

Appendix II

Chapter Candidate ~ Nominee Biography and Statement

Angel Ibarra

What brought you to St. Paul's Cathedral and why did you stay?

I came to St. Paul's Cathedral seeking a diverse and inclusive faith community. I've stayed because of its genuine commitment to living out Christian values and being a beacon of love in the city. It feels like home, where my spiritual journey aligns seamlessly with a community dedicated to compassion and inclusion.

With what activities or ministries have you been involved and how?

I'm currently active in the usher ministry at the Cathedral, which involves assisting during services. Additionally, I've contributed to the young adult and outreach ministries. Beyond the Cathedral, my role at Episcopal Community Services has allowed me to integrate ECS activities and engagement seamlessly with the community at St. Paul's.

To which strategic goal area would you most want to be a Chapter Liaison (Cathedral for the City, Community, Formation, Music & Arts, Outreach & Justice, or Worship)? Why?

I'm particularly interested in serving as a Chapter Liaison for the Cathedral for the City and Outreach & Justice ministries. San Diego's unique setting offers an opportunity for the Cathedral to enhance its profile as the People's Cathedral, attracting more members. I'm passionate about leveraging our faith tradition's commitment to social justice and outreach, addressing the needs of the poor and marginalized. With my educational background and professional network, I'm confident in my ability to broaden the Cathedral's impact in both these areas.

What attributes and gifts do you bring to the ministry of Chapter?

I bring a wealth of experience to the ministry of Chapter, with a background in pastoral ministry, outreach, and community engagement spanning many years. My educational foundation in theology, politics, and social justice equips me to make informed decisions and generate thoughtful ideas as a valuable contributor to the Chapter's strategic planning and goal setting.

Why do you feel called to serve on Chapter?

I feel called to serve on Chapter by the immense potential I see at St. Paul's. The idea of guiding our parish community into its next chapter is thrilling and fulfilling for me, and I would love the opportunity to be part of it. In this exciting time in the history of St. Paul's, I feel a deep sense of purpose and believe that my experience and passion uniquely position me to provide effective leadership in this capacity.