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3 Ellis, Rev IW  
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2 Porteus, Rev Canon RJN  
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3 Adair, Rev WM  
3 Hoey, Ven RG  
3 Harper, Rev BJ  
3 McKegney, Rev JW  
0 Kennedy, Rev Dr MC  
3 Neely, Rev Canon Dr WG  
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2 Dundas, Rev EP  
3 Pickering, Rev JA  
2 Boyd, Rev RH

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1 Davison, Mr JI  
3 McConnell, Mr JR  
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3 Duke, Mr GH  
3 Anderson, Mr WDH  
3 Frizell, Mr WJ  
3 Forbes, Mr GA  
2 Gilpin, Mr JM  
3 McClenaghan, Mrs HM  
3 Weatherup, Mr DRM  
2 Moore, Mr JMCC  
3 McGaffin, Mr JTN  
3 Carson, Mr WRH  
2 Johnston, Mr LV  
1 Quinn, Mr RE  
2 Madill, Mr T  
3 Hamilton, Mr RT  
3 Palmer, Mr RF  
3 Holmes, Mrs IT

2 Burton, Mr RJ  
2 Brodison, Mrs D  
3 Milligan, Mr RA  
2 Brodison, Mr WS  
2 Young, Mr HW  
3 Suitor, Mr WV  
2 McKinney, Mr B  
3 Montgomery, Mrs J  
1 Bruce, Mr JPH  
3 McClure, Mrs ES  
2 Spiers, Mr A  
0 Moses, Mr DT  
0 Henry, Mr TG  
0 Okuno, Mrs CD  
3 Bagnall, Mr CP  
1 Smith, Mr H St G  
0 McKeen, Mr TB

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2 Hay, Rev Canon J  
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3 Courtney, Rev Canon BJ  
3 Hoey, Rev Canon DP  
2 Johnston, Rev WJ  
3 McKeon, Rev Canon VES  
2 Bennett, Rev WL  
3 Kille, Rev Canon VE  
3 Morrow, Rev D  
3 Moore, Very Rev TR  
3 Wilson, Rev PS  
3 Thompson, Rev RC  
1 McGirr, Rev Canon WE  
3 Gillian, Rev RT

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3 Allen, Mr WJ  
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2	McMorris, Mr HF	3	Nicholl, Mr J
1	Robinson, Mr HA	3	McCarter, Mr SJ
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0	Lee, Mr MW	3	McFarland, Mr SC
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3	Morton, Very Rev WW
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3	Quill, Rev Canon WP
3	Martin, Rev Canon JA
3	McDonald, Rev Canon IH
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3	McVeigh, Rev S
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3	Austin, Mr AC
2	Darling, Mrs SA

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3	Trimble, Rev Canon TH
0	White, Very Rev Dr SR
0	Wright, Rev WCS

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3	Stewart-Maunders, Mrs AE
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3	Laird, Mr G
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 3 Abernethy, Rev AF  
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 3 Sheil, Lady  
 2 Grindle, Miss NC  
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 3 Rankin, Mr JF  
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 3 Davey, Mr MC  
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 3 Anderson, Mr AW  
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 3 Cooke, Mr A  
 3 McKeen, Mrs VE  
 3 Myles, Mr J  
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 2 O'Callaghan, Mr DB  
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 2 Foote, Mr GF  
 3 Kerr, Mr DJ  
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 2 Esdale, Mr TA  
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 3 Earle, Mr CDD  
 3 Cargo, Mr JA  
 3 Pantridge, Mr GC  
 0 Thompson, Mr WA  
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 1 Harron, Rev JA  
 3 Moore, Rev Canon JC  
 3 Patterson, Rev AP  
 3 Scott, Rev WJ  
 3 Lowry, Rev SH  
 3 Blacoe, Rev Canon BT  
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 3 Ellis, Rev Dr IM

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 3 Charleton, Mr FJ  
 1 Forbes, Mr KD  
 3 Donnell, Mr TJS  
 3 Watson, Mr JA  
 3 Briggs, Mr RS  
 1 McCoy, Mr KJ  
 3 Halliday, Miss JP  
 3 McElhinney, Mr AC  
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 3 Shields, Mr W  
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3	3	Tweedie, Mr J
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3	2	Flack, Mr RG
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3	2	Carver, Dr AF
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3	3	Hibbert, Mrs GM
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3	3	Gibson, Mr RC
3	3	Hendron, Mr PS
3	3	Aughey, Mr WR
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2 Lidwill, Rev Canon MR  
3 Lindsay, Rev C  
3 O'Reilly, Rev EC  
3 Sides, Rev Canon JR

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2 Scott, Mr JW  
1 Foster, Mr WH  
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3 Hicks, Mrs HR  
0 Clarke, Mr H  
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0 Taylor, Mr GW  
3 Thompson, Mr R  
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2 Roberts, Mr W  
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3 Gallagher, Rev Canon I  
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3 Johnson, Rev S  
0 Merrick, Rev J

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3 Cooke, Mr EA  
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2 Heak, Rev PG  
3 Ferguson, Rev AMO'S  
0 Stratford, Ven RM

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3 Wills, Mrs AJ  
2 O'Hara, Mr DCD  
2 Auchmuty, Mr DJ  
3 Walton, Mrs A  
3 Thomson, Mrs CH  
1 Shannon, Mr J  
0 Thornton, Mr BG  
1 Shannon, Mrs A  
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3 Gilmore, Mr WGD  
0 Auchmuty, Mrs BL  
3 McMaster, Mr JE  
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1 Clarke, Mrs S

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3 Paterson, Very Rev JTF  
3 Sinnamon, Rev Canon WD  
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3 Harman, Rev Canon RD  
3 Empey, Rev Canon Dr CA  
3 Kearon, Rev Canon KA  
3 McKinley, Rev Canon AHN  
3 McCullagh, Rev Canon JE  
3 Haskins, Rev Canon T  
3 Stacey, Rev Canon VG  
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3 Neill, Rev WBA  
0 Appelbe, Rev FC

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 3 Bartlett, Rev Canon JR  
 3 McEndoo, Rev Canon NG

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2 Mew, Miss SG  
 2 McGuinness, Hon Mrs Justice C  
 3 Jones, Mrs VA  
 0 Appleyard, Mr DS  
 3 Milne, Dr K  
 3 Boyle, Mrs DE  
 3 Prole, Mrs FAD  
 3 Comerford, Mr P  
 1 Walker, Mr CG  
 3 Bedlow, Mrs AA  
 2 Caird, Mr DN  
 3 Halliday, Mr B  
 3 White, Mrs ME  
 3 Mayes, Mrs EA  
 1 Beresford, Mrs M  
 3 Weldon, Mr CB  
 3 Pyle, Mr PDF  
 2 Empey, Miss HF  
 3 Elder, Mr RI  
 3 Darling, Miss VH  
 3 May, Mrs AJ  
 3 Cromer, Mrs JE  
 0 Cronhelm, Comdt CEA  
 0 O'Shea, Mrs C  
 1 Perrin, Mr DG  
 2 Richards, Mr GC  
 3 Lewis, Mr EW  
 1 Cadoo, Mrs A  
 3 Armstrong, Mr JV  
 3 Goodwin, Mr WS  
 3 Lawson, Mr RW  
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 3 Macaulay, Mr DC  
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 3 Hillis, Dr JP

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3 Rountree, Rev Canon RB  
 3 Swann, Ven EJ  
 1 Peoples, Rev JS  
 3 Clarke, Rev Canon JP

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3 McMaster, Mr GW  
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 0 Hendy, Cllr RF  
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 3 Tottenham, Mrs ES  
 3 Camier, Mrs AM  
 3 Seaman, Mrs KL

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 0 Deane, Rev Canon RW  
 3 Lawrence, Ven PHA  
 3 Gray-Stack, Rev MMS  
 2 Donohoe, Rev OMR  
 3 Jones, Rev RW  
 3 Townley, Very Rev RK  
 2 Grimason, Very Rev AJ  
 2 Milne, Rev GAR  
 3 Wilkinson, Rev AM

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 2 Deverell, Mr WS  
 3 Revington, Mr JF  
 3 Potterton, Mrs HM  
 0 Gillespie, Mr DR  
 3 Dunne, Mr JK  
 2 Thompson, Mr JA  
 2 Meredith, Mr R  
 0 Cobbe, Mr E  
 1 Potterton, Mr RS  
 3 Kilroy, Major WR  
 0 Kenny, Mr DF  
 2 Potterton, Mr G  
 3 Oughton, Mr A  
 2 Deverell, Mrs IA  
 2 Hatch, Mr MP  
 0 Higgins, Mrs FE  
 1 Huston, Mr NJ  
 3 Colton, Mr WG

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3 Lynas, Very Rev NN  
3 Beare, Very Rev W  
3 Murray, Ven JG  
3 Dowd, Rev Canon GG  
2 Harvey, Rev Canon PA  
3 Fryday, Rev BY  
3 Knowles, Very Rev PJ  
3 Wallace, Rev A  
3 Sandes, Rev DL  
3 Gillespie, Rev NG  
3 Sherwood, Rev KH  
3 Cliffe, Rev CG  
3 Sherlock, Rev TA  
3 McCullagh, Rev Canon MA

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Leighlin - Lay*

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3 Harper, Mr SR  
3 Kidd, Mr D  
0 Kingston, Mr JW  
2 Clifton-Brown, Mr PC  
3 Kerr, Ms MF  
0 Rathdonnell, Lord  
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2 Nicholson, Mr JW  
2 Shirley, Ms S  
2 Gillis, Mr AL  
3 Peavoy, Mr J  
1 Wallace, Mr C  
3 Fryday, Mr JN  
3 Smyth, Mr G  
2 Shirley, Mr J  
3 Kemp, Mr J  
0 Young, Mr WA  
3 Donald, Mr S  
0 McClure, Mr S  
1 Wallace, Mr D

0 Wilson, Mr KA  
3 Moynan, Mr RW  
2 Roe, Mr GD  
3 Rothwell, Mr LG  
0 Bate, Mr DRT  
1 Grubb, Mr LM  
2 Langrell, Mrs M  
3 Toler-Aylward, Ms ZM  
0 Bailey-Daunt, Mrs SB

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3 Forrest, Very Rev LDA  
3 Mullen, Rev CW  
3 Wilkinson, Ven KS  
2 Ruddock, Rev Canon NT  
1 Forbes, Rev Canon JF  
0 Gray, Rev RJ

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2 Kidd, Mr GS  
3 O'Morchoe, The  
3 Thorpe, Mr DB  
3 Deacon, Mr SH  
0 Rath, Mrs G  
3 Borthistle, Mr HG  
3 Stephens, Mrs G  
0 Rothwell, Mrs GE  
3 Stephens, Mrs D  
3 Rothwell, Mr KGT  
3 Graham, Mrs I

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*Cork, Cloyne and Ross - Clerical*

0 Willoughby, Rev Canon PM  
3 Peters, Very Rev CL  
3 Hilliard, Very Rev GPStJ  
3 Jackson, Very Rev Dr MGStA  
3 Burrows, Rev Canon MAJ  
3 White, Ven REB  
3 Marley, Rev AG  
3 Hewitt, Rev Canon WP  
3 Williams, Rev Canon D  
3 Kingston, Rev RG  
3 Draper, Rev Canon PR  
3 Lester, Rev TR  
3 Hanna, Rev PT

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 3 Bird, Mr JAD  
 3 Perrott, Mr WT  
 3 Treacy, Mr FJ  
 3 O'Donovan, The  
 3 St Leger, Dr AE  
 3 Stanley, Mr JE  
 2 Hastie, Mr KDM  
 0 Cairns, Mr BD  
 3 Buttimer, Mrs EA  
 3 Bantry-White, Mrs CFR  
 3 Howe, Mrs VEC  
 3 McCutcheon, Ms C  
 3 Norton, Mrs EM  
 0 Newenham, Mr REW  
 3 Vincent, Mr E  
 3 Jennings, Mrs DH  
 3 Kingston, Mrs J  
 3 St Leger, Mrs EM  
 3 Hilliard, Mrs CA  
 0 Dring, Mr JRH  
 3 Kingston, Mr HG  
 3 Kingston, Mrs L  
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 2 Bond, Mr JVP  
 3 Dyde, Capt K

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3 Nuttall, Ven MJB  
 3 Sirr, Very Rev JMG  
 3 Mourant, Rev S

*Limerick - Lay*

3 Hardy, Mr TS  
 2 Clarke, Mr JW  
 3 Morrow, Mrs SA  
 3 Morrow, Mr WT  
 3 Peirce, Mrs H

2 Langford, Mr RC  
 0 Downes, Mrs E

*Ardfert and Aghadoe - Clerical*

3 Shannon, Ven MJD  
 0 Loughheed, Rev Canon BFB  
 3 Warren, Rev Canon R  
 0 Shaw, Rev AW

*Ardfert and Aghadoe - Lay*

0 Champ, Mr TE  
 3 Hilliard, Mr JRF  
 3 Gleasure, Mrs LM  
 3 Stephens, Mr JA  
 3 Groves, Mrs M  
 0 Boyle, Mrs ME  
 3 Hill, Mrs HE

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 Kilmacduagh - Clerical*

2 White Spinner, Rev JJ  
 2 Condell, Rev Canon JAA  
 3 Towers, Very Rev PL  
 3 Carney, Rev RW  
 3 Cummins, Very Rev NM  
 3 Neill, Rev SM  
 0 Keegan, Ven DL

*Killaloe, Kilfenora, Clonfert and  
 Kilmacduagh - Lay*

0 Gill, Mrs RM  
 3 Read, Mr PDG  
 2 Roe, Mr R  
 2 Lefroy, Mr JD  
 1 Benson, Mr RW  
 0 Kenny, Mrs FW  
 0 Armstrong, Mr A  
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 2 Brislane, Mr BA  
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 0 Powell, Mr CH  
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**APPENDIX**  
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**ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES**  
**MAY, 1965**

**(amended 1970, 1971, 1972, 1975, 1979, 1984, 1985, 1987, 1988, 1997 and 2000)**

**General**

1. The Holy Bible and the Book of Common Prayer shall lie on the table of the Synod Hall.
2. Each day's proceedings shall open with a reading from Holy Scripture and prayer, during which time the doors shall be closed.
3. The hours for the Synod when in ordinary session shall be as follows:-

First day: 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. or, if the first and second readings of all Bills sent to the members with the summonses have not then been concluded, until such later hour as the Synod shall determine.

Second day: 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Third day: 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. or such other hour as the Synod may determine.

Provided that the Synod by Resolution assented to by at least two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon may (unless the Bishops present by a majority object) prolong the period of any sitting to such hour as may be named in such Resolution.

The hours for the Synod when in special session shall be specified in the notice convening the meeting.

4. (a) Notice of each ordinary meeting of the General Synod shall be sent by post to every member thereof at least 21 days before the day fixed for such meeting.
- (b) Notice of each special meeting of the General Synod shall be sent by post to every member thereof at least 7 days before the day fixed for such meeting.
5. Every member shall be furnished with a card of admission by the honorary secretaries, to be presented at the door of the house: and without such card no person, save members of the Representative Body and its Chief Officer and Secretary, the assessors, and other officers of the Synod, and representatives of Churches invited by the General Synod or by the Standing Committee, shall be admitted to the body of the Synod Hall. Strangers may, on the introduction of a member, be admitted to the gallery, subject to such conditions in this behalf as may be laid down by the Synod. They shall not be admitted to the body of the Synod Hall unless by leave of the house.

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6. Reporters shall be admitted to such part of the Synod Hall as the Synod may appoint except when the Synod shall exclude them by standing order or by an express vote.
7. Four honorary secretaries, two clerical and two lay, shall be elected by their respective orders from among their own members. Any casual vacancy may be filled by the Standing Committee provided always that the clerical or lay representative so elected by the Standing Committee shall be deemed to hold office only until the day previous to the next meeting of the General Synod.
8. On the first day of each ordinary session the President shall appoint as Assessor a person having legal qualifications and experience of the form of government of the Church. He shall hold office until immediately prior to the following ordinary session and shall be eligible for re-appointment.
9. When the President shall have taken the Chair, no member shall continue standing, except when addressing the Chair.
10. No member shall pass between the Chair and a member who is speaking.
11. If it appear on notice being taken that a quorum is not present, the President shall thereupon adjourn the Synod, without question put, until an hour to be named by him, or until the next day of meeting, as he shall think fit.
12. A motion to suspend Standing Orders may be moved without notice and to be passed such motion shall require the consent of three-fourths of the members present and voting.
13. All questions of order and relevance shall be decided by the President.
14. The President shall regulate the proceedings of the Synod in all matters not provided for in these Orders by analogy to parliamentary practice.

#### **Rules of Debate**

15. Every member desiring to speak shall rise in his place, and address the Chair, and when two or more members shall rise simultaneously to address the Chair the President shall decide which of them shall speak.
16. The President shall confine each speaker to the subject-matter of debate; it shall not be in order for any member to interrupt the speaker, except through the medium of the President.
17. Whenever the President rises during a debate, any member speaking or offering to speak shall sit down so that the President may be heard without interruption.
18. No speech of more than five minutes' duration shall be permitted except
  - (a) the proposer of the reports of the Standing Committee and the Representative Body, who may speak for fifteen minutes each; and
  - (b) the seconder of the reports of the Standing Committee and the Representative Body and the proposer of any other report or of any bill, who may speak for ten minutes;

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provided that the President, having regard to the circumstances, including the gravity or complexity of the subject of the debate and the time available for the disposal of business, may decide that compliance with the above restrictions ought to be waived in regard to a particular speech.

19. The President shall leave the Chair when he desires to take part in a debate.

(Note - Appointment of Chairman - see appendix)

20. The proposer of a motion shall have a right of reply, but otherwise a member shall not be permitted to speak more than once on the same question except on the committee stage of a bill. The seconder of a motion or amendment may reserve his speech to any period of the debate.
21. Members of the Representative Body and its Chief Officer and Secretary shall be entitled to address the House on any question before it, but only those who are members of the House shall be entitled to vote.

### **Bills**

22. Notice of motion for leave to bring in bills for specified purposes may be sent to the honorary secretaries of the Synod at any time not less than one week before the day appointed for the opening of the session of the Synod, and shall appear on the Agenda for the first day of such session; provided that any bill which is lodged with the honorary secretaries not less than six weeks before the first day of the session shall be printed and sent to the members with the summonses.
23. On leave being asked to bring in a bill, the name or names of the member or members proposing to bring in the bill shall be stated and the name or names shall be printed with the bill.
24. (a) At the first ordinary session of each Synod a Bills Committee consisting of six members with the Assessor ex officio shall be elected to hold office until immediately prior to the first ordinary session of the following General Synod.  
(b) The Bills Committee shall meet prior to each session of the General Synod to consider legal and drafting aspects of the Bills being presented. The proposer of each Bill shall be notified of the date and place of meeting, and he (or his nominee) shall be entitled to participate during the consideration of such Bill.  
(c) It shall be competent for the Synod to refer to the Bills Committee any amendments which may be proposed during the progress of a Bill through the Synod.
25. Bills shall be considered in the order of lodgement thereof with the honorary secretaries, save that bills introduced at the request of the Synod or the House of Bishops or the Standing Committee or the Representative Body or the Pensions Board shall have priority over other bills.

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26. Where there are for consideration two or more bills dealing with the same subject matter, the President, if he is of the opinion that it is advisable so to do, may direct that the question be not put on the second reading of any such bills until there shall have been a debate on the second reading of the other or others.
27. Notice of any amendment proposed to a bill shall be given in writing to the honorary secretaries. (And see S.O.s Nos. 34 to 39.)
28. In the case of any Ordinary Bill which has been printed and sent to the members with the summonses, no amendment shall be considered, save with the leave of the Synod, unless it has been notified to the honorary secretaries on or before the Friday next preceding the session of the Synod; and in the case of such bill (not being a bill to which Standing Order 30 refers) the Synod, if it thinks fit, may proceed on the day of the first reading to the second reading and consideration in committee.
29. Procedure on Ordinary Bills (Ch. 1 sec. 25 of the Constitution) shall be as follows:-

(a) Introduction and First Reading

The member moving for leave to introduce a bill shall be permitted to make a brief explanatory statement of not more than ten minutes' duration, and if the motion is opposed, a member opposing may make a statement in opposition of not more than ten minutes' duration. The member moving for leave may postpone his statement until after the member opposing has spoken.

Only the one speech in support of, and one in opposition to, the motion may be made, and the question shall then be put without amendment or further debate; provided that in the case of a bill proposed to be introduced at the request of the Synod or the House of Bishops or the Standing Committee or the Representative Body or the Pensions Board the resolution giving leave to introduce it shall be put without debate unless notice of intention to oppose the resolution has been given to the honorary secretaries of the Synod on or before the Friday next preceding the meeting of the Synod.

