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Wallace, Mr JW (Connor)	Witherow, Mr KW (Raphoe)
Wallace, Mrs P (Connor)	Witherow, Mr SDG (Raphoe)
Wallace, Mr TJ (Derry)	Woodman, Mr GD (Connor)
Walsh, Mr EJJ (Dublin)	Woods, Rev ECJ (Dublin)
Walton, Mrs A (Tuam)	Wray, Mr A (Clogher)
Warburton, Mr HN (Dublin)	Wright, Mr P (Dromore)
Wardlow, Mr MT (Down)	Wright, Rev Canon WS (Connor)
Warren, Rev Canon R (Ardfert & Aghadoe)	Wynne, Mr DJ (Dublin)
Watchorn, Mr B (Cashel)	Wynne, Very Rev FJG (Cashel)
Watterson, Rev SM (Ardfert & Aghadoe)	Young, Miss AT (Connor)
Webb, Mr HRJ (Armagh)	Young, Mrs M (Ferns)
Webb, Mr MJT (Dublin)	Young, Mr WA (Cashel)
Weir, Mrs J (Connor)	

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ARRANGED ACCORDING TO DIOCESES

NUMBERS INDICATE DAYS ATTENDED AT THE 2009 SESSION.

ARMAGH

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2 Adair, Rev Canon WM
2 Harper, Rev BJ
2 Scott, Rev Canon T
2 Campbell, Rev Canon JNT
3 Rooke, Very Rev PW
2 Forster, Rev AJ
3 Hall, Rev KRJ
0 Hoey, Ven RG
3 Forster, Rev TS
2 Boyd, Rev SRT
3 Kennedy, Rev Canon MC
0 McKegney, Rev Canon JW
2 Hilliard, Rev D
0 McVeigh, Rev DS
3 Kingston, Rev MT
3 Moore, Rev Canon CF
3 Clunie, Rev G
2 Macartney, Rev GW

ARMAGH - LAY

2 Stevenson, Miss MEM
3 Johnston, Mr LV
2 Forbes, Mr GA
2 Greenaway, Mr D
3 Linton, Mr JE
2 Leighton, Mrs J
2 Hamilton, Mr RT
3 Anderson, Mr WDH
3 Madill, Mr T
3 Neill, Mr WJA
0 Leighton, Mr SEC
2 Cochrane, Mrs EE
3 Anderson, Mrs F
2 Hume, Mr TJ
3 Neill, Mrs M
3 McClelland, Mrs JF
3 Harkness, Mrs EE

2 McKeown, Miss M
2 Brodison, Mr WS
3 Bruce, Mr JPH
2 Suitor, Mr WV
3 McClure, Mrs ES
0 Hadden, Mr JR
1 Johnston, Mr G
0 Webb, Mr HRJ
2 Kerr, Mr VWB
3 McCollum, Mr WJ
3 Wilson, Mr E
2 Marsh, Dr RG
1 Henry, Mr TG
3 Hatrick, Mr LJ

CLOGHER

CLOGHER - CLERICAL

2 Stewart, Rev Canon JW
1 Armstrong, Rev MA
3 Kerr, Rev BT
3 Matchett, Rev CJ
2 Hanlon, Rev TK
2 Blair, Rev WH
1 Bourke, Rev Canon SG
2 Courtney, Rev Canon BJ
3 Martin, Rev BR
3 Berry, Rev ITH
2 Skuce, Rev D
2 Thompson, Very Rev RC
2 Robinson, Rev Canon DW
2 Capper, Rev WA

CLOGHER - LAY

2 Moore, Mr GMT
1 Irvine, Mr JJ
3 Pringle, Mr WR
1 Kerr, Mr J
3 Clingan, Miss JH

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2	Johnston, Mr JID	3	Montgomery, Mr WT
3	Keating, Mr JH	3	Oliver, Mr W
3	Humphries, Miss HE	3	Ross, Mr W
3	Hutchinson, Mr D	2	McFarland, Mr SC
3	Loane, Miss JA	3	Pollock, Mr RA
3	Stevenson, Mr TR	2	Smallwoods, Mr TA
0	Loane, Mr WI	2	Nicholl, Mr J
0	Browne, Mr K	3	Moore, Mr A
3	Bourke, Mrs U	2	Carson, Mr VG
1	Bloomfield, Mr CG	0	Mills, Mr GM
2	Hurst, Mrs ML	3	Wallace, Mr TJ
3	Treacy, Mr JC	0	Dunbar, Mr JJ
2	Morrow, Mr SB	2	McElhinney, Mr WR
3	Kerr, Mrs S	3	Kane, Mr WRG
3	Wray, Mr A	2	McSparron, Mr MA
3	Bleakley, Mr IK	3	Hudson, Mr SJ
2	Williams, Dr JR	2	Thompson, Mr WI
3	Stewart, Mr H	0	Abercorn, The Duke of
3	Nixon, Miss GM	2	Brown, Mr K
3	Ternan, Mrs HM	2	Junkin, Mr J
2	Forde, Mr RC	3	Seale, Mrs ME
0	Acheson, Mrs J	3	Bradley, Mr N

DERRY AND RAPHOE

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3	Miller, Rev RS
3	Storey, Rev PL
1	Morton, Very Rev WW
3	McLean, Ven DS
3	Seale, Rev WA
0	Crawford, Rev L
3	Given, Rev HR
3	Quinn, Rev Canon DJ
2	Hanna, Rev IJ
2	McVeigh, Rev Canon S
0	Ferry, Rev Canon HDJ
2	Creighton, Rev Canon FD
2	Ferry, Rev MRK
3	Clarke, Rev Canon RW

DERRY - LAY

3	Gamble, Mr S
3	Glenn, Mr G

2	Austin, Mr AC
3	Montgomery, Mr WT
3	Oliver, Mr W
3	Ross, Mr W
2	McFarland, Mr SC
3	Pollock, Mr RA
2	Smallwoods, Mr TA
2	Nicholl, Mr J
3	Moore, Mr A
2	Carson, Mr VG
0	Mills, Mr GM
3	Wallace, Mr TJ
0	Dunbar, Mr JJ
2	McElhinney, Mr WR
3	Kane, Mr WRG
2	McSparron, Mr MA
3	Hudson, Mr SJ
2	Thompson, Mr WI
0	Abercorn, The Duke of
2	Brown, Mr K
2	Junkin, Mr J
3	Seale, Mrs ME
3	Bradley, Mr N
1	Clarke, Mr I
2	Kennedy, Mrs SM

RAPHOE – CLERICAL

3	Harte, Ven MS
2	Johnson, Rev Canon S
0	Fox, Rev R
2	Hay, Very Rev J
1	Crooks, Rev Canon DWT
3	Tilson, Rev Canon AE

RAPHOE – LAY

3	McClay, Mr W
3	Arnold, Mr WR
2	Boyd, Miss M
3	Thompson, Mr AJ
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0	O'Dwyer, Miss R
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2	Devenney, Mr JN
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0	Witherow, Mr SDG

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3 Donaghy, Mrs W
2 Kee, Mr JCH

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3 Patterson, Ven PF
3 Brown, Rev Canon DL
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2 Jardine, Rev Canon N
2 Hull, Very Rev TH
3 McDowell, Rev FJ
0 Nesbitt, Rev Canon R
1 Laverty, Rev Canon WJR
2 Munyangaju, Rev JC
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1	Keown, Mr D		
0	Wilson, Mr RP		<i>CONNOR - LAY</i>
3	Dillon, Mrs HE	2	Young, Miss AT
1	McCoy, Mr KJ	3	Stevenson, Mr T
3	Donnell, Mrs ME	3	Hibbert, Mrs GM
2	Houston, Mrs EM	2	Patterson, Mr RJ
0	McBride, Mr N	3	Wallace, Mrs P
2	Johnston, Mr DAS	3	Gibson, Mr K
2	Wright, Mr P	3	Gibbons, Miss M
2	Kenmuir, Mr DE	3	Tweedie, Mr J
	CONNOR	2	Neill, Mr J
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3	McCann, Rev TAG	3	Wallace, Mr JW
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2	McDowell, Rev PK	3	Cromey, Mrs D
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3	Elsdon, Rev R	2	Totten, Ms PME
3	Murphy, Rev Canon WA	2	Patterson, Mrs R
2	Mann, Rev Canon JO	3	Briggs, Mr G
2	Taggart, Rev WJ	3	Cherry, Mrs CLH
2	Redfern, Rev P	0	Harvey, Mrs P
1	McBride, Ven SR	3	Woodman, Mr GD
3	Dunstan, Rev Canon GJO	3	Acheson, Dr AR
3	Wright, Rev Canon WS	2	Cromey, Dr R
3	Bond, Very Rev JFA	3	Scholes, Mr DW
1	Carson, Rev JI	0	Turner, Miss CS
3	Forde, Ven SB	2	Rodgers, Mrs KM
3	Skillen, Rev JCT	3	Brownlees, Mr JL
3	Lockhart, Rev D	3	Dunn, Dr KF
3	Malcolm, Rev MA	2	Hall, Mr A
3	Irwin, Rev Canon WG	2	Spiers, Mr DN
1	Harris, Rev Canon EJ	3	MacKay, Mrs VM
0	McReynolds, Rev Canon KA	0	Cherry, Mrs S
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1	Stewart, Rev B	1	Richardson, Mr J
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		3	Hunter, Mr NJ

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3	McKelvey, Mrs ER	2
0	Sims, Dr BA	1
3	Bond, Mrs JP	3
1	Davison, Dr WD	0
3	Stewart, Mr TA	2
3	Totten, Mr HRJ	
0	Canning, Mr AD	<i>ELPHIN AND ARDAGH - LAY</i>
2	Frayne, Mr B	2
3	Hamill, Mr P	3
3	Harris, Mr GR	0
0	Littler, Mr TB	2
1	Tannahill, Miss D	0
1	Lucy, Mr GRE	0
0	Peters-Gallagher, Mrs RI	0
0	Kenwell, Miss BEE	3
0	McMullan, Mr AR	2
0	Jones, Mr AA	0
3	Mills, Mr LN	2
3	Weir, Mrs J	0
0	McKenzie, Mr J	
0	Lyons, Mr N	TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY

