Greetings friends on behalf of the Electoral Nominating Committee;

I have been given the task of chairing our diocesan Electoral Nominating Committee in the search for a new diocesan bishop and suffragan bishop. After prayerful consideration I am happy to announce the members of this committee which I believe represents the diversity of our beloved diocese.

Representing the West

The Rev. Sean Love

Mrs. Joan Deeks

Representing Asian and Multicultural Ministries in Canada

The Rev. Anson Ann

Mrs. Joyce Lee

From the East

The Rev. Canon Chris Doering The Rev. Marion Karasiuk Mr. Ken Bartlett

Our mandate is to Prepare a list of qualified candidates for two episcopal elections including the Coadjutor Bishop at the 2021 Synod and the Suffragan Bishop at the 2022 Synod.

Our first task is to pray.

And so we are calling on our diocese to join us in praying for our next bishops. God is faithful and we know that the Lord has already in mind these two men. Our job as a diocese is to discern the Lord's will in this regard.

I have chosen John 17:20-21 as our theme verses: "I do not ask for these only, but also for those who will believe in me through their word, 21 that they may all be one, just as you, Father, are in me, and I in you, that they also may be in us, so that the world may believe that you have sent me." This prayer of Jesus highlights the vital importance of unity, and the sense of mission.

There is much work to be done but here is a timeline that we are working towards:

January 2021: Call to Prayer.

May 1st, 2021, (at least 6 months before Synod), the ENC (via ANIC Office) will provide advance notice to the Members (bishops, clergy, parishes, appointees) of the Synod at which an election of Coadjutor Bishop will occur. This advance notice shall specify the date of the Synod and provide information on the process to nominate qualified candidates.

July 1st, 2021: Deadline for nominations for the Coadjutor Bishop.

July 1st, 2021, the Diocesan Bishop will determine the days of prayer leading to the election. The ENC will advise bishops, clergy, and parishes of the days of prayer and posted them on the ANiC website.

The ENC will request ANiC's Prayer Coordinator, to include the days on the Prayer Calendar.

The ENC will ensure nominated candidates meet the requirements of the ACNA Customary and Canons, and the ANiC canons and confirm their willingness to let their name stand for election prior to confirming eligibility. Each nominee must also agree to participate in the approved screening process as outlined in the Archbishops Customary.

September 15th, 2021, the Diocesan Council will publish the list of eligible and willing candidates with their biographies and statements of vision.

The ENC shall: recommend at least two (2) nominees for election.

November 2021 Synod and the election of a Co-Adjutor Bishop.

January 2022: College of Bishops Consent of Co-Adjutor.

February 2022: Consecration of Co-Adjutor Bishop by

Archbishop Foley Beach.

<u>February 2022:</u> Process begins for the nomination of a Suffragan Bishop

November 2022: Electoral Synod for Suffragan Bishop

It is my plan to give you frequent updates all through the process so please stay tuned to our diocesan website.

Attached are a couple of the documents that we are working through.

We are planning on contacting each parish, so please expect a call from a committee member.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me or anyone else on our committee.

Bless you

The Ven. Paul Charbonneau

Chair of the Electoral Nominating Committee