Leave to introduce having been given, the bill shall be read a first time, without debate, and an order made fixing a day for the Second Reading.

(b) Second Reading

On the motion "That the bill be now read a second time", the debate, if any, shall be confined to the question whether the Synod approves the proposal in principle, matters of detail being postponed to the committee stage. The only amendment which may be moved to this motion is one proposing to delete all or some of the words after "That," and the substitution of words which state some reason against the bill being read a second time forthwith.

The bill having been read a second time, an order shall be made fixing a day for consideration in Committee of the whole Synod.

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(c) Consideration in Committee

The Committee of the whole Synod shall consider the bill, clause by clause, together with any relevant amendments which may be proposed, the preamble being taken last. The bill, with or without amendments, shall then be reported to the Synod and an order made fixing a day for consideration on report.

(d) Consideration on Report

On the order for consideration of a bill on report being read, the Synod may consider amendments which arise out of consideration on the committee stage and of which notice has been given the previous day: Provided that amendments rejected in committee shall not be in order. Amendments may also be made without notice if in the opinion of the President they involve merely matters of drafting or the correction of grammatical or clerical errors.

When the bill has received any relevant consideration, an order shall be made fixing a day for the third reading; provided that such order, together with that made under para. (c) above, must permit, unless the Synod otherwise direct, for a clear day being interposed between consideration in Committee and the third reading.

(e) Third Reading

On the motion “That the bill be now read a third time and passed,” any debate shall be confined to what is provided in the bill.

**30.** Procedure on Special Bills (Ch. 1 sec. 26 of the Constitution) shall be as for Ordinary Bills; provided that:-

- (a) Leave to introduce such a bill may only be given at an ordinary session of the Synod; leave having been given, the bill shall be deemed to have been read a first time, but it shall not be processed further until the next ordinary session when it will come before the Synod for second reading. No amendment to such a Bill may be moved at the first reading stage, but notice of any such amendment must be given at this stage provided that written notice of any such amendment if received by the Honorary Secretaries within one calendar month of the end of this Ordinary Session shall be deemed to have been given at the first reading stage. Amendments, of which notice has been given at the first reading stage, may be moved at the committee stage, and no other amendment may then be moved except any dealing with omissions or grammatical errors.
- (b) Copies of the resolution giving leave to introduce shall be sent to each diocesan synod within one month after the ending of the session at which the resolution was passed.
- (c) The consent of not less than two-thirds of each order, present and voting, shall be required to pass the motions (i) for leave to introduce the bill, (ii) that the bill be now read a second time, and (iii) that the bill be now read a third time and passed, and



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- (d) Debate on the motion that leave to introduce be given shall be governed by the rules of debate without the limitations imposed by S.O. 29(a).

**Motions**

31. (a) A notice of motion (other than a notice of motion referred to in (d) or (e) of this Order) shall be delivered to the Honorary Secretaries not less than one month before the day appointed for the opening of the session of the Synod at which the motion is to be moved.
- (b) A notice of motion duly delivered to the Honorary Secretaries in accordance with (a) of this Order shall be sent to the members of the Synod with the Summons for the Synod at which the motion is to be moved. Such notice shall also be printed on the agenda for the 1st day of such Synod, and may be taken into consideration without further notice.
- (c) A notice of motion shall be signed by the intended mover or by some member on his behalf.
- (d) A notice of motion received during a session of the Synod shall be read to the Synod by one of the Honorary Secretaries on such day as the President shall direct, but such motion shall not be taken into consideration until the next following session unless:-
- (i) it arises out of business already transacted at the session at which it is received, or
- (ii) The President and a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting consent to its being taken into consideration at the session at which it is received.
- If a motion is taken into consideration under (i) or (ii) it shall be taken into consideration on such day as the President shall direct.
- (iii) A Notice of Motion received during a Session of the Synod shall be signed by the intended mover with a written indication of support signed by five other members.
- (iv) The full text of such a Motion shall be submitted in writing to the Honorary Secretaries, shall be read to the Synod by one of the Honorary Secretaries on such day as the President shall direct and printed copies of such Motion shall be made available for consideration by all members of the Synod as soon as possible after receipt from the person proposing the Motion and in any event not later than 12 noon on the final day of the Session unless in exceptional circumstances the President directs otherwise.
- (v) All amendments to any such Motion shall be delivered in writing to the Honorary Secretaries and copies of such amendments shall be made available for consideration by all members of the Synod as soon as possible after receipt from the person tabling the amendment and in any event not later than 1.00 p.m. on the third day of the Synod unless the President shall direct otherwise.

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- (vi) Any such Motion which is not taken into consideration under (i) or (ii) above shall be sent to the members of the Synod with the Summonses for the next following Session.
  - (e) A motion may be moved without notice by the unanimous leave of the Synod.
32. Motions shall be set down in the order in which the notices were given, provided that motions relating to the same subject shall be taken consecutively and provided that motions relating to any committee or board or commission shall be taken in conjunction with the report of such committee or board or commission.
33. A motion which does not propose that action be taken beyond its publication or transmission to certain persons shall not be moved unless the permission of the Synod has been previously obtained. When such a motion has been submitted the President shall put the question that leave be given to the member desiring to propose the motion to do so, and a vote shall be taken on this question without debate.
34. No motion or amendment, except in Committee, shall be taken into consideration unless it be seconded; but, if seconded, it shall not be withdrawn without the leave of the Synod.

**Amendments**

35. A question having been proposed may be amended (a) by leaving out specified words or (b) by inserting in lieu of specified words included therein other specified words, or (c) by adding or inserting specified words; provided that an amendment which is in effect a direct negative to the question may not be moved.
- All amendments shall be delivered in writing to the honorary secretaries.
36. All amendments shall be put according to the priority of the words proposed to be inserted in or omitted from the clause under consideration, and, except by leave of the Synod, no amendment may be proposed in any part of a question after a later part has been amended.
37. The question to be put in regard to any proposed amendment shall in all cases be whether the proposed amendment be made.
38. (a) At any time before the question has been put in regard to any proposed amendment the mover thereof may with the leave of the Synod alter the terms thereof, but no other amendment to a proposed amendment shall be in order.
- (b) When an amendment has been made, the question thus amended becomes the substantive question and further amendments may then be proposed.
39. Where amendments have been made, the main question as amended shall be put and where no amendments have been made the question shall be put as originally proposed.
40. The Synod may order a complicated question to be divided.

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**Enforced Closure of Debate**

41. (a) At any time after a question has been proposed in the Synod, or in a Committee of the whole Synod, a member may claim to move “that the question be now put,” and, unless it shall appear to the President that such a motion is an abuse of Standing Orders, it shall be put forthwith and decided without amendment or debate.
- (b) At any time after a question has been proposed in the Synod a member who considers that a vote on the question is undesirable may claim to move “that the Synod do now pass from this question to its next business,” and, unless it shall appear to the President that such a motion is an abuse of Standing Orders, it shall be put forthwith and decided without amendment or debate.
- (c) The proposer of a closure motion under (a) or (b) above may not interrupt a speaker to do so, and the President, before putting such motion, shall read the original motion (or the motion as amended as the case may be) which was being debated.
- (d) If a closure motion under (a) or (b) above is negatived this shall not of itself preclude the proposal of (i) further amendments and (ii), at the discretion of the President, further closure motions, upon the subject in debate.

**Motion for Adjournment of Debate or of the Synod**

42. No discussion shall be permitted on a motion for adjournment; but the question shall be put immediately from the Chair, and decided by a show of hands on such motion, or by a division, if called for.
43. No adjournment of a debate or of the Synod may be moved if a similar motion on the same subject has been made within the preceding hour.

**Voting Procedure**

44. (a) When any question is to be put to the Synod or to a Committee of the whole Synod, the President shall rise and announce that “The question is that ...”, thereupon reading or stating the question, and shall require that as many as are of that opinion shall say “Aye” and as many as are of the contrary opinion shall say “No”. He shall judge from the answers to his requests and state the result, in his opinion, of the putting of the question.
- (b) After the President shall have stated the result, in his opinion, of the putting of any question, any member may call for a vote upon that question. If a vote is not called for, the President shall forthwith declare the result to be that which he had previously expressed as an opinion.
- (c) When a vote is called for, it shall be taken by show of hands unless 20 members request a division; and the President, before calling for a show of

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hands, shall afford sufficient opportunity for requests to be made for a division or for a vote by orders.

- (d) A vote by orders shall be taken if ten members of either order or the provisions of Ch. 1 sec. 25 of the Constitution so require, and such vote shall be by show of hands unless a division is requested by the requisite number of members.
  - (e) When a division is to be taken, an interval of five minutes shall be allowed after which the doors shall be closed and the question put a second time. The President shall appoint two tellers for each side and order the House to divide; whereupon every member of the House of Representatives present, and wishing to vote, shall record his opinion by passing into the lobby with the “Ayes” or with the “Noes”. At the conclusion of the voting the tellers, having added their own votes, shall report the result to the President, who shall communicate it to the Synod.
  - (f) No question shall be deemed to be carried in the House of Representatives unless, in the case of both orders voting together, there is a majority in favour of the same of the representatives voting thereon, or in the case of the votes being taken by orders there is a majority in favour of the same of the representatives of each order voting thereon. (But see S.O. 29(c) in the case of Special Bills.)
45. When a division is called for, it shall be taken, notwithstanding that the time may have arrived at which, according to standing orders, the Synod ought to adjourn, or proceed to some other business.

(Note - Voting by bishops in Synod - see appendix)

#### **Committees of the Synod**

46. All committees of the Synod appointed at one session, and ordered to report at the following session of the Synod, shall lay their report upon the table within the first two days of the session, accompanied by such resolutions as may be necessary.
47. The Synod may order any resolutions, presented by committees upon the first day of the session, to be taken into consideration without further notice.
48. When a motion for the appointment of a committee is carried, the mover thereof shall then, or at the next meeting of the Synod, move the appointment of the members proposed to serve on the Committee, one of whom shall be named as convener. The name of the mover of the resolution for the Committee shall be included in the list of proposed members, provided that this shall not be obligatory when the resolution has been moved on behalf of the House of Bishops, the Standing Committee or the Representative Body.
49. No committee shall, without leave of the Synod, consist of more than fifteen members. Each Committee shall appoint its own chairman.

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50. Every report of a committee requiring action shall be accompanied by a resolution or resolutions for the consideration of the Synod, and the mere adoption by the Synod of a report of a committee shall not be an authority for the expenditure of money.

**Request for Information**

51. If any member ask for information with regard to the business of any committee, either of the Synod or of the Representative Body, it shall be the duty of the chairman of such committee, or of some other member thereof or of the Chief Officer and Secretary of the Representative Body, if so requested, to reply: Provided that at least one clear day's notice of such question shall have been given. The terms of all such requests received by the Honorary Secretaries not less than one week before the first day of a session of the Synod shall be printed on the agenda for the said first day. Any such requests shall be answered on each day of the session at 2 p.m. or as soon thereafter as may be practicable.

**Allocation of Money in the Hands of the R.C.B.**

52. No resolution relating to the allocation of money in the hands of the Representative Body other than (a) money to the credit of the General Purposes Fund, or (b) for the payment of the expenses of the Synod and its committees shall be put to the Synod until a report from the Representative Body on the subject shall have been first obtained.

**Separate Consideration by Bishops of Any Matter in Debate**

53. When the bishops shall express their wish to consider separately any matter in debate, and upon such separate consideration shall think fit to communicate to the Synod their opinion upon such matter, the communication so made shall be inserted in the printed orders of the day, and shall come before the Synod in due course for its consideration.
54. If the communication so made shall relate to a bill previously discussed in committee, and then awaiting its third reading, the publication as aforesaid of such communication shall of itself have the effect of re-committing the bill for further consideration upon the subject of such communication, but for no other purpose.

(Note - Voting by bishops in Synod - see appendix)

**Orders of the Day**

55. Prior to each session of the Synod the honorary secretaries shall prepare an agenda paper which shall include (a) all items required by the Constitution or Standing Orders to be discharged by the Synod, (b) all items which the Synod at a previous session has directed to be included, and (c) all bills, reports and notices of intention to propose motions or amendments which have been received by them by the appointed date. Motions relating to any committee, board or commission shall be placed on the agenda paper in conjunction with the report of the appropriate committee, board or commission.

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56. On the first day at such time as the President shall deem appropriate and in any event not later than 12 noon, the Synod shall consider a motion or motions to be presented by the honorary secretaries with the approval of the President to allocate the time available under Standing Order 3 between the items listed on the agenda paper. In allocating the Synod's time the Honorary Secretaries shall bear in mind that the first priority of the Church of Ireland is spiritual not material. On the adoption of such motion or motions (with or without amendments) business shall be conducted in accordance therewith. Such motion or motions shall include provision of not less than two hours each for consideration of the reports of the Standing Committee and the Representative Body and not less than one hour for the consideration of the report of the Role of the Church Committee.
57. The minutes of the proceedings of the session as certified by the honorary secretaries shall be presented to the next meeting of the Standing Committee and shall be confirmed by the signature of the Chairman.

#### **Consideration of the General State of the Church**

58. On any day of meeting it shall be open to any member, at an hour when motions have precedence, to move that in priority to all other motions the Synod shall proceed to take into consideration the general state of the Church, its progress, prospects and needs. Such motion shall be put without discussion.
59. On such motion being passed, any subject then brought forward by any of the bishops shall have precedence of all others.
60. During such consideration neither strangers nor reporters shall be admitted to any part of the Synod hall or gallery.
61. Such consideration, if not sooner concluded, shall automatically cease at the expiration of one hour, unless prolonged by a special vote.
62. It shall not be necessary for a member bringing forward any subject to conclude with a resolution.
63. A separate record of the proceedings during such consideration shall be kept, and shall be authenticated by the signature of the President before the resumption of the business of the Synod.
64. During such consideration the discussion shall be regulated by the President, whose decision shall be final in all matters not provided for in the foregoing orders.

#### **Petitions**

65. A petition in writing may be made by any person or persons of the age of 18 years or upwards being a member or members of the Church of Ireland. Such petition shall be sent to the honorary secretaries of the Synod not later than one week before the day appointed for the meeting of the Synod. Any such petition shall be

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presented to the Synod by a member thereof and shall be referred to the Petitions Committee which shall be elected at the first session of each Synod.

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#### **Voting by Bishops in Synod**

Procedure relative to voting by the bishops at meetings of the General Synod is in accordance with the provisions contained in the following sections of Chapter I of the Constitution:

20. If at any time the bishops express their wish to consider separately any matter in debate, the further discussion of that matter shall be postponed until the bishops shall have had the opportunity of so doing.
21. The bishops shall vote separately from the representatives, and no question shall be deemed to have been carried unless there be in its favour a majority of the bishops present, if they desire to vote, and a majority of the clerical and lay representatives present voting conjointly or by orders: Provided always, that if a question affirmed by a majority of the clerical and lay representatives present and voting, conjointly or by orders, but in favour of which there shall not be a majority of the bishops, shall be re-affirmed at the next ordinary session of the General Synod, by not less than two-thirds of the clerical and lay representatives present and voting conjointly or by orders, it shall be deemed to be carried, unless it be negatived by not less than two-thirds of the then members of the House of Bishops, the said two-thirds being present and voting, and giving their reasons in writing.
22. The bishops shall not vote until after the declaration of the votes of the clerical and lay representatives. If they desire to vote, the bishops may withdraw from the General Synod for that purpose, and may reserve the declaration of their vote until the following day.

#### **Appointment of Chairman**

Procedure relative to the appointment of a Chairman at meetings of the General Synod is in accordance with the provisions contained in the following section of Chapter I of the Constitution:

18. The President may, at his discretion, invite any member of the House of Bishops to act as Chairman for such period during a session as the President may determine; and the person so acting as Chairman shall have, and may exercise, all the powers and functions conferred by Standing Orders on the President.

#### **Venue for the meeting of the General Synod**

In the Standing Orders of the General Synod the expression 'Synod Hall', wherever it occurs, shall be deemed to include the room in any building in which, for the time being, the General Synod of the Church of Ireland is meeting in Ordinary or in Special Session.

## GENERAL SYNOD OF THE CHURCH OF IRELAND

2000

### BILLS AND EXPLANATORY MEMORANDA

This pamphlet contains those Bills which were lodged with the honorary secretaries at least six weeks before the first day of the session.

A Bill is a proposal for legislation which, if passed, will become a Statute, binding on all members of the Church of Ireland. The procedure is designed to ensure that the proposed legislation is considered carefully, both in principle and in detail, and that there is a day's interval for reflection before final approval is given.

The Bills will be taken into consideration in the order in which they appear in this pamphlet, unless the Synod directs otherwise. On the first stage, the proposer moves "That leave be given to introduce Bill no. \_\_\_" unless leave has been given in the previous session. This is a formal motion which is normally put to the Synod without debate, but in certain circumstances one speech in support of the motion, and one in opposition to it, may be permitted.

If that motion is passed, the Synod proceeds to the Second Reading, when the principles of the Bill are open to debate. At the conclusion of the debate on this stage, the motion "That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading" is put to the Synod. If this motion is passed, indicating that the Synod approved the Bill in principle, the Committee stage follows.

In the case of Special Bills leave to introduce such a Bill may only be given at an ordinary session of the Synod; leave having been given, the Bill shall be deemed to have been read a first time, but it shall not be processed further until the next ordinary session when it will come before the Synod for second reading.

On the Committee stage, the Bill is considered in detail, the clauses being put to the Synod one by one for debate and decision. The clauses are taken first in their order; then, the schedules (if any); and, finally, the Preamble (the introductory matter). Amendments, notice of which was given to the honorary secretaries not later than the Friday before the session, will appear on the agenda paper for the first day; no other amendment may be moved on Committee stage except with the leave of the Synod. An amendment is taken on the clause to which it relates, and is disposed of before the clause itself is put to the Synod.

In the case of Special Bills, an amendment can be moved on Committee stage only if notice has been given in the previous session except for any dealing with omissions or grammatical errors.

When the Committee stage has been concluded, the Bill is reported to the Synod, and a day – usually the third day – is fixed for the remaining stages.

On the third day the Report stage is taken. Any amendments which have been lodged with the honorary secretaries before the close of business on the second day will appear



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on the supplemental agenda paper for the third day. After these amendments have been disposed of – or immediately if there are not any amendments – the Synod proceeds to the Third Reading. At this stage, debate is confined to the provisions of the Bill, and at its conclusion the motion “That the Bill be now read a third time and passed” is put to the Synod.

A simple majority of the House of Representatives is required to pass any and every motion during the passage of a Bill through the Synod, except when

- (a) a vote by orders has been requisitioned by ten members of either order (which may be done on any motion), in which case a simple majority of each order, voting separately, is required.
- (b) a two-thirds majority of each order, voting separately, is required to pass the Second Reading and the Third Reading of a Bill which proposes a modification or alteration in the articles, doctrines, rites, rubrics or formularies of the Church.

For fuller information on Bill procedure reference should be made to Part II of Chapter I of the Constitution and to the Standing Orders. A leaflet on Bill procedure is available on application to the honorary secretaries.

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**BILL NO 1**

**Explanatory Memorandum**

In 1999 the General Synod approved, by the requisite majorities, a resolution granting leave for the introduction of this Bill and accompanying Schedule in 2000.

This Bill incorporates material from the Book of Common Prayer of 1926, makes minimal changes in The Order for Morning Prayer daily throughout the year, The Order for Evening Prayer daily throughout the year, The Litany, and the Appendix containing Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer (MCMXXXIII) by removing anachronisms and updating rubrics; but other than changing the “which” form to “who” in the Lord’s Prayer and “Ghost” to “Spirit”, preserves the traditional language of that book.

This is part of the process of making a revision of the Book of Common Prayer, 1926.

REV CANON RB ROUNTREE  
REV CANON JAB MAYNE

*(at the request of the General Synod)*

**BILL**

**To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend parts of the *Book of Common Prayer*.**

WHEREAS a Resolution to amend those parts of the *Book of Common Prayer* entitled respectively *The Order for Morning Prayer daily throughout the year; The Order for Evening Prayer daily throughout the year; The Litany;* and the appendix containing *Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer (MCMXXXIII)* [which is sanctioned upon occasions approved by the Ordinary] by substituting for the above-mentioned parts of the *Book of Common Prayer* the order *MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year;* the order *EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year;* *THE LITANY;* and *AN ORDER FOR COMPLINE* as set out in the accompanying schedule was duly passed in full Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 1999 by the required majorities, and was duly transmitted to the Secretaries of all Diocesan Synods;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Resolution shall be carried into effect by a Statute;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution leave was given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Belfast in the year 2000, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

In the *Book of Common Prayer* for those parts entitled respectively *The Order for Morning Prayer daily throughout the year; The Order for Evening Prayer daily throughout the year; The Litany;* and the appendix containing *Alternative forms of Evening Prayer (MCMXXXIII)* [which is sanctioned upon occasions approved by the Ordinary] there shall be substituted the order *MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year;* the order *EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year;* *THE LITANY;* and *AN ORDER FOR COMPLINE* as set out in the Schedule.

