



Nadine Daniel BEM

CONTACT

Thank you for reading my electoral statement, I hope you will give me your first preference vote. If you would like to contact me about anything, I would be very happy to hear from you.

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NOMINATIONS

- Nominated by Sir Mark Hedley (Lay Chair North Liverpool & Walton Deanery)
- Seconded by Jillian Moorland-Duff (South Sefton Deanery)

EXPERIENCE

- Serving on PCC, Deanery Synod, Diocesan Synod, Bishops Council, and the VinS.
- In July I was elected to serve my second stint as Lay Chair of the Deanery.
- I am the only Anglican commissioner of the Liverpool Archdiocese Justice & Peace Commission and am the Anglican Ecumenical Adviser to the Archdiocesan Synodical Council.

● Standing for re-election to the House of Laity of General Synod

About Me

I am 63, married to Philip for 33 years and whilst not blessed with children, we are owned by an entertaining clowder of cats. My passion is music in all its iterations, and I subscribe to St Augustine's belief that "they who sing, pray twice". My faith has always been central to my life since I joined the choir of Christ Church, Norris Green aged seven. Today I worship at St Margaret of Antioch, Princes Road, a Liberal Catholic Church Plant serving one of Liverpool's most diverse, multi faith communities, where our conviction is simple; all are welcome always. I am active at Parish, Deanery, Diocesan, and National Church level.

My Faith

I know that to live out my life as a Christian in an incarnational and faithful way, my faith has to be one of witness to Christ's teaching in everything that I do. Acknowledging that I am human and very imperfect, I continue to strive to do all that I can do in Christ's service.

My Record on General Synod

I feel called to continue to serve on General Synod, as the Church of England faces many important decisions about its future direction, and it is vital that a diversity of voices and opinions are heard.

- I believe we are at a critical point in the life of the Church of England. We need a Church confident in the Gospel, willing to face difficult realities honestly, and determined to be present in and for the communities we serve.
- As a national officer I attended every Synod session, and I have carried that forward into my time on General Synod so far. I took a very good working knowledge of its structures, customs, and practices into my first session as a member. I have spoken in debates including Safeguarding (reported in The Times), Working Class Vocations (featured in the Church Times), Chattel Slavery, Racial Justice, Refugees, modern slavery, Church Governance, and Liturgical Business. Where else could I bring Dragons and virtuous virgins into a debate on liturgy?
- Five years on, I want to put that experience to work for Liverpool for another term.

"Nadine Daniel — surely set to top the poll of most contributions this Synod."

~ Michael Hayden from A Reformed Catholic, reporting on General Synod

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Votes must be in by Tuesday, 13th October

My Work

- **Campaigns & Strategy Director** for UK Welcomes Refugees and UK Welcomes Hong Kongers, providing training, information, and encouragement for mainly faith-based organisations supporting those seeking refuge across the UK.
- **National Refugee Welcome Coordinator**, Archbishops' Council. Church of England lead in developing the Community Sponsorship Scheme and on forced migration issues, working with local parishes across almost every Diocese in England to bring diverse communities together to welcome a stranger.
- Appointed **Diocesan Inter Faith Advisor and Anti-Slavery Officer** by Bishop Paul in 2015
- Worked with Canon Cynthia Dowdle OBE to research and set up **HOPE+ [now Micah Liverpool]**, which I project managed from 2012–2017. HOPE+ became one of the UK's largest independent emergency food aid providers. I helped set up Feeding Liverpool, having given evidence to the Feeding Britain Enquiry on four occasions.
- Practised as a **Barrister at the Criminal Bar** from 1987–2011. Of no other job could you say, "all life is here".



Recommendation

"At Synod, after a brutal workshop in which a bishop had called me stupid in front of everyone, I met Nadine on the way to the next debate, which was about suicide. Having recently encountered that subject in real life, I was feeling pretty wobbly. Nadine took one look at me, grabbed me by the arm, took me to the bar, bought me a drink and sorted my head out.

That is Nadine: not only wise and knowledgeable, but compassionate too, with a people-first attitude. She notices the person in front of her – and acts."
— Vicky Brett, General Synod member

Mission and Growth

I long to see a living, faithful and growing church in every part of our country. But we must be honest: the Church of England faces significant challenges. Attendance is recovering in some places, which is wonderful, but too much is being asked of our clergy, leading to ill health and early resignations. Vocations must be encouraged, supported and nurtured.

We need to be realistic about the challenges we face, some of our own making. Growth begins with listening. Too often people outside our churches feel the church door itself is a barrier – that Christianity is a "Holy Social Club" to which they do not belong.

My experience of refugee resettlement, food poverty and community work has shown me something different: when churches go out into their communities, listen and respond to real needs, relationships grow and lives can be transformed. Mission is not simply about getting people through our doors. It is about taking Christ's love through those doors and into the world.

Inclusion

I am passionate about inclusion. No one should be excluded from living their lives in Christ. I believe in a Church for everyone, regardless of gender, disability, ethnicity, socio-economic status, mental health or sexuality. We are all *fearfully and wonderfully made in the image of God* (Psalm 139:14; Genesis 1:27), and all are invited to the Lord's table.

I am fully supportive of women's ministry and equality for LGBT+ Christians, at every level and in every role in the Church. In Toxteth and Wavertree Deanery, we rejoice in parishes representing every form of Anglicanism, while continuing to work with mutual respect.

I am also passionate about ecumenism. Community outreach programmes such as HOPE+ / Micah Liverpool demonstrate that we do things better together. As Christ commanded: *"Love one another; as I have loved you... By this all will know that you are My disciples, if you have love for one another."* (John 13:34–35)

A Broad Church

I have seen how the Church grows when it is there for its community, particularly those in need. Covid-19 exposed deep inequalities, but also showed how the Church can and should be Christ in the world.

I love that the Church of England is a broad church. We have more that unites than divides us, even when difficult issues create tension. From a Liberal-Catholic background, I have worked locally and nationally with communities across the breadth of the Church of England and beyond. We are at our best when we listen honestly and value one another.