



APPLICATION FOR BISHOP

Bishop Search Committee
Episcopal Diocese of Florida

Thank you for your interest in our search for the ninth Bishop of the Episcopal Diocese of Florida. We are honored by your interest in our diocese and look forward to hearing from you. This application is to be completed by **all** applicants for Bishop of Florida. It is being used to help the diocese provide a safe and secure environment for all children, youth, clergy, and lay persons who participate in our diocesan programs and use our facilities.

Please email the application and required attachments to fl.bishop.app@gmail.com by **Monday, March 23, 2026**. Please include your last name in the "Subject" line of your email.

Please fill out this form completely.

PERSONAL INFORMATION

Legal name	
Other names previously used or known by	
Title	
Preferred manner of address	
Preferred telephone number	
Preferred email address	
Preferred pronouns	
Date of birth	
Mailing address	
Marital status	
If previously married, dates of marriage, divorce, or widowhood	
Name and age of children	
Diocese where canonically resident	
Current position	
Years in that position	



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EDUCATION

Degree	
Educational institution	
Field of study	
Year of graduation	

Degree	
Educational institution	
Field of study	
Year of graduation	

Degree	
Educational institution	
Field of study	
Year of graduation	

Seminary degree	
Educational institution	
Field of study	
Year of graduation	

ORDINATION HISTORY

ORDINATION TO THE DIACONATE

Date	
Diocese	

ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD

Date	
Diocese	



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ORDINATION TO THE EPISCOPATE (IF APPLICABLE)

Date	
Diocese	

If you are now serving as a Bishop Diocesan or Bishop Coadjutor of a diocese in The Episcopal Church, will you have been in that position for at least five years by **September 11, 2026**, the date of our diocese's election convention, as required by the canons of the Episcopal Church?

Yes
No
Not currently a bishop

SOCIAL MEDIA ACCOUNTS

App/Platform	
Username	
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QUESTION

On a separate sheet (in 12-point typeface), please answer this question in no more than **500** words:

Why do you feel that the Holy Spirit might be leading you to be our next bishop, and what would you bring to the Diocese of Florida?

Submit your answer with the additional materials listed in the next section of this application form.

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS

Along with this application form, please provide these materials:

- A cover letter.
- Your answer to the question posed in the **Question** section of this application form.
- Your OTM portfolio.
- Résumé or curriculum vitae (CV)
- Link to a sermon video or sermon online. (If this is a problem, please email us.)
- Names and contact information for any bishops under whom you have served.

Please note: The application form will be considered incomplete without all information requested. If you have any problems with this form or with accessing this additional information, please email us.

Thank you again for taking the time to participate in this sacred search for our next Bishop of the Diocese of Florida. We look forward to hearing from you soon and to learning more about you. Please sign the following acknowledgement and consent form:

Non-Discrimination: Per Title III, Canon 1, Section 2 of the Canons of the General Convention of The Episcopal Church, no person shall be denied access to the discernment process or to any process for the employment, licensing, calling, or deployment for any ministry, lay or ordained, in this Church because of race, color, ethnic origin, immigration status, national origin, sex, marital or family status (including pregnancy and child care plans), sexual orientation, gender identity and expression, disabilities or age, except as otherwise provided by these Canons. No right to employment, licensing, ordination, call, deployment, or election is hereby established. Per Title III, Canon 1, Section 3 of the Canons of the General Convention of The Episcopal Church, no person shall be denied access to the discernment process or to any process for the employment, licensing, calling, or deployment for any ministry, lay or ordained, in this Church because of their conscientiously-held theological belief that marriage is a covenant between a man and a woman, or that marriage is a covenant between two people. No right to employment, licensing, ordination, call, deployment, or election is hereby established. In dioceses where the bishop exercising ecclesiastical authority (or, where applicable, ecclesiastical supervision) is unable, for reasons of conscientiously-held theological belief, to ordain a



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person who holds one of the above-named theological beliefs, the bishop exercising ecclesiastical authority (or ecclesiastical supervision) shall invite another bishop of this Church to provide access to the discernment process for ordination.

Confidential: All information on this application is treated as confidential. The persons responsible for interviewing the applicant will have access to this information, including, but are not limited to priest, program or agency director/coordinator, school principal, or search committee members.

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APPLICANT'S CERTIFICATION AND RELEASE

I hereby certify that all of the facts and information listed on this application are true and complete. I understand that any false, incomplete or misleading information given by me on this application is sufficient cause for rejection of this application. Under penalty of perjury, I swear or affirm that the information contained in this application is complete and correct.

I hereby authorize the Diocese of Florida to investigate all statements contained in this application, interview the references and previous employers listed in this application, and to obtain a credit report from a consumer reporting agency to be used for employment purposes in accordance with the Fair Credit Reporting Act.

I hereby authorize the references and previous employers listed to give all facts, opinions and evaluations concerning my previous employment, and any other information they may have, personal or otherwise, and I release all such parties from any liability which may allegedly arise from furnishing such information including, but not limited to, any liability for defamation or invasion of privacy.

I understand and agree that a complete background investigation may be conducted with respect to me and I authorize any references or churches listed in this application to give you any information (including opinions) that they may have regarding my character and fitness for Bishop of the Diocese of Florida. In consideration of the receipt and evaluation of this application by the Diocese of Florida, its congregations, and agencies, I hereby release any individual, church, youth organization, charity, employer, reference, or any other person or organization, including record custodians, both collectively and individually, from any and all liability for damages of whatever kind or nature which may at any time result to me, my heirs, or family, on account of compliance or any attempts to comply, with this authorization. I waive any right that I may have to inspect any information provided about me by any person or organization identified by me in this application.

Should I be elected Bishop, I agree to be bound by the Canons, Policies and Procedures of the Diocese of Florida and its congregations and agencies, as well as the Canons, Policies and Procedures of the Episcopal Church in the USA in the performance of my services on behalf of the church.

I further state that **I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THE FOREGOING RELEASE AND KNOW THE CONTENTS THEREOF AND I SIGN THIS RELEASE AS MY OWN FREE ACT.** This is a legally binding agreement which I have read and understand.

Your full name (typing your name in the space provided serves as your legal signature)	
Date	