**BILL NO 2**

**Explanatory Memorandum**

In 1999 the General Synod approved, by the requisite majorities, a resolution granting leave for the introduction of this Bill and accompanying Schedule in 2000.

This Bill incorporates material from the Alternative Prayer Book 1984, amended in the light of practical usage and of recent liturgical scholarship.

These services will thus be part of the new edition of the Book of Common Prayer.

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REV CANON RB ROUNTREE  
REV CANON JAB MAYNE

*(at the request of the General Synod)*

**BILL**

**To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the forms of service as set out in the accompanying Schedule.**

WHEREAS a Resolution to include in the *Book of Common Prayer* the forms entitled *MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year; THE LITANY in contemporary language; A LATE EVENING OFFICE; and Weekday Intercessions and Thanksgivings* as set out in the accompanying Schedule was duly passed in full Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 1999 by the required majorities, and was duly transmitted to the Secretaries of all Diocesan Synods;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Resolution shall be carried into effect by a Statute;

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BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Belfast in the year 2000, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

In the *Book of Common Prayer* there shall be included the forms entitled *MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year; THE LITANY in contemporary language; A LATE EVENING OFFICE; and Weekday Intercessions and Thanksgivings* as set out in the Schedule.

**BILL NO 3**

**Explanatory Memorandum**

In 1999 the General Synod approved, by the requisite majorities, a resolution granting leave for the introduction of this Bill and accompanying Schedule in 2000.

This Bill provides the basic structure with introduction, notes and guidelines, known as “Service of the Word”, for inclusion in the new edition of the Book of Common Prayer.

Examples of using that structure, approved by the House of Bishops, have been published. Resource material authorized by the House of Bishops may be used to work out other forms based on the structure.

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REV CANON RB ROUNTREE  
REV CANON JAB MAYNE

*(at the request of the General Synod)*

**BILL**

**To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the basic structure for a *SERVICE OF THE WORD* as set out in the accompanying Schedule.**

WHEREAS a Resolution to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the basic structure and guidelines known as *SERVICE OF THE WORD The Structure of the Service* [for occasional use with the approval of the Ordinary] as set out in the accompanying Schedule was duly passed in full Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 1999 by the required majorities, and was duly transmitted to the Secretaries of all Diocesan Synods;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Resolution shall be carried into effect by a Statute;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution leave was given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Belfast in the year 2000, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

In the *Book of Common Prayer* there shall be included the basic structure and guidelines known as *SERVICE OF THE WORD The Structure of the Service* [for occasional use with the approval of the Ordinary] as set out in the Schedule.

**BILL NO 4**

**Explanatory Memorandum**

The General Synod in May 1999 requested the Commission on Church Buildings to take steps to widen its terms of reference to enable it to recommend grants (within its existing budget and where recommended by Diocesan Council) to make safe ruined or redundant church buildings which are either of historic or visual significance in a local landscape.

In accordance with this request the Commissioners now present a Bill amending Section 6 of Chapter I of 1986 by the addition of section (4) (b), thereby extending its terms of reference to take this request into account.

If passed, any requests for a grant would have to be made through the relevant Diocesan Council and would apply only to such buildings as are still vested in the Representative Church Body.

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VERY REV JMG SIRR  
MRS DM BURNS

*(at the request of the General Synod)*

**BILL**

**To amend the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter I of 1986.**

WHEREAS it is desirable that the objects of the fund established by the Statute, Chapter I of 1986, should be enlarged;

AND WHEREAS for that purpose it is necessary to amend the said Statute;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Belfast in the year 2000, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. For sub-section (4) of Section 6 of Chapter I of 1986 there shall be substituted the following sub-section:
  - (4) Without prejudice to the provisions of sub-section (3) above, the commissioners may also recommend to the Representative Body, and the Representative Body may make, grants from the fund:
    - (a) towards the development of churches which remain open in a benefice following a final determination, provided artifacts used in such development come from a church which was closed subsequent to that final determination;
    - (b) towards making safe ruined or redundant church buildings which are either of historic or visual significance in a local landscape.

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### General Synod of the Church of Ireland

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#### FORTY FOURTH GENERAL SYNOD

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*First Ordinary Session, holden in Belfast, A.D. 2000*

#### FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

MONDAY 15 MAY 2000

On this day, according to the summons of His Grace the Lord Primate, the Synod assembled in the Belfast Waterfront Hall.

The Chair was taken at 11.00 am by His Grace the Lord Primate.

A portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer was read by the Rt Rev WP Colton.

#### Motion (Standing Orders)

It was proposed by Lady Sheil, seconded by the Very Rev H Cassidy and passed:

That (i) For Standing Order 3 of the Standing Orders of the General Synod there shall be substituted the following:

3. The hours for the Synod when in ordinary session shall be as follows:-

First day: 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. or, if the first and second readings of all Bills sent to the members with the summonses have not then been concluded, until such later hour as the Synod shall determine.

Second day: 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Third day: 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. or such other hour as the Synod may determine.

Provided that the Synod by Resolution assented to by at least two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon may (unless the Bishops present by a majority object) prolong the period of any sitting to such hour as may be named in such Resolution.

The hours for the Synod when in special session shall be specified in the notice convening the meeting.

That (ii) In Standing Order 56 for the words 'on the Tuesday, following the President's address' there shall be substituted 'on the first day at such time as the President shall deem appropriate and in any event not later than 12 noon'.

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A list of the members of the Synod was laid on the Table.

The President nominated Mr MC Davey to act as his Assessor.

**Election of Honorary Secretaries**

It was proposed by the Very Rev TR Moore, seconded by the Ven GCS Linney and passed:

That the following be elected Clerical Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod:

Very Rev H Cassidy  
Rev Canon RD Harman

It was proposed by Mr JF Rankin, seconded by Ms C McCutcheon and passed:

That the following be elected Lay Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod:

Mr SR Harper  
Lady Sheil

**Petitions Committee**

It was proposed by the Very Rev H Cassidy, seconded by Mr SR Harper and passed:

That the following be elected to the Petitions Committee:

The Very Rev JMG Sirr  
Mr GC Richards  
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

**Elections Committee**

It was proposed by the Very Rev H Cassidy, seconded by Mr SR Harper and passed:

That the following be elected to the Elections Committee:

The Very Rev JMG Sirr  
Mr GC Richards  
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

**Bills Committee**

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the following be elected to the Bills Committee:

The Assessor (ex officio)  
The Bishop of Cashel and Ossory  
The Ven GCS Linney  
Mr GC Richards  
Lady Sheil  
The Ven RG Hoey  
The Rev Canon RD Harman



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### **President's Address**

His Grace the Lord Primate delivered the following address:

*Your Grace, my lords, members of the General Synod, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen:*

#### **Welcome and Tribute to Belfast**

I welcome you to our meeting here in the Waterfront Hall in Belfast and pray that Almighty God will richly bless our work this week. We meet to transact the business of the Synod at the beginning of a new millennium, in a city many of us regard as home and in a hall which is a symbol of the economic and cultural rebirth of Belfast which for far too long represented in the eyes of the world division and destruction. Those who know and love this city recognise that behind the smokescreen of the Troubles has been the steady beat of a generous and hospitable heart too often ignored by the outside world. I hope our members from afar will experience that generosity and kindness this week.

I want to begin my Address this year with a tribute to the Church of Ireland in Belfast. Our two great dioceses of Connor and Down and Dromore share responsibility for our tradition in Belfast and tonight we will worship in the Cathedral which testifies to that fact. Over the years those two dioceses have ministered to our people here through many different circumstances. As I recall my own ministry in this city I remember the challenge of population movement to areas in the suburbs and the need to erect new church buildings; the financial and material provision of such churches was shared with the central Church but I still recall the generous response of the people of Down, Dromore and Connor in that regard; the thirty years of civil disorder, riots, terrorism, death and destruction called for pastoral care of a high order; the consequent mass movement of people produced a level of reorganisation which required re-examination of priorities particularly in Connor; the equally important movement of people away from the inner city for economic and urban development reasons provoked questions about the cost and use of church plant in the inner city on both sides of the River Lagan; the birth of the peace process called for a new emphasis in ministry in Belfast as in other parts of Northern Ireland as words such as reconciliation, forgiveness and inclusiveness produced new emotions which touched the hearts of so many who had suffered.

In all this changing picture we have so much reason to be thankful to Almighty God for the witness and life of the Church of Ireland in Belfast.

#### **A New Millennium**

We are conscious that this is the first General Synod of a new millennium. At the turn of the year the world was engulfed by events and comment which attempted to remind us of the historical context of the first of January 2000. Much of that recognition reflected the passing of a time when the world had experienced both the best and the worst of the human experience of life. Much of that recognition spoke of human-kind's attempts to build a new world order while failing time and again to build the human relationships which

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would make it possible. Alongside faltering attempts to understand and improve the human condition we recalled the advances of science, the revolution in world communication and yet the failure of economic wealth in parts of the world to influence the lives of those who in other parts did not have the sufficiencies of even one day's food and drink. Advances in medicine, in understanding the environment and in defining the nature of power and the meaning of authority walked hand in hand with the holocaust, Hiroshima and the frustration of human need and poverty. In December and January the world reflected on itself. But much of that reflection seemed divorced from what we in the Christian Church would regard as the real significance of the new millennium. It is a sobering fact, but a fact nonetheless, that the Christian significance of the birth of the year 2000 was largely ignored by a world conditioned to the material, the secular and the advance of purely human interpretations of world events. Even here in Ireland it took definite effort to emphasise the importance of that event in relation to the birth of the incarnate Lord.

Indeed a pluralist world in 2000 is reflected in our own island by growing evidence of beliefs and religions other than Christianity. When one also recognises the growing number of those in statistical or census returns in Ireland who claim '*No religious affiliation*' we begin to see a part of the picture. Christianity today faces a world which has a menu of religious choices equalled by a growth of indifference which demands of us a new realism and a new degree of heart-searching.

Recently I came across the title of a major conference in Oxford which discussed the importance of perceptions of history. It was called '*Remembering for the Future*'. There is I believe great meaning in those words. The past is what we cannot change. But past experience, our memories, can be deployed in more than one way to change the present and to influence the future. We can use the past to vindicate actions and events. We can use the past to search for understanding. Memory, said St Augustine, is '*spirit*'. Our spiritual life comprises the moral imagination, the capacity for compassion and for penitence. St Augustine also claimed it is what we must pass through in our search for God as '*we have not found this outside of the memory*'. But our faith takes us further. '*Remembrance*' remains the central image in the central act of Christian worship – the naming of the dead Jesus as the Lord and judge on whom all lines of history converge. As Archbishop Rowan Williams of Wales has reminded us the Holy Spirit, addressed in one of Charles Wesley's great hymns as '*Remembrancer Divine*' is the one who makes the past of Jesus present to us now.

For the Christian and for the Christian Church to remember Jesus is the heart of '*remembering for the future*': the past of Jesus is what constructs the future of men and women. The past of Jesus is what constructs the future for the Church.

The history of the Church of Ireland is a window on the history of Ireland. Catholic and Reformed, apostolic and reflecting the great traditions of the early Church in word and sacrament, maintaining the faith once delivered, gaining what I for one regard as God-given independence through disestablishment and ministering to all sorts and conditions through the quiet revolution which has been the history of Ireland – this Church, our Church, looks back on centuries of striving to make the past of Jesus present to each

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generation of Irish Anglicans. Beyond our shores this same Church has reached out in the name of Christ in missionary witness and leadership, played a part in the life of the world-wide Anglican Communion far in excess of its numerical size and played a leading role in the ecumenical pilgrimage. As with all human endeavours even in the name of Christ it has fallen far short of that high calling time and time again. As we look back to the last millennium it is some comfort that the final judgement of so-called success or failure by the Church does not lie in human hands.

The Church of Ireland which enters this new millennium of Christ would be unrecognisable to many who have gone before us just as they would find the new Ireland it serves unrecognisable in many ways. They would see our new forms of worship, our new diocesan and central structures, our new forms of parish ministry. But they would recognise much also: the three-fold orders, the synodical and diocesan forms of government, the allegiance to the historic formularies and doctrine of a Catholic and Reformed Church. They might well be amazed by the changed and changing conditions in which we exercise pastoral ministry, by the growing understanding between the Irish Christian traditions, by the developments we have made in the ministry of the laity and the key roles we recognise in the ministry of women. I pray they would be encouraged by our commitment to evangelism and mission. They would certainly recognise the familiar when we talked of the problems and opportunities of youth work : they would understand it when we talked of social responsibility. Undoubtedly the greatest amazement of those generations would be reserved for the communities in which the Church of Ireland of this millennium worships and works. They would look with amazement at the Ireland in which we live – changed beyond belief.

As we meet to transact the business of our beloved Church at the dawn of this millennium we do well to reflect on '*remembering for the future*'. In the words of our reports we think prayerfully of '*what God sends us to do in His world*'.

**The Current Situation**

*A time of critical importance*

The General Synod this year meets at a time of critical importance for all the people of this island. Recent political developments are the concern of our people in both jurisdictions and not just as it often appears here in Northern Ireland. While the focus of attention rests on this community we must never forget that change is called for and is taking place in both parts of this island.

*Speed of change requires sensitivity by government*

Few would have imagined even a short time ago that the new millennium would witness the political developments which have dominated our lives recently. At times the speed of such events has left us breathless as well as amazed. But that speed has contained within itself the danger of expecting acceptance of profound change at an equal pace. We must never forget that the basis of political change is attempting to address not just the ills of society in our lifetime but the problems of Irish society for many generations. For that reason the pace of change requires serious consideration just as society considers

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its content. Timing does not always depend on a careful management of events. There are issues which must be dealt with quickly – but society needs to remember that it takes time for mind-sets conditioned by generational attitudes to alter.

***Relations between British and Irish governments***

As a Church which transcends the national boundary in Ireland we must welcome new and realistic relations between our two governments. That understanding with the removal of historic obstacles to co-operation is a positive step and, based on the realities of a Europe which has little time or patience with age-old animosities, augurs well for all our people in the future.

Equally new appreciations of the diversities in culture, community life and aspirations in both parts of Ireland are gradually becoming a reality and the Church of Ireland with its unique composition must continue to play its part in fostering greater understanding across the border.

***How far we have come***

Second, we must relate difficulties in arriving at political solutions to the distance Ireland has travelled in a few short years. In our anxiety to look ahead let us never forget what we **have** achieved and how far we have come in such a short time. Let that encourage us when we are frustrated by difficulty.

What then is the task of the Church of Ireland in these days?

***Dangers of alienation***

A Church reconciled to God is a Church which must be a beacon of reconciliation in the world. Last year at Synod we devoted much time to discussing sectarianism. Strong emotions were expressed. Courageous visions were expressed. Sensitivities came to the surface. But – what now? In the past year has our Church become a beacon for reconciliation? In the past twelve months I have to say that I believe attitudes have hardened in many parts of our communities in Northern Ireland. The euphoria at the signing of the *Belfast Agreement* has now been tested by the practicalities of its implementation. Did we all recognise what the cost would be to make the visions it held out a reality? The vast majority of people here want to see a stable and peaceful society. They do not want to return in any way to the dark days of mayhem which we passed through. They find some of the changes involved extremely costly. But I have to say that while change is essential to answer the ills of yesterday the removal of alienation on the part of one community by the creation of feelings of alienation on the part of another community will never be the basis of that stability or peace. Of course a price must be paid and a majority here within and without the Church of Ireland are prepared for this price, but the most careful and sensitive balance is essential between the perceived burdens of change to be carried by both northern communities.

***Management of change***

At the centre of any process of community reconciliation is the key issue of how change is managed. That is the point this society has reached. It involves how we deal with the past and with our memories. There is deep hurt felt by many in this community today. Those who have come to terms with the bitterness of the past and the depth of their or their family's hurt have shown great courage and in many cases deep Christian faith. But if this society cannot collectively learn to manage not just change but the ways in which it deals with its memories reconciliation will remain a vision only. No agreement in the world can achieve reconciliation if people do not want to be reconciled. But there is no other way under God to reach true understanding if we cannot move forward acknowledging that the past is over. We can never forget – nor are we asked to do so. But the past is the past and the whole of this society needs to be sure that all those memories can be left behind it. That is why behind and beyond the well-known arguments lies the longing for reassurance that the violence is a thing of the past. There are many ways in which that assurance can be given – and received. But such assurance has got to be the bedrock of any move forwards.

In Irish history a conflict has smouldered for generations. At times it has burst out into a raging fire. Is it therefore any wonder that people in this generation yearn for clear and definite evidence that violence has no place in quelling the embers of our age-old differences?

***Confidence building measures***

Political progress provides a framework for society development. But political change is only a part of community life. The acid test is the quality of life of the people of Ireland. The real questions are to do with attitudes to each other, relationships, justice, human need and suffering. The real issues are to do with pluralism, living with diversity and inclusiveness. Trust has been the real casualty of Irish history. Tribalism, sectarianism and fear have for too long marred the lives of our people. Both unionist and nationalist need confidence building measures – but they need them in equal measure.

***Political courage***

No matter what our individual political views may be we must all recognise that both main traditions in Ireland have witnessed rare political courage in recent times. Equally we must recognise that there have been political risks taken in the search for a stable future. Time alone will tell how far those risks have succeeded.

***Violence***

Year after year this General Synod has voiced its opposition to terrorism. We must welcome therefore any evidence that paramilitary organisations are turning to political rather than violent means of expressing political objectives. The recent response to political proposals by the IRA represents radical change when viewed from within Irish Republicanism. But there are other paramilitary organisations in the equation. We look for movement from loyalist sources as well. An end once and for all to terrorism is an essential to progress in Ireland. The time for terror is over. The time for peace is here.

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Terror takes many forms in our world. Let us condemn the so-called *punishment attacks* so prevalent in this society at present. This is terrorism under a different name. No organisation has the right to act as judge and jury and inflict on men, women and children barbaric injury. Sooner or later '*punishment*' will produce murder. It has got to stop – and stop now.

***Concerns in both parts of Ireland***

In both our jurisdictions issues confront us which demand that we have the courage to make the Christian voice heard. In the Republic public scandals, the misuse of power and privilege, the corrosive emergence of evidence of racism and the injustice of poverty questions the qualities and advantages for society of the onward march of the Celtic tiger. The serious issues of asylum and the principles which should underline true pluralism demand a hearing for the Christian voice. In Northern Ireland the need to recognise that change carries a great price, that reconciliation cannot be enforced, that understanding demands sacrifice and that how we handle memories hold the key to progress and must have a Christian input. That voice must be heard from within the Church.

**Ministry: Training and Support**

As we look ahead into this new decade and millennium a priority for our Church must be our attitude to ministry.

One of the great changes over the years has been a new recognition of the role of laity in the life and work of the Church. In our dioceses we have come to appreciate the work of parish and diocesan readers. Not for the first time we have led the way in these islands in the thinking and planning of such supportive forms of ministry. The work of readers is invaluable particularly in our sparsely populated areas. Non-stipendiary ministry has allowed us to develop far along the road from the original concept of the 'worker priest'.

It is however in the ministry of the laity that some of the most dramatic changes have come. At a time when various commentators have high-lighted a so-called decline in denominational or institutional allegiance in Ireland there is an unprecedented interest by laity in courses in theology, theology degrees, diocesan lay training schemes and lay involvement in worship. The standards required in such courses are extremely high. During the Decade of Evangelism I have seen in my own diocese what is reflected throughout the Church of Ireland: a thirst by dedicated and committed Church members for instruction in the Faith. I see in this fact a pattern for the future. It is a cameo of a Church which contains a growing constituency of trained, informed and reliable lay members who know their faith and who can speak with authority on so much which used to be the sole prerogative of ordained clergy. I feel the Church must not only be aware of this development but also it must be sensitive in its approach to the role such members want to play in their Church. Such people trained in the doctrine of the Church, loyal to the ethos of the Church and prepared to question as well as to affirm their faith must be encouraged. But their enthusiasm must not be frustrated by outmoded attitudes to ministry. Throughout the Anglican Communion there is a growing tide of such committed membership.

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But the foundation of our ministry must remain the ordained stipendiary ministry of men and women. That ministry has never faced greater challenges in commending itself to the Church. Theological expertise, pastoral faithfulness and clear vision of vocation are the essentials for any expression of ordained ministry. In that regard two aspects must concern the Church of Ireland: training and support.

