



SYNOD 2023

The 169th Annual Session of Synod

SUPPLEMENTARY PAPER

1. Motion arising from Reports
2. Question
3. Nominations for Diocesan Council
4. Drafting Committee Certificate



Supplementary Motion

DISCIPLING NEW GENERATIONS

Moved by Ms Lilly Bures

Seconded by The Rev'd Ben Woodd

This Synod, recognising the value of young people in the Adelaide diocese and the vital importance of discipling new generations of faith, requests Diocesan Council:

1. prepare and distribute a report detailing a comprehensive picture of the current youth and kids' ministries within the diocese;
2. research and report on available resources for training and equipping churches for ministry with young people;
3. convene a forum to discuss those reports and share the experience and knowledge of those involved in youth and kids' ministries within the diocese and beyond; and
4. produce a proposal, before the next session of Synod, to be considered by the next session of Synod, for the growth and development of youth and kids' ministry within the diocese.

The proposal might include, but not be limited to:

- a) the creation of partnerships between youth and kids' ministries and others within the diocese,
- b) the provision of training and resources to equip churches to minister to young people, and
- c) consideration of the renewal of a diocesan youth event and the role of diocesan youth and kids ministry co-ordinator.

Supplementary Question

Could the Secretary of Synod please provide an explanation as to why the declared income for Holy Trinity is only \$161,704. Given the letter 7 October 2022, tabled last Synod, requested an explanation as to *"how it is that Holy Trinity could engage eight licenced clergy and a number of paid employees, whose total remuneration might be reasonably estimated to be comfortably in excess of \$1.0m per annum, from parish income of only \$55,220?"* What action is being taken in accordance with S.4(1) of the Assessment Ordinance?

The Rev'd David Covington-Groth – Mitcham

Answer

To the first part of the question - I think that is for Holy Trinity to explain, not me.

To the second part of the question - the Trustees and I have been in dialogue during this year, with updates provided to Diocesan Council. The dialogue resulted in a meeting between the Trustees, the Archbishop and Secretary of Synod on 9th October 2023. The Trustees undertook to respond following the meeting.



Nominees for Election as Lay member of Diocesan Council

There are **three** nominees for **one** position:

- 1 Vivien Bleby
- 2 Don Palmer
- 3 David Phillips

Ballot papers will be issued to members on Synod at the registration desk on Saturday morning.

Voting opens at 10.30am and concludes at 4.00pm pm Saturday.



Anglican Diocese of Adelaide

Nomination Form

As required by Elections & Appointments Ordinance Section 5

Diocesan Council - Lay Member

Nominee name and contact details. (Your name will be publicly available, and your contact details will not)

Name Vivien Rae Bleby.....

Address

Email Address

Telephone Number

Signature *R Bleby*

Nominated by (must be a Member of Synod)

Name *MARTYN WOODSFORD*

Signature *M P Woodsford*

Up to 500 words only about the nominee to assist members of the Synod to vote effectively. This information will be publicly available online, and provided to Members of Synod. (Please stick to the word limit - only the first 500 words will be published)

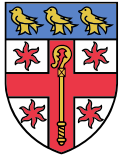
I am a lifelong Anglican Christian with wide ecumenical experience. I have lived in rural, remote and city parishes as a clergy partner.

I initially trained as a nurse, later working as a midwifery nurse educator, and with the Child, Adolescent and Family Health Service in the remote town of Coober Pedy.

On returning to Adelaide, I worked for seventeen years for the Anglican Board of Christian Education in the Diocese of Adelaide, which later became part of the Ministry Development Council. As a Ministry Development Officer, I was involved in parish consultations, lay ministry training, Resource Centre manager, Safer Ministry Training, workshops encouraging family faith formation, including as part of the editorial committee of a magazine called 'Family Matters', involving members from the Lutheran, Uniting and Catholic churches. With colleagues from the Uniting Church and Catholic Church, we taught the Certificate 1V course 'Christian Journey with Children' at the Adelaide College of Divinity.

In 2010–2015 I worked as the Regional Officer for SA/NT with Bush Church Aid, a mission agency which ministers in remote and regional areas of Australia.

I have been Chair of Scripture Union SA at a time of nationalisation and a member of church related boards and committees, a Professional Standards Episcopal Standards Tribunal member; Supervised Field Experience supervisor and part of Supervision of the Supervisors group; part of the Adelaide Diocesan RAP working group and currently a team leader for Anglicans for Makarrata; Examining Chaplain, Priest's Warden for the Parish of Coromandel Valley.



