

## **Annual Meeting 2017 & Vestry Elections**

### **MEET THE NOMINEES**

**CATHERINE FISH (Vestry)** has been a member of St. Stephen's Church for 22 years, since she was 5 years old! She went through the Sunday School program, participated in the Youth Group, served as an acolyte, and became a confirmed Episcopalian. From the time she was 7 years old until present day though, you can always find her singing in the choir. Catherine and her family absolutely cherish St. Stephen's incredible music program. It is what first drew her parents to this parish, and enabled her family to benefit from the many other wonderful aspects of this church community.

Catherine is in her 6th year of teaching music and currently works as the Director of Orchestras at Herricks High School in New Hyde Park. She also plays violin professionally in a number of symphony orchestras and opera companies in the New York-metropolitan area. It is a great privilege for her to be able to return to the church she grew up in as an adult and continue to reap the benefits of this loving community. The people of St. Stephen's have acted as a supportive family for her entire life, and she looks forward to being able to pay this blessing forward. Catherine hopes that she will be able to offer a valuable perspective as a younger adult member of the parish, and looks forward to the opportunity to serve the people and church she loves.

**RACHEL GOLDER (Vestry)** is an 18-year member of St Stephen's with her husband and three teenage children. She was a Sunday School teacher when the children were young, and has been a member of the choir for eight years. She served on the Vestry for four years, leading the Stewardship effort. She is also an active participant in many of the Church's community activities, including the Fall Fair, and helps to make the Miracle of Christmas Orchestra happen. Rachel has a B.A. in Music (magna cum laude) from Yale. When she is not working for the parish, Rachel is a manager of bond portfolios for Goldman Sachs.

**STEPHEN SILVESTER (Vestry)** was born in Greenpoint, raised in Flushing. He moved to Port Washington in 1996. He has been a construction worker since 1985. He has been attending St. Stephen's since 1997 or 1998. Both of his kids were baptized here. He also taught Sunday School for a long time.

**ROOPALI GUPTA (Warden)** grew up in Southern California and graduated from UC Berkeley with a B.A in Economics. In 2000 she moved to New York City to work in investment banking structured finance for Morgan Stanley. She spent 9 Years on Wall Street, first with Morgan Stanley and then Barclays Capital, in structured finance banking and trading. After having her first son she made the decision to stay home and raise her family. She and her husband, Gareth, moved to Port Washington in 2005. She is now a stay at home mom of 2 boys and a full-time Yoga Instructor for adults and children specializing in special needs students. The John family has been parishioners at St. Stephen's since 2013.