



The 168th Annual Convention of the Episcopal Diocese of Milwaukee

The Bishop's Shield Award: Presented to Michael Hagon

Through the years, Mike has served the Church faithfully. He has offered his time and energy as a vestry member and a warden numerous times as a parishioner of his beloved Trinity, Wauwatosa. He has been a deputy to diocesan convention more times than he would probably care to admit. He has served on the Standing Committee of this Diocese, along with a variety of task forces and committees. But for me, as your Bishop, the work that Mike has done (and continues to do) regarding the ways in which we count costs and make investments, continues to bear good fruit in this community of faith called the Episcopal Diocese of Milwaukee.

Mike's work early on in my episcopate, assisted us in clarifying and streamlining our assessment formula, and helped our budget process become as transparent and as straightforward as possible. This behind-the-scenes effort, unseen to most of us, continues to benefit us as we seek to serve our Lord in this place.

Mike also understands the power of prudent investing, and he has brought his mission-minded investment acumen to his continuing work as the president of the Trustees of Funds and Endowments for our Diocese. He has worked tirelessly to help parishes in this Diocese organize endowments to secure future mission and ministry. Mike's unstated goal, lived out in his efforts to educate us in the power of compound interest over time, is to make sure that the ministry of the Episcopal Church will continue to thrive in southern Wisconsin for generations to come.

For his lifelong commitment to serving the Lord in all aspects of his life, and for his many years of service to this Diocese and its people, the Diocese of Milwaukee gives thanks to God for the ministry of Michael Hagon, and is pleased to recognize his decades of tireless and committed service through the presentation of the Bishop's Shield Award. Given under my hand and seal in the City of Milwaukee on the fifteenth day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen and in the twelfth year of my consecration.

The Right Reverend Steven A. Miller
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