You will learn during this Synod of the creation of a College Council for our Theological College in Dublin. That development must be welcomed. It allows the involvement of the whole Church in the support of the College. That Council needs and deserves space to establish its work but already it is providing the College with support which is tangible and accountable.

During the past year we have been aware of considerable debate on our methods of training at the College. We all welcome healthy, informed and sincere discussion on training. None of us and not least our staff at the College believes that we are perfect in every aspect of training. But I have to say there is no place in a Christian Church for anonymous, ill-informed criticism which denigrates individuals in terms which would be unacceptable even in secular matters. Nothing is to be gained from such attitudes and they bring shame on those who are responsible.

I want to acknowledge the work of the Principal and staff at the College. It has been a privilege to know and support Professor Bartlett over the years and those who have passed through our College do not need to be reminded of his faithful ministry to students and their families. We all have our pet theories on selection and training but too often those theories emphasise the critical and negative rather than the positive. Yes we must continually examine the ways we offer training – but no we must not indulge in attitudes which ignore the positive and worthwhile.

What I want to emphasise this morning is the call of vocation to ministry in the Church of Ireland. I have seen across the communion in other nations and I have heard from leaders of other denominations their concerns at the numbers of those offering themselves for the ordained ministry of the Church. That call must go out from this Synod with renewed emphasis. Many parishes and dioceses have an admirable record in this regard. But too many parishes fail to see the privilege of producing ordinands as a priority. Indeed I have to say that too few of us see it as a personal priority to encourage suitable candidates to seek ordination. At this stage in our history no greater call can go out to the Church of Ireland across this island.

As a Church we must provide the very best training, the greatest financial support for training and the most enlightened attitude to training of which we are capable.

The second aspect of ordained ministry to which I wish to refer is support.

We live in days when the needs of the clergy and their families must be underlined. The strain of ministerial life is becoming more and more obvious. There is always the danger of over-emphasising the strains of the rectory or the curatage at the expense of the privileges. But the pace of life today, the demands made on ministry by a rapidly

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changing society, the increasing pressures because of a questioning and better informed laity and the strain of fulfilling ministry for 24 hours a day is placing new demands on family life. The House of Bishops recognises these facts and I pay tribute to my colleagues in the House for the ways in which they are so ready to address those needs on the part of the clergy. But we must be aware as a Synod that those problems exist. Marriage breakdown, health problems, anxiety-related stress, financial worries are just a few of the ways which on occasions we see the consequences of our current situation. The disciplines of stipendiary ministerial life make great demands. In our day those demands are special and they are growing. Vocation to serve with faithfulness in any parish is the bottom line of our ministry. But the Church needs to address in practical ways the pastoral support of its clergy at this time.

We also need to take seriously the provision of means whereby irretrievable breakdown in relationships between clergy and people can be faced. Sadly such cases do occur at times. This involves the ability and opportunity where need demands for remedial action which is not always possible in our present regulations for parochial appointments. It involves an honest reappraisal of the traditional freehold.

We thank God that in the vast majority of cases the Church of Ireland continues to see great strength in the calibre of pastoral ministry in our parishes. The happy relationship of pastor and people, the fulfilment of genuine vocation and the devoted and faithful support by wives or husbands and families in our rectories is an inspiration to us all. Nevertheless we fail our calling as a Church if we are unaware of the need to examine how our Church addresses the real needs of its clergy and their families.

#### **Church of Ireland – Methodist Church in Ireland**

One of the most significant statements in your Synod papers this year concerns the relationship between our Church and the Methodist Church in Ireland. Consultations between representatives of the two Churches have been proceeding for years as we have sought to find ways of closer co-operation. Already we have several joint parish and congregation projects in operation in various parts of Ireland. Now we feel our conversations have reached a point where we can with confidence make clear statements of intention for the benefit of both denominations. We have examined doctrine and Church practice in detail – now we take the warm friendship already enjoyed a definite stage further. This is surely a most welcome development. Historically the two traditions have so much in common. At the commencement of a new millennium we welcome this growing relationship of trust. Much remains to be examined in detail. There is no question of erosion of deeply-held practical principles for either – but there is partnership. That partnership and the evidence of our joint intention to move closer to each other is one of the most encouraging signs in Irish ecumenical circles for years.

In the report there is a request that the draft covenant should be discussed at each level of our Church: I urge you to do this. We need to learn the mind of the Church just as our Methodist colleagues will be examining the wording in their own context. This is not a report or recommendation which can be allowed to gather dust on our shelves. We must read it, pray about it and discuss it. We must discuss it with our Methodist neighbours in



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each diocese. We must above all else decide what God is saying to the Church of Ireland about our future relationship with the Irish Methodist Church.

I pray God will encourage both our Churches to grasp the opportunities new understandings will produce and I heartily commend the recommendations to this General Synod.

**Bishop of Limerick**

We have learned of the forthcoming retirement of Bishop Edward Darling with great regret. Since 1985 he has provided the most faithful episcopal leadership and ministry to the clergy and people of Limerick and Killaloe which covers such a large and diverse area of the south west. At a central level we have depended so much on his love for and expertise in music and liturgy. The production of the new hymn book owes much to his expertise and knowledge. In the House of Bishops we will miss his thoughtful input to our discussions, his sincere spirituality and his great sense of humour. I for one will have to find someone else to provide me with humour for after-dinner speeches! To Bishop Edward and his devoted wife Patricia go our thanks and our prayers for a long and happy retirement in Moira.

**New Hymn Book**

As I say, Bishop Darling has done much to help us produce a new hymn book which will be launched in St Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday 9 September. We look forward to this publication which will combine much that is new together with hymns with which we have become familiar over the years. I pay a warm tribute to all those who together with Bishop Darling have worked long and hard to produce hymns which I hope will soon become a real and living aspect of our worship throughout the Church of Ireland.

**Communication**

During the past year we said farewell to Liz Harries, Church of Ireland Press Officer for 14 years. Many tributes have been paid to her faithful service through some of the most difficult years in recent times. Her boundless energy, willingness to work long hours and travel many miles in the service of the Church allied to her expertise and the respect in which she was held by the professional media helped our Church to make its voice heard throughout Ireland and beyond. The establishment of Diocesan Information Officers, training in media work and preparatory briefings for clergy and laity were other aspects of her work. Yet again we are reminded of the truth that it is only when a person ceases to do a job that we recognise all they achieved. We wish her well in her new responsibilities in Ely diocese of the Church of England.

A new structure for our communication work has been accepted and we look forward to the appointment of a Head of Communications and then a Press Officer in the near future.

I thank Mr Brian Parker who has helped us with media arrangements for this Synod and Mrs Jennie Compston who continues to look after our Press Office in Belfast.

Sadly three former Honorary Secretaries of this Synod died during the past year.

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**Mr EWR Cookman**

Since we last met as a Synod we were saddened to learn of the death of Mr Cookman of Raphoe diocese, who had given such faithful service as an Honorary Secretary to both the General Synod and Standing Committee. His experience in education, work for the Priorities Committee, allied to his personal determination despite ill-health to attend to his Church duties made a great impression on us all.

**Senator W Sheldon**

Older members of the General Synod will recall the work of Senator Willie Sheldon as an Honorary Secretary from May 1960 to May 1970. We recall his devoted service to his Church and note with sadness his death since we last met.

**Mr Robert Byers**

During the past year Mr Bob Byers of Connor diocese died after a short illness. Bob was an Honorary Secretary of the Synod and Standing Committee as well as Church of Ireland Press Officer. Later he served as Communications Officer for the Anglican Communion office in London and his many friends throughout the Church of Ireland recall his intense love for this Church expressed in so many ways.

**Way Forward**

So we commence the work of the first General Synod of a new millennium.

There are other words of St Augustine which speak to us as we take our memories into our work this week:

*“Let me remember you, let me understand you,  
let me love you. Increase these things in me  
until you refashion me entirely.”*

We bring to our work memories of the past, problems and opportunities of today but also a vision for the future. That future beckons us to be the Church of Christ with confidence and love. “Remembering for the future” – the Jesus of history present with us now is what must take our memories and transform them as we look to the future of the Church of Ireland.

I share with you words of a prayer by Brother Bernard which I have found helpful in my own life:

*“Set us free, O God, to cross barriers for you,  
as you crossed barriers for us.”*

May God bless you all.

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**Motions on Procedure**

It was proposed by the Very Rev H Cassidy, seconded by Mr SR Harper, and passed:

That, in accordance with Standing Order 56, the time available under Standing Order 3 be allocated as follows:

**MONDAY 15 MAY**

- 11.00 am President takes the chair  
to Reading of Holy Scripture and Prayer
- 1.00 pm Motion No 1 in the name of Lady Sheil  
List of members of the General Synod to be laid on the table  
Nomination of an assessor by the President  
Election of Honorary Secretaries  
Election of Petitions Committee and Elections Committee  
Election of Bills Committee  
President's Address  
Motion No 2 – Timetable  
Motion No 3 – Education Reports  
Formal business and communications  
Bills Nos 1, 2, 3, and 4  
Communications from the House of Bishops
- 2.00 pm Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)  
to Report of the Standing Committee (not more than 2 hours)
- 6.30 pm Motion No 4 in the name of Rev Canon PF Patterson and Mr DJ Auchmuty } (not more  
The report of the Synodical Structures Working Group will be taken at this stage } than 1 hour)  
Motion No 5 in the name of the Archbishop of Dublin and the Bishop of Kilmore  
(not more than 10 minutes)  
Report of the Select Committee on Theological College Accommodation  
(not more than 30 minutes)

**TUESDAY 16 MAY**

- 10.00 am Formal business and communications  
to Report of the Representative Body (not more than 2 hours)
- 1.00 pm Report of the Pensions Board (not more than 30 minutes)  
Report of the Christian Stewardship Committee (not more than 30 minutes)
- 2.00 pm Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)  
to Report of the Commission on Ministry (not more than 1 hour)
- 6.30 pm Motion No 6 in the name of Rev Canon PF Patterson and Very Rev DR Chillingworth  
(not more than 15 minutes)  
Report of the Role of the Church Committee (not more than 1 hour)  
Report of the Council for Mission in Ireland } (not more than 45 minutes)  
Report of the Council for the Church Overseas }  
Report of the Church's Ministry of Healing (not more than 20 minutes)  
Report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee } (not more than 1 hour)  
Liturgical Resolutions }

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**WEDNESDAY 17 MAY**

- 10.00 am Formal business and communications  
to Election of Legislation Committee, Record Committee and Standing Orders Committee
- 1.00 pm Bills: further stages as ordered on Monday
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| Report of the Board of Education   | } (not more   |
| Report of the Secondary Education Committee                                  | } than 1 hour |
| Motion No 7 in the name of Rev Canon JE McCullagh<br>and Rev Canon RD Harman | } 30 minutes) |
| Report of the Hymnal Revision Committee (not more than 20 minutes)           | }             |
| Report of the Marriage Council (not more than 30 minutes)                    | }             |
- 2.00 pm Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)  
to Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (NI) (not more than 30 minutes)
- 4.30 pm Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (RI) (not more than 30 minutes)
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| Report of the Committee for Christian Unity (not more than 20 minutes)      |
| Motion No 8 in the name of the Bishop of Tuam (not more than 15 minutes)    |
| Report of the Commission on Church Buildings (not more than 10 minutes)     |
| Motion No 9 concerning publication of the Journal (not more than 5 minutes) |
- At 4.25 pm any outstanding items will be put from the Chair without debate.

If business listed for any period is completed before the hour appointed for adjournment, Reports listed for Wednesday afternoon will be taken in reverse order, commencing with the Commission on Church Buildings.

References in this motion to a “Report” shall include any Resolutions accompanying such Report on the Agenda Paper.

It was proposed by the Very Rev H Cassidy, seconded by Mr SR Harper, and passed:

That the Reports of the Board of Education and the Secondary Education Committee be taken together, that the first part of the debate be confined to matters mainly concerning education in the Republic of Ireland, being introduced by two speeches, one on behalf of the Board of Education and one on behalf of the Secondary Education Committee; that the second part of the debate be confined to matters concerning education in Northern Ireland, being introduced by one speech, on behalf of the Board of Education, and that the time allotted to each part of the debate be at the discretion of the President, but not to exceed a total of one and a half hours.

**Reports of Committees and Boards etc**

The following reports were presented:

- Representative Church Body
- Church of Ireland Pensions Board
- Standing Committee
  - World Development – Bishops’ Appeal Advisory Committee
  - Central Communications Board
  - Synodical Structures Working Group
- Role of the Church Committee
- Board of Education

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Youth Department  
Secondary Education Committee  
Council for the Church Overseas  
Council for Mission in Ireland  
Committee for Christian Unity  
Liturgical Advisory Committee  
Commission on Ministry  
Marriage Council  
Hymnal Revision Committee  
Select Committee on the Provision for Married Students at the Theological College  
Commission on Church Buildings  
Church's Ministry of Healing  
Christian Stewardship Committee  
Board for Social Responsibility (NI)  
Board for Social Responsibility (RI)  
Priorities News  
ICC Annual Report  
Church of Ireland Jubilee Fund: 111<sup>th</sup> Annual Report  
Incorporated Society report and accounts to end July 1999  
SEC Limited: Memorandum and Articles of Association

**Communications from Diocesan Synods**

The following communication was laid on the table:

Diocese of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh: resolution amalgamating the Committee for Religious Education with the Board of Education.

**Report from the Honorary Secretaries on the election of the Standing Committee**

**DIOCESE OF ARMAGH**

Clerical 45 or over	Electorate 18 – Votes cast 11 Rev Canon JM Barton elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev IW Ellis elected
Lay 45 or over	One nomination – Mr HW Young elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mrs J Montgomery elected

**DIOCESE OF CLOGHER**

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Very Rev TR Moore elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev Canon DP Hoey elected
Lay 45 or over	Electorate 28 – Votes cast 20 Mr H Stewart elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr SF Brooker elected

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DIOCESE OF DERRY AND RAPHOE

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Ven MS Harte elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Very Rev WW Morton elected
Lay 45 or over	Electorate 40 – Votes cast 19 Mr JHD Livingston elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr WR Arnold elected

DIOCESE OF DOWN AND DROMORE

Clerical 45 or over	Electorate 30 – Votes cast 23 Ven KR Good elected
Clerical under 45	Electorate 30 – Votes cast 22 (1 spoiled) Rev DA McClay elected
Lay 45 or over	One nomination – Mr JD Johnston elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Dr PHC Trimble elected

DIOCESE OF CONNOR

Clerical 45 or over	Electorate 32 – Votes cast 23 Ven KH Clarke elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev MJ Elliott elected
Lay 45 or over	One nomination – Mr J Richardson elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Miss CS Turner elected

DIOCESE OF KILMORE, ELPHIN AND ARDAGH

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Rev Canon I Gallagher elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev GTW Davison elected
Lay 45 or over	One nomination – Mrs JM Johnston elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr N Trenier elected

DIOCESE OF TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Ven AMA Previt� elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev Canon GL Hastings elected
Lay 55 or over	Electorate 14 – Votes cast 11 Mr DJ Auchmuty elected
Lay under 55	One nomination – Mrs A Wills elected

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DIOCESE OF DUBLIN AND GLENDALOUGH

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Rev Canon NG McEndoo elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev BA Pierce elected
Lay 45 or over	Electorate 44 – Votes cast 34 Dr K Milne elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr RW Lawson elected

DIOCESE OF MEATH AND KILDARE

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Rev Canon RW Deane elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev JDM Clarke elected
Lay 45 or over	One nomination – Mrs JM Bruton elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr G Potterton elected

DIOCESE OF CASHEL, WATERFORD, LISMORE, OSSORY, FERNS AND LEIGHLIN

Clerical 45 or over	Electorate 21 – Votes cast 15 Ven JG Murray elected
Clerical under 45	Electorate 21 – Votes cast 15 Very Rev PF Barrett elected
Lay 45 or over	Electorate 42 – Votes cast 31 Mr G Bradley elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr KGT Rothwell elected

DIOCESE OF CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Ven REB White elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev Canon MAJ Burrows elected
Lay 45 or over	One nomination – Mr WF Baker elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Dr AE St Leger elected

DIOCESE OF LIMERICK, ARDFERT, AGHADOE, KILLALOE, KILFENORA,  
CLONFERT, KILMACDUAGH AND EMLY

Clerical 45 or over	Electorate 14 – Votes cast 11 Very Rev JMG Sirr elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev SM Neill elected
Lay 55 or over	Electorate 28 – Votes cast 23 Mr PDG Read elected
Lay under 55	One nomination – Mrs RM Gill elected

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**Bills**

A copy of the Bills Pamphlet was laid on the table.

**Report of Bills Committee**

In accordance with Standing Order 24 (b) the Bills Committee met at Church of Ireland House, Rathmines, Dublin 6 at 4.00pm on Tuesday 11 April 2000.

**Present:** The Bishop of Cashel and Ossory (Chairman)  
Mr MC Davey  
Ven RG Hoey  
Rev Canon RB Rountree  
Lady Sheil

**Apologies:** Rev Canon RD Harman  
Ven GCS Linney  
Very Rev JMG Sirr

The Committee noted that Bills Nos 1-3 had been presented in the form requested at the first meeting of the Committee, and that Liturgical Resolution No 2 had also been amended as requested.

**Bills:**

The Committee considered Bills Nos 1-4 in the attached Bill Pamphlet.

Bill No 1: The Committee made no comment on Bill No 1.  
Bill No 2: The Committee made no comment on Bill No 2.  
Bill No 3: The Committee made no comment on Bill No 3.  
Bill No 4: The Committee made no comment on Bill No 4.

**Liturgical resolutions:**

The Committee considered the Liturgical Resolutions Nos 1-5.

Resolution No 1: The Committee made no comment on Resolution No 1.  
Resolution No 2: The Committee made no comment on Resolution No 2.  
Resolution No 3: The Committee made no comment on Resolution No 3.  
Resolution No 4: The Committee made no comment on Resolution No 4.  
Resolution No 5: The Committee made no comment on Resolution No 5.



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**Bill (No 1) To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend parts of the *Book of Common Prayer*.**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes	143	Noes	0
	Lay	Ayes	247	Noes	3

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

Immediately before the words 'In the Book of Common Prayer' there shall be inserted the figure '1' and following the words 'as set out in the Schedule.' there shall be inserted the following section:

'2. The provisions of Section 1 of and the Schedule to this Statute shall come into force on such day or days as may hereafter be appointed by the General Synod.'

It was proposed by the Rev JW McKegney, seconded by the Very Rev NN Lynas and lost:

In MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year and EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year on page 1 & page 16

Add to the beginning of the sentences of scripture:

"O worship the Lord in the beauty of holiness,  
let the whole earth stand in awe of Him."

"They who wait for the Lord shall renew their strength  
they shall mount up with wings like eagles,  
they shall run and not be weary  
they shall walk and not faint"

"God is spirit and those who worship him  
must worship him in spirit and in truth"

(and include scripture references)

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It was proposed by the Very Rev DSG Godfrey, seconded by the Rev Canon WB Johnston and lost:

In MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year and EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year

Page 2 & page 17: delete the word “brethren” in the first line of the exhortation.

It was proposed by the Very Rev DSG Godfrey, seconded by the Rev Canon WB Johnston and lost:

In MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year and EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year

Page 3 & page 18: delete second line of the Absolution and replace with the following: “death of sinners, but rather that they may turn from their wickedness, and live;”

It was proposed by the Rev JW McKegney, seconded by the Very Rev NN Lynas and lost:

In MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year and EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year on page three and page 18

After the ABSOLUTION add:

“or this form may be used by the Priest

“May the Almighty and merciful Lord grant unto you pardon and remission of all your sins, time for amendment of life and the grace and comfort of the Holy Spirit. Amen.”

a Deacon or Reader shall use this prayer

“Grant, we beseech thee, merciful Lord, to thy faithful pardon and peace, that they may be cleansed from all their sins, and serve thee with a quiet mind; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.””

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

In MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year and EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year

That the GLORIA be printed in full following the text of the canticles on pages 4, 5, 8 (twice), 9 (twice), 19 and 20.

**Adjournment**

The House adjourned at 1.00pm and resumed at 2.00pm.

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**Chair**

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

**Requests for information (Standing Order 51)**

REV CANON PF PATTERSON

The following replies were given by Mr RH Sherwood, on behalf of the Representative Church Body.

1. What have been the cumulative rates of increase in inflation for both jurisdictions since CRAB?

Since November 1990, the cumulative rates of annual inflation as measured by the Retail Prices Index in the UK and by the Consumer Prices Index in the R of I were 28.17% and 21.74% respectively.

