

9<sup>th</sup> August 2021

Dear Colleagues,

## **General Synod Elections 2021**

I am getting in touch to bring to your attention the current elections of General Synod. The Diocese of Derby has three clergy and three laity representatives, and I am keen to ensure everyone is made aware and can consider standing. I would be very grateful if you could include notice of these elections to your congregations over the next four weeks.

Being on General Synod is an opportunity to voice the contributions, and represent the concerns, of our diocese at a national level - voting on national legislation that affects all parts of the Church of England and contributing to discussion and debate on a wide range of topics. Our general Synod representatives bring that national perspective back into our context. It is good to have a full and diverse representation on this national platform.

Nominations are invited for representatives from the Diocese of Derby to General Synod for the next five-year term 2021 - 2026. The closing date for nominations is Wednesday, 1 September 2021.

You may wish to make available the resources below:

General Synod information on the Diocesan website - General Synod (anglican.org)

**General Synod Flyer** - <u>https://derby.anglican.org/en/about-us/governance/general-synod/general-synod-elections/download/4244\_2acc3a68b479c6fb000ca8936fc85323.html</u>

## Generals Synod Election Video – <u>https://youtu.be/i5OT7vC7mo0</u>

For further details please see the Diocesan website or contact Sian Kellogg sian.kellogg@derby.anglican.org

Finally, I ask that you hold these elections in your prayers, praying for all those considering standing for election, for the administration and forthcoming voting and for those elected as our representatives.

Be assured of my continuing prayers,

"Libby Derby