KILMORE, ELPHIN AND ARDAGH

TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY - CLERICAL

KILMORE - CLERICAL

2	Davison, Ven GTW
2	Ferguson, Very Rev WR
1	McCauley, Rev CWL
0	Wilson, Rev SG
3	Clark, Rev SK
2	Moore, Rev R
3	Ruiters, Rev IJ

3	Hastings, Ven GL
0	Dadswell, Ven RE
3	Grimason, Very Rev AJ
2	Patterson, Very Rev SM
0	Clements, Rev Canon DTS
0	O’Raw, Rev NJ
3	Sandes, Rev Canon DL

KILMORE - LAY

0	Blakely, Mr E
1	Clarke, Mr H
3	Cunningham, Miss EM
2	Foster, Mr WH
1	Heaslip, Mr K
2	Roberts, Mrs IN
2	Roberts, Mr W
0	Rutledge, Mr J
2	Trenier, Mr N

TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY - LAY

0	Auchmuty, Mr DJ
3	Walton, Mrs A
2	Bradish, Mr B
2	Gilmore, Mrs LM
2	Johnston, Professor PM
0	Wills, Mrs AJ
2	Auchmuty, Mrs BL
0	Minish, Mrs S
0	Walker, Mr RS
2	Shannon, Mr J

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3 Fair, Mrs S
0 Kilroy, Mr CTE
2 Ellis, Professor S
0 Higgins, Mrs F

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DUBLIN - CLERICAL

2 Appelbe, Rev Canon FC
3 McEndoo, Rev Canon NG
2 Pierpoint, Ven DA
3 Poulton, Rev Canon KM
2 McKinley, Rev Canon AHN
2 Sinnamon, Rev Canon WD
2 McCullagh, Rev Canon JE
3 Wharton, Rev GV
2 Gyles, Rev S
2 Moynan, Rev Canon DG
3 Dunne, Very Rev DPM
2 Poulton, Rev IP
2 Woods, Rev ECJ
3 Comerford, Rev Canon P
1 Carroll, Rev JT
2 Dowd, Rev GG
2 Tanner, Rev LJ
2 Orr, Rev ADH

DUBLIN - LAY

2 McGuinness, The Hon Mrs Justice C
3 Appleyard, Mr DS
3 Jones, Dr V
2 Fromholz, Mr G
2 Caird, Mr DN
3 Webb, Mr MJT
2 Kirk, Mrs JH
3 Beresford, Mrs M
3 Symes, Mr GJRM
3 Wynne, Mr DJ
2 Prole, Mrs FAD
3 Perrin, Mr DG
0 Halliday, Mr B
3 MacCann, Mr LJW
3 Hillis, Dr JP
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2 Obe, Ms S

3 White, Mrs ME
3 Pappin, Mrs JEC
1 Lewis, Mr EW
3 Warburton, Mr HN
0 Weldon, Mr CB
3 O'Neill, Mrs H
3 Jenkins, Mr M
3 Mulligan, Mr AH
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0 Vincent, Mr A
3 Brown, Mr B
0 Richards, Mr GC
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GLENDALOUGH - CLERICAL

3 Rountree, Ven RB
3 Sherwood, Rev NJW
2 Butler, Rev Canon GW
3 Clarke, Rev Canon JP

GLENDALOUGH – LAY

3 Dungan, Mr K
3 Handy, Ms R
3 McMaster, Mr GW
3 Neill, Mr RS
1 Alexander, Mr HJ
2 Neilson, Mr DF
0 Boyle, Mrs DE
3 Camier, Mrs AM

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MEATH AND KILDARE - CLERICAL

2 Field, Rev GG
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0 Rutherford, Rev PM
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1 Bourke, Rev Canon RSJ

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0	Lawrence, Rev PHA	3	Durand, Rev Lady SE
3	Peilow, Rev LEA	3	Sherlock, Rev Canon TA
3	Jones, Very Rev RW	3	McCullagh, Rev Canon MA
1	Donohoe, Rev OMR	3	Murray, Rev EME
1	Aiton, Rev JH	2	Jackson, Rev IM
2	Ronné, Rev K	3	Cruickshank, Rev IM

MEATH AND KILDARE - LAY

2	Potterton, Mrs HM
2	Colton, Mr RF
3	Bruton, Mrs JM
2	Oughton, Mr AG
2	Gillespie, Mr DR
2	Huston, Mr NJ
1	Colton, Mr WG
0	Potterton, Mr R
2	Higgins, Mrs FE
1	Bruton, Ms CL
0	Kilroy, Major WR
2	Strong, Mr ST
2	Kenny, Mr D
1	Potterton, Mr EG
2	Wiseman, Mr G
2	Meredith, Mr R
3	King, Mr GD
3	Dunne, Mr JK
0	Cobbe, Mr E
2	Potterton, Mr TG
3	Deverell, Mr J
3	Douglas, Mr DW

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LISMORE, OSSORY, FERNS AND
LEIGHLIN**

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3	Lynas, Very Rev NN
3	Knowles, Very Rev PJ
3	Murray, Ven JG
2	Wynne, Very Rev FJG
3	Harvey, Rev Canon PA
3	Fryday, Rev Canon BY
3	Gillespie, Rev Canon NG
3	Lester, Very Rev TR
2	Cliffe, Rev Canon CG

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OSSORY AND LEIGHLIN - LAY*

3	Harper, Mr SR
3	Codd, Mr RP
3	Kingston, Mr JW
0	Kidd, Mr GW
0	Rathdonnell, Lord B
3	Clifton Brown, Mr PC
3	Gillis, Mr AL
3	Driver, Mr EGJ
3	Fryday, Mr JN
0	Wellwood, Mr C
1	Wallace, Mr C
3	Peavoy, Mr J
1	Shirley, Ms S
3	Moynan, Mr RW
1	Bradley, Mr G
2	Bradley, Ms FA
2	Wallace, Mr D
3	Galloway, Mr JBP
1	Jestin, Mr I
0	Finlay, Mr DN
3	Young, Mr WA
2	Couchman, Mr JMD
2	Gilbert, Mr AA
3	Codd, Mr W
3	Corrigan, Ms H
0	Thompson, Mr JE
0	Watchorn, Mr B
3	Dowd, Mr P
3	Lanigan, Ms M
0	Burgess, Mr D
3	Corrigan, Ms MG

FERNS – CLERICAL

3	Long, Ven CW
3	Forrest, Very Rev LDA
3	Jansson, Rev MP

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 0 Minion, Rev A
 3 Harmsworth, Rev Canon RJ

FERNS - LAY

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 3 Young, Mrs M
 2 Kemp, Mr BE
 3 Forrest, Mrs A
 1 Boyd, Mr R
 3 Graham, Ms IM
 3 Blake, Ms J
 2 Masterson, Mr WH
 3 Stephens, Mrs M
 3 McCabe, Mr T
 3 Plant, Ms H

CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS

CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS - CLERICAL

3 White, Ven REB
 3 Wilkinson, Rev AM
 2 Hewitt, Rev Canon WP
 3 Dunne, Very Rev NK
 3 Lynch, Rev EEM
 3 O'Rourke, Rev BJG
 3 Marley, Very Rev AG
 3 Draper, Rev Canon PR
 0 Nuzum, Rev D
 0 Peters, Very Rev CL
 3 Williams, Rev Canon DH
 2 Willoughby, Rev Canon PM
 3 Cremin, Rev EV
 2 Jackson, Rev R

CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS - LAY

3 Baker, Mr WF
 3 Roberts, Mr JK
 3 Bird, Mr JAD
 3 Bantry White, Mrs CFR
 3 St Leger, Dr AE
 3 Buttimer, Mrs EA
 3 Dukelow, Ms SR
 3 McCutcheon, Ms C

3 Perrott, Mr WT
 3 Bogan, Ms CPJ
 2 Coleman, Mr A
 0 Treacy, Mr FJ
 3 Stanley, Mr JE
 3 White, Mr JD
 0 Treacy, Ms IM
 3 Newenham, Mr REW
 3 St Leger, Mrs EM
 3 Buttimer, Mr R
 3 Bourne, Mr DJ
 2 MacGillycuddy, Mr N
 2 Godsil, Mr RW
 2 Cassidy, Mr F
 3 Deane, Mrs L
 3 Jenkins, Mr JB
 3 Jackson, Dr TMR
 0 Jennings, Mr SJ
 3 Dring, Mr JRH
 3 Hunter, Mrs J

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 KILLALOE, KILFENORA,
 CLONFERT AND KILMACDUAGH**

LIMERICK – CLERICAL

2 Sirr, Very Rev JMG
 3 Galbraith, Rev JA
 0 Matchett, Rev AW

LIMERICK - LAY

0 Peirce, Dr TH
 3 Schutz, Mr PR
 2 Brislane, Mr KE
 3 Hardy, Mr TS
 2 Clarke, Mr JW
 2 Brickenden, Mrs MV
 0 Langford, Mr R

ARDFERT AND AGHADOE - CLERICAL

3 Warren, Rev Canon R
 3 Watterson, Rev SM
 0 Shaw, Rev Canon AW
 3 Hanley, Rev M

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3 Gleasure, Mrs LM
3 Hilliard, Mr A
0 Blennerhassett, Mr TN
3 Groves, Mrs MK
0 Groves, Mr RV
3 Champ, Mr TE
3 Mason, Miss CP

*KILLALOE, KILFENORA, CLONFERT
AND KILMACDUAGH - CLERICAL*

3 Carney, Ven RW
3 Neill, Rev Canon SM
3 Gill, Rev R
0 Nevin, Rev AJ
3 Rowley-Brooke, Rev M
3 Hanna, Rev Canon RC
1 Flynn, Rev AVG

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1 Dempsey, Mr RJ
1 Benson, Mr RW
3 Stanley Wetzel, Mrs OR
2 Roe, Mr R
1 Kenny, Mrs FW
0 Hardy, Mr E
3 Armstrong, Mr A
3 Blackwell, Mr L
0 Read, Mr PDG
2 Lynch, Mrs VM
1 Hyde, Mr PMR
3 Armitage, Mrs E
2 Edge, Mr RA
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Rev RG Kingston	Clogher alternate
Rev GSA Wilson	Kilmore
Vacant	Kilmore alternate
Vacant	Meath
Mrs D Wright	Meath alternate
Very Rev JMG Sirr	Limerick
Ven RW Carney	Limerick alternate
Vacant	Tuam
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Rev Canon FD Creighton	Derry
Rev HJK McLaughlin	Derry alternate
Vacant	Armagh
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Rev K Gibson	Dublin
Rev CP Jeffers	Dublin alternate
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Rev Canon DL Brown	Co-opted
Mr I Smith	Co-opted

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THE CHURCH OF IRELAND**

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STANDING ORDERS

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MAY, 1965

(amended 1970, 1971, 1972, 1975, 1979, 1984, 1985, 1987, 1988, 1997, 2000 and 2003)

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:

- (a) The Standing Committee may by Resolution determine that –
 - i. the number of days of the Synod; and/or
 - ii. the hour at which the Synod shall commence on any day shall be otherwise than as stated above.
- (b) 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.

