

## **Procedures for Standing Committee Bylaws Review**

- 1. A parish desiring to revise its bylaws receives the Standing Committee Bylaws Checklist, including instructions. The purpose of the Checklist is to insure that all parish bylaws conform to National and Diocesan canons.
- 2. The parish revises its bylaws and the Checklist and submits them to the President of the Standing Committee.
- The President assigns two reviewers to independently review the bylaws and ascertain their compliance with the Checklist. Reviewers confer and may either recommend Standing Committee approval or return to the parish for further revisions.
- 4. Once revised and approved by the reviewers, the entire Standing Committee votes on the question of approval.
- 5. Standing Committee approved bylaws are then referred to the Bishop and Chancellor for final approval.
- 6. Once these approvals have been obtained, the parish votes at its Annual Meeting or a special meeting to approve the revised bylaws.