

SYNOD OF THE DIOCESE OF ONTARIO NOMINATION FORM 2018

Deadline September 5th, 2018

I, **N. ANNE PATTERSON** of the church/parish of **ST. MARK'S BARRIEFIELD** agree to let my name stand for nomination to

DIOCESAN SYNOD COUNCIL

GENERAL SYNOD 2019

Tell us briefly about your faith experience

I was baptized as an infant and grew up in the United Church tradition; confirmed in the Anglican Church in Merrickville in 1986. My spiritual formation has been through Bible studies, various book study sessions, conferences and retreats. I enjoy celebrating my faith through worshipping in community and learning ecumenically of diverse spiritual beliefs. The Deepening Understanding of Intercultural Ministry (DUIM) event sponsored by the Canadian Churches Forum for Global Ministries was an excellent learning experience as was my mission work in Brazil.

What gifts, talents, abilities and skills would you bring to this ministry?

I have experience as a secretary; working well within committees and group discussions. I have always been interested in the ministry of the wider Anglican Church. After returning from my volunteer work with the Brazilian Church, I returned to help with English language for the Primate's meeting in 2004 and the World Council of Churches meeting in 2006 both held in Porto Alegre, Brazil. In 2008 I had the exceptional privilege of working with the Secretariat at the Lambeth Conference in England. When serving on the Partners in Mission committee for the National Church I was invited to participate in the meeting of African and Canadian Bishop's Consultation in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania in 2015. Our General Synod meetings are informative and exciting to be a part of and especially to be involved in the discussions surrounding the issues facing our church today. As a member of the Diocesan Steering Committee for Canon 21, I would very much like to continue talks and discussions at General Synod 2019 and to bring the result of that vote back to our diocese.

Please list your involvement in the life of the church (parish, diocese, province, or national), as well as any other relative experience.

- Member of the Board of Compass Rose Canada 2016
- Member of the Board of Canadian Church Forum for Global Ministry 2015 - 2018

- Diocesan Registrar and Executive Assistant, Diocese of Ontario 2002 – 2015
- Member of Partners in Mission Committee, ACC 2010 – 2016
- Participated in a meeting of African & Canadian bishops and committee members of Partners in Mission who had diocesan partnerships held in Dar es Salaam, Tanzania 2015
- Participated in consultations on Being a Partner Church in a Global Communion November 2012
- Member of the General Synod Planning Committee 2010
- Member of the Anglican Communion Secretariat for Lambeth 2008
- Member of Diocesan Synod Agenda Committee 2002 – 2015
- Ex-officio member of the Training and Development Committee, Diocese of Ontario 2002 – 2015
- Member of the Diocese of Ontario Foundation Board 2011 to present
- President of the Ontario Compass Rose Society (2013 – 2016) and volunteer mission trip participant to the Diocese of Rio de Janeiro and Diocese of the Amazon, Brazil 2011.
- Warden at the Parish of St. Mark's, Barriefield (2012 – present), a lay delegate to Synod, secretary of ACW and a prayer leader (2012 – present)
- Participated with a parish group on a mission trip to Chol Chol, Chile 2015
- Volunteer at Primate's meeting 2004 and at World Council of Churches 2006 both held in the Diocese of Meridional, Brazil.
- Volunteer in Mission of the Anglican Church of Canada to the Episcopal Anglican Church of Brazil, March 1998 – June 2000 working as a bi-lingual secretary.

Signature: N. Anne Patterson

Date: 8 May 2018