

Search for the VI Bishop of Arizona



On November 9, 2017 Bishop Kirk Smith called for the election of the next Bishop of Arizona. Bishop Smith was consecrated the 5th Bishop of Arizona on April 24, 2004 and will retire upon the consecration of his successor.

According to our Canons, the **Standing Committee** has the responsibility of overseeing the transition from one bishop to the next. They appointed the **Search Committee** to search for the persons best suited to serve as bishop in our

Diocese, and the **Transition Committee** to present the candidates in walkabout sessions, facilitate the election and consecration of the next bishop, and support the current and next bishops, their families and the diocesan staff during the transition.



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<http://azdiocese.org/bishopsearch.html>

The Candidates

This is the final slate of candidates recommended by the Search Committee and approved by the Standing Committee. Learn more about the candidates at <http://azdiocese.org/bishopsearch.html>



Rev. Dr. Dena Marcel
Cleaver-Bartholomew
*Diocese of Central
New York*



Rev. Jennifer Anne
Reddall
Diocese of New York



Rev. Andrew Wallace
Walter
Diocese of Washington

“We believe these individuals possess the skills, qualities, experience and spiritual grounding necessary for the office of Bishop, and we are excited to commend them to the diocese”

Rev. Canon Daniel Tantimonaco
President of the Standing
Committee

What's Next: Meet, Vote, Celebrate

Meet: Walkabouts – Sept. 24 - 28, 2018

Walkabouts are gatherings where members of congregations and campus ministries have the opportunity to interact with our bishop candidates and hear the bishop candidates' positions on important issues.

Monday, Sept. 24

6:00-9:00 p.m. at [St. Luke's](#) (Prescott)

Tuesday, Sept. 25

6:00-9:00 p.m. at [St. Peter's](#) (Litchfield Park)

Wednesday, Sept. 26

6:00-9:00 p.m. at [St. Philip's In The Hills](#) (Tucson)

Thursday, Sept. 27

2:00-5:00 p.m. at [St. Francis in the Valley](#) (Green Valley)

Friday, Sept. 28

6:00-9:00 p.m. at [Christ Church of the Ascension](#) (Paradise Valley)

Vote: Election – Saturday, Oct. 20, 2018

The Delegates to the Annual Diocesan Convention will also have the responsibility of voting for the VI Bishop of Arizona. *Voting results will be live-streamed on social media.*

Celebrate:

Bishop Smith Retirement Celebration – Friday, October 19, 2018

A celebration dinner will be held at the Annual Diocesan Convention. Reservations can be made online - limited seating available.

[Diocesan Convention Dinner Reservations](#)

Consecration of the VI Bishop of Arizona – Saturday, March 9, 2019

Save the date. More specific information will be sent to congregations once the details are finalized. Presiding Bishop Michael Curry will officiate.