
*General Synod — Consecration of Bishops Canon
1966-1969 Adopting Ordinance, 1970*

No. 42, 1970

AN ORDINANCE for adopting a certain canon of the Church of England in Australia entitled "Consecration of Bishops Canon 1966-1969".

WHEREAS a certain canon being Canon No. 3 of 1966 entitled "Consecration of Bishops Canon 1966" a copy of which is contained in the First Schedule hereto was passed by the General Synod of the Church of England in Australia in September, 1966 AND WHEREAS the said Canon No. 3 of 1966 was amended by Canon No. 6 of 1969 entitled "Consecration of Bishops Canon Amendment Canon 1969" a copy of which is contained in the Second Schedule hereto and which was passed by the said General Synod during September, 1969 AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Canons should be adopted by the Church in this Diocese NOW the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney HEREBY ORDAINS DECLARES DIRECTS AND RULES as follows:—

1. The said Canons contained in the First and Second Schedules hereto are hereby adopted and shall so far as the same are applicable be applied to the management and good government of the Church in this Diocese.
2. This Ordinance may be cited as the "General Synod — Consecration of Bishops Canon 1966-1969 Adopting Ordinance 1970".

FIRST SCHEDULE
GENERAL SYNOD SESSION 1966 CANON NO. 3

A Canon to provide for the Consecration of Bishops.
The General Synod prescribes as follows:

1. A bishop shall be consecrated by at least three bishops that is to say:
 - (i) by the Metropolitan of the Province in which the diocese is situated, assisted by two or more other bishops of this Church; or
 - (ii) if the diocese is not within a Province, by the Primate assisted by two or more other bishops of this Church; or
 - (iii) by any diocesan bishop of this Church nominated by the Primate or Metropolitan to act in his stead for such consecration, assisted by two or more other bishops of this Church

PROVIDED however that nothing in this Canon shall preclude any other bishop from assisting at such consecration with the consent of the Metropolitan or Primate responsible for such consecration.

PROVIDED FURTHER that nothing in this Canon shall preclude the consecration of a bishop of this Church in a Church in communion with this Church by the Metropolitan or other bishops of such Church in accordance with Section 6

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of the Constitution of this Church assisted by two or more bishops of a Church in communion with this Church with the concurrence of the Metropolitan and a majority of the Bishops of the Province of this Church in which the diocese is situated for which such bishop is to be consecrated or if such diocese is not within a Province then with the concurrence of the Primate of Australia.

2. In this Canon "Metropolitan" and "Primate" shall have the same meaning as in the Constitution of this Church.
3. That this Canon affects the order and good government of the Church and shall not come into force in any diocese unless and until the diocese by ordinance adopts the said Canon.
4. Clause 5 of Determination 11, Session 1905 of the General Synod of the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania as amended shall cease to have any operation in any diocese on the passing of an Ordinance by the Synod of such diocese adopting this Canon.
5. This Canon may be cited as the "Consecration of Bishops Canon, 1966".

**SECOND SCHEDULE
GENERAL SYNOD SESSION 1969 CANON NO. 6**

A Canon to amend the consecration of Bishops Canon 1966.

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the consecration of Bishops Canon 1966 as hereinafter set out.

NOW the General Synod prescribes as follows:—

1. The Consecration of Bishops Canon 1966 is in this Canon referred to as "the principal Canon".
2. This Canon may be cited as "Consecration of Bishops Canon Amendment Canon 1969".
3. The principal Canon as amended by this Canon may be cited as "Consecration of Bishops Canon 1966-1969".
4. The principal Canon is amended:—
 - (a) by inserting next after paragraph (iii) of Clause 1 the following proviso:—

"PROVIDED HOWEVER, where the consecration is for or in respect of a diocese within a province, nothing in this Canon shall preclude any other bishop in office in that province from assisting at such consecration."
 - (b) by omitting from the same clause the words "PROVIDED however" and inserting in lieu thereof the words "PROVIDED ALSO".

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I certify that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as reported.

ATHOL RICHARDSON,
Chairman of Committees.

We certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney this 14th day of October, 1970.

W. L. J. HUTCHISON,
K. N. SHELLEY,
Secretaries of Synod.

I assent to this Ordinance.

MARCUS LOANE,
Archbishop of Sydney.

14/10/1970.