2. Using the model outlined on page 20 of the book of reports and based on 10,000 miles, what have been the cumulative rates of increase in take home pay for both jurisdictions since CRAB?

The cumulative increases in take home pay since CRAB using the 1990 CRAB model as adjusted for changes in monetary values and taxation are calculated at 68.21% in Northern Ireland and 66.21% in the R of I. For the purposes of this calculation married status has been assumed as in 1990 and full personal allowances for tax purposes have been used in the calculations.

3. Based on a mileage of 10,000 miles what have been the cumulative rates of increase in locomotory allowances for both jurisdictions since CRAB?

Based on 10,000 miles the cumulative increases in locomotory allowances since CRAB have been 28.15% in Northern Ireland and 33.26% in the R of I reflecting the changes in public and civil service rates and different taxation policies in the two jurisdictions over the period.

4. What methodology was used in the North/South relativity review mentioned on page 20 of the book of reports?

The methodology used, as stated in the report, is essentially to compare the net take home pay relationship using the CRAB model, ie net after statutory deductions for income tax, national insurance and the Church's pensions scheme. Pay in this context includes stipend, locomotory and expenses of office allowances. Comparison of take home pay relativities does not, however, take account of changes in currency relationships or of the relative purchasing power of the different units of currency.

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DR AR ACHESON

The following replies were given by the Very Rev H Cassidy, on behalf of the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod.

1. When in 1974, on an experimental basis, the General Synod commenced on a Thursday and ended on a Saturday [Standing Committee Report 1973, para 32, and Appendix A], what were the numbers attending – clergy and laity – on all three days?

<i>Date</i>	<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Laity</i>	<i>Total</i>
Thursday, 16 May, 1974	193	256	449
Friday, 17 May, 1974	184	237	421
Saturday, 18 May, 1974	138	136	274

2. What were the attendances in the two other years of the triennium – 1973 and 1975 – when the General Synod commenced on a Tuesday and ended on a Thursday?

<i>Date</i>	<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Laity</i>	<i>Total</i>
Tuesday, 8 May, 1973	193	282	475
Wednesday, 9 May, 1973	197	272	469
Thursday, 10 May, 1973	175	186	361

<i>Date</i>	<i>Clergy</i>	<i>Laity</i>	<i>Total</i>
Tuesday, 20 May, 1975	189	222	411
Wednesday, 21 May, 1975	187	216	403
Thursday, 22 May, 1975	167	150	317

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It was proposed by the Ven M Nuttall, seconded by the Very Rev JMG Sirr and passed:

In MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year and EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year, the words “O Lord guide and defend our rulers” (pages 10 and 21) be changed to “O Lord save the President”.

VOTING:           Ayes       193           Noes       163

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The following amendment, in the names of the Very Rev DSG Godfrey and the Rev Canon WB Johnston, was withdrawn by leave of the Synod:

In MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year and EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year

Page 13 & page 23 in the prayer which begins “O God, the creator and Preserver of all mankind” in the second line replace the word “men” with the word “people”;

in the General Thanksgiving in the third line replace the word “men” with the word “mankind”.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

In THE LITANY, page 6, line 9: delete and replace with:

“forgive us all our sins, negligences and ignorances; and to”

The following amendment, in the names of the Very Rev DSG Godfrey and the Rev Canon WB Johnston, was withdrawn by leave of the Synod:

In AN ORDER FOR COMPLINE

Page 1: in the Scripture sentence at the beginning delete the word “Brethren,”.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

In AN ORDER FOR COMPLINE

After the Office Hymn “Before the ending of the day” on page 5 the following rubric be inserted:

*The seasonal variations of verse 3 from the Church Hymnal may be used at the appropriate times of the year.*

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

In AN ORDER FOR COMPLINE

That the word ANTIPHON on pages 5 and 6 of the order of service be deleted.

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

Wednesday 17 May was fixed for the next stage.

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**Bill (No 2) To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the forms of service as set out in the accompanying Schedule.**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading.

No votes against the motion were recorded.

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

Immediately before the words 'In the Book of Common Prayer' there shall be inserted the figure '1' and following the words 'as set out in the Schedule.' there shall be inserted the following section:

- '2. The provisions of Section 1 of and the Schedule to this Statute shall come into force on such day or days as may hereafter be appointed by the General Synod.'

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RD Harman, seconded by Mr SR Harper and lost:

In MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year

page 2, paragraph 3 and page 10, paragraph 3

for "Beloved in Christ" read "Friends in Christ".

VOTING:           Ayes       106           Noes       291

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

In MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year

That the phrase "God, our Father in heaven," following the phrase "silence is kept" on pages 2 and 10 of the order of service be substituted by the phrase "Heavenly Father."

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

In MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year (section 7), the Easter Anthems be printed out in full.

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It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

In MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year

That on pages 5 and 13 of the order of service the phrase “THE SERMON is preached here” be substituted by the phrase “THE SERMON may be preached here or at some other place in the service”.

It was proposed by the Ven M Nuttall, seconded by the Very Rev JMG Sirr and lost:

In MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year the words “O Lord guide and defend our rulers” (pages 6 and 14) be changed to “O Lord save the President”.

VOTING:       Ayes       178       Noes       201

The following amendment, in the names of the Rev Canon RD Harman and Mr SR Harper, was withdrawn by leave of the Synod:

In MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year

page 6, paragraph 19 and page 14, paragraph 18

for “O Lord, guide and defend our rulers” read “O Lord, guide and defend all politicians”.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

In MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year

Section 21, fourth collect: in the third line omit “you” so that it reads “We humbly pray that your Holy Spirit...”

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

In MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year after Section 22 the rubric “Prayers and Thanksgivings etc” be numbered “23”.

That a rubric no “24” be inserted immediately after the new no 23, to say, “24 A hymn may be sung” and that, after the new no 24 the heading “GOING OUT AS GOD’S PEOPLE” be inserted, followed by a rubric no “25” reading “The prayers may end with one of the following, or an appropriate blessing” and that after the new section 25, the title and former sections 23 and 24 be deleted.

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

Wednesday 17 May was fixed for the next stage.

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**Bill (No 3) To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the basic structure for a *SERVICE OF THE WORD* as set out in the accompanying Schedule.**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading.

No votes against the motion were recorded.

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

Immediately before the words ‘In the Book of Common Prayer’ there shall be inserted the figure ‘1’ and following the words ‘as set out in the Schedule.’ there shall be inserted the following section:

- ‘2. The provisions of Section 1 of and the Schedule to this Statute shall come into force on such day or days as may hereafter be appointed by the General Synod.’

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

Wednesday 17 May was fixed for the next stage.

**Chair**

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the Chair.

**Bill (No 4) To amend the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter I of 1986.**

It was proposed by the Very Rev JMG Sirr, seconded by Mrs DM Burns and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 4.

That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading.

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered Clause by Clause.



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The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

Wednesday 17 May was fixed for the next stage.

### **Communications from the House of Bishops**

The following communications were received from the House of Bishops and read to the Synod:

#### **“CHILDREN AND COMMUNION”**

In the late nineteen-eighties, the House of Bishops set up a committee with a fairly broad membership to report to it on the issue of children and communion. In the light of this report, the bishops then felt that the time was not right for a change in the traditional discipline whereby children do not receive communion until after they have been confirmed. They did however state that there was no *doctrinal* objection to a change in this practice.

In 1991, a Select Committee was formed by the General Synod to examine “...the theological, pastoral and practical implications of changing the present discipline of the Church of Ireland so as to permit those who are baptised but not yet confirmed to receive Holy Communion”. Although the Select Committee reported to General Synod in 1993 and in subsequent years, it proved impossible to reach a general consensus on the matter, and the Committee retired.

At the General Synod of 1999, a private member’s motion was passed, requesting the bishops of the Church of Ireland to address once again this issue of children and communion, and to give guidance and leadership to the Church on the issue. The bishops have discussed this matter on a number of occasions in the intervening period, and now wish to notify the synod of their conclusions, in outline.

We believe that the starting point for all discussion on the issue of children and Communion is the sacrament of Baptism. We are of course aware that the Church of Ireland has for centuries encompassed a variety of beliefs on the nature of Baptism (as is made explicit in the preface to the 1878 Book of Common Prayer). We would however suggest that there are a number of strands held in common throughout the Church (in addition to the outward rites), which perhaps suggest a way forward in this particular matter. *Inter alia* -

- Baptism confers membership of the Christian Church and is unrepeatable.
- Nothing which may follow Baptism adds to the status of an individual’s *membership of the Church*.
- Baptism is in the name of the Trinity and it is therefore relational in its very nature.

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- Baptism implies the necessity for growth, for nurture and - ultimately - for personal responsibility within, and testimony to, the Christian faith.

Baptism therefore points to Confirmation.

Baptism points also to the receiving of the Holy Communion.

But Baptism does not *of itself* imply a particular sequence to these events.

The discipline whereby admission to Communion was to follow Confirmation was introduced into the western Church as late as the thirteenth century. There is clearly, as was noted ten years ago by the bishops, no doctrinal barrier to members of the Church receiving Holy Communion before Confirmation. There may well be cultural or pastoral reasons why this may seem inexpedient in certain settings within the Church of Ireland. The Church is however having to live with diversity in this area today, particularly in situations where inter-church families have an active involvement in the worship of our Church, or where there are families familiar with different Anglican disciplines in the matter. We would wish that this diversity be acknowledged and, if possible, given a proper structure.

At next year's General Synod, the House of Bishops will therefore propose the following rubric, as a replacement for the current rubric on the matter, presently at the conclusion of the Confirmation service: "It is intended in Baptism, that those who have been baptised will be confirmed. They may, however, be admitted to the Holy Communion prior to Confirmation."

The introduction of this legislation will give General Synod the opportunity to debate the issue. We would however emphasise that this principle would always presuppose a full understanding of the nature of the Sacrament, and would equally demand adequate teaching, spiritual nurture and pastoral care of the children of the Church.

#### **THE THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE COUNCIL**

In furthering its long-standing and ongoing responsibility for the selection, training and ordination of the clergy of the Church of Ireland the House of Bishops has established the Theological College Council. This Council will provide a mechanism whereby the House of Bishops can support and monitor the work of the College and its staff and ensure that the training and pastoral needs of ordinands are being adequately provided for. The Council first met in November 1999 and to date five meetings have been held.

The Council consists of the Bishop of Meath and Kildare, the Bishop of Derry and Raphoe, the Bishop of Down and Dromore, the Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross and Dr Susan Hood, Secretary, all appointed by the House of Bishops. Ms Clare McCutcheon and the Ven Kenneth Good have been appointed by the Standing Committee and Mr Frederick Rankin and the Ven Patrick Lawrence by the Representative Church Body. The principal of the Theological College, the Rev Professor John Bartlett, and two student observers Ms Sandra Hales and Ms Maria Jansson are also part of the Council. A further three members will have been co-opted by the time the new structures are fully implemented.

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The Council will determine the policies of the College and support and develop the overall work of the College, its students, teachers and other personnel. It will also monitor the work of the Academic Committee and the Management Committee. The Academic Committee and the Management Committee are answerable to the College Council and the Council is answerable to the House of Bishops.

The Council and Committees are each chaired by a bishop. The Bishop of Meath and Kildare is chairman of the College Council, the Bishop of Derry and Raphoe of the Management Committee and the Bishop of Down and Dromore of the Academic Committee. The former chairman of the Management Committee, the Archbishop of Dublin, continues as Visitor to the College. This will enable him to represent the interests of staff and students in a fair and impartial way.

The Management Committee has been in existence for some time and was appointed by the House of Bishops to take responsibility for the overall financial administration of the College and to deal with matters concerning buildings, ground maintenance and the supervision and welfare of non-teaching staff. The day-to-day running of the College is its primary concern.

The Academic Committee will be responsible for the academic concerns of the College including the arrangements for the appointment of academic staff members and curriculum development. It will also have responsibility for auxiliary ministry training in co-operation with the present auxiliary ministry board and will aim to bring the training of stipendiary and auxiliary ordinands more closely together. Like the Management Committee the Academic Committee will report to the College Council and refer important issues to the Council for approval.

The Bishops will receive regular reports regarding the work of the Council and its committees and will arrange for an independent inspection of the College every five years. More effective lines of communication are being developed between the College and the Representative Church Body staff in Church House particularly in the area of budgetary requirements.

In establishing the Theological College Council and its committees the Bishops have initiated a strategic plan which will ensure an effective and co-ordinated approach to all aspects of preparation of women and men for the ordained ministry of the Church of Ireland. Furthermore it is their intention to achieve the maximum level of transparency and openness so that the whole Church will be better informed about these important matters which have such a bearing on the future spiritual well-being of the Church of Ireland.

**Standing Committee**

It was proposed by the Ven KR Good, seconded by Mrs JM Bruton and passed:

That the Report of the Standing Committee be received and adopted.

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It was proposed by the Ven KR Good, seconded by Mrs JM Bruton and passed:

- II. In paragraph (a) of Standing Order 30 for the words ‘No amendment to such a Bill may be moved at the first reading stage, but notice of any such amendment must be given at this stage’ there shall be substituted the following:
- ‘No amendment to such a Bill may be moved at the first reading stage, but notice of any such amendment must be given at this stage provided that written notice of any such amendment if received by the Honorary Secretaries within one calendar month of the end of this Ordinary Session shall be deemed to have been given at the first reading stage’.
- III. In paragraph (d) of Standing Order 31 after the words ‘on such day as the President shall direct’ there shall be added the following:
- (iii) A Notice of Motion received during a Session of the Synod shall be signed by the intended mover with a written indication of support signed by five other members.
- (iv) The full text of such a Motion shall be submitted in writing to the Honorary Secretaries, shall be read to the Synod by one of the Honorary Secretaries on such day as the President shall direct and printed copies of such Motion shall be made available for consideration by all members of the Synod as soon as possible after receipt from the person proposing the Motion and in any event not later than 12 noon on the final day of the Session unless in exceptional circumstances the President directs otherwise.
- (v) All amendments to any such Motion shall be delivered in writing to the Honorary Secretaries and copies of such amendments shall be made available for consideration by all members of the Synod as soon as possible after receipt from the person tabling the amendment and in any event not later than 1.00 p.m. on the third day of the Synod unless the President shall direct otherwise.
- (vi) Any such Motion which is not taken into consideration under (i) or (ii) above shall be sent to the members of the Synod with the Summonses for the next following Session.
- V. In the Standing Orders of the General Synod the expression ‘Synod Hall’, wherever it occurs, shall be deemed to include the room in any building in which, for the time being, the General Synod of the Church of Ireland is meeting in Ordinary or in Special Session.

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It was proposed by the Ven KR Good, seconded by Mrs JM Bruton and passed:

That the General Synod of the Church of Ireland agrees to make the following Declaration:

THE REUILLY DECLARATION

We, the Church of the Augsburg Confession of Alsace and Lorraine, the Evangelical-Lutheran Church of France, the Reformed Church of Alsace and Lorraine, the Reformed Church of France, the Church of England, the Church of Ireland, the Scottish Episcopal Church, and the Church in Wales, on the basis of our fundamental agreement in faith, our common understanding of the nature and purpose of the Church, and our convergence on the apostolicity of the Church and the ministry; contained in Chapters II-VI of the *Reuilly Common Statement*, make the following acknowledgements and commitments, which are interrelated.

a Acknowledgements

- (i) We acknowledge one another's churches as churches belonging to the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ and truly participating in the apostolic mission of the whole people of God.
- (ii) We acknowledge that in all our churches the word of God is authentically preached, and the sacraments of baptism and the eucharist are duly administered.<sup>1</sup>
- (iii) We acknowledge that all our churches share in the common confession of the apostolic faith.
- (iv) We acknowledge that one another's ordained ministries<sup>2</sup> are given by God as instruments of grace for the mission and unity of the Church and for the proclamation of the word and the celebration of the sacraments.
- (v) We acknowledge one another's ordained ministries as possessing not only the inward call of the Spirit but also Christ's commission through the Church, and look forward to the time when the fuller visible unity of our churches makes possible the interchangeability of ministers.
- (vi) We acknowledge that personal, collegial and communal oversight (*episkope*) is embodied and exercised in all our churches in a variety of forms, as a visible sign expressing and serving the Church's unity and continuity in apostolic life, mission and ministry.

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<sup>1</sup> Cf. *Confessio Augustana*, 7. Article XIX of the Thirty-nine Articles, and *Leuenberg*, para. 2.

<sup>2</sup> In some traditions, particularly in the reformed Church of France, the term 'ordained ministry' is not used. They speak of 'recognised ministry'. The theological content of the liturgical act of recognition corresponds to ordination in other churches. Cf. JP Monsarrat, 'The Ministry in the reformed Church of France', appended to this Common Statement.

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b Commitments

We commit ourselves to share a common life and mission. We will take steps to closer fellowship in as many areas of Christian life and witness as possible, so that all our members together may advance on the way to full visible unity. As the next steps we agree:

- (i) to seek appropriate ways to share a common life in mission and service, to pray for and with one another, and to work towards the sharing of spiritual and human resources;
- (ii) to welcome one another's members to each other's worship and to receive pastoral ministrations;
- (iii) to welcome one another's members into the congregational life of each other's churches;
- (iv) to encourage shared worship. When eucharistic worship is judged to be appropriate, it may move beyond eucharistic hospitality for individuals. The participation of ordained ministers would reflect the presence of two or more churches expressing their closer unity in faith and baptism and demonstrate that we are still striving towards making more visible the unity of the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. Nevertheless, such participation still falls short of the full interchangeability of ministers. The rite should be that of the church to which the presiding minister belongs, and that minister should say the eucharistic prayer.<sup>3</sup>
- (v) to welcome ordained ministers of our churches to serve in each other's churches, in accordance with the discipline of our respective churches, to the extent made possible by our agreement;
- (vi) to continue theological discussions between our churches to work on the outstanding issues hindering fuller communion, whether bilaterally or in a wider European, ecumenical framework;
- (vii) to work towards closer relations between ourselves in diaspora situations;
- (viii) to encourage ecumenical visits, twinnings and exchanges;
- (ix) to establish a contact group to nurture our growth in communion, to facilitate regular consultation on significant matters, and to co-ordinate the implementation of this agreement.

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<sup>3</sup> In such celebrations each church should respect the practices and piety of the others and reflect the emerging ecumenical consensus with regard to the celebration of the eucharist. The celebration will include the prayer of thanksgiving, the words of Christ's institution and the making of the memorial of his sacrifice; the invocation of the Holy Spirit; intercession for the Church and the world and the proclamation of God's kingdom. Ecumenical sensitivity and mutual respect demand that the eucharistic elements are treated reverently after the celebration. The minister who presides at such an ecumenical celebration is an ordained pastor, presbyter or bishop (cf. 'The Lord's Supper' and C. Hill, 'Anglican Eucharistic Practice', appended to this Common Statement). Concelebration is not envisaged.

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**Synodical Structures Working Group**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon PF Patterson, seconded by Mr DJ Auchmuty and passed:

That the General Synod:

1. welcomes and receives the report of the Working Group on Synodical Structures of the Standing Committee
2. welcomes the presentation of the legislative proposals contained in the report
3. encourages the Standing Committee to present the legislative proposals as a Bill to the General Synod in 2001

and

4. requests the working group to continue its work on related areas in order to present the necessary resolutions and legislation to fulfil the other recommendations listed in its report to General Synod in 1999.

VOTING:           Ayes       203           Noes       150

The Benediction was pronounced and the Synod adjourned until Tuesday 16 May 2000.

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**SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**TUESDAY 16 MAY 2000**

The Chair was taken at 10.00 am by His Grace the Lord Primate.

A portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer was read by the Rt Rev WP Colton.

**Cancellation of World Debt**

It was proposed by the Most Rev WNF Empey, seconded by the Rt Rev MHG Mayes and passed:

This Synod acknowledges the progress made towards the cancellation of the debts of the world's most highly indebted poor countries.

Synod calls on the countries represented at the G8 Summit at Okinawa, Japan on 21-23 July 2000 to continue the process of debt cancellation, so lifting the burden on the world's poorest people.

Synod recognises that without changes in the system of international trade poor countries will slip back into indebtedness and calls on the Summit to address those elements within international trade agreements that disadvantage poor countries.

Synod requests the Honorary Secretaries to convey this resolution to the host of the G8 Summit, the Prime Minister of Japan, through the Japanese Ambassadors of Ireland and the UK.

**Select Committee on Theological College Accommodation**

It was proposed by Mr VG Carson, seconded by Mrs AA Bedlow and passed:

That the Report of the Select Committee on Theological College Accommodation be received.