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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.
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. The Assessor 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 the President, 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 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.

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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;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 desiring to take part in a debate.

(Note - Appointment to the Chair - 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 the right to make a 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 the

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proposer or the proposer's 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.
26. Where there are for consideration two or more bills dealing with the same subject matter, the President, if 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 making a 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.

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(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.

(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

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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
- (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 the mover's 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

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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.
 - (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.

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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.

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”. The President shall judge from the answers to such requests and state the result, as an opinion, of putting the question.
- (b) After the President shall have stated the result, as an 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 had previously been 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 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 an 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 chairperson.
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 chairperson 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

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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.
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 Chairperson.

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.

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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 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.

APPENDIX

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.

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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 to the Chair

Procedure relative to the appointment to the Chair 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 take the Chair for such period during a session as the President may determine; any person so taking the Chair 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.

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GENERAL SYNOD OF THE CHURCH OF IRELAND

2009

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 be given only 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.

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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 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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VERY REV LDA FORREST
MR WF BAKER

(at the request of the Representative Church Body)

Explanatory Memorandum

To disband the Commission on Church Buildings

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To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution

BILL NO 6

VERY REV LDA FORREST
REV CANON WD SINNAMON

Explanatory Memorandum

To amend Chapter VII, Section 24 of the Constitution

BILL NO 1

Explanatory Memorandum

In 2008, the General Synod approved, by the requisite majorities, a resolution granting leave for the introduction of this Bill and accompanying Schedule in 2009.

The Bill provides for the amendment of the *Book of Common Prayer*, by including in all future printings thereof, the *Declaration*, as set out in the accompanying Schedule, immediately preceding the *Articles of Religion*.

VERY REV PW ROOKE
MR DB O'CALLAGHAN

BILL

(at the request of the General Synod)

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod 2008 to amend the *Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the *Declaration* as set out in the accompanying Schedule.

WHEREAS it is desirable that the *Declaration*, as set out in the accompanying Schedule, be included in the *Book of Common Prayer*, immediately preceding the *Articles of Religion*;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient to include the *Declaration*, which was adopted by a Resolution of the General Synod of 1999, with regard to its understanding of the historic formularies of the Church of Ireland, in the *Book of Common Prayer*;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Galway in the year 2008, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. In all future printings of the *Book of Common Prayer* there shall be included the *Declaration*, as set out in the accompanying Schedule, immediately preceding the *Articles of Religion*.

SCHEDULE

Declaration

The Church of Ireland is part of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church, worshipping the one true God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds: which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies - the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer, the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons and the Declaration prefixed to the Statutes of the Church of Ireland (1870).

These historic formularies are a definition of the faith as proclaimed by the Church of Ireland, and thus form an important part of the inheritance through which this Church has been formed in its faith and witness to this day. The formularies that have been passed on are part of a living tradition that today must face new challenges and grasp fresh opportunities.

Historic documents often stem from periods of deep separation between Christian Churches. Whilst, in spite of a real degree of convergence, distinct differences remain, negative statements towards other Christians should not be seen as representing the spirit of this Church today.

The Church of Ireland affirms all in its tradition that witnesses to the truth of the Gospel. It regrets that words written in another age and in a different context should be used in a manner hurtful to or antagonistic towards other Christians.

The Church of Ireland seeks the visible unity of the Church. In working towards that goal this Church is committed to reaching out towards other Churches in a spirit of humility and love, that together all Christians may grow towards unity in life and mission to the glory of God.

BILL NO 2

Explanatory Memorandum

Recent legislation in both Northern Ireland and the Republic has relieved the Church of the responsibility for the civil registration of marriages. No longer does the church issue marriage licences or keep the civil registers. This has implications for the marriage service, particularly relating to the wording in the early part of the service and for much of the attached notes in the Book of Common Prayer. A further issue has arisen in the Civil Registration Act, 2004 in the Republic of Ireland which requires the couple to make a verbal declaration of no civil impediment before the solemniser and the two witnesses to the marriage either prior to the marriage or at the time of the service.

This bill seeks to amend the services to take account of these changes.

The wording of the statements by the minister to the congregation and the couple regarding lawful impediments in the existing services are no longer appropriate and the bill proposes to remove them and replace them with more applicable words and rubrics. All notes which deal with the calling of banns etc would now also be removed.

While it is possible in the Republic of Ireland to administer the declarations of no civil impediment up to 48 hours before the marriage provided it is in the presence of the solemniser and the two witnesses to the wedding, experience would suggest that the more normative place for the declarations to be made is at the time of the marriage itself and provision is made for this to happen.

During this past year, since the Resolution stage of the Bill, agreement has been reached with the Registrar General of the Republic of Ireland for a simpler wording for the declaration of no civil impediment by the couple and a further amendment by the proposers of the Bill is tabled to include this simpler wording in the form of service. The agreed new wording is:

I solemnly declare that I do not know of any civil impediment to my proposed marriage with....

A further amendment by the proposers is tabled to meet the wishes of last year's debate that an additional rubric be inserted to emphasise the couple's responsibility to produce a Marriage Registration Form (RI) or a Schedule of Marriage (NI) to the officiating priest before a marriage can take place.

A Table of Kindred and Affinity has been provided by the state in both jurisdictions.

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VEN RB ROUNTREE
THE BISHOP OF CASHEL AND OSSORY

BILL

(at the request of the General Synod)

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod 2008 to amend Marriage One and Marriage Two in the *Book of Common Prayer (2004)*

WHEREAS a Resolution to amend *Marriage One and Marriage Two* in the *Book of Common Prayer (2004)* was duly passed in full Synod in Galway in the year 2008, by the required majorities and was duly transmitted to the Secretaries of all Diocesan Synods;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said resolution should 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 2009;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same as follows:

In the *Book of Common Prayer (2004)* those parts entitled *Marriage One and Marriage Two* shall be amended in the following terms:

MARRIAGE ONE

- On page 406 under "*The priest says to the congregation*" delete the last two lines "*Therefore if any man ...hold his peace* "
- On page 406 the rubric "*The minister says to the couple*" to read "*The minister may say to the couple*".

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- On page 406 after “*neither is their matrimony lawful*” insert the following rubric:

“[RI] Unless the declarations of no civil impediment have already been made by the couple prior to the marriage in the presence of the Registered Solemniser and the two witnesses the man and the woman each make the required declaration now.”
- On page 415 delete “*On the day... costs incurred*”

MARRIAGE TWO

- On page 419 under the heading “THE MARRIAGE” delete the first two paragraphs “*The minister says to the congregation...you must declare it now*”.
- On page 419 under the heading “THE MARRIAGE” substitute:

“The minister may say to the couple:

**God, the judge of all
knows the secrets of our hearts;
therefore if either of you knows any reason
why you may not lawfully marry
you must declare it now.**

[RI] Unless the declarations of no civil impediment have already been made by the couple prior to the marriage in the presence of the Registered Solemniser and the two witnesses the bride and bridegroom each make the required declaration now.”
- On pages 429 and 430 delete “*On the day of the marriage..... Marriage Law in the Republic of Ireland*”

BILL NO 3

Explanatory Memorandum

As a result of major turmoil in the world's economies at this time further strain has been placed on levels of statutory funding required of pensions schemes including the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Scheme.

In view of the content of the Actuarial Certificate at 31 December 2008 and the anticipated outcome of the next triennial actuarial valuation, as indicated in the Report of the Church of Ireland Pensions Board, a revised funding proposal will have to be submitted to the Irish Pensions Board. As part of the revised funding proposal and in agreement with the Actuary, it is recommended that as an interim measure, there is an increase in the annual total contribution to the Fund by 3.6%. This increase together with anticipated future increases required for the revised funding proposal are intended to enable the Trustee to pay future benefits under the Fund as they fall due while remaining compliant with the requirements of Section 16(1) of Chapter XIV of the Constitution.

The Representative Church Body and the Church of Ireland Pensions Board have agreed that the cost of this increase should be shared between members and parishes/dioceses. This necessitates amendment of sections 34 and 35 of Chapter XIV of the Constitution which provide for the manner in which contributions are made to the Fund and details the rates of contribution.

The proposed changes, which would be effective from 1 January 2010, would increase by 2% from 5.6% to 7.6% of minimum approved stipend the amount of contribution from a member. The assessment on parishes/dioceses would be increased from 16.8% of minimum approved stipend to 18.4%, an increase of 1.6%.

For its part the Representative Church Body would be agreeable in principle to making capital transfers into the Fund at future dates in relation to currently identified past service liabilities, subject to the prevailing financial circumstances in relation to its General Funds and offset by consequent adjustments to pension subventions from allocations.

