

Warden and Vestry Nominations

St. Mary's-in-Tuxedo Episcopal Church

January 17, 2021

From the parish bylaws:

“The Vestry, as the board of trustees of the Parish Corporation, shall consist of the Rector, church wardens and Vestry members and shall have the custody and control of all the temporalities and property, real and personal, belonging to the Parish Corporation and of the revenues therefrom ... At each annual election ... one church warden shall be elected to serve for a term of two years and three Vestry members shall be elected each to serve for a term of three years”

Current Vestry

- Lili Neuhauser, Senior Warden, '21
- William Mincey, Junior Warden, '20
- Frank Favia, Treasurer, '20
- Jane Garofano, Clerk, '21
- Inger Gruterich '22
- Joann Hanson '20
- Sue Heywood '21
- Elizabeth Ochieng '21
- Sally Sonne '22
- Bill Steinmann '20
- Dennis Trotter '22

2021 Nominees

- Dennis Trotter, for his first term as Junior Warden
- Barbara Anderson, to fill Mr. Trotter's unexpired term of 2 years
- JoAnn Hanson, for her first full term (currently serving a partial term)
- George Robertson, for his first full term
- William Steinmann, for his second full term

Biographies



Dennis Trotter

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.



Barbara Anderson

I came to St. Mary's when I moved to Sloatsburg in 1998. I was invited to join the choir by the Musical director, Pat Sohn, and have been singing regularly ever since. Pat Lavier was the Alto section leader and we became close friends. When she moved, I became section leader for about 15 years; it ended with Covid. In addition to the choir, I've been active in fund raising events over the years and a member of four search committees (1 pastor and 3 musical

directors). Both our children, Kyle and Taylor, were actively involved as children in St. Mary's and during those years I was helping with music, Sunday school, etc. I have many fond memories! Outside of church, I grew up in Rockland and spent 30 years teaching music in Nyack. I was a music teacher since 1981 in public schools; I've recently retired. My children are grown and I have two beautiful grandchildren who live in Germany. I also have a wonderful husband, Craig, who is so helpful with everything!!



George Robertson

Canadian with family from Cape Breton, Nova Scotia via the United States and Ontario.

Proudest work achievement: offshore winter fishing trawlerman, Nova Scotia.

Proudest personal achievement: Marrying Odeta.

Second proudest achievement: Three children graduated from USMA and USNA.

Faith: Protestant Episcopalian (Luther stated: "All that matters is that God's Word be given free course to encourage and enliven hearts so that they do not become burdened.")

Moved to New York City in 1981 to pursue a financial career started at, then, Salomon Brothers and concluded the NY phase at Morgan Stanley Investment Management as a division business head (fixed income) in 2011.

Since 2011 have been heavily vested with sports promotion, seeking to bring elite rugby to the US market.

Raised in Scotch Presbyterian and became Episcopalian when became a member of St Barts, NYC in 1983.

Married to Odeta. Seven children (now including 4 stepchildren), three active duty (Navy, USMC, US Army) and one reserve US Army. The non-military three are an upcoming CPA in Boston, early-stage educator in Brooklyn, and a rising Senior at SUNY Binghamton.

We have been very fortunate to discover Tuxedo Park and St Marys.

I am excited and looking forward to doing all I can to help the St Marys ministry under Pastor Rick and the parish.