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Nominee name and contact details. (Your name will be publicly available, and your contact details will not)

NameDon Palmer.....

Address
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Email Address

Telephone Number

Signature

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Nominated by (must be a Member of Synod)

NameMee Ping Lau(Rev).....

Signature

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The strength of an organization lies in its members.

In other words, members need to be ready to meet the challenges facing the organisation. Without this there exists a very real possibility that the organisation will fall. I have seen this in a Parish I attended some 30 years ago.

For Church this means in our lay people, our Parishioners. For the Diocese it means members of Parishes who understand the bigger picture.

I believe I hold the necessary vision and understanding, and the courage to participate in finding solutions facing this Synod.

As a former Warden & Parish Councillor and current parishioner at St Augustine's Unley I accepted that responsibility. I would like to think I provided the leadership necessary to address significant hardships being experienced at the time. To allow the Parish to foresee (in the face of adversity) a future of hope.

I stand ready to accept that same responsibility on behalf of Synod. To join Diocesan Council for a second time.

Having previously served for one term on Diocesan Council I am aware of the challenges the Synod faces. Having likewise been a Synod rep for a substantial time, I believe I not only have my own insight but understand what Synod might be expecting.

The future of the Anglican Church is to be applicable to a generation much younger than what we see in Synod. I too may not be so young myself, but I do recognise that we must communicate with them in a language they understand. The message must be relevant to them.

The Parish leadership model style needs to recognize their approach to management. They are a group who are quite intelligent and learned. They are the most knowledgeable generation in human history.

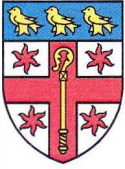
Today's younger parishioner will expect to participate in the leadership of the Church. They will be less likely to sit back and simply take direction from their minister.

As for previous generations they will be looking for education and mentoring in the Word. They will, as we did, need pastoral care. These enduring attributes of the Priesthood will therefore still be needed.

Parishes (whether in the future or now) need to take responsibility for providing Priests the opportunity to provide these most important skills. To receive the blessing that Priests can and should provide, they need to ensure the Priest is not burdened with administrative issues, financial issues, property maintenance issues and the like.

In today's secular dominated world, our priests need all the help they can get. They deserve to follow unimpeded their calling. That is the calling of today's Lay, not only on Parish Council but in Synod and on Diocesan Council.

Maybe I am one such Lay.



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Diocesan Council – Lay Member

Nominee name and contact details. (Your name will be publicly available, and your contact details will not)

Name Dr David Phillips

Address [Faint handwritten address]

Email Address [Faint handwritten email]

Telephone Number [Faint handwritten number]

Signature [Handwritten signature: D Phillips]

Nominated by (must be a Member of Synod)

Name (Stelianne) Estelle SALAGARAS

Signature [Handwritten signature: Estelle Salagaras]

**Personal Details on the Nomination Form for the Adelaide Anglican Synod 2023:
Diocesan Council – Lay Member**

Dr David Phillips, BSc, MSc, PhD, ThA, MAIP had a professional career as a research scientist with the Commonwealth Government.

For many years he has been a member of the Tea Tree Gully Anglican Church, where he has served at different times as youth group leader, men's group leader, home group leader, member of Parish Council, Lay Assistant, Lay Reader, Lay Preacher and as a lay parish representative on the Adelaide Anglican Synod.

He has served the Diocese of Adelaide on Diocesan Council, as a lay Diocesan Nominator and as a South Australian Representative on General Synod.

He founded the Christian charity FamilyVoice Australia and served as its National Director until his retirement from that role.

He is married with four adult children and 15 grandchildren, who are all actively involved in Anglican and other churches in different ways.

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Report of the Drafting Committee – Synod October 2023

In the opinion of the Drafting Committee, the Synod has power to pass the following measures, and the drafting of the measures is consistent with the Constitution and the Ordinances:

Professional Standards Amendment Ordinance 2023

St Barnabas' Theological College Amendment Ordinance 2023

The Parochial Administration Ordinance Amendment Ordinance 2023

*Constitution (Membership of Diocesan Council) Amendment Measure
2023*

Diocesan Council (Governance) Amendment Ordinance 2023



Chair of the Drafting Committee

12 October 2023