VEN REB WHITE
CANON LADY SHEIL

BILL

(at the request of the Representative Church Body and the Church of Ireland Pensions Board)

To amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution

WHEREAS an increase in the annual total contribution made to the Church of Ireland Pensions Fund, established under Chapter XIV of the Constitution and hereinafter referred to as “the Fund”, is required to maintain the solvency of the Fund;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution;

AND WHEREAS the Church of Ireland Pensions Board has certified that on the enactment of this Statute the Fund will remain compliant with the requirements of Section 16(1) of Chapter XIV of the Constitution;

Be it enacted by the Archbishops and Bishops and the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same as follows:-

1. In this Statute “Chapter XIV” means Chapter XIV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland 2003.
2. In Section 34 of Chapter XIV for “1st January 2008” there shall be substituted “1st January 2010” and for the figure “22.4%” there shall be substituted the figure “26%”.
3. (i) In section 35(1) of Chapter XIV for the figure “5.6%” wherever it occurs there shall be substituted the figure “7.6%”.

(ii) In section 35(1) of Chapter XIV for the figure “16.8%” wherever it occurs there shall be substituted the figure “18.4%”.

BILL NO 4

Explanatory Memorandum

The General Synod in 2008 passed Motion No 4, as follows: “That the unexpended allocation held by the Commission be transferred back to the Representative Church Body and that the Representative Church Body be requested to present a Bill to the General Synod of 2009 to disband the Commission.” Accordingly Bill No 4 is presented to the General Synod for consideration.

VERY REV LDA FORREST
MR WF BAKER

BILL

(at the request of the Representative Church Body)

To disband the Commission on Church Buildings

WHEREAS the General Synod in 2008 passed Motion No 4 requesting that the Representative Church Body present a Bill to the General Synod of 2009 to disband the Commission on Church Buildings, also referred to as the Commission on Churches.

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same as follows:

1. The following Statutes shall be and the same are hereby repealed with immediate effect: Provided always that such repeal shall not invalidate or affect any act or thing heretofore done or any right or liability heretofore acquired or incurred under or in pursuance of the provisions hereby repealed.

Statute Chapter i of 1986
Statute Chapter ii of 1993
Statute Chapter iii of 1994
Statute Chapter iv of 2000

BILL NO 5

Explanatory Memorandum

In a resolution passed at the General Synod 2008, the House of Bishops and the Commission on Ministry were requested to consider the possibility of draft legislation being brought to the General Synod of 2009 to extend the provisions of Chapter IX, section 34 (Canon 34) of the Constitution to certain members of the clergy serving in the auxiliary ministry as non-stipendiary ministers.

As reported in the report of the Commission on Ministry to this Synod (see page X) the Commission appointed a sub-group to address this issue and a survey of the Diocesan Secretaries was conducted to examine the number, deployment and reimbursement of non-stipendiary ministers currently within the Church of Ireland. It was also noted that this will be a finite population as the new Ministry Formation does not differentiate between stipendiary and non-stipendiary training.

The Commission on Ministry received the recommendations from the sub-group and agreed on a proposal which was then sent to the House of Bishops. The House of Bishops stated they were satisfied with the proposal that draft legislation be brought to General Synod 2009.

Canon 20(c), in Chapter IX of the Constitution enables a bishop to admit into holy orders “any person, for general assistance in that bishop’s diocese, who will continue to earn a living in a lay occupation or who will have some other source of income sufficient for such person’s needs, pursuant to any rules in that behalf made by the House of Bishops and approved by the General Synod”.

A number of members of the clergy so admitted under Canon 20(c) are currently serving in the auxiliary ministry as non-stipendiary ministers.

Accordingly, clause 2 of this Bill seeks to amend Canon 34 in Chapter IX of the Constitution to provide that a member of the clergy who has been admitted into holy orders under the provisions of Canon 20(c) and who has served for not less than three years in the auxiliary ministry may apply to the bishop for remuneration for duties performed at the bishop’s request and for expenses incurred in the performance of such duties.

As indicated in draft paragraph 5(a) of Canon 34, the detailed provision regulating any such remuneration and expenses and other related matters would be set out in Rules to be made by the Representative Church Body and approved by the Standing Committee of the General Synod; much detailed work will be required in the formulation of such Rules. Draft Canon 34(5)(b) provides that no entitlement to membership of nor participation in the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Fund shall be conferred by any payment or reimbursement of expenses made under the provisions of Canon 34(5).

MR WF BAKER
THE BISHOP OF DERRY AND RAPHOE

BILL

(at the request of the General Synod)

To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution

WHEREAS it is desirable, in certain circumstances, to permit the making of payments to persons serving in the auxiliary ministry;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same as follows:-

1. In this Statute “Chapter IX” shall mean Chapter IX of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland 2003 and “the Canons” shall mean the Canons contained in the said Chapter IX.
2. Canon 34 of the Canons shall be amended by the insertion after paragraph (4) of the following paragraph:-
 - (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of Canon 20, a person who has been admitted to holy orders for general assistance in a diocese on the basis that such a person will continue to earn a living in a lay occupation or will have some other source of income sufficient for such person’s needs, and who has served in the auxiliary ministry for a period of not less than three years, may apply to the bishop, to be paid for duties performed at the bishop’s request and to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of such duties; provided that no such payment and no such reimbursement of expenses shall -
 - a) be at a rate in excess of those prescribed in such rules in this regard as shall, from time to time, be made by the Representative Church Body and approved by the Standing Committee of the General Synod; or
 - b) confer any entitlement to membership of or participation in the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Fund.

BILL NO 6

Explanatory Memorandum

In 2007, the General Synod enacted legislation amending Chapter VII of the Constitution so as to provide for the appointment of ecumenical canons to the Chapter of St Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.

Each ecumenical canon must be a minister or accredited preacher of another Christian denomination which is specified by the House of Bishops and which is not in full communion with the Church of Ireland.

Section 24 of Chapter VII currently provides that prebendal stalls assigned to the patronage of dioceses or united dioceses shall be held only by clergy entitled to sit in the synods of those diocese or united diocese and that all other prebendal stalls shall be held only by Church of Ireland clergy resident in Ireland.

Accordingly prebendal stalls may not be assigned to ecumenical canons. Furthermore, there is currently no requirement that the ecumenical canons would themselves be resident in Ireland.

This Bill seeks to amend Section 24 of Chapter VII to provide for the assignment of prebendal stalls to ecumenical canons but requires that such ecumenical canons be resident in Ireland.

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VERY REV LDA FORREST
REV CANON WD SINNAMON

BILL

To amend Chapter VII, Section 24 of the Constitution

WHEREAS Chapter VII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland was amended by Statute Chapter V of 2007 to provide, inter alia, for the appointment of ecumenical canons to the Chapter of the Collegiate and Cathedral Church of St. Patrick, Dublin;

AND WHEREAS it is considered desirable that prebendal stalls should only be assigned to ecumenical canons resident in Ireland;

Be it enacted by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009 and by the authority of the same as follows:-

1. The second sentence of Chapter VII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland shall be amended by the insertion after the words “resident in Ireland” of the words “and ecumenical canons resident in Ireland”.

FORTY SEVENTH GENERAL SYNOD

First Ordinary Session, held in Armagh, on 8, 9 and 10 May 2009

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY 8 MAY 2009

On this day, according to the summons of His Grace the Lord Primate, the Synod assembled in the Armagh City Hotel, Armagh.

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

A hymn was sung and a portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer were read by the Rt Rev TR Williams, Bishop of Limerick, Killaloe and Ardferf.

The Synod was addressed by the Rev Dr D Patton, the Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland.

President's Address

His Grace the Lord Primate delivered an address.

Members of the General Synod, dear sisters and brothers in Christ Jesus, it is a privilege for me to welcome you all, together with our distinguished ecumenical guests and other visitors, to Armagh in this year of grace 2009.

We meet in what I might call “experimental” circumstances. This will be a weekend rather than a midweek synod. To meet these new circumstances the Honorary Secretaries have gone to great lengths sensitively to reorganise and reorder our business and to meet the challenge of constructing an agenda for Sunday around our principle obligation which is to witness through worship to the glory of God.

This will require us to do our work in synod in new ways. In particular, rather than introducing each report with speeches we shall lay reports before synod, invite comments from synod members and then enable proposers to reply to the discussion and then to move

that synod receive each report. Issues identified by committees as of special importance will be brought forward by way of resolution and debated separately. In addition we hope that members of synod may feel empowered to suggest issues that deserve exploration by the relevant committees. In this way we shall re-orientate our business by looking forward rather than back.

In another innovation the Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe, who will lead our daily devotions, has agreed to my request that part of those devotions should include a short address. On this, the first day of our Synod we shall have the privilege of being addressed by the current Moderator of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, the Rt Rev Dr Donald Patton. Tomorrow's session will hear a short address from the President of the Methodist Church, the Rev Aian Ferguson. They are both present here this morning and I ask you to greet them warmly.

On Sunday, at the General Synod Eucharist at 11.00am in Armagh Cathedral, the Bishop of Limerick will give a short address to which His Eminence Séan, Cardinal Brady will respond. It is, I believe, right that, despite denominational differences, Christians should come together around the Word of God to be enriched and encouraged by one another. I am deeply grateful to Cardinal Brady and to the Moderator and the President for generously agreeing to participate in this way.

Ten years ago, at the General Synod of 1999, a report was received addressing the issue of sectarianism and the impact of sectarianism on and in the life of the Church of Ireland. That report and the resolutions appended to it led to the establishment of a committee which commissioned the "Hard Gospel" Scoping Study. That study in turn led to the initiation of what came to be called "The Hard Gospel Project", a comprehensive address to that complex of related issues which arise when we endeavour seriously and honestly to deal positively with difference.

