



The Episcopal Diocese of Springfield

Standing Committee

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Dear Clergy of the Diocese of Springfield:

Re: Secretary of the Nominating Synod

In light of the fact that the Secretary of the Diocese, The Very Reverend Gene R. Tucker, is a nominee for the Eleventh Bishop of Springfield and the Assistant Secretary, The Reverend Sylvia L. Howard, serves under his direction as the Assisting Deacon at St. John's, Centralia, both members of the clergy have asked to be recused as Secretary and Assistant Secretary respectively at the Nominating Synod on August 7, 2010.

In accordance with the Constitution of the Diocese of Springfield, Article VIII – **Secretary of the Diocese** –

“...Whenever there is a vacancy in the office of the Secretary of the Synod, *his* duties shall be performed by the Assistant Secretary and if none by the Secretary of the Standing Committee.”

In view of this, all correspondence regarding the Nominating Synod will be sent by the Secretary of the Standing Committee, The Reverend Christopher L. Ashmore. He will also perform the duties of Secretary of the Nominating Synod.

Please convey the above-mentioned information to your lay delegates. Information concerning the Nominating Synod will be sent shortly.

Every Blessing!

Faithfully yours in Christ,

The Very Rev. Dr. Anthony B. Holder
President, The Standing Committee