

Ecclesiastical Province of Canada
Metropolitan Election 2020
Request for profile Information Form

The names of all Diocesan Bishops of the Province of Canada will be on the ballot. Each Bishop is asked to provide the following **profile information and a photo** to be distributed to all eligible synod delegates.

1. Basic Information

- a. Full Name: **Bruce Joseph Andrew Myers**
- b. Diocese: **Quebec**

2. Ordinations:

- a. Date of ordination as a Deacon: **1 May 2004**
- b. Date of ordination as a Priest: **20 November 2004**
- c. Date of ordination as a Bishop: **5 May 2016**

3. A short statement (about 100 words) their understanding of episcopal ministry.

My understanding of episcopal ministry is necessarily shaped by the vows I took at my ordination as a bishop. These include safeguarding the church's faith, unity, and discipline; providing for the sacraments and ordering ministers; supporting all the baptized in their ministries; and sharing in the government of the whole church. It's that ordination promise to share in leadership of the wider church that's perhaps most pertinent to this particular process. As a diocesan bishop I have sought to exercise my episcopal ministry collaboratively, in a team, interpreting my role as a kind of first among equals. I would seek to bring a similar understanding to the ministry of metropolitan.

4. A short statement (about 100 words) outlining their view on the mission and vision for the Province of Canada.

I have been involved in the life of the Province of Canada for more than a decade—as a synod and council member, officer, and now as a bishop. Much of that time has been taken up with conversations about what the mission and purpose of the ecclesiastical province is. A clear articulation of our province's role in the wider life and work of our church continues to elude us. The crisis provoked by the COVID-19 pandemic is obliging us all like never before—in every aspect of our individual and collective lives, including the church at its local, regional, and national expressions—to discern what is essential and what we can do without, and where God in Christ's redeeming and renewing work is unfolding. Especially post-pandemic, the structures of the ecclesiastical province must assist us in participating in God's redeeming mission in ways that other expressions of the church do not, otherwise they will needlessly absorb precious time, energy, and resources.

5. Photo

