

**Election for the St. Mary's-on-the-Highlands
Vestry Class of 2029
Nominee Profiles**

In accordance with our parish By-Laws, Section 5.7(B), we will vote on the following slate of nominees for the Vestry Class of 2029. The 2026 Vestry Election Meeting will be held on Sunday, November 22. All adult communicants (ages 16 and up) are eligible to vote.

**Cora Causey
John Dorlon
Fluff Roberts**

**Nate Cartmell
Allyson Edwards**

This year's nominating committee includes retiring vestry members Lora Blalock, Cheryl Brakefield, David Cain, Gordon Martin, and Clayton Trotter, plus four at-large members from the parish: **Laura Beale, Taylor Caine, Ashley Kaplan, and Atkins Roberts.**

Nominee Profiles

Nate Cartmell

Personal:

- Married to Lindsay Joe Cartmell
- Two children: Ann Henry (4) and Nathaniel (22 mo.)
- Attorney at Maynard Nexsen
- B.A. *cum laude* from Vanderbilt University; J.D. from the University of Alabama School of Law
- Prior to law school, taught English in Paris, France, to local students

St. Mary's Activities and Service:

- Baptized at St. Mary's; after living in CA, returned as a communicant in 2016
- Young Adult Men's Small Group



Cora Causey

Personal:

- Married to Allan Causey
- Two grown children: Kate Causey, recently married to Ali; and Sarah Coleman Causey
- Graduate of Birmingham Southern College (1989) and UAB (1992, 2016)
- Assistant Professor of Early Childhood, UAB School of Education and Human Sciences
- Director, Use Your Noodle, Avondale Samaritan Place Summer Program

St. Mary's Activities and Service:

- Member for 3 years
- Regular attendee of Morning Prayer
- Catechist (Trained for Levels I and II)
- Altar Guild member
- Cursillo (240)



Community Service:

- UAB Early Head Start Governing Body
- Advent Episcopal School, Executive Board
- Undergraduate Curriculum Committee, University of Alabama at Birmingham
- STAIR, School of Education and Human Sciences Liaison
- Peer Reviewer for NAEYC Accreditation of Early Childhood Higher Education Programs

Hobbies:

- Beekeeping
- Gardening
- Needlepoint
- Yoga

John Dorlon

Personal:

- Married to Jenna Dorlon
- Two children: Olivia (8) and Lucy (6)
- Parents Skip and Jenna Dorlon are also long-time members of St. Mary's.

St. Mary's Activities and Service:

- Baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's. After moving away for a number of years, returned in 2003
- Assistant Treasurer (2013-2015) and Treasurer (2016-2018)
- Usher
- Outreach Committee



Allyson Edwards

Personal

- Graduate of the University of Alabama (Accounting - 1986 and Law School - 1992)
- Currently retired from a professional career in accounting, law, and management
- Worked for accounting firms, law firms, and in the automotive industry

St. Mary's Activities and Service:

- Member of St. Mary's since 2022
- Regular attender of 5 PM service
- Amistad Mission Trips
- Current Education for Ministry (EfM) participant
- Wednesday Bible Study

Community Service

- Room mom at Glen Iris Elementary School
- St. Mark's food pantry volunteer
- HOA board president
- Credit Union supervisory chairperson
- Birmingham Tip Off Club Board Member and Treasurer



Fluff Roberts

Personal:

- Married to Atkins
- Three boys: Atkins (24), JK (21), Anderson (19), all three baptized and confirmed at St. Mary's
- Lifelong Episcopalian, member of St. Mary's since 2001
- Graduate of Hollins College (1994), majoring in Economics

St. Mary's Activities and Service:

- 18-year teacher of Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, trained in Levels 1-3
- ECW Past President
- Flower Guild member
- Regular volunteer at HUMC breakfasts
- VBS and Created for a Purpose volunteer
- 3-time Amistad Mission trip
- Former Glen Iris room parent, Horizon mentor, and St. Mary's breakfast team member



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