

2023 Warden and Vestry Nominees

Jane Garofano, nominated for her 1st term as Junior Warden



Calvin De Mond, nominated for his 1st full term as Vestry Member



Calvin has been at St. Mary's since the 80's. He and his lovely wife Inna were married by Fr. Crome. He has served on the vestry before. He was also on the search committee. He was integral to St. Mary's in developing our live stream system. He has given years of dedication and support to the church and greater community.



Manoj Govindan, nominated for his 1st full term as Vestry Member

I grew up migrating to idyllic towns and cities across India following my father's ascending career in marketing and sales. The eldest of two boys and among 30+ first cousins coming from a matriarchal family in south India, I went to Catholic school for some parts of my middle school (standard of English was better given the Anglo-Saxon nuns as teachers). Came to the US for my first job at Ford Motor Co in Detroit. I am a technology innovation executive now helping big institutions like Bank of America, Wells Fargo, Delta Airlines and CNN/Turner grow and succeed by investing in and leveraging new and exciting technology.

Met my now husband 24 years ago on Christmas Eve, and married him 15 years later at St Barts Episcopal in Manhattan. We bought a cute Hollywood Regency fixer upper in Tuxedo Park last year and found community and camaraderie at St Mary's!



Inger Grüterich, nominated for her second full term



Sue Heywood, nominated to fill the open unexpired term of Bill Steinmann (one year)

Born in England just before World War Two, I grew up with parents who volunteered and led several organizations serving the town and beyond, during, and after the war. Reaching out to help others was simply a way of life. After 27 years working in different parts of Africa, Malta and the UK we came to the USA. I was superintendent of the Church School in St John's, Ramsey, for 12 years before moving to Tuxedo.

I joined St Mary's in 2001 when we came to live in Tuxedo. For several years I was superintendent of the Church School and produced a series of pageants and children's services where the children took all the roles needed to conduct the service, including the sermon! I was also on the Outreach Committee.

Joe Hlavka was Chair. After Joe retired in 2008, I was honored to be asked to chair the committee, which I have done, and loved doing, ever since. I am a Lay Reader, Acolyte and Eucharistic Minister and have served on the Vestry for two periods of six years. St Mary's and the parish community are a big part of my life and working with the Outreach Committee we have been able to make a significant difference to so many less fortunate than ourselves.



Dennis Trotter, nominated to fill the open unexpired term of Jane Garofano (two years)

It was a lively childhood with 8 brothers and sisters and 1 bathroom. I went to Catholic grammar school, where I sang in the boys choir, and public high school. Fast forward to the present and I have around (lost count) 40 nieces and nephews. I proudly served as a U.S. Air Force medical corpsman and EMT during the Vietnam era, later earning a BA in zoology from Rutgers University. My professional career was in the food processing industry...Tuscan Dairy, Dannon Yogurt and a 30 year run with Anheuser-Busch as a brewing chemist where the monthly allotment of free beer made me very popular. Along the way I did a lot of bad stuff too, which I will reveal only under the seal of the confessional! Keeping on the straight and narrow is one of the reasons I am a regular church-goer. Eight years ago

Peter, my partner of 32 years, and I bought a home in Tuxedo. We feel very blessed to live here. We first came to St. Mary's during Rev. McWhorter's tenure and have been coming since. It's an honor and pleasure to be a part of this beautiful historic church.