THE CALL TO THE ELECTING CONVENTION
FOR THE
X BISHOP OF ALBANY

The Rev. Marian M. Sive
Secretary of the Diocese

May 4, 2023

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Peace be with you.

In accordance with Article II of the Constitution of the Diocese of Albany, the Standing Committee as Ecclesiastical Authority of the Diocese, has issued a Call to a special meeting of the Convention to Elect the X Bishop of Albany, to be held September 8-9, 2023 at the Cathedral of All Saints in Albany, NY.

The following is important information. Please read through it carefully. If you have questions, you may contact me at secretary.convention@albanydiocese.org, or 518-692-9550 ext 201.

CLICK HERE TO ACCESS THE NOMINATION INSTRUCTIONS

Certificates of Election/Lay Deputy Registration

New Certificates of Election are NOT NEEDED for this Special Convention.
Pursuant to Diocesan Canon 1.2, Deputies are elected annually. The Deputies named on your Certificate of Election for the Annual Convention in June, 2023, are also the Deputies for this Convention.

(If your Certificate of Election has not been submitted yet, please take a moment right now to do so.)

IF ALTERNATES NEED TO REPLACE CURRENT DEPUTIES, the Secretary of the Diocese must be notified as soon as possible via email by the parish clergy, lay vicar, warden or clerk.
**Resolutions:** The only business to be conducted in this special convention is the election of the Bishop. No resolutions will be entertained at this Convention.

**Nomination Deadlines:**

- The 30-day independent nomination period **begins on May 8, 2023**
- All submissions **must be received no later than June 7, 2023**
- Nominations will not be accepted between June 8 and September 8, 2023
- Please use the **form provided.** The form must be filled out completely to be valid
- All documents requested must be received concurrently with the nomination form for a nomination to be valid
- Rule 1A allows for nominations from the floor at the convention however, such a nomination would not allow time for the requisite comprehensive review process

**Voting:** According to Article VIII of the Constitution of the Diocese of Albany, the vote for a Bishop is a Vote by Orders. Each canonically resident clergy person has one vote and each parish deputation as a whole casts one vote.

**Additional Information:** will be communicated as available. Be sure to check the [Episcopal Diocese of Albany Website](https://albanyepiscopaldiocese.org/episcopaltransition/) and your email for updates on a timeline, agenda, additional nominees, Meet and Greet sessions, registration etc.

Please feel free to reach out if you have any questions.

Grace and peace,

The Rev. Marian M. Sive
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