

THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH

January 28, 2024

AGENDA FOR THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

Hymn 488 Be thou my vision Slane

A. Opening Prayer David May

B. Nominating Committee Report Jesse McCoy

C. Election of New Members of the Vestry*

*Note on eligibility to vote: those eligible to vote are adult confirmed communicants in good standing. 'Adult' is defined by the canons as 16 years or older.

D. Treasurer's Report Joe Cheely

E. Senior Warden's Report Ashley Barlow

F. Associate Rector's Report

G. Rector's Report

H. Motion to Adjourn the Meeting

Closing Prayer and Benediction

CLASS OF 2026 VESTRY NOMINEES

ANDY HOWLETT

Andy and Katie Howlett chose St. Mary's in 2015 on the recommendation of their friends Anne and Jesse McCoy. Their family of four knew they had found their church home as soon as they entered New St. Mary's for the first time and heard John Miller deliver his sermon. Andy officially became an Episcopalian in 2018 by reception. He has been involved in youth mission trips, the discernment committee, and the search committee that called David May as rector of Mary's.

The Auburn graduate works for Owens & Minor where he is a director of business operations and spends weekends as an "unpaid Uber driver" for daughter LJ and son Graydon, both of whom are active Richmond Kickers soccer players. Andy's ideal evening is one spent around a fire pit with good friends or at a concert at one of Richmond's many excellent music venues.

MARY-TALIAFERRO KEENEY

A Norfolk native, Mary-Taliaferro found the Episcopal Church as a University of Richmond student and was confirmed at St. Stephen's. She and husband Bruce attended All Saints for almost 40 years, then, in 2017, they moved to St. Mary's. Mary-Taliaferro immediately joined the Fellowship Committee, which she found was a great way to meet people. From there, she joined the Early Education Committee and the Altar Guild and volunteered for Vacation Bible School. A gifted artist, Mary-Taliaferro also enjoys providing the newly baptized with a ceramic cross on behalf of St. Mary's.

Professionally, she and Bruce ran a public relations and lobbying firm, prior to which she worked in the Virginia General Assembly. Since retiring last year Mary-Taliaferro feels fortunate to be more involved with St. Mary's and to support its mission and purpose.

MERIWETHER ROBERTS

Meriwether's life at St. Mary's began at age one when her family moved to Richmond and joined the church. She grew up attending Sunday School, Children's Chapel, and Vacation Bible School. After being confirmed, she participated in several youth mission trips. In her adult life at St. Mary's, she has volunteered with the youth and children's ministries through VBS, Children's Chapel, Youth Group, and teaching Sunday School. Most recently, she directed the 2023 Christmas Pageant. In addition, she has been a member of St. Mary's music ministry beginning at the age of four, singing in the Children's Choir, Treble Choir, and the Adult Choir.

Meriwether graduated from the University of South Carolina with a double major in accounting and supply chain management. She just received her MBA from City, University of London and is a technology and digital transformation consultant. She spends her free time with her golden retriever Ginny and sailing competitively.

FRANK TRICE

Frank and his family decided to try a new church on Easter Sunday 2009. They loved the service, the campus, and the peaceful feeling of the congregation. And they received enthusiastic approval from their U of R law-student babysitter from Atlanta who accompanied them! Over the years Frank and his wife Charmaine have become more attached to and involved with the church. Frank has served as a lay reader, usher, and lay Eucharistic minister. Daughters Garland and Rainey were both confirmed at St. Mary's.

Frank is a Board of Directors member at Davenport & Company LLC and heads up the advisory acquisitions efforts for the firm. He believes vestry service is a wonderful opportunity to help with the continued growth and development of St. Mary's Church and to work with the talented team David has cultivated over the last few years.

TREASURER'S REPORT				
Operating Budget	Actual 2022	Budget 2023	Actual 2023	Budget 2024
REVENUES				
Pledges Paid	\$ 1,149,323	\$ 1,200,000	\$ 1,311,320	\$ 1,324,000
Donations	264,154	185,000	283,903	207,000
Other Income	67,437	61,750	86,390	125,050
Total Revenues	\$ 1,480,914	\$ 1,446,750	\$ 1,681,613	\$ 1,656,050
EXPENSES				
Personnel & Admin Expenses	\$ 970,908	\$ 1,018,660	\$1,028,393	\$ 1,139,265
Ministry/Education	72,221	86,200	103,845	93,500
Outreach	174,260	136,500	155,366	175,750
Facilities & Grounds	209,341	205,390	254,719	247,220
Total Expenses	\$ 1,426,729	\$ 1,446,750	\$ 1,542,323	\$ 1,655,735
NET OPERATING KEY: SUPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$54,185	\$0	\$139,290	\$315