I want to publicly salute the work of the Hard Gospel Committee, led with great vigour and skill by the Dean of Armagh, the Very Rev Patrick Rooke, and also to congratulate the staff of the Hard Gospel Project: the Project Director, the Rev Earl Storey with his two colleagues, Mr Philip McKinley and Mr Stephen Dallas. Their solid, sometimes spectacular and often ground breaking work over a three year period constitutes the most comprehensive and creative address, by a denomination, to the problems of a society struggling to deal with the legacy of distrust, fear, and hostility that has blighted Ireland over centuries.

I want to emphasise, however, that not all of the issues tackled by the Hard Gospel Project are ancient in origin, some are relatively new, yet all have in common the essential human characteristic of suspicion and fear of the other. As a society and as a Church we have a great deal further to go in seeking to move beyond such destructive reactions. Prejudice and intolerance poison both the person and society as a whole. Yet, I believe, we are beginning to

demonstrate that 21st Century Ireland is moving to rid itself of the prejudices that constitute such life-threatening agents of division.

Our institutional response as a Church to the continuation of the Gospel challenge to love one's neighbour with the same commitment with which one loves God and oneself is now committed to the guidance of the "Hard Gospel Implementation Group", chaired by the Bishop of Limerick. It is essential that as a whole Church we continue to engage in this work in parishes, workplaces and high streets throughout Ireland.

In the sadly maligned Report of the Consultative Group on the Past (CGP), a report that contained not one but thirty-one major recommendations, you can read these sentences: *Given the strong Christian tradition in Northern Ireland, the Christian Churches have a particular responsibility to take a lead role within communities in addressing the destructive presence of ongoing sectarianism* (p 28).

Later in the CGP report these sentences occur: *Any society moving forward from conflict has no choice but to address the separations that exist between its people. These separations are negative and destructive when they exist in housing, employment and social life. Specifically the arguments about the ethos or quality of education provided in the faith-based sectors have to be balanced against the reality that reconciliation may never be achieved if our children continue to attend separated schools.*

By definition and nature sectarianism involves religion and the negative mixing of religious belief and politics. When religion is used to draw boundaries, whether communal or territorial, and to reinforce patterns of inequality and social conflict, then prejudice and discrimination are given divine sanction, even if such behaviour contradicts the professed belief of its adherents (p 77).

I want to make a considered and, I stress, personal response to the challenge set out in the Hard Gospel Project Final Report and in the Report of the Consultative Group on the Past. I want to do so in the context of what I believe is an essential concept for life in community, the concept of "inclusivity". I want to contend that it is essential for a community to embrace a policy and ethos of inclusivity because this is the most effective antidote to division and conflict. I also want to suggest that as a concept it is more dynamic than the static notion of "equality" which assumes or commands that which it cannot deliver, except in the narrow context of equality under the law.

One question that may be asked is, "What might inclusivity look like in the context of the faith-based sector of our educational system?" An initial response to that question needs first to take account of the following realities:

First, the system of education throughout Ireland began with the Christian Churches, particularly the four main churches. The entry of the state and secular society into the business of educating children and young people arose very late. I believe the churches are right to take the view that education based in Christian values and taught in the context of the ethos of the Christian faith is good for children and good for society. Education must not be devoid of either its moral or its spiritual context.

Second, it is not inevitable that communities will be and must remain divided if children are educated within different denominational contexts. This is not an issue of undue concern in the Republic of Ireland, and the pressure in Great Britain for the expansion of schools run by churches and other faith communities does not indicate a perception on the part of the UK government that community cohesion or education standards are threatened thereby.

Third, there is general acceptance that educational systems should preserve the right of parental choice. In this context it is important that parental choice should always be informed choice, and also that choice is genuinely available. My belief is that a significant majority of parents in both jurisdictions in Ireland favour the education of their children within a school shaped by the Christian religious ethos of their choice.

My principle suggestion, therefore, is that there should be issued a policy imperative for all schools to create purposeful partnerships across all perceived divides. Such partnerships might embrace extended student and staff exchanges, common approaches to learning in specified subject areas, and joint extracurricular activities. The idea of “area learning communities” has been around for a long time and has received varying levels of consent in different locations but it is rarely seen as an educational and social priority. A deliberate policy of inclusivity through partnership could redress any perceived divisive effects of separated education.

I also want to suggest that a policy of inclusivity goes a long way to addressing the other serious educational division in Northern Ireland, that between selective and non-selective schools in the secondary sector. I am firmly of the opinion that there is an urgent need to construct purposeful local partnerships among schools across the two sectors. It is not my purpose in this address to consider the vexed question of whether selection should or should not be retained, in what form or at what age. If, however, a new way of relating were to be achieved through partnerships among selective and non-selective schools, on a similar basis to that suggested for schools of different denominational allegiances, much might be accomplished in breaking down perceived social divisions.

Among other things, my hope is that such an approach might achieve a new parity of esteem amongst schools in the perception of both parents and children, thus removing or at least lowering social barriers and prejudice. It should also result in the achievement locally of the educational capacity to offer the full curriculum entitlement to all students at secondary level.

In addition, the Further Education sector has an important role to play and must be incorporated in a meaningful and systematic way, into such a pattern of relationships.

Social cohesion is a justifiable and desirable educational aim. The problem with the current level of trench warfare is that it reinforces boundaries and social stereotypes rather than removing them. Purposeful partnership is one approach which could break down barriers and bring us closer to building a society based on principles of inclusivity rather than exclusivity.

If inclusivity is good for education it is essential within the community of the Body of Christ. One of the objectives of the Hard Gospel Project was to address issues of difference within the structures of the Church of Ireland. Look around you today, however, and you will see that this gathering in General Synod and the structures we employ to derive synod representation are less than fully inclusive. It can hardly be said that women are represented here in numbers equivalent to their presence or influence within the membership of the Church. Where are the young people? What are the chances that married couples with children can contribute to our discussions? Why is there no crèche? What provision do we make for people with hearing impairment, visual impairment, intellectual or mobility impairment? Leave aside for the moment representation within the General Synod, what opportunities of participation and service do we offer to some of these groups of people in the day-to-day life of the Church of Ireland?

Furthermore, how can we pretend to be inclusive as a Synod when it costs Synod members so much to attend? How can we expect people in employment to take three days leave each year to attend a mid-week synod? How can we pretend, in these straightened times, to be careful stewards of the Church's resources when it costs the Representative Body, on average, £70,000pa to hold a three day synod whether midweek or at a weekend? Just imagine what the sums expended by the RB and synod members might contribute to the work of the Bishops' Appeal for World Development if those resources were not committed to meeting our accommodation costs – I estimate not less than an extra £200,000 pa.

Members of the General Synod, you will not have failed to notice that one item of business set for the last day of our meeting this year requires the election of two long established committees. I understand that these committees have not met frequently in recent years but it seems to me that they could offer us a great deal by way of reviewing our procedures. Those two committees are the Legislation Committee and the Standing Orders Committee.

I wonder if it might not be the case that with judicious revision of our Standing Orders and thoughtful modifications to the way we manage legislation we could find ways to complete all of our statutory work by holding two one day Saturday meetings a year. This would still leave energy for another day when special issues might be debated, presented or celebrated at considerably greater leisure. In such circumstances no-one with employment commitments

would be excluded; no-one on limited incomes would be excluded; no-one with disabilities would be excluded; no young people or parents would be excluded; no women would be excluded...or at least they would not if they could be persuaded to stand for election and were subsequently returned by diocesan synods.

If we are serious about inclusivity, should we, perhaps, be considering, for example, quotas for women and for young people? If diocesan synods found themselves unable to meet the quotas, why not allow nominations by Standing Committee, Mothers' Union, Youth Department, diocesan bishops and others?

You will recognise, of course, that I am setting out to be deliberately provocative in an attempt to persuade us, as a synod and as a Church, to begin to think outside the box, just as the Hard Gospel Project did with its "Beyond the Box" Seminars. Our Lord constantly pushed the boundaries of what conventional opinion considered to be acceptable: he touched lepers; he engaged women in conversation – for all the world as if their opinions mattered!; he gave preference to children over adults, at the same time rebuking his own disciples; he challenged the conventionally righteous and preferred the company of self-confessed sinners; he took service to a completely new level by washing the disciples' feet, not excluding the feet of the betrayer Judas Iscariot whom he also served with food at the very moment when betrayal was about to take place; he forgave his tormentors from the cross and welcomed one of his crucified companions into paradise; he healed the brokenness and the broken heart of his own mother by giving her a new son to care for and who, in turn, would care for her. That son, from that day forward, took her into his own home. In the most extravagant and redemptive pushing of the boundaries of all time, he rose from the dead. He would not, could not be chained by the limitations of this world and he sent the Spirit to the Church at Pentecost so that we might likewise be freed for unchained thinking and acting. He excluded no one who came to him in humility or in need. He rejected no one who sought to serve him, making service and love the touchstone of discipleship. Inclusivity is at the core of the being and doing of Jesus. As it was for him so it must be for us.

This leads me to say something about the "credit crunch" and the current dire economic circumstances across the world. Let me be clear, I am no economist. I am not qualified to judge whether, on the one hand, "quantitative easing" and "fiscal stimulus" with the associated mountain of national debt, or, on the other hand, severe budgetary constraint and taxing until the pips squeak will provide antidotes to the evils that confront us. Indeed, if you are not aware of it already, the effects of the downturn on both the capital values and the revenues generated by the assets of the Church of Ireland will become more clear as the business of this synod unfolds.

I am equally unqualified to enter into mature judgement on the products and practices of the bankers and governments that led us into the crisis. I remind all who are inclined to be harshly

judgmental that when the returns on our assets were strong I heard no one in the Church criticising the financial institutions that generated those revenues.

However, I believe it is necessary to say as a matter of principle that banks and bankers, directors and senior executives, have a direct and primary responsibility to act with both absolute probity and complete responsibility in respect of the monies entrusted to them by account holders and shareholders. It is not their money to play with. It is not acceptable that high risk or imperfectly understood strategies should be allowed to threaten the deposits of customers and the investments of shareholders. This is a fiduciary issue, a matter of good faith and honour. Therefore I find it surprising that those responsible for the corporate governance of banking institutions permitted the taking of risks that threatened not only the assets of their depositors and shareholders but also the viability of business, industry and even local government, along with the jobs of their employees. I wonder if there may not be a case for those with the responsibility of governance in banks that indulged in unnecessarily risky strategies seriously to consider their position, for either they were complicit in the risky strategies, or they were asleep and over-dependent on the officers of their institutions, or they were individually or corporately inadequate in their understanding of what their employees were doing.

