

Certification of election of lay delegates to the Sixty-First Annual Convention of the Diocese of San Joaquin, which will convene on November 6, 2020

Certification of lay delegates is Canonically required by July 1st of each year.

Church: _____

We do hereby certify that the following persons were duly elected as lay Delegates and Alternate Delegates to the Sixtieth Annual Convention of the Diocese of San Joaquin on November 6, 2020.

	Delegate Name (required)	Email Address (required)	Phone
1.			
2.			
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8.			
	Alternate Name (required, if any)	Email Address (required, if any are named)	Phone
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2.			
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Use, and include, extra paper if you need to add more names.

We further certify that, according to our most recent Annual Parochial Report, this congregation has _____ average Sunday attendance, and that the above named are qualified voters.

Signature of Rector or Vicar

and

Signature of Secretary or Clerk

You can also certify your delegates online using this link: <https://forms.gle/uicRUmsKRpJgMiWv5> which is also available on our website at www.dioceseofsanjoaquin.net. Click on the Convention tab.

Canon II – Members of Convention

Sec. 2.01 One (1) week before the meeting of any Convention of the Diocese, the Ecclesiastical Authority shall prepare a list of all the Clergy of the Church canonically resident in the Diocese, together with their respective cures and domiciles. Such list shall be laid before the Convention at the opening of the meeting and prefixed to the Journal. In the said list shall be declared the names of those Clergymen entitled to seats and votes in the Convention and such declaration shall be taken as presumptive evidence of the right of those indicated to seats and votes in the Convention. All Clergy licensed by the Ecclesiastical Authority to officiate in the Diocese but not canonically resident shall be entitled to seat and voice without vote.

Sec. 2.02 (a) Lay Delegates and Alternates to Convention shall be communicants in good standing and be elected by the congregation or, should the congregation fail to elect, by the Vestry, and their appointment shall be certified by the Chairman and Secretary of the meeting at which they were elected, on forms provided by the Secretary of Convention for that purpose. For Annual Conventions the list of Delegates' and Alternates' names and addresses shall be forwarded to the diocesan office by July 1, and for Special Conventions at least twenty-one (21) days prior to the time appointed for the meeting. A copy of this list shall be forwarded to the Secretary of Convention and the appropriate Rural Dean. Said list shall be presumptive evidence of the right to seat, voice, and vote of Lay Delegates in the Convention named therein. Thereafter, a copy of this list shall be available to those who request it.

(b) The following definitions pertaining to any use of "Communicant" shall apply throughout these Canons:

- (1) **Definition of Communicant:** All members of this Church who have received Holy Communion in this Church at least three times during the preceding year and who uphold the Doctrine and Discipline of this Province are to be considered communicants of this Church.
- (2) **Definition of Adult Communicant:** All communicants 18 years old or older are considered Adult Communicants of this Church.
- (3) **Definition of Communicant in Good Standing:** All communicants of this Church who for the previous year have been faithful in corporate worship, unless for good cause prevented, and have been faithful in working, praying, and giving for the spread of the Kingdom of God, are to be considered communicants in good standing.

Sec. 2.03 All congregations shall be entitled to the following representation, based upon the latest available annual parochial report:

1	- 75	average Sunday attendance	2 delegates
76	-125	average Sunday attendance	3 delegates
126	-200	average Sunday attendance	4 delegates
201	-350	average Sunday attendance	5 delegates
351	-500	average Sunday attendance	6 delegates
501	-700	average Sunday attendance	7 delegates
over	700	average Sunday attendance	8 delegates

Sec. 2.04 Alternate Delegates to Convention shall be seated in the absence of the regular appointees in the order in which their names appear on the certificates as described in Sec. 2.02 herein. This order is normally determined by the greater number of votes received at the time of election.