

VESTRY & DELEGATE ELECTIONS ON JANUARY 22

WE WILL BE ELECTING THREE NEW VESTRY MEMBERS

VOTING WILL TAKE PLACE BEFORE AND AFTER SERVICES ON SUNDAY, JANUARY 22. Check the insert in this Sunday's service leaflets for a rundown and picture on all candidates. Additional voting will be at the Annual Meeting on January 29 if necessary. There will be no nominations "from the floor", as all nominations received will be included on the ballot.

Church laws spell out that, while the priest is responsible for all spiritual matters in a parish, it is the vestry that handles the temporal affairs. Everybody knows that we are facing tight economic times in our nation. This is reflected in the ability of the parish to do what it needs to do. 2012 may be a time of belt tightening for Annunciation and this may affect how we operate, what programs we continue, and where our real priorities lie.

It is critical that we elect to the vestry the most valuable and concerned churchmen we can find to guide us through the days ahead.

What do we look for in vestry members? Here is my list.

1. The ability to cooperate with the clergy and with fellow members of the vestry, even when there are differing ideas.
2. A clear knowledge of the existing programs of the parish and why they are of value.
3. A solid spiritual life, exemplified by regular attendance at worship.
4. A willingness to participate in the ongoing life of the parish.
5. An openness to consider new ideas.
6. The willingness to reach out to new members and those you may not already know.
7. A strong commitment to Christian stewardship of time, tithe, and talent.
8. A willingness to lay aside your own agenda.

VESTRY CANDIDATES; VOTE FOR THREE

RICK CLELAND
RON DUNCAN
SHANNON GOODSON
MIKE JONES
BLAIR KING
KRISTI PACK
JIM YOUNG

CONVENTION DELEGATES: VOTE FOR FOUR

GREG ANDERSON
LAURA BRAUN
SHIRLEY JONES
JOE PACE

Note: All four will be elected. The new Senior Warden will also be a delegate.

