**2020 - Convention 89 ONLINE**

Due to COVID-19 and the possibility of the virus ramping up in the fall, the Bishop, the Standing Committee, Diocesan Council and our Chancellor have approved an online 2020 Annual Convention on Oct. 31st.

There are many details to accomplish for a successful online convention. Audio and video access for each delegate is imperative to the process. Below are (2) requirements outlined for delegate participation and eligibility. Clergy and Vestries may need to elect new delegates that meet the following requirements of eligibility for an online convention.

**ELIGIBILITY**

Delegates and Alternates;

**1)** Have access to an electronic device (computer, laptop, smart phone, other) with internet.

**2)** Have a personal email address (not shared with another delegate)

All churches may have at least one, and up to three lay delegates. All canonically resident and licensed clergy (Deacons & Priests) are delegates. To facilitate electronic processes, a deadline for alternates to be seated in place of a delegate will be set as of a date prior to Oct. 31. This will enable an efficient online registration and distribution of voting credentials.

**AGENDA for Convention 89**

Consists of the requirements according to the Roberts Rules of Order and Constitution and Canons.

* Online Registration
* Worship Service
* Business Sessions
* Bishops Address
* Budget and Audit Presentation
* Diocesan Office Elections

**TIMELINE**

**June**

**1** Nominations open for elective office

**July**

**21** Diocesan Council approves First Draft 2021 Budget

**24** 2021 1st DRAFT Budget is released and distributed for feedback

**30** Parish Clergy have confirmed the names and emails of their delegation

**August**

**1** Nominations close for elective office

**11** ONLINE Budget Presentation for delegates and other leadership

**September**

**15** Diocesan Council approves final 2021 Budget

**21** Pre-Registration for eligible delegates

**22** ONLINE Pre-Convention meeting - Final 2021 review and logistics

**October**

**1** Testing registration and voting credentials

**29** Last day for alternates to be seated as delegates

**31** ONLINE Registration and Convention

More details to come!