



Descriptions of Elected Positions

Executive Council -- *one clergy and two lay from each region*

Meetings of Executive Council are held on the last Thursday evening of every second month.

The Executive Council exercises all the powers of Synod between synods. It is responsible for and coordinates the work of the various agents of the Synod. To this end it shall require and consider periodic reports from all such agents and all other bodies responsible to the Synod and from those elected by the Synod to represent it in other Synods and agencies of the Church.

Executive Council determines the need for diocesan staff, creates the required positions, ensures that sufficient funding is available to support the said positions, and defines or varies terms of appointment. It approves the annual budget, annual financial statements, clergy salary scales, establishment and disestablishment of parishes, purchase and sale of parish properties and alterations to buildings.

Diocesan Court -- *two clergy and two lay, one of whom must be a lawyer*

The Diocesan Court conducts the trial of any member of the Clergy charged with any offence pursuant to the provisions of the Canons relating to discipline. No such trial has yet been held in the history of the Diocese.

General Synod (2025) -- *three clergy, three lay, and one youth*

The General Synod of the Anglican Church of Canada is the governing body of our national church.



Provincial Synod (2027) -- three clergy, two lay, and one youth

The Ecclesiastical Province of the Northern Lights (formerly the Province of Rupert's Land) is comprised of dioceses in Alberta, Saskatchewan, western Ontario, the Northwest Territories, Nunavut and northern Quebec (Nunavik).

The General Synod and Provincial Synod generally meet every three years on different cycles. Elections for delegates to these synods are held at every diocesan Synod, even though the delegates elected may not have the opportunity to attend during their term. No person shall be elected for more than three consecutive terms.

The duties of General Synod and Provincial Synod delegates are as follows:

- (a) Make all reasonable efforts to participate in the deliberations and sessions of the Synod to which he or she has been elected a member;
- (b) Take reasonable steps to determine the views of members of the Synod of the Diocese of Edmonton and the people of the diocese on issues to be discussed and decided by the Synod of which he or she has been elected a member;
- (c) Ensure that the Diocese of Edmonton is fairly represented on the various Committees of the Synod of which he or she has been elected a member;
- (d) Report to the Synod of the Diocese of Edmonton or the Executive Council, as is appropriate, on the proceedings of the Synod of which he or she has been elected a member and on the proceedings of any committees of that Synod of which he or she is a member.

Recorders for the next (likely 2026) Synod -- one clergy and one lay

The duties of Clerical and Lay Recorders are to keep the Minutes of the Sessions of Synod and to prepare them for publication by the Secretary of Synod.