations in the remote North (including Pikangikum). Being witness to the church's influence there, I have a sincere interest in its issues. My experience at St. Christopher's has exposed me to a lot of liturgical options and has also been a great model for a warm inclusive environment that allows people to get to know God and develop a relationship with Christ without being prevented by their sexual orientation or sexual identity. Partnerships with other countries is also of interest to me as we learn how to be "better/wiser helpers".

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Nominee's Name: Andrew Clinkard

Phone Number:

Home address:

Email address:

Nominee's Parish: Church of the Resurrection

Gender:  Male  Female  Other, please specify:

Nominee's present and past parish leadership roles:

Lay Delegate to Synod & member of Parish Council, Chalice Bearer, active leader in Resurrection's Men's small group  
Former People's Warden (4 years over lapped 2 incumbents & 1 interim)  
Member of Synod Council (Mohawk Region)  
Member & Chair of the Finance Budget Sub-Committee  
Member of FAC  
Lay Delegate to Provincial Synod 2012  
Board Member of HARRRP (currently Treasurer)

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I believe the experience I have gained over the past 15 years since my return to the Anglican Church: church warden, delegate to Diocesan Synod, member of FAC, chair of the Finance Budget Sub-committee, member of Synod Council, delegate to Provincial Synod 2012 have given me insight into the issues and challenges we face at the local church level, the Diocese of Niagara, and the broader provincial level. I would like to utilize my varied church experiences, and skill set to have the same opportunity at the National level to represent the Diocese of Niagara.

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I have a passion for assisting in crafting a church life and worship environment that offers a variety of liturgical and worship styles, with a particular emphasis on reaching the unchurched. At Resurrection, I was a founding member of a contemporary service we ran for five years; during that time I served in one of the two praise bands, and on one of the worship planning committees. Given my 24 years with CRA, and my volunteer background in budgeting and finance, I have a keen interest in the financial stability of the Anglican Church at all levels, including at General Synod.

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Nominee's Name: Patricia Davis

Phone Number:

Home address:

Email address:

Nominee's Parish: St. James & St. Brendan, Port Colborne

Gender:  Male  Female  Other, please specify:

Nominee's present and past parish leadership roles:

Licensed Layreader, Envelope Secretary, Brock Regional Council Chair, Past Rector's & Peoples' Warden, Refugee Fundraiser Campaign Co-ordinator, Past Choir President, Choir Librarian, Volunteer Office Team Member, Volunteer Screening & Management Program Co-Leader, Winter Celebration House Tour Volunteer, Out of the Cold Volunteer, Vestry Clerk & Parish Council Member, Order of Niagara, Brock Region Representative to FAC Diocesan Committees/Rep: FAC Chair, Governance Working Group, Cathedral Place Development Task Force, General Synod Lay Representative 2013, Provincial Synod Lay Representative 2015, Synod of Niagara Lay Delegate  
Community: Community Living Port Colborne/Wainfleet President, Retired Teachers of Ontario Local Exec Member

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Seek continued involvement in church's life & growth; apply & broaden knowledge of diverse faith challenges,  
Strengths: effective communicator, logical thinker, active listener, information analysis, decision-maker, organizational governance & leadership, thought provoking processes.  
Experience: Retired Teacher & Principal, FAC Rep on Parish Build Projects

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Interests: Church future - sustainability/viability; clergy education/ professional growth/performance assessment & review; Christian perspective in legislation; growing an inclusive church; same sex marriage; fiscal responsibility; growing provincial, national & international partnerships.  
Experience: FAC Chair, President of Community Living Port Cplborne/Wainfleet, Membership Chair of Retired Teachers of Ont District 14, General Synod 2013, Provincial Synod 2015, Synod Council, Synod of Niagara Delegate.

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Nominee's Name: C.T. (Terry) Gillin

Phone Number:

Home address:

Email address:

Nominee's Parish: Saint Cuthbert's

Gender:  Male  Female  Other, please specify:

Nominee's present and past parish leadership roles:

During the 15 years my family and I have been members, I have served as a warden (3 years), active parish council member, chalice bearer, reader, intercessor, occasional liturgical leader, Sunday school teacher, youth group assistant, Kerr Street ministries with both youth and adult teams, and Christmas trees sale coordinator. At the diocesan level, as a Synod Delegate I have participated in a number of important decisions: the election of a Bishop, the discernment concerning same-sex blessings, efforts to balance the budget, and the renewal of Cathedral Place. I have been a member of the Candidates Committee since 2006, and have recently served on the WOW committee. I have contributed articles to the 'Niagara Anglican'. And I am honored to be a recipient of the Order of Niagara.

