

SECTION 1 - ADMINISTRATION

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1.4.4 Mandate of the Ministry Committee

1.4.4.1 Purpose

In consultation with the Lay Minister of Word and Sacrament Leadership team, the Provincial Synod Standing committee on Ministry and the work of the Anglican Church of Canada initiatives, the purpose of the Ministry Committee is:

- To develop a vision of ministry which is grounded in baptism and affirms and encourages the gifts of all;
- To explore the present and future needs for ministry with the parishes and communities of the Central Interior;
- To research and recommend some practical models of ministry;
- To deepen understanding and perception of the particular gifts of the four-fold orders of ministry: episcopacy, priesthood, diaconate, and laity;
- Review the present discernment process for those seeking ordination as Deacons and Priests within TOTP, reviewing educational opportunities and standards under discussion by the Anglican Church of Canada and Provincial Synod Standing Committee on Ministry;
- Develop a discernment process for locally raised up deacons and priests, and educational requirements for them
- To strengthen and develop partnerships with the various orders of ministry

1.4.4.2 Membership

The Ministry Committee will consist of 6 members appointed by the Bishop in consultation with Coordinating Council, with equal representation from each of the two Deaneries:

- one clergy and one lay member from each Deanery (4)
- two members at large (2)

1.4.4.3 Term of Office

- Term of office for each member is two (2) years
- Members may serve 3 consecutive terms
- Members having completed three (3) consecutive terms may serve again after an absence of at least one year
- Authority will rest with the Bishop in consultation with Coordinating Council to provide an extension to a term of office

1.4.4.4 Meetings

- The Ministry Committee meets a minimum of four (4) times a year with some meetings held electronically
- A quorum of any Committee of TOTP shall consist of one half of the members

1.4.4.5 Replacement of Members

- From time to time a member of the Ministry Committee may leave office due to:
 - Death
 - Resignation
 - Attendance Problem
 - Other legitimate reason
- At which time it shall be at the Bishop's discretion in consultation with the Ministry Committee Chair and Coordinating Council to appoint a substitute member to complete the remainder of the term of office