One thing is abundantly clear: whatever is to emerge from the crisis confronting the economies of the world there is an urgent need for a completely new ethic to replace the flawed economic ethics of the past. In the case of international banking, it will be imperative that a new and vigorous ethic shall form the basis of a powerful regulatory system that can challenge risky or over complicated practices even when those strategies appear successfully to be generating profits.

When it comes to the actions of governments, what worries me about quantitative easing and fiscal stimulus is the extent to which these things are deliberately designed to generate more borrowing and more conspicuous consumption. That outlook, at least in part, led to the culture that pervaded the very model that crashed so spectacularly last year. That model depended upon an acceptance of the mantra of Gordon Gecko that “greed is good”, together with the doctrines that conspicuous consumption is essential and that secular individualism must be exalted above considerations of the commonweal. Such guiding principles, for that is what they became, must be abandoned in constructing the world economy of the future. Those principles were creative of a society that tacitly approved selfishness and excluded those who were financially uncompetitive.

These things matter more than, perhaps, we have heretofore realised because there is a clear correlation between disparities in wealth and two important social indicators: levels of sickness and early death on the one hand, and criminality and antisocial behaviour – that is community distress – on the other. Studies show that it is not absolute poverty that is the

correlate but the size of the gap between rich and poor. So, for example, the UK, Portugal and the USA are among those nations with the widest gaps in the developed world and they exhibit the highest levels on the indicators of poor health, early mortality and social dysfunction. The Scandinavian countries have the smallest gaps and the lowest indicators of morbidity and community distress. I have not seen comparative figures for the Republic of Ireland but my guess is that disparities are high and indicators of social distress equally high.

Again, we are approaching issues that have to do with the essential elements of inclusivity. The greater the disparities, the greater the social exclusion, the greater the incidence of social disintegration; and now, of course, we face the reality that many more hundreds of thousands of people will suffer the hardships, insecurities and injustices of unemployment. In a world seeking a new ethic for the conduct of business, inclusivity requires that gaps be closed not widened and society become careful for the needs and the inclusion of the most vulnerable, whether we deem them to be deserving or not.

In respect of those greatly increased numbers of people now facing hardship as a result of the current recession, there arises the question of how the Church of Ireland might respond pastorally in these challenging times. The Church in Society Committee has published a response entitled *Pastoral care in the Recession* which I understand is now available in pdf and pamphlet form. Other agencies with the Church are collaborating to identify initiatives that offer practical interventions. We are right to ask, “What can be done by the Church to provide support and guidance? What signposts can we provide for those whom we know to be battling very great odds?”

Rarely is it possible to identify free funds that can be made available to assist people in sustained situations of hardship, although it is the case that limited financial support may be available in Northern Ireland through the Board for Social Action. I know that the Church in Society Committee and the Board for Social Action would welcome any suggestions or comments members of Synod might wish to offer. The internet is a vital tool of communication here because of the ease with which a website can be updated.

Further afield, developing economies and the world’s poorest people are confronted by greater hardship even than those encountered in Ireland. The issue of structural injustice in the sharing of the earth’s resources has become immeasurably more urgent in current economic circumstances. The generosity of donor nations in seeking to come to the aid of people in the poorest countries is, of course, inspiring when commitments entered into are fully met in timely fashion. Cuts in international aid budgets are deeply to be deplored.

However, there is growing and increasingly compelling evidence that international aid does not work well. It tends to institutionalise dependency, keeping people alive but in continuing

poverty, whilst, often disproportionately, benefiting donor governments and highly paid consultants. It has also gained an unenviable reputation for feeding corruption.

When the European Union set out to provide structural funds and cohesion funds for less privileged members countries of the EU, it did so on the basis of seeking to secure the well being of the whole European Community through sustained support for nationally determined strategic development objectives. In other words, it operated on a principle of community on the basis of need and in recognition of the fact that improving the well-being of any one member makes a contribution to improving the well-being of every member. Ireland benefited substantially in just this way. Such principles should be applied to the developing world. It requires us to reframe our thinking in order to see the global family not as foreign nations in competition but as interdependent communities in a relationship of complementarity.

We must not come out of this present economic crisis without having accessed a morality that places inclusivity at the heart of our systems; and, since this is not a national but a globalised economy, such inclusivity will have to put particular emphasis on raising the levels of prosperity of the poor by redressing structural injustice.

A new global economic morality will also be one that prioritises investment in green solutions to the challenges of life and the problems associated with global warming, waste management and the sustainability of populations. It is vital to ensure that the most vulnerable of all will not become disproportionate victims of environmental degradation through devastating climate change and unsustainable population growth.

Let me set aside political correctness for a moment to say that not to address the issue of unsustainable population growth ignores one of the relevant criteria among many others. It is not fashionable to raise the issue of unsustainable population growth but it cannot be ignored indefinitely. However, what is too often overlooked in debates about birth rates and population increase is that, historically, it has been access to prosperity that has brought about significant reductions in family size and population growth. This may be partly because better nutrition and access to effective healthcare reduces the felt need to have many children in order to support parents in their old age. It may also have something to do with the intention not rashly to compromise the benefits of newly found prosperity.

Whatever the reasons, the correlation between rising living standards and falling birth rate is well established and this is yet another reason why inclusivity – the social and economic inclusion of poor people – is an essential concept to embrace. If we do not achieve these things then consider the consequences. They include, as well as chronic malnutrition, mass migrations of desperate peoples fleeing rising sea levels, over-cultivation, soil depletion and endemic crop failure.

Let us be clear, climate change will be thoroughly inclusive in its impact. We require inclusive economic and technological solutions in response to the challenges that face us all, a pioneering and generous new ethic of inclusivity, if the life of this planet is to be sustained in justice, hope, peace and mercy.

Christians have a particular interest in achieving these things because justice, the alleviation of poverty, care for the vulnerable, love of neighbour and careful stewardship of the earth as part of the divine creation are all biblical and dominical priorities. Furthermore, churches are not without economic power and national and international influence. Stalin once foolishly asked “How many divisions has the Pope?” Little did he understand the number and the power of those divisions. The church can and must exert maximum moral influence within all those societies throughout the world where Christians are to be found.

In the absence of a sustained international commitment to the abolition of unjust structures we shall be forced to fall back on aid programmes. They are no better than second best solutions and we must be committed to advocating the need for replacing unjust structures with fair ones, but, until justice flows like a river, aid programmes are all that we have. The churches in the developed world can and must work unstintingly to support the work of indigenous churches in the developing world that serve vulnerable communities and minister to the poor, the sick and the homeless. Not only is this a contribution to capacity building, it is also the most cost effective way of changing lives and circumstances in a world of unjust structures.

However, when I see the level of the overheads of some international development agencies, it concerns me that the generosity of people does not always seem to be matched by the cost-effectiveness of some of the NGOs. It also concerns me that NGOs too often insist on inventing “de novo” both indigenous and non-indigenous infrastructures in order to deliver their aid precisely where the churches already have existing indigenous and accountable structures, well established and in place not for the short-term but for the indefinite future. In the case of aid agencies directly associated with the Christian Churches I believe that we can reasonably expect those agencies to prioritise the channelling of both emergency and development funding through the local church, allowing local people to identify and assess their own priorities. If this does not happen I believe we have a right to want to know why.

I have tried to set before you, members of the General Synod, a vision of inclusivity which is both global and local. The proclamation of the Gospel of Christ in thought, speech and action is what it means to be called to participate in the mission of God to the world He so graciously loves. Our love for the world must aspire to approach the generosity of His love. His love embraced and included all, for did not God so love the world that he gave His only begotten Son that all who believe in Him shall not perish but have eternal life? For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world but to save the world through him, indeed that all might have life in Him and have it in abundance. That life and that love is what we proclaim and what compels us to exclude none and strive to be selflessly generous in our dealings with all, even those from whom we differ profoundly. May the Holy Spirit of God aid us in our weakness!

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Please note, this should read:
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Members of the General Synod

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

Nomination of an Assessor

The President nominated Mr LJW MacCann SC to act as his Assessor.

Election of a Clerical Honorary Secretary

It was proposed by the Very Rev NN Lynas, seconded by Rev Canon R Warren and passed:

That the following be elected as a Clerical Honorary Secretary of the General Synod:

Ven REB White

Election of a Clerical Honorary Secretary

It was proposed by Ven SR McBride, seconded by the Very Rev JFA Bond and passed:

That the following be elected as a Clerical Honorary Secretary of the General Synod:

Rev FJ McDowell

Election of a Lay Honorary Secretary

It was proposed by Mr WF Baker, seconded by Mrs JM Bruton and passed:

That the following be elected as a Lay Honorary Secretary of the General Synod:

Mr SR Harper

Election of a Lay Honorary Secretary

It was proposed by Mr HRJ Totten, seconded by Mr LV Johnston and passed:

That the following be elected as a Lay Honorary Secretary of the General Synod:

Canon Lady Sheil

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Petitions Committee

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the following be elected as members of the Petitions Committee:

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

Elections Committee

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the following be elected as members of the Elections Committee:

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 as members of the Bills Committee:

The Assessor (*ex-officio*)
The Rt Rev WP Colton
The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness
Canon Lady Sheil
Ven RG Hoey
Ven RB White

Motion on Procedure

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That Motion No 1 on procedure be passed:

