

STANDING COMMITTEE

Elect 1 Cleric and 1 Lay for a three-year term.

Description of duties: The Standing Committee meets about three times a year and serves as a council of advice to the diocesan bishop. Among its responsibilities are granting or withholding consents to the election of bishops throughout the Episcopal Church and interviewing seminarians and recommending to the bishop whether or not they be made candidates for ordination. The Standing Committee is composed of six persons: three clergy and three lay. In the event that the office of bishop is vacant, the Standing Committee serves as the ecclesiastical authority for the diocese. Persons serving on the Standing Committee should be familiar with the Constitution and Canons, aware of issues in the wider Anglican Communion, and be willing to undertake a wide range of leadership needs and discernment.

CLERGY



The Rev. Carrie Guerra,
Assisting Priest
Trinity, Victoria

Qualifications: Carrie has served the diocese and churches as a lay employee from 2004 - 2016 and as a curate since 2016, sitting on several Diocesan committees, and attending General

Convention in 2012 and 2015.

Local Church Activities: Curate at Trinity, Victoria; Church school board member; formerly Lay Reader and Lay Eucharistic Minister; Council delegate; lay church employee in Youth and Family Ministries; mission trip leader; Acolyte trainer and sponsor

Community Activities: Student mentor in local middle school; Hurricane relief projects, in both Rio Grande Valley (RGV) and Victoria; RGV and Victoria community programs

Diocesan Activities: Diocesan Happening Board and Youth Ministry committees; Camps and Conferences Board; Nominating Committee (three terms); previously elected to Executive Board; attended General Convention as an alternate and deputy (2012 and 2015); Cursillo table leader and assistant spiritual director; several leadership roles at Happening

Nominated by: The Rev. Jim Kee-Rees, Rector of Trinity, Victoria



The Rev. Elizabeth Knowlton,
Rector; St. Mark's, San Antonio

Qualifications: Beth has a strong commitment to healthy congregations, ensuring resources are available at the Diocesan level to ensure strong ministries throughout the Diocese and the formation of

healthy and well prepared clergy. She is committed to leadership, having served in the Diocese of Atlanta in roles that built community across the diocese - planning diocesan acolyte festivals, walk-about for the election of a Diocesan bishop in a geographically diverse diocese including urban and rural settings, and diocesan liturgies as the Canon for Liturgy at the Cathedral of St. Philip. Her ten-year career as a budget analyst at the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention before entering seminary gave her a love of systems and an appreciation for budgets as theological documents as well as columns of numbers. Since arriving in this diocese, she appreciates the strong collegiality of its clergy and people and hopes to serve the diocese as a Standing committee member.

Local Church Activities: Priest

Community Activities: Interfaith San Antonio Alliance

Diocesan Activities: Budget Task Force; Provost for Examining Chaplains; Bishop's Council of Advice; Standing Committee (Atlanta); Transition Committee (Atlanta); Chair of Liturgy Committee (Atlanta)

Nominated by: The Rev. Dr. Patrick Gahan, Rector of Christ Church, San Antonio and the Rev. Dr. Michael Marsh, Rector of St. Philip's, Uvalde



The Rev. Brian Tarver, Rector
St. Philip's, Beeville

Qualifications: Brian is a faithful and dedicated priest. He is hard working and has a talent for thinking long-term and looking at the bigger picture.

Local Church Activities: Rector of St. Philip's Church and School

Community Activities: Serves on the board of The Vineyard Charity, Ministerial Alliance

Diocesan Activities: Christian Formation Committee; Duncan Park Chaplain; Camp Capers Mid-Winter Camp Chaplain

Nominated by: The Rev. Alex Easley Holloway, Rector of St. Andrew's, Seguin

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LAY



**Mrs. Melinda "Missy" Denney
St. Thomas, San Antonio**

Qualifications: Missy is passionate about being involved in the works of the Diocese and the greater church. She has experience on the parish vestries, in diocesan, provincial and National leadership with the Daughters

of the King.

Local Church Activities: Vestry member (3 times); Junior Warden; search committee; Lay Reader; Lay Eucharistic Minister; Cursillo team; Council delegate and alternate; Altar Guild; Global Mission Committee; Outreach Committee; Hospitality Committee; Daughters of the King, and parish secretary

Community Activities: Bulverde Republican Women; Volunteer at the Comal County Republican Office; San Antonio Rodeo committee; San Antonio Conservation Society; "Night In Old San Antonio" Fiesta booths

Diocesan Activities: Chapter, Diocesan and Provincial president for Daughters of the King (DOK); Commission for Women's Ministry; Triennial Delegate; National DOK council 1st VP, 2nd VP; 2015 Triennial chair; Habitat for Humanity; 2018 Diocesan alternate delegate to General Convention.

Nominated by: The Rev. Beth Wyndham, Diocese of West Texas Church Planter



**Mr. Nicholas Hoover
St. Mark's, San Marcos**

Qualifications: Mr. Hoover is a strong and loyal churchman who understands the working of the diocese and its relationship to the national church.

Local Church Activities: Vestry 2007-2009, 2015-

2017; Lay Reader; Lay Eucharistic Minister; delegate to Diocesan Council 2006-2018

Community Activities: School Board; Hays County Democratic Party executive committee

Diocesan Activities: Member of Recovery Ministries

Nominated by: The Rev. Dr. Ben Nelson, Rector of St. Mark's, San Marcos



**Mr. Charles Ingersoll
St. Andrew's, Seguin**

Qualifications: Chuck has a heart for ministry. He is responsible, thorough, professional, reliable, and he cares a great deal about the Church.

Local Church Activities: Lay Reader; Treasurer; Vestry; Usher; Finance Committee Facilities

Committee; previously Youth group leader; chair of Adult Christian Formation; Search committee

Community Activities: Charter member of Seguin Sunrise Lions Club; Little League Official; certified official of San Antonio Basketball Officials Association; Seguin sports booster club

Diocesan Activities: Attended Abide in Me X; involved at Camp Capers

Nominated by: The Rev. Alex Easley Holloway, Rector of St. Andrew's, Seguin



**Ms. Lory Zimmerman
St. Philip's, Uvalde**

Qualifications: Lory is an organized and strategic thinker. She works well on a team. She actively engages the work, expresses her position and listens to others.

Local Church Activities: Lay Reader; choir; Cursillo; Altar

Guild; Sunday counter; day school board member

Community Activities: Library; school activities; tutoring sessions

Diocesan Activities: Cursillo; past Happening Coordinator for many years; served on National Happening Committee as a treasurer for 9 years.

Nominated by: The Rev. Dr. Michael Marsh, Rector of St. Philip's, Uvalde