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Today social institutions are being challenged to be more effective and fair. Synods are opportunities to deepen community, reaffirm identity and intentions, reflect of challenges, clarify vision, strengthen resolve, and define more ways to being justice and mercy to the world. I would like to participate in this discernment and dialogue. I bring a commitment to social justice and the Church. I can help bring clarity to dialogue and put issues in a larger context. I am open to diverse perspectives, and am willing to take a principled stand. Coming from Niagara, which has shown important leadership, I am prepared and willing to address big issues.

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As a Christian and teacher I have spent much of my adult life reflecting on the contemporary role of religion and the Church, witnessing and participating in its evolving character. We are called to be a community transformed by grace so that we might engage the world more effectively. Strengthening community will encourage individual and collective altruism, which in turn will build more fulfilling ties among us. The Synod is an opportunity to define how we will deepen our commitments to address the specific social, economic and religious inequalities and injustices of our contemporary world.

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Nominee's Name: Susan Little

Phone Number:

Home address:

Email address:

Nominee's Parish: St. John the Evangelist

Gender:  Male  Female  Other, please specify:

Nominee's present and past parish leadership roles:

Connecting to the diocese as a delegate (1992+); Connecting to Undermount (Chair 2000-4; 2011) Initiator of Undermount Children's Ministry Task Force (2012-14); co-founder and co-ordinator of Children's Festivals (1983 -12); writer and director of parish Epiphany Pageant (1985-12); initiator of parish winter weekends (1995-2012), women's retreats (1995-03); visionary team member for several parish liturgical initiatives such as alternate worship(1995-2002), prayer ministry team, First Communion preparation, Advent, Lent, Holy Week & Pentecost special events often involving the whole parish; enriched learning centres for children; small group ministry since 1985; co-chair Parish Anniversary committee 2015-16.

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My experience as a delegate to General Synod (2010, 2013) and Provincial Synod (2006, 09,12) gave me valuable insights into how decisions are made and how policies change over the course of time; from these synods & diocesan synods (1992+) I have learned to do my 'homework' by reading prescribed documents ahead of time: I am not daunted by statistics, studies and terminology. I can listen well to people who are unlike me and I ask the questions others want to ask. I am confident in addressing a whole assembly, making a motion (as I did at General Synod in 2010). I can see the 'big picture' and how it affects those at the local level.

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I understand the complexities of church structures, governance issues, etc. I see how our policies affect the lives of people everywhere. I have read the recent documents on the proposed changes to the Marriage Canon and appreciate what effects our decision might have. I have witnessed how finances and the shrinking size of congregations compel us to rethink our work at the parish, diocesan and national level. My ongoing experience on Undermount Regional Council makes me eager to work on the revitalization of faith communities. The prospect of Refugee Sponsorship making us fervent about living the Gospel excites me!

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Nominee's Name: David W Rogers

Phone Number:

Home address:

Email address:

Nominee's Parish: St. Matthew on the Plain, Burlington

Gender:  Male  Female  Other, please specify:

Nominee's present and past parish leadership roles:

Warden, St. Jude's Wexford, Toronto  
Parish Council, St. Luke's Burlington  
Parish Council, Stewardship, Warden (1 year), Synod Rep (3 years), St. Matthew's  
FAC (2 years) Diocese  
DM&M Committee Member, Diocese  
Budget Committee, Diocese

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I bring a great deal of business experience to General Synod, along with plenty of knowledge of Church business through my involvement at both the local parish and Diocesan level.

I try to take a balanced approach to my business dealings, working collaboratively towards win-win solutions in all things. I'm a team player in all things; and look for the best for our family moving forward.

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My experience indicated above, positions me well for thoughtful reflection on a variety of matters, particularly finance, governance, and global partnerships.

I am Liberal in my interpretation and understanding of the doctrinal and liturgical issues we face in our efforts to grow our faith family in a more equitable manner. I believe partnerships within our church and in the community are the way forward for our church. Social justice is sorely in need of action across all levels of our church.

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Nominee's Name: Geoff Small

Phone Number:

Home address:

Email address:

Nominee's Parish: St. John's Anglican Church

Gender:  Male  Female  Other, please specify:

Nominee's present and past parish leadership roles:

Lay Reader  
Server  
Priest Warden  
Parish Council Member  
Delegate to Synod  
Chalice Bearer  
Sides Person

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I want to get a better knowledge understanding of issues and matters that are of concern to the church and to be in a position to assist in resolving them.

I gained experience from the various positions I held, also my work, volunteer and family life are indicative of what I bring to the table. Therefore, I consider that I would be a valuable participant to General Synod if I am chosen

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My interests are centred around Social Justice, Diversity and Global Partnerships.

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