

## 2020 Holy Cross Nominations to Bishop's Committee and Convention Delegates

The congregation is seeking nominations of parishioners to serve in representing our Holy Cross faith family. The positions are: Bishops Committee (4 positions), and Delegates to Diocesan Convention (2 positions plus alternates). An explanation of each is below.

**Nomination Deadline is Noon on Sunday, January 12, 2020.** Nomination form on back. Elections will be held at our Annual Meeting, Sunday, Wednesday, January 19th, 10:30 AM.

### **Bishop's Committee (4 positions are vacant)**

*Description and duties:* In the Episcopal Church, the Bishop's Committee is a body of elected lay people (members) with the primary task of: Overseeing the lay ministries of church; Ensuring the church building and grounds are cared for; And, ensuring parish funds are administered appropriately.

We will be holding an election to fill positions as follows:

- Two people to 3 year terms
- One person to a 2 year
- One person to a 1 year term

The 2-year and 1-year terms are the remaining terms of vacancies created by resignations.

### **The following is the criteria for nomination to and service on the Bishop's Committee of Holy Cross.**

- The person shall be baptized, at least sixteen years of age, faithful in attending worship, and has been registered as a baptized member of Holy Cross for at least the previous 60 days or a communicant member.
- Able to attend the once-a-month bishop's committee meeting (currently, the third Wednesday of the month, 6 pm -8 pm. The day/time are set by each BC) and at other "called" meetings.
- Able to attend a bishop's committee retreat (**day/time to be announced**)
- Able to use a computer/tablet to prepare monthly ministry report and to receive/review monthly meeting materials via email
- Willing to serve as co-chair of a ministry area (Evangelism, Outreach, Pastoral Care, or Worship and Formation)
- Develop a healthy, daily prayer life, which includes praying for the members and mission of our faith family, and specifically your fellow BC members.
- Become familiar with our finances and budget for which we are stewards.

### **Delegates to Convention (2 positions)**

*Description and duties:* A delegate attends and represents Holy Cross at the Diocesan Convention which will convene on Friday and Saturday, November 13 and 14, 2020, at St Paul's Episcopal Church, Yuma, Az. Delegates are expected to attend the convention sessions on both days and vote on amendments and the diocesan budget. The convention operates on a paperless process, delegates need to have access to a mobile device (cell phone, tablet or laptop) to access the convention booklet and to cast votes on ballots and resolutions during the convention. The church will reimburse mileage to/from Yuma and one nights lodging.

## NOMINATION FORM

In order to make the election process for the ministry of Bishop's Committee and Delegates to Convention as thoughtful a process as possible and to ensure that those nominated for election to these vital positions of leadership meet the criteria on the other side of this form, members of Holy Cross are asked to use the form below to make nominations which will be presented at the Annual Meeting on Sunday, January 19, 2020.

Each nominee for Bishop's Committee will be asked to submit answers to the questions below. Each nominee for Convention Delegate will be asked to submit a short statement of why they are willing/wanting to serve in this ministry. Please include a digital picture. **Email this form, answers to the questions (BC nominations) or short statement (Delegate nominations) and picture to Stacy Craft at [linnicraft@verizon.net](mailto:linnicraft@verizon.net) by Noon, Sunday, January 12, 2020.** You may nominate yourself. If you are nominating another person, please get the nominee's consent.

After prayerful consideration and after consulting with the nominee, if applicable, I request that:

(Name of Nominee) \_\_\_\_\_

be placed in nomination for election to the position(s) circled below at the Annual Parish Meeting on Sunday, January 19, 2020.

**For (circle one or both)**

Bishop's Committee member

delegate to Convention

(Name of Person Making Nomination) \_\_\_\_\_

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### **Questions for Bishop's Committee nominees (please submit answers on a separate page):**

1. Your experience in participating in the mission\* of Holy Cross, within the congregational needs and outside in the larger community.
2. Your interpretation of what the Holy Cross brand "Open Minds - Open Arms" means.
3. What particular characteristic do you possess that will enhance the effectiveness of Holy Cross leadership.
4. What changes would you like to see at Holy Cross.
5. Other: A bit about yourself

\* Our Mission, vision and values: The mission of Holy Cross Episcopal Church is to worship, share, and exercise the servant ministry of our Lord Jesus Christ in the rich tradition of the Anglican Communion. We focus our servanthood ministry on the less fortunate and disenfranchised within the local and greater community. We place special emphasis on children, the elderly, the men and women of our Armed Forces and their families, and the incarcerated. Our vision is to be known as an open and welcoming church serving the spiritual and secular needs of the community. Our values are grounded in our love of Jesus Christ as expressed in servanthood, stewardship, diversity, community, and courageous compassion.