FIRST DAY

10.00am	President takes the chair Reading of Holy Scripture and Prayer
to	President's Address Welcome official guests List of members of the General Synod to be laid on the table Nomination of an Assessor by the President Election of Honorary Secretaries
1.00pm	Election of Petitions Committee and Elections Committee Election of Bills Committee Motion No 1 (Timetable) Motion on Procedure: Amendment to Standing Order No 3 Report on the election of the Standing Committee Formal business and communications Bill Nos 1 to 7
2.00pm	Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51) Continuation of Bill Nos 1 to 7
to	Boards of Education (not more than 1 hour 30 minutes) Board of Education RI Board of Education NI
6.30pm	Mission and Ministry (not more than 40 minutes) The Church of Ireland Council for Mission The Commission on Ministry The Church's Ministry of Healing Motion No 2 (Development of Mission/Pioneer Leaders) (not more than 10 minutes) Motion No 3 (The Church of Ireland Council for Mission) (not more than 10 minutes) Mission and Ministry (not more than 50 minutes) The Church of Ireland Youth Department The Hard Gospel Committee The Church of Ireland Marriage Council Motion No 4 (The Church of Ireland Youth Department) (not more than 5 minutes) Motion No 5 (The Church of Ireland Marriage Council) (not more than 5 minutes)

SECOND DAY

- 10.00am Reading of Holy Scripture and Prayer
Formal business and communications
to **Administration**
Report of the Representative Church Body (not more than 2 hours)
Administration
- 1.00pm Report of the Pensions Board (not more than 45 minutes)
- 2.00pm Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)
Anglican, Ecumenical and Interfaith Relations (not more than 40 minutes)
to The Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue
The Covenant Council
Motion No 6 (The Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue) (not more than 5 minutes)
Motion No 7 (The Covenant Council) (not more than 10 minutes)
Motion No 8 (Israel / Palestine) (not more than 10 minutes)
Administration (not more than 2 hours)
- 6.30pm Report of the Standing Committee
Motion No 9 (Standing Committee) (not more than 20 minutes)
Motion No 10 (Code of Duty and Conduct) (not more than 10 minutes)
Mission and Ministry (not more than 30 minutes)
The Liturgical Advisory Committee
Motion No 11 (The Liturgical Advisory Committee) (not more than 10 minutes)

THIRD DAY

- 11.00am General Synod Eucharist, St Patrick's Cathedral, Armagh
- 2.00pm Reading of Holy Scripture and Prayer
Formal business and communications
Election of Legislation Committee, Record Committee and Standing Orders Committee
Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)
to Bill Nos 1 to 7: Further stage as ordered on the first day
Social Affairs (not more than 1 hour)
The Church in Society Committee
- 4.30pm The Board for Social Action NI
The Board for Social Responsibility RI
Motion No 12 (The Journal) (not more than 5 minutes)

At 4.25pm any outstanding items will be put from the Chair without debate.

Motion on Procedure

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

For the sentence in Standing Order No 3 commencing ‘Provided that the Synod...’ there shall be substituted the following:-

Provided that:

- a) The Standing Committee may by Resolution determine that –
 - i. the number of days of the Synod; and/or
 - ii. the hour at which the Synod shall commence on any day shall be otherwise than as stated above.
- b) 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.

Reports of Committees and Boards

The following reports were presented:

Representative Church Body
Church of Ireland Pensions Board
Standing Committee
Church in Society Committee
Board of Education
Church of Ireland Youth Department
The Covenant Council
Commission for Christian Unity
Liturgical Advisory Committee
Church of Ireland Council for Mission
Commission on Ministry
Church of Ireland Marriage Council
Church’s Ministry of Healing
Board for Social Action NI
Board for Social Responsibility RI
Report of the General Synod Legal Advisory Committee
Priorities News
Incorporated Society: Report and Accounts to 31 July 2008

New Rules and Regulations made by Diocesan Synods

The Diocese of Cork, Cloyne and Ross submitted a new regulation amending the Diocesan Regulations and Rules to order the Diocesan Synod.

The Diocese of Tuam, Killala and Achonry submitted new rules and regulations governing parish vacancies and rectory maintenance.

Report from the Honorary Secretaries on the Election of the Standing Committee

DIOCESE OF ARMAGH

Clerical 45 or over	Electorate 18 – Votes cast 11 – Very Rev PW Rooke elected *
Clerical under 45	Electorate 18 – Votes cast 10 – Rev TS Foster elected
Lay 45 or over	One nomination - Mr LV Johnston elected
Lay under 45	None available

DIOCESE OF CLOGHER

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination - Rev Canon JW Stewart elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination - Rev BT Kerr elected
Lay 45 or over	Electorate 28 – Votes cast 19 – Mr WR Pringle elected *
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr GMT Moore elected

DIOCESE OF DERRY AND RAPHOE

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Rev PL Storey elected
Clerical under 45	Electorate 20 – Votes cast 12 – Rev RS Miller elected *
Lay 45 or over	One nomination – Mr RA Pollock elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr KW Witherow elected

DIOCESE OF DOWN AND DROMORE

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Ven PF Patterson elected
Clerical under 45	Electorate 30 – Votes cast 14 – Rev SE Doogan elected
Lay 45 or over	Electorate 60 – Votes cast 33 Mrs HM McClay elected
Lay under 45	Electorate 60 – Votes cast 33 Mr RA Brannigan elected

DIOCESE OF CONNOR

Clerical 45 or over	Electorate 32 – Votes cast 13 – Ven SR McBride elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev SA Fielding elected
Lay 45 or over	Electorate 64 - Votes cast 34 Mr HRJ Totten elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr PJ Hamill elected

DIOCESE OF KILMORE, ELPHIN AND ARDAGH

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Very Rev WR Ferguson elected
Clerical under 45	Electorate 12 – Votes cast 9 – Rev CWL McCauley elected
Lay 45 or over	One nomination – Mr D Gillespie elected
Lay under 45	Electorate 20 - Votes cast 15 Mrs B Barrett elected

DIOCESE OF TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY

Clerical 55 or over	One nomination – Very Rev SM Patterson elected
Clerical under 55	One nomination – Ven GL Hastings elected
Lay 55 or over	One nomination - Mr DJ Auchmuty elected
Lay under 55	None available

DIOCESE OF DUBLIN AND GLENDALOUGH

Clerical 45 or over	Electorate 22 - Votes cast 15 – Rev Canon KM Poulton elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination - Rev GV Wharton elected
Lay 45 or over	Electorate 44 – Votes cast 34 – Dr VA Jones elected
Lay under 45	Electorate 44 – Votes cast 34 – Mr LJW MacCann elected

DIOCESE OF MEATH AND KILDARE

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Very Rev RW Jones elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination - Rev LEA Peilow elected
Lay 45 or over	Electorate 22 – Votes cast 16 – Mrs JM Bruton elected
Lay under 45	None available

DIOCESE OF CASHEL AND OSSORY

Clerical 45 or over	Electorate 21 - Votes cast 15 – Ven JG Murray elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination – Rev A Minion
Lay 45 or over	Electorate 42 – Votes cast 27 – Mr C Wellwood elected
Lay under 45	Electorate 42 – Votes cast 27 – Mr EGJ Driver elected

DIOCESE OF CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS

Clerical 45 or over	Electorate 14 – Votes cast 10 – Very Rev CL Peters elected
Clerical under 45	Electorate 14 - Votes cast 10 – Rev AM Wilkinson elected
Lay 45 or over	One nomination - Mr WF Baker elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr R Buttimer elected

DIOCESE OF LIMERICK, KILLALOE AND ARDFERT

Clerical 45 or over	One nomination – Very Rev JMG Sirr elected
Clerical under 45	One nomination - Rev Canon SM Neill elected
Lay 45 or over	One nomination – Mr A Hilliard elected
Lay under 45	One nomination – Mr E Hardy elected

* Election decided by lot

Bills

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

Report of the Bills Committee

In accordance with Standing Order 24(b) the Bills Committee met at Church of Ireland House, Rathmines, Dublin 6 and via teleconference at 1.15pm on Monday 6 April.

PRESENT Rt Rev WP Colton (Chair)
Mr MC Davey
Mr LJW MacCann SC
Mr GC Richards
Canon Lady Sheil

APOLOGIES Ven RG Hoey

BILLS

The Committee considered the legal and drafting aspects of Bill Nos 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, and 6 in the attached Bill Pamphlet.

The Committee noted that in Bill No 1 the words “General Synod assembled in Galway in the year 2008” should be amended to read “General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009”. Having regard to the provisions of Standing Order 30(a) which provides that no amendment to a Special Bill may be moved unless written notice of such amendment is received by the Honorary Secretaries within one calendar month of the end of the Ordinary Session at which the Bill had its first reading (ie the Synod in Galway in 2008) and having regard to the fact that no such notice was given within the stipulated one-month period, the Committee, having consulted the Assessor-designate, is of the opinion that the suggested amendment may only be moved if Standing Orders are temporarily suspended for that purpose, ideally at the end of the committee stage.

In reference to Bill No 4, the Committee question whether the four statutes printed are a full list of the statutes that require repeal.

The Committee made no comment on Bill Nos 2, 3, and 5.

A further meeting of the Committee was held at 8.45am on Friday 8 May.

PRESENT Rt Rev WP Colton (Chair)
Mr MC Davey
Canon Lady Sheil

IN ATTENDANCE Mr LJW MacCann SC
Ven REB White
Rev FJ McDowell

APOLOGIES Ven RG Hoey

The Committee noted that the words ‘Section 24 of’ were inadvertently omitted from Bill No 6 and that a motion to amend this has been placed on the agenda paper to be taken with the leave of Synod.

The Committee examined Bill No 7 and noted that in Clause 5A(2) of the Bill the word ‘shall’ needs to be inserted between the words ‘No person’ and ‘be’ and recommends that this grammatical error be rectified at the Report Stage.

Report of the General Synod Legal Advisory Committee

The following Resolution, passed by the Diocesan Synod of Derry and Raphoe on 25 October 2007, was conveyed to the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod for consideration by the Standing Committee:

‘2. That this synod request the Standing Committee of the Church of Ireland to have the Provisions of Safeguarding Trust reviewed so that they can be implemented in every parish of the Church of Ireland.

