



## Elections & Nominations

The Annual Session of Synod in 2022 is the first of the 45<sup>th</sup> Triennial Synod and is therefore an **Election Synod**. During the session of Synod, ballots will be held for various boards, panels and committees.

As with Synod itself, the theological principle is applied that all the people of God – both lay and ordained – provide for the life and growth, as well as the order and good governance of the Church. This is reflected in the number and breadth of positions open for election.

A list of positions for which an election will be held, any specific requirements, and required forms for nomination may be found at the Synod 2022 website at <http://adelaideanglicans.com/synod-gatherings/synod-2022>

Nominations close **5pm Monday 26<sup>th</sup> September 2022**. Information to assist Members of Synod vote effectively will be provided at the first Business Session.

### Eligibility for Nomination

Not all positions require a nominee to be a Member of Synod. Many positions are open to *communicant members* of the Anglican Church as defined by the Constitution of the Diocese of Adelaide:

**"Member of the Church"** means a baptised person who attends the public worship of The Anglican Church of Australia and who declares that he or she is a member of The Anglican Church of Australia and not a member of any other religious denomination;

**"Communicant"** means a member of the Church who communicates (takes Communion) at least three times in the year of which Easter shall be one;

Eligibility is affirmed by nominees signing the applicable declaration:

- Lay Member of Synod: Declaration as per Fifth Schedule of the Constitution
- Clergy in licensed ministry in the Diocese of Adelaide: Oath and Declaration
- Not a member of Synod: Declaration as per the Schedule to the *Elections & Appointments Ordinance*.

Please note that members of Diocesan Council are required to undertake the Safe Ministry Screening process.

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**Registrar & Secretary of Synod**