

# Convention Clarity



It's an exciting time in the life of our diocese as we anticipate the election of a new diocesan bishop and prepare for The Rt. Rev. Gregory O. Brewer's final annual convention. Two unique conventions – the Special Electing Convention and the 54th Annual Diocesan Convention – are scheduled for early 2023. However, with two conventions occurring only three weeks apart, it's important to clearly distinguish the differences between the two events. Here's a handy guide that will help you apply some "conventional wisdom" and plan accordingly.

## Special Electing Convention Jan. 14, 2023

**Purpose:** Elect a new diocesan bishop

**Location:** Trinity Preparatory School, Winter Park

**Delegates:** Those persons who were delegates to the 2022 Diocesan Convention or their alternates

**Deadline:** Certification of delegates and alternates must be transmitted to the diocesan office 10 days before the Electing Convention

**Attendance:** This will be an in-person event, and certified delegates must attend (there will be a viewing section open to the public)

**Voting:** Voting will take place electronically via VPOLL, but **not remotely**, and delegates/alternates must bring their own WiFi-enabled device and have a unique email address

**Pre-Convention Meetings:** There will be no pre-Convention deanery meetings, but there will be an online practice voting session for delegates and alternates

## Annual Diocesan Convention Feb. 3-4, 2023

**Purpose:** Conduct annual business

**Location:** Holy Trinity Episcopal Academy, Melbourne

**Delegates:** Those persons elected as delegates for the Feb. 3-4, 2023, annual Diocesan Convention

**Deadline:** Certification of delegates and alternates must be transmitted to the diocesan office 10 days before the annual convention

**Attendance:** This will be an in-person event, and certified delegates must attend (unreserved seating is open to the public)

**Voting:** Voting will take place electronically via VPOLL, but **not remotely**, and delegates/alternates must bring their own WiFi-enabled device and have a unique email address

**Pre-Convention Meetings:** Pre-Convention deanery meetings will be held along with a subsequent online practice voting session