**Chair**

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

**Representative Church Body**

The following resolutions were proposed by Mr JF Rankin, seconded by the Ven GCS Linney and passed:

That the Report of the Representative Church Body be taken into consideration.

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**I. Allocations**





That the General Synod hereby authorises the Representative Body to make the following allocations from the balance on the General Funds Revenue Account for the year ended 31 December 1999:

	IR£
Group A – Maintenance of the Stipendiary Ministry	878,892
Group B – Retired Clergy and Surviving Spouses	822,432
Group C – Training of Ordinands	593,028
Group D – General Synod Activities	602,417
Group E – Miscellaneous Financing	73,746
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**II. Minimum Approved Stipend**

That, in accordance with Section 51 (1) of Chapter IV of the Constitution and with effect from 1 January 2001

- (a) no stipend shall be less than £19,086 per annum in Northern Ireland or IR£19,494 per annum in the Republic of Ireland in the case of an Incumbent or a clergyman appointed as Bishop’s Curate under the provisions of Section 42 of Chapter IV or of a Diocesan Curate over the age of 30 years appointed under the provisions of Section 43 of Chapter IV.
- (b) the stipend for a Curate-Assistant shall be in accordance with the following scale:

<u>Year of Service</u>	<u>Annual Stipend</u>
First Year	75.0% of minimum stipend for incumbent
Second Year	77.5% 
Third Year	80.0% 
Fourth Year	82.5% 
Fifth and succeeding Years	85.0% 

**III. By-Laws**

That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 16 of Chapter X of the Constitution, By-Law 1.01 be amended by the substitution of “2.00 pm” for “2.30 pm” wherever it occurs.

That the Report of the Representative Church Body be adopted subject to the Resolutions already passed relating thereto.

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**Communication from the Representative Body**

The following communication was received from the Representative Body:

I wish to advise you that at its meeting on 16 May 2000, the Representative Church Body re-elected the following as co-opted members:

Professor TD Spearman  
JR McConnell  
GC Richards  
The Hon Mr Justice DNO Budd  
R Neill

Yours faithfully

(Signed) JF Buttimore  
Assistant Secretary

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**Communication from the Record Committee**

The following communication was received from the Record Committee:

The Record Committee reports that, as provided by the Statutes, the Statutes passed at the last Session have been printed in duplicate and they now present two copies which have been compared, certified and sealed by the Committee, and signed by his Grace, the Lord Primate.

(Signed) J Gerard Buchanan  
Chairman

4 May 2000

**Church of Ireland Pensions Board**

It was proposed by the Rt Rev JRW Neill, seconded by Lady Sheil and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Church of Ireland Pensions Board be received and adopted.
- (b) That the following be elected members of the Board:

Ven DS McLean	Rev ECJ Woods
Mr WT Morrow	Mr S Gamble
Lady Sheil	

**Adjournment**

The House adjourned at 1.00pm and resumed at 2.00pm.

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**Chair**

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the Chair.

**Privilege**

By leave of the House, the Very Rev Brendan Murray was invited to address the House on behalf of the Roman Catholic Church.

By leave of the House, Dr Kenneth Wilson was invited to address the House on behalf of the member Churches of the Irish Council of Churches.

**Christian Stewardship Committee**

It was proposed by the Rev BJ Courtney, seconded by the Rev Canon PA Harvey and passed:

That the Report of the Christian Stewardship Committee be received.

**Commission on Ministry**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon JAA Condell, seconded by Mr RF Palmer and passed:

That the Report of the Commission on Ministry be received.

**Privilege**

By leave of the House, the Very Rev Michael Hickford was invited to address the House on behalf of the Episcopal Church of Scotland.

**Church of Ireland Theological College**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon PF Patterson, seconded by the Very Rev DR Chillingworth and passed:

In light of the Bishop of Meath's communiqué published in The Church of Ireland Gazette of 18 February 2000 on the establishment of a Theological College Council, the Representative Church Body is requested to seek the opinion of the Legal Advisory Committee as to whether:

1. The episcopal constitution of the Church necessitates that the Theological College and the Theological College Council are accountable only to the bishops.
2. The episcopal constitution of the Church precludes General Synod having any legislative or administrative power in relation to the Theological College.
3. The Representative Church Body as trustee owner holds title to the Church of Ireland Theological College for the House of Bishops as beneficial owners.

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The Representative Church Body is further requested to communicate the opinion of the Legal Advisory Committee to the next meeting of General Synod.

VOTING:           Ayes       215           Noes       158

**Role of the Church Committee**

It was proposed by Dr K Milne and seconded by the Ven DS McLean:

That the Report of the Role of the Church Committee be received.

It was proposed by the Rt Rev HC Miller, seconded by the Ven GA McCamley and passed:

That the resolution be amended by the addition of the words “with the exception of Appendix B and Appendix C”.

The motion as amended was passed.

VOTING:           Ayes       166           Noes       164

**Chair**

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

**Council for Mission in Ireland**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon WG Neely, seconded by Capt WCD Stewart and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Council for Mission in Ireland be received.
- (b) That the following be elected members of the Council:

Mr WJ Frizelle  
Ven KR Good  
Rev SH Lowry  
Rev Canon DG Moynan

**Council for the Church Overseas**

It was proposed by the Very Rev PL Towers, seconded by Mrs R Moore and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Council for the Church Overseas be received and adopted.
- (b) That the following be elected members of the Council:

Dr PHC Trimble  
Mr SR Harper

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**Church's Ministry of Healing**

It was proposed by the Very Rev RK Townley, seconded by the Rev WJ Scott and passed:

That the Report of the Church's Ministry of Healing be received.

**Liturgical Advisory Committee**

It was proposed by the Rt Rev HC Miller, seconded by the Rev Canon MAJ Burrows and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee be received.
- (b) That the following be elected to fill the vacancies on the Liturgical Advisory Committee:

Rev Canon D Williams  
Rev MJ Elliott  
Ms S Pragnell

The Benediction was pronounced and the Synod adjourned until Wednesday 17 May 2000.

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**THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS**

**WEDNESDAY 17 MAY 2000**

The Chair was taken at 10.00 am by His Grace the Lord Primate.

A portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer was read by the Rt Rev WP Colton.

**Legislation Committee**

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the following be elected to the Legislation Committee:

His Hon Judge JG Buchanan  
The Hon Mrs Justice C McGuinness  
Mr GC Richards  
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

**Record Committee**

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the following be elected to the Record Committee:

His Hon Judge JG Buchanan  
The Hon Mrs Justice C McGuinness  
Mr GC Richards  
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

**Standing Orders Committee**

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the following be elected to the Standing Orders Committee:

His Hon Judge JG Buchanan  
The Hon Mrs Justice C McGuinness  
Mr GC Richards  
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

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**Bill (No 1) To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend parts of the *Book of Common Prayer*.**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

That the Bill as amended to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend parts of the *Book of Common Prayer* be read a third time and passed.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes	131	Noes	1
	Lay	Ayes	175	Noes	1

**Bill (No 2) To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the forms of service as set out in the accompanying Schedule.**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

That the Bill as amended to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the forms of service as set out in the accompanying Schedule be read a third time and passed.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes	138	Noes	1
	Lay	Ayes	181	Noes	0

**Bill (No 3) To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the basic structure for a *SERVICE OF THE WORD* as set out in the accompanying Schedule.**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne and passed:

That the Bill as amended to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the basic structure for a *SERVICE OF THE WORD* as set out in the accompanying Schedule be read a third time and passed.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes	142	Noes	1
	Lay	Ayes	180	Noes	0

**Bill (No 4) To amend the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter I of 1986.**

It was proposed by the Very Rev JMG Sirr, seconded by Mrs DM Burns and passed:

That the Bill to amend the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter I of 1986 be read a third time and passed.

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**Liturgical Advisory Committee**

It was proposed by the Rt Rev HC Miller, seconded by the Rev Canon MAJ Burrows and passed:

That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2001 to amend that part of the Book of Common Prayer entitled “The Order for the Administration of the Lord’s Supper or Holy Communion;” by substituting, for the above mentioned part of the Book of Common Prayer, “The Order for the Administration of the Lord’s Supper or Holy Communion” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes	146	Noes	2
	Lay	Ayes	188	Noes	0

It was proposed by the Rt Rev HC Miller, seconded by the Rev Canon MAJ Burrows and passed:

That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2001 to amend the Book of Common Prayer by including therein “The Celebration of the Holy Communion also called The Lord’s Supper or The Eucharist” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes	147	Noes	1
	Lay	Ayes	190	Noes	0

It was proposed by the Rev Canon C West, seconded by the Rev Canon MAJ Burrows and lost:

That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (I) of Chapter 1 of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2001 to amend the Book of Common Prayer by including therein “The Order for the Administration of the Lord’s Supper or Holy Communion (1926 Order in contemporary language)” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes	86	Noes	65
	Lay	Ayes	90	Noes	102

It was proposed by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne, seconded by the Rev Canon MAJ Burrows and passed:

That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2001 to amend those parts of the Book of Common Prayer entitled “The Calendar”, “Tables and Rules”, and “The Collects, Epistles and Gospels to be used throughout the year” by substituting for the above mentioned parts of the Book of Common



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Prayer “The Calendar” and “Collects and Post-Communion Prayers” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes	136	Noes	1
	Lay	Ayes	185	Noes	0

It was proposed by the Rt Rev HC Miller, seconded by the Rev Canon MAJ Burrows and passed:

That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (1) of Chapter 1 of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2001 to amend the Book of Common Prayer by including therein “The Canticles” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes	140	Noes	0
	Lay	Ayes	192	Noes	0

**Chair**

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

**Board of Education**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon CB Leeke, seconded by the Rev Canon RD Harman and passed:

That the Report of the Board of Education be received and adopted.

**Secondary Education Committee**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon JE McCullagh and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Secondary Education Committee be received and adopted.
- (b) That the following be elected members of the Committee:

The Bishop of Cork	Rev Canon JAA Condell
Rev Canon RJEFB Black	Rev J Merrick
Mrs JM Bruton	Miss S Parkes
Rev MC Classon	Professor TT West

**The Secondary Education Committee Limited**

It was proposed by the Rev Canon JE McCullagh, seconded by the Rev Canon RD Harman and passed:

That, as recommended by the Secondary Education Committee, the General Synod of the Church of Ireland approves the incorporation of The Secondary Education Committee

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Limited, a company limited by guarantee and approves the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the said Company, copies of which are available for inspection.

#### **Adjournment**

The House adjourned at 1.00pm and resumed at 2.00pm.

#### **Chair**

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the Chair.

#### **Hymnal Revision Committee**

It was proposed by the Rt Rev EF Darling, seconded by Dr WD Davison and passed:

That the Report of the Hymnal Revision Committee be received and that for a further year the Committee be re-elected to continue its work.

#### **Marriage Council**

It was proposed by the Rev ECJ Woods, seconded by Mrs M Stephens and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Marriage Council be received.
- (b) That the following be elected members of the Marriage Council for the next two years:

Rev Professor RAB Mollan	Mrs C Missen
Rev ECJ Woods	Rev Canon KA Kearon
Mrs J Denner	Mr I Slaine
Mrs P Totten	Mrs I Deverell
Mrs R Macartney	Mrs P Wallace
Mrs M Stephens	A Bishop nominated by the House of Bishops
Dr J Turner	

That the Council has power to co-opt up to five additional members.

#### **Chair**

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

#### **Board for Social Responsibility (NI)**

It was proposed by the Very Rev TR Moore, seconded by Dr J Turner and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (NI) be received.

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- (b) That the following be elected members of the Board:

The Bishop of Connor	Dr J Turner
Rev ASJ Warke	Mr R Stinson
Rev J Pickering	Mrs P Scott
Very Rev TR Moore	Mrs S Ayling
Rev RC Thompson	Dr JR Evans
Rev D Ferry	Lt Col CGH Filor
Mr G Glenn	Mrs R Mullen
Rev JNT Campbell	Mrs J Whiteside
Mrs J Thompson	Capt C Harris

**Board for Social Responsibility (RI)**

It was proposed by Mr PDG Read, seconded by Miss V Darling and passed:

That the Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (RI) be received.

**Chair**

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the Chair.

**Committee for Christian Unity**

It was proposed by the Very Rev LDA Forrest, seconded by the Rt Rev HC Miller and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Committee for Christian Unity be received.  
(b) That the following be elected members of the Committee:

The Archbishops and Bishops	Rev IJE Knox
Ms J Barcroft	Rev Canon WA Lewis
Rt Hon DW Bleakley	Ven GA McCamley
Very Rev H Cassidy	Mrs R McKelvey
Mr G Clarke	Dr K Milne
Rev Canon DWT Crooks	Mr WT Morrow
Rev Dr IM Ellis	Rev D Nuzum
Very Rev LDA Forrest	Rev GV Wharton
Very Rev DSG Godfrey	Rev TR Williams
Rev RJ Gray	Mrs A Wills
Mrs R Heard	

- (c) That the following represent the Church of Ireland on the Irish Council of Churches:

Mrs B Aalen	Ms A Mawhinney
Ms J Barcroft	Rev Canon JCD Mayes
Most Rev Dr WNF Empey	Mr WT Morrow

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Rev Dr IM Ellis	Mr JTN McGaffin
Very Rev DSG Godfrey	Mrs R McKelvey
Rev RJ Gray	Rt Rev JRW Neill
Rt Rev BDA Hannon	Mrs J Peters
Rev AJ Houston	Rev Canon WD Sinnamon
Rev Canon Dr MC Kennedy	Prof M Wheeler
Rev IJE Knox	Rev TR Williams

- (d) That the Synod receives the Report of the Joint Theological Working Party and encourages the study and discussion of the draft covenant at local level, where possible alongside members of the Methodist Church in Ireland.

**Diocesan Councils**

The following motion, in the name of the Rt Rev RCA Henderson, was withdrawn by leave of the Synod:

That the General Synod be asked to amend the Constitution at Cap 2 Part 2 to provide that where a Bishop considers it necessary for the proper administration of the diocese, the diocesan council of such diocese shall be entitled to appoint from its members a standing committee to deal with a specified range of minor matters which would otherwise require to be dealt with in plenary session. Such standing committee would be chaired by the Bishop or by a senior cleric from the area in which such minor matters arise and would report in full to the Diocesan Council.

**Commission on Church Buildings**

It was proposed by the Very Rev JMG Sirr, seconded by Mrs DM Burns and passed:

That the Report of the Commission on Church Buildings be received.

**Journal of the General Synod**

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the Honorary Secretaries be instructed to publish with as little delay as possible, the Journal of the Proceedings of the Synod during this session, with such appendices as they think expedient.

**Attendance of Members**

	Clerical	Lay	Total
Monday 15 May 2000	193	317	510
Tuesday 16 May 2000	199	328	527
Wednesday 17 May 2000	178	253	431

The Benediction was pronounced and the session terminated at 4.30pm.

# RESOLUTIONS

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL SYNOD SESSION 2000

## Bills

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend parts of the *Book of Common Prayer*:

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the forms of service as set out in the accompanying Schedule:

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the basic structure for a *SERVICE OF THE WORD* as set out in the accompanying Schedule:

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To amend the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter I of 1986:

Bill introduced.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

## Bills Committee

That the following be elected to the Bills Committee:

The Assessor (ex officio)

The Bishop of Cashel

The Ven GCS Linney

Mr GC Richards

Lady Sheil

The Ven RG Hoey

The Rev Canon RD Harman

## Board for Social Responsibility (NI)

(a) That the Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (NI) be received.

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(b) That the following be elected members of the Board:

The Bishop of Connor	Dr J Turner
Rev ASJ Warke	Mr R Stinson
Rev J Pickering	Mrs P Scott
Very Rev TR Moore	Mrs S Ayling
Rev RC Thompson	Dr JR Evans
Rev D Ferry	Lt Col CGH Filor
Mr G Glenn	Mrs R Mullen
Rev JNT Campbell	Mrs J Whiteside
Mrs J Thompson	Capt C Harris

**Board for Social Responsibility (RI)**

That the Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (RI) be received.

**Board of Education**

That the Report of the Board of Education be received and adopted.

**Cancellation of World Debt**

This Synod acknowledges the progress made towards the cancellation of the debts of the world's most highly indebted poor countries.

Synod calls on the countries represented at the G8 Summit at Okinawa, Japan on 21-23 July 2000 to continue the process of debt cancellation, so lifting the burden on the world's poorest people.

Synod recognises that without changes in the system of international trade poor countries will slip back into indebtedness and calls on the Summit to address those elements within international trade agreements that disadvantage poor countries.

Synod requests the Honorary Secretaries to convey this resolution to the host of the G8 Summit, the Prime Minister of Japan, through the Japanese Ambassadors of Ireland and the UK.

**Christian Stewardship Committee**

That the Report of the Christian Stewardship Committee be received.

**Church of Ireland Pensions Board**

(a) That the Report of the Church of Ireland Pensions Board be received and adopted.

(b) That the following be elected members of the Board:

Ven DS McLean	Rev ECJ Woods
Mr WT Morrow	Mr S Gamble
Lady Sheil	

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**Church of Ireland Theological College**

In light of the Bishop of Meath's communiqué published in The Church of Ireland Gazette of 18 February 2000 on the establishment of a Theological College Council, the Representative Church Body is requested to seek the opinion of the Legal Advisory Committee as to whether:

1. The episcopal constitution of the Church necessitates that the Theological College and the Theological College Council are accountable only to the bishops.
2. The episcopal constitution of the Church precludes General Synod having any legislative or administrative power in relation to the Theological College.
3. The Representative Church Body as trustee owner holds title to the Church of Ireland Theological College for the House of Bishops as beneficial owners.

The Representative Church Body is further requested to communicate the opinion of the Legal Advisory Committee to the next meeting of General Synod.

**Church's Ministry of Healing**

That the Report of the Church's Ministry of Healing be received.

**Commission on Church Buildings**

That the Report of the Commission on Church Buildings be received.

**Commission on Ministry**

That the Report of the Commission on Ministry be received.

**Committee for Christian Unity**

- (a) That the Report of the Committee for Christian Unity be received.
- (b) That the following be elected members of the Committee:

The Archbishops and Bishops	Rev IJE Knox
Ms J Barcroft	Rev Canon WA Lewis
Rt Hon DW Bleakley	Ven GA McCamley
Very Rev H Cassidy	Mrs R McKelvey
Mr G Clarke	Dr K Milne
Rev Canon DWT Crooks	Mr WT Morrow
Rev Dr IM Ellis	Rev D Nuzum
Very Rev LDA Forrest	Rev GV Wharton
Very Rev DSG Godfrey	Rev TR Williams
Rev RJ Gray	Mrs A Wills
Mrs R Heard	

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- (c) That the following represent the Church of Ireland on the Irish Council of Churches:

Mrs B Aalen	Ms A Mawhinney
Ms J Barcroft	Rev Canon JCD Mayes
Most Rev Dr WNF Empey	Mr WT Morrow
Rev Dr IM Ellis	Mr JTN McGaffin
Very Rev DSG Godfrey	Mrs R McKelvey
Rev RJ Gray	Rt Rev JRW Neill
Rt Rev BDA Hannon	Mrs J Peters
Rev AJ Houston	Rev Canon WD Sinnamon
Rev Canon Dr MC Kennedy	Prof M Wheeler
Rev IJE Knox	Rev TR Williams

- (d) That the Synod receives the Report of the Joint Theological Working Party and encourages the study and discussion of the draft covenant at local level, where possible alongside members of the Methodist Church in Ireland.

**Council for Mission in Ireland**

- (a) That the Report of the Council for Mission in Ireland be received.  
(b) That the following be elected members of the Council:

Mr WJ Frizelle  
Ven KR Good  
Rev SH Lowry  
Rev Canon DG Moynan

**Council for the Church Overseas**

- (a) That the Report of the Council for the Church Overseas be received and adopted.  
(b) That the following be elected members of the Council:

Dr PHC Trimble  
Mr SR Harper

**Election of Honorary Secretaries**

That the following be elected Clerical Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod:

Very Rev H Cassidy  
Rev Canon RD Harman

That the following be elected Lay Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod:

Mr SR Harper  
Lady Sheil



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**Elections Committee**

That the following be elected to the Elections Committee:

The Very Rev JMG Sirr  
Mr GC Richards  
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

**Hymnal Revision Committee**

That the Report of the Hymnal Revision Committee be received and that for a further year the Committee be re-elected to continue its work.

**Journal of the General Synod**

That the Honorary Secretaries be instructed to publish with as little delay as possible, the Journal of the Proceedings of the Synod during this session, with such appendices as they think expedient.

