§1300 THE PRESBYTERAL COUNCIL

§1301 IN GENERAL

1301.1. *Policy.* There shall be a Presbyteral Council in the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois, which is convened and presided over by the Bishop. (Canon 500).

1301.2. *Policy.* The Presbyteral Council shall have and maintain a Constitution and By-Laws.

Note

As of the effective date of these policies and procedures, the current Constitution and By-Laws were revised as of March 19, 2015, by Bishop Thomas John Paprocki and amended by him in 2017.

1301.3. *Policy.* The Constitution of the Presbyteral Council may be amended by the council with a two-thirds majority vote, providing that the Bishop approves the proposed amendment.

1301.4. *Policy.* By-laws of the Constitution of the Presbyteral Council may be added, changed or deleted by a majority of members present and voting at any regularly scheduled meeting of the Council provided that notice of the proposed change has been sent to the members of the Council at least one month prior to the meeting at which it will be voted upon.

§1302 PURPOSE

1302.1. *Policy.* The purposes of the Presbyteral Council shall be:

- (1) To advise the diocesan bishop in the governance of the diocese according to the norm of law, so that the pastoral welfare of the people of the diocese may be promoted as effectively as possible (c.495 § 1);
- (2) To perform the specific duties assigned to it by the universal and particular law of the Church, and by the diocesan bishop.