



LAY DELEGATE TO & MEMBER OF SYNOD

POSITION DESCRIPTION

PRIMARY FUNCTION: The lay delegate to synod, as an active parishioner and member of parish council and diocesan synod acts as a liaison between the parish and the rest of the diocesan, provincial and national church for the duration of their term in office.

RESPONSIBILITIES

1. Being an active member of the parish and parish council, regularly attending meetings, and assisting in the decision-making process within the parish;
2. Participating in regional gatherings and liaising with regional and diocesan representatives to gain an understanding of the work of the wider church and communicating this to the rest of the parish.
3. Preparing for and attending synod.
4. Participating in synod's work on behalf of the wider church.
5. Encouraging inter-parish activities and ministries to pool resources and foster a sense of diocesan belonging.

ACCOUNTABILITY: The lay delegate to Synod reports to the parish vestry and to parish council between vestry meetings.

QUALIFICATIONS:

- A communicant (regularly receiving communion) of the parish of at least one year's standing, and of the age of 16 years and upwards, and resident within the diocese for three months immediately preceding the election.
- In regular attendance at worship services and parish events.
- Have an interest in the parish and its relationship with the larger church.
- Have the time and ability to fulfill the above job description.

Acknowledged by _____ Date _____

Print name _____