**Legislation Committee**

That the following be elected to the Legislation Committee:

His Hon Judge JG Buchanan  
The Hon Mrs Justice C McGuinness  
Mr GC Richards  
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

**Liturgical Advisory Committee**

- (a) That the Report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee be received.
- (b) That the following be elected to fill the vacancies on the Liturgical Advisory Committee:
  - Rev Canon D Williams
  - Rev MJ Elliott
  - Ms S Pragnell
- (c) That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2001 to amend that part of the Book of Common Prayer entitled “The Order for the Administration of the Lord’s Supper or Holy Communion;” by substituting, for the above mentioned part of the Book of Common Prayer, “The Order for the Administration of the Lord’s Supper or Holy Communion” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.
- (d) That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2001 to amend the Book of Common Prayer by including therein “The Celebration of the Holy Communion also called The Lord’s Supper or The Eucharist” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

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- (e) That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2001 to amend those parts of the Book of Common Prayer entitled “The Calendar”, “Tables and Rules”, and “The Collects, Epistles and Gospels to be used throughout the year” by substituting for the above mentioned parts of the Book of Common Prayer “The Calendar” and “Collects and Post-Communion Prayers” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.
- (f) That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26 (1) of Chapter 1 of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2001 to amend the Book of Common Prayer by including therein “The Canticles” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

**Marriage Council**

- (a) That the Report of the Marriage Council be received.
- (b) That the following be elected members of the Marriage Council for the next two years:

Rev Professor RAB Mollan	Mrs C Missen
Rev ECJ Woods	Rev Canon KA Kearon
Mrs J Denner	Mr I Slaine
Mrs P Totten	Mrs I Deverell
Mrs R Macartney	Mrs P Wallace
Mrs M Stephens	A Bishop nominated by the House of Bishops
Dr J Turner	

That the Council has power to co-opt up to five additional members.

**Petitions Committee**

That the following be elected to the Petitions Committee:

The Very Rev JMG Sirr  
Mr GC Richards  
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

**Record Committee**

That the following be elected to the Record Committee:

His Hon Judge JG Buchanan  
The Hon Mrs Justice C McGuinness  
Mr GC Richards  
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

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**Representative Church Body**

That the Report of the Representative Church Body be taken into consideration.

I. Allocations





That the General Synod hereby authorises the Representative Body to make the following allocations from the balance on the General Funds Revenue Account for the year ended 31 December 1999:

	IR£
Group A – Maintenance of the Stipendiary Ministry	878,892
Group B – Retired Clergy and Surviving Spouses	822,432
Group C – Training of Ordinands	593,028
Group D – General Synod Activities	602,417
Group E – Miscellaneous Financing	73,746
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II. Minimum Approved Stipend

That, in accordance with Section 51 (1) of Chapter IV of the Constitution and with effect from 1 January 2001

- (a) no stipend shall be less than £19,086 per annum in Northern Ireland or IR£19,494 per annum in the Republic of Ireland in the case of an Incumbent or a clergyman appointed as Bishop's Curate under the provisions of Section 42 of Chapter IV or of a Diocesan Curate over the age of 30 years appointed under the provisions of Section 43 of Chapter IV.
- (b) the stipend for a Curate-Assistant shall be in accordance with the following scale:

<u>Year of Service</u>	<u>Annual Stipend</u>
First Year	75.0% of minimum stipend for incumbent
Second Year	77.5% 
Third Year	80.0% 
Fourth Year	82.5% 
Fifth and succeeding Years	85.0% 

III. By-Laws

That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 16 of Chapter X of the Constitution, By-Law 1.01 be amended by the substitution of "2.00 pm" for "2.30 pm" wherever it occurs.

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That the Report of the Representative Church Body be adopted subject to the Resolutions already passed relating thereto.

**Role of the Church Committee**

That the Report of the Role of the Church Committee be received with the exception of Appendix B and Appendix C.

**Secondary Education Committee**

- (a) That the Report of the Secondary Education Committee be received and adopted.
- (b) That the following be elected members of the Committee:

The Bishop of Cork	Rev Canon JAA Condell
Rev Canon RJEFB Black	Rev J Merrick
Mrs JM Bruton	Miss S Parkes
Rev MC Classon	Professor TT West

**Secondary Education Committee Limited**

That, as recommended by the Secondary Education Committee, the General Synod of the Church of Ireland approves the incorporation of The Secondary Education Committee Limited, a company limited by guarantee and approves the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the said Company, copies of which are available for inspection.

**Select Committee on Theological College Accommodation**

That the Report of the Select Committee on Theological College Accommodation be received.

**Standing Committee**

- (a) That the Report of the Standing Committee be received and adopted.
- (b) That the General Synod of the Church of Ireland agrees to make the following Declaration:

**THE REUILLY DECLARATION**

We, the Church of the Augsburg Confession of Alsace and Lorraine, the Evangelical-Lutheran Church of France, the Reformed Church of Alsace and Lorraine, the Reformed Church of France, the Church of England, the Church of Ireland, the Scottish Episcopal Church, and the Church in Wales, on the basis of our fundamental agreement in faith, our common understanding of the nature and purpose of the Church, and our convergence on the apostolicity of the Church and the ministry; contained in Chapters II-VI of the *Reuilly Common Statement*, make the following acknowledgements and commitments, which are interrelated.

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### a Acknowledgements

- (i) We acknowledge one another's churches as churches belonging to the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church of Jesus Christ and truly participating in the apostolic mission of the whole people of God.
- (ii) We acknowledge that in all our churches the word of God is authentically preached, and the sacraments of baptism and the eucharist are duly administered.<sup>1</sup>
- (iii) We acknowledge that all our churches share in the common confession of the apostolic faith.
- (iv) We acknowledge that one another's ordained ministries<sup>2</sup> are given by God as instruments of grace for the mission and unity of the Church and for the proclamation of the word and the celebration of the sacraments.
- (v) We acknowledge one another's ordained ministries as possessing not only the inward call of the Spirit but also Christ's commission through the Church, and look forward to the time when the fuller visible unity of our churches makes possible the interchangeability of ministers.
- (vi) We acknowledge that personal, collegial and communal oversight (*episkope*) is embodied and exercised in all our churches in a variety of forms, as a visible sign expressing and serving the Church's unity and continuity in apostolic life, mission and ministry.

### b Commitments

We commit ourselves to share a common life and mission. We will take steps to closer fellowship in as many areas of Christian life and witness as possible, so that all our members together may advance on the way to full visible unity. As the next steps we agree:

- (i) to seek appropriate ways to share a common life in mission and service, to pray for and with one another, and to work towards the sharing of spiritual and human resources;
- (ii) to welcome one another's members to each other's worship and to receive pastoral ministrations;

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<sup>1</sup> Cf. *Confessio Augustana*, 7. Article XIX of the Thirty-nine Articles, and *Leuenberg*, para. 2.

<sup>2</sup> In some traditions, particularly in the reformed Church of France, the term 'ordained ministry' is not used. They speak of 'recognised ministry'. The theological content of the liturgical act of recognition corresponds to ordination in other churches. Cf. JP Monsarrat, 'The Ministry in the reformed Church of France', appended to this Common Statement.

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- (iii) to welcome one another's members into the congregational life of each other's churches;
- (iv) to encourage shared worship. When eucharistic worship is judged to be appropriate, it may move beyond eucharistic hospitality for individuals. The participation of ordained ministers would reflect the presence of two or more churches expressing their closer unity in faith and baptism and demonstrate that we are still striving towards making more visible the unity of the One, Holy, Catholic and Apostolic Church. Nevertheless, such participation still falls short of the full interchangeability of ministers. The rite should be that of the church to which the presiding minister belongs, and that minister should say the eucharistic prayer.<sup>3</sup>
- (v) to welcome ordained ministers of our churches to serve in each other's churches, in accordance with the discipline of our respective churches, to the extent made possible by our agreement;
- (vi) to continue theological discussions between our churches to work on the outstanding issues hindering fuller communion, whether bilaterally or in a wider European, ecumenical framework;
- (vii) to work towards closer relations between ourselves in diaspora situations;
- (viii) to encourage ecumenical visits, twinings and exchanges;
- (ix) to establish a contact group to nurture our growth in communion, to facilitate regular consultation on significant matters, and to co-ordinate the implementation of this agreement.

### Standing Orders

- I. For Standing Order 3 of the Standing Orders of the General Synod there shall be substituted the following:

3. The hours for the Synod when in ordinary session shall be as follows:-

First day: 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. or, if the first and second readings of all Bills sent to the members with the summonses have not then been concluded, until such later hour as the Synod shall determine.

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<sup>3</sup> In such celebrations each church should respect the practices and piety of the others and reflect the emerging ecumenical consensus with regard to the celebration of the eucharist. The celebration will include the prayer of thanksgiving, the words of Christ's institution and the making of the memorial of his sacrifice; the invocation of the Holy Spirit; intercession for the Church and the world and the proclamation of God's kingdom. Ecumenical sensitivity and mutual respect demand that the eucharistic elements are treated reverently after the celebration. The minister who presides at such an ecumenical celebration is an ordained pastor, presbyter or bishop (cf. 'The Lord's Supper' and C. Hill, 'Anglican Eucharistic Practice', appended to this Common Statement). Concelebration is not envisaged.

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Second day: 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Third day: 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. or such other hour as the Synod may determine.

Provided that the Synod by Resolution assented to by at least two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon may (unless the Bishops present by a majority object) prolong the period of any sitting to such hour as may be named in such Resolution.

The hours for the Synod when in special session shall be specified in the notice convening the meeting.

- II. In paragraph (a) of Standing Order 30 for the words ‘No amendment to such a Bill may be moved at the first reading stage, but notice of any such amendment must be given at this stage’ there shall be substituted the following:

‘No amendment to such a Bill may be moved at the first reading stage, but notice of any such amendment must be given at this stage provided that written notice of any such amendment if received by the Honorary Secretaries within one calendar month of the end of this Ordinary Session shall be deemed to have been given at the first reading stage’.

- III. In paragraph (d) of Standing Order 31 after the words ‘on such day as the President shall direct’ there shall be added the following:

- (iii) A Notice of Motion received during a Session of the Synod shall be signed by the intended mover with a written indication of support signed by five other members.
- (iv) The full text of such a Motion shall be submitted in writing to the Honorary Secretaries, shall be read to the Synod by one of the Honorary Secretaries on such day as the President shall direct and printed copies of such Motion shall be made available for consideration by all members of the Synod as soon as possible after receipt from the person proposing the Motion and in any event not later than 12 noon on the final day of the Session unless in exceptional circumstances the President directs otherwise.
- (v) All amendments to any such Motion shall be delivered in writing to the Honorary Secretaries and copies of such amendments shall be made available for consideration by all members of the Synod as soon as possible after receipt from the person tabling the amendment and in any event not later than 1.00 p.m. on the third day of the Synod unless the President shall direct otherwise.
- (vi) Any such Motion which is not taken into consideration under (i) or (ii) above shall be sent to the members of the Synod with the Summonses for the next following Session.

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- IV. In Standing Order 56 for the words ‘on the Tuesday, following the President’s address’ there shall be substituted ‘on the first day at such time as the President shall deem appropriate and in any event not later than 12 noon’.
- V. In the Standing Orders of the General Synod the expression ‘Synod Hall’, wherever it occurs, shall be deemed to include the room in any building in which, for the time being, the General Synod of the Church of Ireland is meeting in Ordinary or in Special Session.

**Standing Orders Committee**

That the following be elected to the Standing Orders Committee:

His Hon Judge JG Buchanan  
The Hon Mrs Justice C McGuinness  
Mr GC Richards  
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

**Synodical Structures Working Group**

That the General Synod:

1. welcomes and receives the report of the Working Group on Synodical Structures of the Standing Committee
  2. welcomes the presentation of the legislative proposals contained in the report
  3. encourages the Standing Committee to present the legislative proposals as a Bill to the General Synod in 2001
- and
4. requests the working group to continue its work on related areas in order to present the necessary resolutions and legislation to fulfil the other recommendations listed in its report to General Synod in 1999.



# STATUTES

of

## THE CHURCH OF IRELAND

passed in

### THE SESSION OF THE GENERAL SYNOD 2000

#### CHAPTER I

**To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend parts of  
the *Book of Common Prayer*.**

WHEREAS a Resolution to amend those parts of the Book of Common Prayer entitled respectively The Order for Morning Prayer daily throughout the year; The Order for Evening Prayer daily throughout the year; The Litany; and the appendix containing Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer (MCMXXXIII) [which is sanctioned upon occasions approved by the Ordinary] by substituting for the above-mentioned parts of the Book of Common Prayer the order MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year; the order EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year; THE LITANY; and AN ORDER FOR COMPLINE as set out in the accompanying schedule was duly passed in full Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 1999 by the required majorities, and was duly transmitted to the Secretaries of all Diocesan Synods;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Resolution shall be carried into effect by a Statute;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution leave was given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Belfast in the year 2000, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. In the Book of Common Prayer for those parts entitled respectively The Order for Morning Prayer daily throughout the year; The Order for Evening Prayer daily throughout the year; The Litany; and the appendix containing Alternative forms of Evening Prayer (MCMXXXIII) [which is sanctioned upon occasions approved by the Ordinary] there shall be substituted the order MORNING PRAYER Daily throughout the year; the order EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year; THE LITANY; and AN ORDER FOR COMPLINE as set out in the Schedule.
2. The provisions of Section 1 of and the Schedule to this Statute shall come into force on such day or days as may hereafter be appointed by the General Synod.

## CHAPTER II

**To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the forms of service as set out in the accompanying Schedule.**

WHEREAS a Resolution to include in the Book of Common Prayer the forms entitled MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year; THE LITANY in contemporary language; A LATE EVENING OFFICE; and Weekday Intercessions and Thanksgivings as set out in the accompanying Schedule was duly passed in full Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 1999 by the required majorities, and was duly transmitted to the Secretaries of all Diocesan Synods;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Resolution shall be carried into effect by a Statute;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution leave was given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Belfast in the year 2000, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. In the *Book of Common Prayer* there shall be included the forms entitled *MORNING AND EVENING PRAYER Daily throughout the year; THE LITANY in contemporary language; A LATE EVENING OFFICE; and Weekday Intercessions and Thanksgivings* as set out in the Schedule.
2. The provisions of Section 1 of and the Schedule to this Statute shall come into force on such day or days as may hereafter be appointed by the General Synod.

### CHAPTER III

**To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the basic structure for a *SERVICE OF THE WORD* as set out in the accompanying Schedule.**

WHEREAS a Resolution to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the basic structure and guidelines known as *SERVICE OF THE WORD The Structure of the Service* [for occasional use with the approval of the Ordinary] as set out in the accompanying Schedule was duly passed in full Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 1999 by the required majorities, and was duly transmitted to the Secretaries of all Diocesan Synods;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Resolution shall be carried into effect by a Statute;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution leave was given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Belfast in the year 2000, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. In the *Book of Common Prayer* there shall be included the basic structure and guidelines known as *SERVICE OF THE WORD The Structure of the Service* [for occasional use with the approval of the Ordinary] as set out in the Schedule.
2. The provisions of Section 1 of and the Schedule to this Statute shall come into force on such day or days as may hereafter be appointed by the General Synod.

## **CHAPTER IV**

### **To amend the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter I of 1986.**

WHEREAS it is desirable that the objects of the fund established by the Statute, Chapter I of 1986, should be enlarged;

AND WHEREAS for that purpose it is necessary to amend the said Statute;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Belfast in the year 2000, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. For sub-section (4) of Section 6 of Chapter I of 1986 there shall be substituted the following sub-section:
  - (4) Without prejudice to the provisions of sub-section (3) above, the commissioners may also recommend to the Representative Body, and the Representative Body may make, grants from the fund:
    - (a) towards the development of churches which remain open in a benefice following a final determination, provided artifacts used in such development come from a church which was closed subsequent to that final determination;
    - (b) towards making safe ruined or redundant church buildings which are either of historic or visual significance in a local landscape.

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**and of**  
**THE GENERAL SYNOD, 1871 – 2000**

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1870	Preamble and Declaration.	-
Cap. i.	General Synod, Diocesan Synods, Parishes and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 1879, C.i. (Certain sections repealed by earlier statutes.)
"	ii. Representative Body.	Repealed by 1878, C.i.
"	iii. Election of Bishops. Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1879, C.i. (except ss. 35-37, which were spent) (Certain sections repealed by earlier statutes.)
"	iv. Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. Ecclesiastical Offences.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
1871		
Cap. i.	Election to See of Armagh.	All except s.i repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	ii. Modification or Alteration of Articles, etc.	All except s.i repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	iii. Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	iv. Canons.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. Declaration of Lay Synodsmen.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vi. Disputed Elections.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vii. Appointment to Cures.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	viii. Diocesan Councils. Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	ix. Unions of Benefices.	s.3 amended by 1878, C.ix. All repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	x. Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	xi. Roll of Subscription.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
1872		
Cap. i.	Form of Consecrating Archbishop or Bishops.	-

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1872 continued		
Cap. ii.	Cathedrals. Waterford Cathedral.	All except s.23 (Waterford Cathedral) repealed by 1879, C.i.s.23 repealed by 1981, C.v.
"	iii. Armagh Cathedral.	Repealed by 1972, C.xi.
"	iv. Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	s.1 repealed by 1974, C.ii. ss. 5, 12-14 repealed by 1874, C.i. ss. 3, 7-9 and 11 repealed by 1879, C.ii. Remainder (except s.1) repealed by 1886, C.vii.
"	v. St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vi. Downpatrick Cathedral.	s.3 amended by 1958, C.ii. s.5 amended by 1900, C.ii. s.7 amended by 1883, C.iii, 1922, C.ix and 1985, C.ii. s.9 repealed by 1985, C.ii.
"	vii. Appointments to Cures.	All except s.1 repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	viii. Diocesan and Parochial Boundaries.	Portion repealed by 1879, C.i. Portions of schedule repealed by 1876, C.iii, and 1880, C.iii.
"	ix. Boulter Fund.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	x. Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
1873		
Cap. i.	Modification of Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	ii. Exempt Jurisdiction of Newry and Mourne.	-
"	iii. Declarations of Parochial Nominators.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	iv. General Synod.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vi. Churchwardens.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vii. Table of Lessons. Shortening the Services.	Schedule amended by 1875, C. vi, and 1876, v.i.
"	viii. Preservation and Authentication of Records of General Convention and General Synod.	All except ss.4 and 5 repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	ix. Burying Grounds.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	x. Faculties.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	xi. Unions of Benefices.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	xii. Consideration of Report of Revision Committee by Synod of 1874.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.

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1874 Cap.	i. Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	s.2 repealed by 1879, C.ii. Remainder repealed by 1866 C.vii.
"	ii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
1875 Cap.	i. Creed of St. Athanasius.	Repealed by 1877, C.i.
"	ii. Creed of St. Athanasius.	Repealed by 1877, C.i.
"	iii. Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	iv. Diocesan Synod. Parochial Organisation.	ss. 2-18 and 2nd Schedule repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. Title Page, etc. of Prayer Book.	-
"	vi. Calendar, etc.	-
"	vii. Morning and Evening Prayer.	s.14 amended by 1877, C.v.
"	viii. Litany, Prayers and Thanksgivings.	s.8 repealed by 1877, C.ii.
"	ix. Collects, Epistles and Gospels.	-
"	x. Holy Communion.	-
"	xi. Holy Communion.	-
"	xii. Baptism.	-
"	xiii. Baptism.	-
"	xiv. Catechism and Confirmation.	-
"	xv. Catechism.	-
"	xvi. Confirmation.	-
"	xvii. Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	xviii. Visitation of the Sick.	-
"	xix. Communion of the Sick.	-
"	xx. Churching of Women.	-
"	xxi. Commination.	-
"	xxii. Prayer to be used at Sea.	-
"	xxiii. Ordinal.	-
"	xxiv. Accession Day Visitation of Prisoners.	-
"	xxv. First Sunday after Institution. Thanksgiving for Harvest. Consecration of Church. Consecration of Churchyard.	-
1876 Cap.	i. Table of Lessons.	-
"	ii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iv. Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. Burial of the Dead.	-
"	vi. Burial of the Dead.	-
"	vii. Burial of the Dead.	-

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Cap.	i. Creed of St. Athanasius.	-
"	ii. Prayers and Thanksgiving.	-
"	iii. Order of New Services.	-
"	iv. Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. Morning and Evening Prayer.	-
"	vi. Holy Communion.	-
"	vii. Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	viii. Preface.	-
"	ix. Preface.	-
"	x. Preface.	-
"	xi. Preface.	-
"	xii. Preface.	-
"	xiii. Preface.	-
"	xiv. Canons.	-
"	xv. Burial of the Dead.	-
"	xvi. Preface.	-
"	xvii. Preface.	-
"	xviii. Preface.	-
"	xix. Preface.	-
"	xx. Table of Contents of Prayer Book.	-
"	xxi. Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	xxii. Date of Coming into Effect of Prayer Book Revision Statutes.	-
1878		
Cap.	i. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	ii. Burial of the Dead.	-
"	iii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iv. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	v. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	vi. Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vii. Boulter Fund.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	viii. Kildare Cathedral.	ss. 1 and 2 amended by 1923, C.v. s.3 amended by 1892, C.ii, and 1923, C.v.
"	ix. General Synod. Diocesan Synods. Parishes and Parochial Organisation. Appointments to Cures. Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
1879		
Cap.	i. Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter VIII) repealed by 1889, C.i.

