## SAINT MARK'S EPISCOPAL CATHEDRAL

## Council Policy #1 Elections Procedures

Approved 10/16/2014

At the meeting of the St. Mark's Cathedral Council on Thursday, September 18, 2014, the Council voted on and approved the following five points.

- (A) What to do when there is a tie vote for a Council member position of an officer position:
  - <u>Council decision</u>: Coin toss resolves tie; loser is offered guarantied Committee/Commission position.
- (B) What to do with respect to filling Council Seats with terms that are less than 3 years:
  - <u>Council decision</u>: Candidates & Council members queried in advance on possible preferences for shorter terms; then officers, currently serving Council members and involved Council members discuss and resolve by consensus.
- (C) What to do to assure that each newly fielded Council contains members willing and able to take an open Committee and Commission chair positions.
  - <u>Council decision</u>: Candidates encouraged to declare capabilities in bios; Wardens confer with winning candidates to decide on how to fill vacant chairs.
- (D) Whether the nominations/elections process should begin earlier in the year.
  - <u>Council decision</u>: Bring nominations opening to mid-October; filing deadline in late November; candidate booklet issued in mid-December; for voting in late January.
- (E) Whether voting by proxy, early voting, or electronic voting should be permitted.
  - <u>Council decision</u>: Allow casting of advance ballots by hard-copy submission to Canon Administrator.