

# The 224<sup>th</sup> Annual Convention of the Diocese of Virginia

November 1-3, 2018, Downtown Marriott Hotel, Richmond, Virginia

## Elected Positions Nomination Form

Name: Barbara "Bambi" C. Willis  
Position Sought: Clerical Member of the Standing Committee  
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Please provide a biographical sketch for publication, including elected or appointed positions or ministries held at the parish, provincial and/or national church level and highlighting why you would like the position and believe you are qualified. Please include a **digital** photograph with the nomination form.

I was ordained to the priesthood in the Diocese of Virginia in 2005, after earning an M. Div. degree cum laude from Virginia Seminary. Prior to ordination, I earned a B. A. degree in mathematics and physics from Mary Washington College, served as president of the Rappahannock Mediation Center in Fredericksburg, completed a residency in pastoral care at MCV, and worked as a staff chaplain at Mary Washington Hospital on the palliative care unit and in the hospital's psychiatric facility. I currently serve as co-chair of the Commission on Ministry and as co-chair of the Committee on Discernment. I am Assisting Priest at Trinity, Fredericksburg, having previously served parishes in Richmond and Bowling Green.

As an assisting priest, I have the time to devote to the work of the Standing Committee. I also believe that during this period of transition, I can be a non-anxious presence as a result of my work as a chaplain. Uncertainty and angst accompany in some measure all transitions. I have also learned through my work in discernment, that asking good questions can help us hear more clearly the pleadings of the Holy Spirit. I also hope that my sense of humor will bring leaven to the serious and sobering work of the Standing Committee.

The next three years will be a new thing for our diocese and I would like to be a pastoral and prayerful part of that adventure because I have seen and experienced what God can do! My nomination is endorsed by the Fredericksburg Region.

Mail, fax or e-mail completed form no later than Wednesday, October 17, 2018 to: Secretary of the Diocese, 110 W. Franklin Street, Richmond, VA 23220  
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