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Cap.	i. Cashel Cathedral.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	ii. Killaloe Cathedral.	-
"	iii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iv. Parish of Drumcar.	-
1881		
Cap.	i. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	ii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iii. Parochial Records.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iv. Armagh and Clogher Dioceses.	-
1882		
Cap.	i. Glebes.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	ii. Armagh and Clogher Dioceses.	-
1883		
Cap.	i. Unions of Parishes.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	ii. Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1886, C.vii.
"	iii. Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
"	iv. Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
1884		
Cap.	i. Glebes.	All except schedules repealed by 1889, C.i.
1885		
Cap.	i. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	ii. Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iii. Election of Bishop of Meath.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iv. Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
1886		
Cap.	i. Election of See of Armagh.	All except the repealing clauses in ss. 3 and 4 repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	ii. Armagh and Clogher Diocese.	-
"	iii. Sextons, Schoolmasters, etc.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iv. Rules, etc. of Diocesan Courts.	ss. 1 and 2 repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	v. Proprietary Churches.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	vi. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	vii. Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	All except s.1 repealed by 1902, C.i.
"	viii. Court of General Synod.	Repealed by 1974, C.i.
1887		
Cap.	i. Armagh and Clogher Dioceses.	-

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1887 continued		
Cap. ii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	All except s.1 repealed by 1889, C.i.
" iii.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
" iv.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
1888		
Cap. i.	Augmentation of Clerical Incomes.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" ii.	Representative Body.	All except s.1 repealed by 1889, C.i.
1889		
Cap. i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter IX) repealed by 1889, C.i.
" ii.	Augmentation of Clerical Incomes.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" iii.	Boulter and other Annuities.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
1890		
Cap. i.	Cork, Cloyne & Ross Cathedrals.	s.4 and schedule No. 11 repealed by 1972, C.x.
" ii.	Waterford & Lismore Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1981, C.v.
" iii.	Killaloe, Kilfenora, Clonfert and Kilmacduagh Cathedrals.	s.4(2) repealed by 1915, C.v. Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" iv.	Limerick Cathedral.	-
" v.	Exchange of Benefices.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
1891		
Cap. i.	Killala and Achonry Cathedrals.	-
" ii.	Ferns Cathedral.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" iii.	Tuam Cathedral.	-
1892		
Cap. i.	Cork, Cloyne & Ross Diocesan Synod.	-
" ii.	Kildare Cathedral.	-
1893		
Cap. i.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Schedule repealed by 1899, C.i.
1894		
Cap. i.	Diocesan Courts.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
" ii.	Glebes.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1889, C.i.
" iii.	Easter Vestry.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
1895		
Cap. i.	Court of General Synod.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1899, C.i.
" ii.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
" iii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.

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No Statutes.		
1897		
Cap. i.	Retirement of Bishops.	All except s.14 repealed by 1899, C.i.
" ii.	Incumbents Mentally Incapacitated.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
" iii.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" iv.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
" v.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
1898		
No Statutes.		
1899		
Cap. i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter IX) repealed by 1909, C.i. Repealed by 1944, C.v.
" ii.	Belfast Cathedral.	Repealed by 1944, C.v.
1900		
Cap. i.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
" ii.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
" iii.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
" iv.	General Synod. Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
1901		
Cap. i.	Ferns Cathedral.	-
" ii.	Limerick Cathedral.	-
1902		
Cap. i.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	ss. 11,13,14 amended by 1997, C.ii. s.3 amended by 1971, C.ix. s.11 amended by 1920, C.v. ss.12,16 and 17 amended by 1920, special session, C.vi. s.14 amended by 1920, C.v. and 1920, special session, C.vi.
1903		
Cap. i.	Appointment to Cures.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
1904		
No Statutes.		
1905		
Cap. i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Schedule repealed by 1909, C.i.
1906		
Cap. i.	Archdeacons.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.

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1906 continued		
Cap. ii.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
" iii.	Court of General Synod.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
" iv.	Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
" v.	Widows and Orphans.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1909, C.i.
1907		
No Statutes.		
1908		
Cap. i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
1909		
Cap. i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter IX) repealed by 1919, C.i.
" ii.	Diocesan Boundaries. (Note - a statute concerning appointments to cures was also passed, and was incorporated in Cap.i.)	-
1910		
No Statutes.		
1911		
No Statutes.		
1912		
Cap. i.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" ii.	Easter Vestry. Registers of Vestrymen.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
1913		
Cap. i.	Divinity Hostel.	s.2 amended by 1943, C.ii.
" ii.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
1914		
Cap. i.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" ii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" iii.	Table of Lessons.	-
" iv.	Table of Lessons.	-
" v.	Table of Proper Psalms.	-
" vi.	Table of Proper Psalms.	-
" vii.	Table of Proper Psalms.	-
" viii.	Table of Proper Psalms.	-
" ix.	Tables and Rules for Feasts.	-
" x.	Tables and Rules for Feasts.	-
1915		
Cap. i.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" ii.	Superannuation of Clergy	Repealed by 1919, C.i.



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1915 continued		
Cap. iii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" iv.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" v.	Killaloe & Kilfenora Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" vi.	Order how Holy Scriptures is to be read.	-
" vii.	Morning and Evening Prayer.	-
" viii.	Morning Prayer.	-
" ix.	Morning Prayer.	-
" x.	Evening Prayer.	-
" xi.	Evening Prayer.	-
" xii.	Prayers and Thanksgiving.	-
" xiii.	Confirmation.	-
" xiv.	Confirmation.	-
" xv.	Confirmation.	-
" xvi.	Confirmation.	-
" xvii.	Confirmation.	-
" xviii.	Confirmation.	-
" xix.	Confirmation.	-
" xx.	Confirmation.	-
" xxi.	Confirmation.	-
" xxii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
" xxiii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
" xxiv.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
" xxv.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
" xxvi.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
" xxvii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
" xxviii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
" xxix.	Public Institution of Minister.	-
" xxx.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
" xxxi.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
" xxxii.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
" xxxiii.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
" xxxiv.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
" xxxv.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
1916		
No Statutes.		
1917		
Cap. i.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" iii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" iv.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
" v.	Morning Prayer.	-
" vi.	Evening Prayer.	-

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1917 continued		
Cap. vii.	Prayers and Thanksgivings.	-
" viii.	Confirmation.	-
" ix.	Consecration of Churchyard.	-
" x.	Date of Coming into Effect of Prayer Book Revision Statutes.	-
1918		
Cap. i.	Churchwardens.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" ii.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" iii.	Burying Grounds.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" iv.	Superannuation of Clergy	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" v.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
" vi.	Morning and Evening Prayer. Litany, Prayers and Thanksgivings. Collects, Epistles and Gospels.	-
1919		
Cap. i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter IX) repealed by 1926, C.i. Consolidated with 1919, C.i.
" ii.	Widows and Orphans.	-
" iii.	Morning and Evening Prayer. Litany. Prayers and Thanksgivings. Holy Communion. Collects. Epistles and Gospels.	-
" iv.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
1920		
Cap. i.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" ii.	Eligibility of Women.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" iii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" iv.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" v.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	-
" vi.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
" vii.	Date of Coming into effect of Prayer Book Revision Statutes.	-
1920 Special Session		
Cap. i.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" ii.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" iii.	Commission for Union of Parishes.	Commission dissolved by 1925, C.iii. Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" iv.	Light Duty Parishes.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" v.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.

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1920 continued		
Cap. vi.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	-
" vii.	Suspension of Board of Nomination.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" viii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
1921		
Cap. i.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" ii.	Churchwardens.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" iii.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" iv.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" v.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" vi.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
" vii.	Psalter.	-
" viii.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
" ix.	Armagh Cathedral.	Repealed by 1972, C. xi.
" x.	Provincial and Diocesan Boundaries.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" xi.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" xii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" xiii.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
" xiv.	Enniskillen Cathedral.	-
1922		
Cap. i.	Widows and Orphans.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1926, C.i.
" ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" iii.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" iv.	Curates-in-charge, etc.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" v.	Election to See of Armagh.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" vi.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
" vii.	Psalter.	-
" viii.	Psalter.	-
" ix.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
" x.	Cashel Cathedral.	Repealed by 1981, C.v.
" xi.	Waterford & Lismore Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1981, C.v.
" xii.	Kilkenny & Leighlin Cathedrals.	ss.1 and 3 partly repealed by 1963, C.viii.
1923		
Cap. i.	Incumbents' Leave of Absence.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" ii.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" iii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	All except s.11 repealed by 1926, C.i.
" iv.	Deanery of Kildare.	Repealed by 1973, C.vii.
" v.	Kildare Cathedral.	-

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1923 continued		
Cap. vi.	Limerick & Ardfert Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1963, C.vi., insofar as inconsistent therewith.
" vii.	Canon 43.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" viii.	Representative Body	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" ix.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
1924		
Cap. i.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" ii.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
" iii.	Psalter.	-
1925		
Cap. i.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
" ii.	Date of Coming into Effect of Prayer Book Revision Statutes.	-
" iii.	Commission for Union of Parishes. Central Church Fund. Stipends. Light Duty Parishes.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" iv.	Suspension of Boards of Nomination.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
" v.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1926, C.i.
1926		
Cap. i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter IX) repealed by 1934, C.i.
" ii.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
" iii.	Psalms and Canticles.	-
" iv.	Order of Services.	-
" v.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
" vi.	Prayers and Thanksgivings. Visitation of Sick.	-
" vii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" viii.	Bishopric of Down and Connor and Dromore.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" ix.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" x.	Archdeacons. Superannuation of Clergy.	-
" xi.	Elphin and Ardagh Dioceses.	-
1927		
Cap. i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" ii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" iii.	Easter Vestry.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" iv.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" v.	Belfast Cathedral.	Repealed by 1944, C.v.

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1927 continued		
Cap. vi.	Killaloe Cathedral.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" vii.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
1928		
Cap. i.	Church Extension in Belfast.	s.2 amended by 1931, C.ii. All repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" ii.	Easter Vestry.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" iii.	Register Books.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" iv.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" v.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" vi.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
1929		
Cap. i.	Revised Version of Holy Bible.	-
1930		
Cap. i.	Church Fabric Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" iii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" iv.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
1931		
Cap. i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" ii.	Church Extension in Belfast.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" iii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" iv.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" v.	Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer.	Repealed by 1934, C.vi.
1932		
Cap. i.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
1933		
Cap. i.	Modification of Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" ii.	Boulter Fund.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1934, C.i.
" iii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
" iv.	Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer.	-
1934		
Cap. i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration repealed by 1946, C.i.
" ii.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iii.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iv.	Church Plate and Parochial Documents.	ss.4-7 repealed by 1946, C.i. Remainder repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" v.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.

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1934 continued		
Cap. vi.	Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer.	-
" vii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1935		
Cap. i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" ii.	Groups of Parishes.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iii.	Modification of Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iv.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" v.	Armagh Cathedral. Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	-
1936 No Statutes.		
1937		
Cap. i.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" ii.	Light Duty Parishes.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iii.	General Synod. Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1938		
Cap. i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1939		
Cap. i.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1945, C.iii.
" ii.	Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1940		
Cap. i.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1945, C.iii.
" ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iii.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iv.	Vacancy in See.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1941		
Cap. i.	Retirement of Bishops. Augmentation of Incomes of Bishops' Widows Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1945, C.iii.
" iv.	Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1942		
Cap. i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" ii.	Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iv.	Bishopric of Down and Connor and Dromore.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
1943		
Cap. i.	Bishopric of Down and Connor and Dromore.	-
" ii.	Divinity Hostel.	-

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1943 continued		
Cap. iii.	Vacancy in See.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iv.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" v.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" vi.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1944		
Cap. i.	State Prayers.	Repealed by 1950, C.i.
" ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iii.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iv.	Down, Connor & Dromore Dioceses.	s.6 repealed by 1946, C.i.
" v.	Belfast Cathedral.	s.5 repealed by 1984, C.vii. s.8 amended by 1984, C.viii.
1945		
Cap. i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" ii.	Canon 1.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" iv.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" v.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" vi.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
" vii.	Canons 1 and 30.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1946		
Cap. i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration repealed by 1960, C.i.
" ii.	Commission of Financial Reconstruction.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" iii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" iv.	Canon 28.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" v.	Holy Communion.	-
" vi.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" vii.	Chancellors of Dioceses.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1947		
Cap. i.	Table of Kindred and Affinity.	-
" ii.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" iii.	Suspension of Boards of Nomination.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" iv.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
" v.	Select Vestry.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1948		
Cap. i.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" ii.	City and Town Parishes Commission.	s.5 amended by 1954, C.vi. s.6 amended by 1949, C.vi. and 1954, C.vi.
" iii.	Appointment to Cures.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" iv.	Armagh Cathedral.	Repealed by 1972, C.xi.

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1949		
Cap.	i. State Prayers.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	ii. Representative Body.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iii. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iv. Stipends.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	v. Glebes.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	vi. City and Town Parishes Commission.	-
"	vii. Bishops' Curates.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	viii. Eligibility of Women.	Repealed by 1960, C.ii.
"	ix. Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
1950		
Cap.	i. State Prayers.	-
"	ii. Augmentation of Widow's Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1951		
Cap.	i. Augmentation of Widow's Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii. Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1952		
Cap.	i. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii. Litany.	-
"	iii. Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer.	-
"	iv. Lisburn Cathedral.	s.2 amended by 1965, C.vi.
1953		
Cap.	i. Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii. Parishes and Parochial Organization.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iii. Church Fabric Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1954		
Cap.	i. Burial of the Dead.	-
"	ii. New Areas (Connor) Churches and Church Halls.	s.2 amended by 1955, C.ii. All repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iii. New Areas (Down and Dromore) Churches and Church Halls.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iv. Trim Cathedral.	-
"	v. Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	vi. City and Town Parishes Commission.	-
1955		
Cap.	i. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii. New Areas (Connor) Churches and Church Halls.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
1956		
Cap.	i. Shortening the Services.	-
"	ii. Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.



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1956 continued		
Cap. iii.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	ss.4 and 6 amended by 1957, C.iv. s.11 amended by 1960, C.iii, 1962, C.iv and 1964, C.ix.
" iv.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" v.	Belfast Cathedral.	Repealed by 1984, C.vii.
" vi.	Cashel Cathedral.	Repealed by 1981, C.v.
1957		
Cap. i.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" ii.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	Repealed by 1960, C.v.
" iii.	Unions of Parishes.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" iv.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
" v.	Widows and Orphans. Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1958		
Cap. i.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" ii.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
1959		
Cap. i.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" ii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" iii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" iv.	Retirement of Bishops. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
" v.	Churches and Church Halls.	ss.2 and 6 amended by 1962, C.v. 1964, C.vi., and 1966, C.v., and 1969, C.iv. s.8 amended by 1966, C.v. s.9 amended by 1971, C.iv.
" vi.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1960		
Cap. i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration and Rules and Schedules to Chapter XIII, repealed by 1972, C.i. Rules and Schedules to Chapter XIII, repealed by 1973, C.iv.
" ii.	Collects, Epistles and Gospels.	Repealed by 1963, C.i.
" iii.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
" iv.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1966, C.ii.
" v.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	-
" vi.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1970, C.iii.
" vii.	Deanery of Kildare.	Repealed by 1973, C.vii.

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1960 continued		
Cap. 1961	viii. Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
Cap.	i. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	ii. Chancellors of Dioceses.	Repealed by 1971, C.vi.
"	iii. Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1971, C.vii.
"	iv. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	v. City and Town Parishes Commission.	-
"	vi. Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	vii. Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1971, C.vii.
"	viii. Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry.	-
1962		
Cap.	i. New English Bible, New Testament.	-
"	ii. Table of Lessons.	Schedule amended by 1964, C.i.
"	iii. Canons 1 and 30.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	iv. Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	v. Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	vi. Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1963		
Cap.	i. Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
"	ii. Register Books.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	iii. Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1971, C.vi.
"	iv. Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	v. Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	vi. Limerick Cathedral.	-
"	vii. City and Town Parishes Commission.	-
"	viii. Kilkenny & Leighlin Cathedrals.	-
1964		
Cap.	i. Tables of Lessons	-
"	ii. Book of Occasional Prayers.	-
"	iii. Dedication of Memorial or Gifts.	-
"	iv. Parochial Organization.	ss.1 and 3 repealed by 1977, C.ii. s.2 repealed by 1970, C.iii.
"	v. Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1970, C.iii.
"	vi. Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	vii. Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	viii. Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	ix. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	x. Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	x. Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.

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1964 continued		
Cap. xi.	Canon 36.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1965		
Cap. i.	Revised Standard Version.	-
" ii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1971, C.vi.
" iii.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
" iv.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
" v.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
" vi.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1969, C.ii.
" vii.	Archdeaconries in Diocese of Connor.	Repealed by 1984, C.vii.
1966		
Cap. i.	Canon 1.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
" ii.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
" iii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
" iv.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
" v.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
1967		
Cap. i.	Modification or alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1969, C.ii.
" ii.	Diocesan Councils.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1968		
Cap. i.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
" ii.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
" iii.	Modification or alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1969, C.ii.
" iv.	Limitation of Rights of Bishops.	-
1969		
Cap. i.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
" ii.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
" iii.	Diocesan Councils.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
" iv.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
" v.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
" vi.	Insurance.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1970		
Cap. i.	Holy Communion.	Amended by 1979, C.i.
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" iv.	Retirement of Bishops. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
" v.	Endowment Assurance Fund.	Repealed by 1971, C.viii.
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" iv.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
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" vi.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
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" viii.	Endowment Assurance Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
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" xi.	Archdeaconries in Diocese of Connor.	Repealed by 1984, C.vii.
" xii.	Resignation of Bishops.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
" xiii.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
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"	iii. Office of Vicar.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	iv. Superannuation of Clergy. Widows and Orphans.	ss.4 and 5 repealed by 1978, C.i.
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"	iii. Auxiliary Priests.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	iv. Election of Bishops.	s.1 repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	v. Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vi. Supplemental Fund.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vii. Amendments to Constitution.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	viii. Stipends.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
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"	x. Diocesan Councils.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
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9. 1893 MacLaughlin and MacMahon v Diocesan Synod of Cashel. Power of Diocesan Synod to amend Diocesan Scheme. - Reported in Journal, 1895, p.215.
10. 1893 Ross v M'Donagh. Drunkenness of Clerk. Using Profane Language. Neglecting to celebrate Divine Service. Case from Diocesan Court of Down, Connor and Dromore. Sentence of Deprivation. - Reported in Journal, 1895, p.216.

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11. 1894 Campbell and others v. Hunt.  
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12. 1896 Bishop of Limerick v. Cotter.  
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- Reported in Journal 1897, p. 258.
13. 1898 Bishop of Cashel v. Going.  
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14. 1900 Bellingham, Macan and M'Kee v. Leslie.  
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15. 1903 Re Tyney.  
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21. 1909 Re Dancy.  
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22. 1914 Correll v. Robinson and others.  
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23. 1916 Diocesan Council of Down, Connor and Dromore v. Representative Church Body.  
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- Reported in Journal, 1916, p. 324.
24. 1918 Archbishop of Dublin v. Robinson.  
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- Reported in Journal, 1919, p. 366.
27. 1921 Johnson and others v. Robinson.  
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28. 1928 Chamney and others v. Simpson.  
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29. 1933 Re Bradshaw.  
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- Reported in Journal, 1933, p. 381.
30. 1935 Christie and others v. Colquhoun.  
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- Reported in Journal 1992, p.368.
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- Reported in Journal, 1941, p.413.
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34. 1947 Bishop of Tuam v. Judge.  
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35. 1991 Carnduff and Others v. Thomas and Another.  
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**NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES IN ATTENDANCE 2000**

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Date	Clerical	Lay	Total
May 15	193	317	510
May 16	199	328	527
May 17	178	253	431

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Total number of attendances recorded: 1,468; average: 489.

Clerical	570	Average	190
Lay	898	Average	299

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**NOTES ON THE SESSION OF 2000**

The ordinary Session commenced on May 15 and terminated on May 17, having lasted three days.

The House of Bishops did not sit separately but all were present at the meeting of the full Synod.

The greatest number of Representatives known to be present on any day was 527. The average attendance was 489 of whom 190 were Clerical and 299 Lay Representatives.

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