

St Mary's Anglican Church North Melbourne

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St Mary's Parish Electoral Roll

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Electoral Roll 2020

In preparation for the Annual Meeting we are required to consider revisions to the Electoral Roll. Only those on the Electoral Roll have the right to attend and vote at the Annual Meeting or to be elected to office, such as Warden or Council Member. As at the last Annual Meeting, November 2019, there were 65 people on that Roll.

Part of the revision process is removing the names of those who have died or who no longer meet the eligibility criteria (for example if they have relocated, often to another country or State).

We are also required to add the names of those who wish to join the Electoral Roll and are eligible to do so. One criterion that has to be met is that the person to be enrolled "regularly and habitually" attends public worship at St Mary's. In the current unprecedented situation, where the church has been closed, a certain amount of flexibility will need to be shown in assessing this. Please don't be put off applying just because you have not been able to attend a closed church! If anyone wants to join the Electoral Roll please contact Richard who will send you the form: office@stmarys.org.au.

Of course the wider St Mary's community includes many more people than are on the Electoral Roll - there are 155 addressees on the parish email list, for example. Some might want to join the Electoral Roll but have not yet got round to it. If you are in that category we urge you to get in touch with Richard.

In normal times we would display the current Electoral Roll for a few Sundays in Church so that people could check if they are on it. We cannot do that as the church is closed. We could post the current Roll on Facebook and the Parish website but perhaps not everyone would be happy to have their names published in this way. So, if you want to check if you are on the Roll, we suggest that you get in touch with Richard and he will clarify that for you.

The Anglican Diocese is conjunction with St Mary's Anglican Church North Melbourne does not tolerate abuse, harassment or other misconduct within our communities. If any person has concerns about behaviour of a church worker, past or present. The Diocese of Melbourne is committed to doing all that is possible to ensure that abuse does not occur. All complaints of abuse are taken very seriously, and we do all we can to lessen harm. We offer respect, pastoral care and ongoing long-term support to anyone who makes a complaint. St Mary's Statement of Commitment to Child Safety is on our noticeboard and can be downloaded from our website www.stmarys.org.au. PLEASE REPORT ABUSE CALL 1800 135 246