In view of the fact that protection of young people and vulnerable adults is a necessary part of the care of our Church we accept that regulation of that care should go beyond that required by either State in this island. However, due to the differing nature of every parish and community it is not possible for all regulations to be implemented in all parishes. We therefore request that the Safeguarding Trust Committee distinguish between statutory requirements (which must be mandatory in full) and the specific Church of Ireland requirements (which should be implemented as far as is possible in each individual parish).’

The Legal Advisory Committee agreed that the Resolution from the Diocese of Derry and Raphoe of 25 October 2007 is in contravention of Chapter XVI of the Constitution which provides:

1. *Ministry with Children*, approved by the Standing Committee of the General synod and reported to the General Synod, hereinafter referred to as *Safeguarding Trust*, shall be implemented and adhered to throughout the Church of Ireland in the Church's ministry with children.
2. Each bishop and diocesan council shall ensure that *Safeguarding Trust* be implemented and adhered to by all parishes, clergy and diocesan bodies within the diocese and in any diocesan activity.

At the Standing Committee meeting on 16 September 2008 the following resolution was passed:

That the following questions from Ven PF Patterson were to be sent by the Standing Committee to the Legal Advisory Committee for its opinion:

The proposed declaration to be prefixed to the 39 articles contains a statement, 'Negative statements towards other Christians should not be seen as representing the spirit of this Church today.'

1. Does this statement have the effect of changing the doctrine of the Church of Ireland so that the theological content of such negative statements no longer expresses the doctrine of the Church of Ireland?
2. How does this proposed declaration affect the Preamble and Declaration prefixed to the statutes of the Church of Ireland? In particular the phrase, 'The Church of Ireland doth receive and approve The Book of the Articles of Religion.'

The Legal Advisory Committee considered the questions put by Archdeacon Patterson and agreed that the wording of the Declaration could be taken as placing a particular interpretation on some of the 39 Articles. Whether such interpretation involves a change of doctrine is not a matter upon which the Legal Advisory Committee is qualified to express an opinion.

The Legal Advisory Committee is currently undertaking more research regarding the issue of the burial of non-Christians in Church of Ireland graveyards. The Committee will report on this matter in due course.

Sir Anthony Campbell
Chairman

30 March 2009

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Please note, this should read:
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Bill (No 1) To amend *The Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the *Declaration*

It was proposed by the Very Rev PW Rooke, seconded by Mr DB O'Callaghan and passed:

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

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes: 121	Noes: 5
	Lay	Ayes: 235	Noes: 11

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered in detail.

Adjournment

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

Bill (No 1) To amend *The Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the *Declaration*

AMENDMENT NO 1

It was proposed by Ven PF Patterson, seconded by the Bishop of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh and passed:

In paragraph 3 delete the words...The Declaration, which was adopted by a Resolution of General Synod of 1999...and replace with the words...a Declaration...

And in the Schedule in paragraph 3 after the words...distinct differences remain...add the words...the tone and tenor of the language of the...

VOTING:	Ayes: 232	Noes: 174
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Standing Orders

Standing Orders were suspended at 2.10pm to allow an amendment to be made to Bill No 1 to correct a clerical error.

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Bill (No 1) To amend *The Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the *Declaration*

AMENDMENT NO 2

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed unanimously:

That ‘Armagh in the year 2009’ be substituted for ‘Galway in the year 2008’ in the seventh line.

Standing Orders

Standing Orders were resumed at 2.12pm.

Bill (No 1) To amend *The Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the *Declaration*

The Clauses as amended were passed.

The Schedule as amended was passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

The House resumed.

Sunday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 2) To amend *Marriage One* and *Marriage Two* in *The Book of Common Prayer* (2004)

It was proposed by Ven RB Rountree, seconded by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory and passed:

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

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes: 126	Noes: 0
	Lay	Ayes: 250	Noes: 0

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered in detail.

AMENDMENT NO 1

It was proposed by Ven RB Rountree, seconded by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory and passed:

MARRIAGE ONE

Delete:

On page 406 after “*neither is their matrimony lawful*” insert the following rubric:

[RI] Unless the declarations of no civil impediment have already been made by the couple prior to the marriage in the presence of the Registered Solemniser and the two witnesses the man and the woman each make the required declaration now.

And substitute:

On page 406, after ‘*neither is their matrimony lawful*’ insert the following:

[RI] Unless the declarations of no civil impediment have already been made by the couple prior to the marriage in the presence of the Registered Solemniser and the two witnesses the man and the woman each make the required declaration now

I solemnly declare that I do not know of any civil impediment to my proposed marriage with ...

On page 415, following the deletion of ‘*On the day... costs incurred*’ insert the following:

A couple must produce a Schedule of Marriage (NI) or a Marriage Registration Form (RI) to the officiating priest before a marriage can take place.

MARRIAGE TWO

Delete:

On page 419 under the heading “THE MARRIAGE” substitute:

“The minister may say to the couple:

God, the judge of all
knows the secrets of our hearts;

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therefore if either of you knows any reason
why you may not lawfully marry
you must declare it now.

[RI] Unless the declarations of no civil impediment have already been made by the couple prior to the marriage in the presence of the Registered Solemniser and the two witnesses the bride and bridegroom each make the required declaration now."

And substitute:

On page 419, following deletion of the first two paragraphs under the heading 'THE MARRIAGE', 'The minister says to the congregation... you must declare it now' insert the following:

The minister may say to the couple:

God, the judge of all
knows the secrets of our hearts;
therefore if either of you knows any reason
why you may not lawfully marry
you must declare it now.

[RI] Unless the declarations of no civil impediment have already been made by the couple prior to the marriage in the presence of the Registered Solemniser and the two witnesses the bride and bridegroom each make the required declaration now.

I solemnly declare that I do not know of any civil impediment to my proposed marriage with ...

On page 429 and 430, following the deletion of 'On the day of the marriage...Marriage Law in the Republic of Ireland' insert the following:

A couple must produce a Schedule of Marriage (NI) or a Marriage Registration Form (RI) to the officiating priest before a marriage can take place.

The Clauses as amended were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

Sunday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

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Journal – First Day (Friday 8 May 2008)

Please note, this should read:
Friday 8 May 2009

Bill (No 3) To amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution

It was proposed by Ven REB White, seconded by Canon Lady Sheil and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 3.

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

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered in detail.

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

The House resumed.

Sunday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 4) To disband the Commission on Church Buildings

It was proposed by the Very Rev LDA Forrest, seconded by Mr WF Baker 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 in detail.

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

The House resumed.

Sunday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Journal – First Day (Friday 8 May 2008)

Please note, this should read:
Friday 8 May 2009

Bill (No 5) To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution

It was proposed by Mr WF Baker, seconded by the Bishop of Derry and Raphoe and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 5.

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

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered in detail.

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

The House resumed.

Sunday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 6) To amend Chapter VII, Section 24 of the Constitution

It was proposed by the Very Rev LDA Forrest, seconded by Rev Canon WD Sinnamon and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 6.

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

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered in detail.

AMENDMENT NO 1

It was proposed by the Very Rev LDA Forrest, seconded by Rev Canon WD Sinnamon and passed:

That Section 1 of Bill No 6 be amended by inserting the words ‘section 24 of’ after the words ‘The second sentence of’.

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Please note, this should read:
Friday 8 May 2009

The Clauses, as amended, were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

The House resumed.

Sunday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 7) To amend Statute, Chapter V of 1944

It was proposed by the Very Rev RSJH McKelvey, seconded by Ven NB Dodds and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 7.

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

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered in detail.

The Schedule was passed.

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

The House resumed.

Sunday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Privilege

By leave of the House, the Rev Kieran McDermott was invited to address the House on behalf of the Roman Catholic Church.

Privilege

The Archbishop of Dublin took the chair.

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Journal – First Day (Friday 8 May 2008)

Please note, this should read:
Friday 8 May 2009

Board of Education

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross, seconded by the Archbishop of Armagh and passed:

That the Report of the Board of Education be received.

Privilege

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the chair.

The Church of Ireland Council for Mission

It was proposed by Capt C Taylor, seconded by Miss M Gibbons and passed:

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Council for Mission be received.

The Commission on Ministry

It was proposed by the Bishop of Derry and Raphoe, seconded by Mr HRJ Totten and passed:

That the Report of the Commission on Ministry be received.

The Church's Ministry of Healing

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

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

Development of Mission/Pioneer Leaders

It was proposed by Mr HRJ Totten, seconded by Capt C Taylor and passed:

This General Synod recognises the need for training and developing leaders equipped to serve in a variety of pioneer contexts, both lay and ordained in Ireland. This General Synod directs the Commission on Ministry and Council for Mission jointly to develop proposals for how such leaders might be trained and deployed, duly consulting with all appropriate and relevant bodies.

Journal – First Day (Friday 8 May 2008)

Please note, this should read:
Friday 8 May 2009

Council for Mission

It was proposed by Capt C Taylor, seconded by Miss M Gibbons and passed:

The Synod affirms the Council for Mission in its efforts to encourage every parish in Ireland to develop a mission strategy, and recommends to parishes the use of the series of leaflets being made available by the Council, as an opportunity to review their approach to mission and to set up mission support groups or appoint parish mission links persons.

The Church of Ireland Youth Department

It was proposed by the Bishop of Connor, seconded by Rev RS Miller and passed:

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Youth Department be received.

The Hard Gospel Committee

It was proposed by the Very Rev PW Rooke, seconded by Ms R Handy and passed:

That the Report of the Hard Gospel Committee be received.

The Church of Ireland Marriage Council

It was proposed by Rev BJ Harper, seconded by Rev FJ McDowell and passed:

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Marriage Council be received.

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It was proposed by the Bishop of Connor, seconded by Rev RS Miller and passed:

That the Church of Ireland Youth Department establish a working group to study the role of Confirmation in the faith development of young people across the Church of Ireland and report its preliminary findings to General Synod in 2010.

Journal – First Day (Friday 8 May 2008)

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It was proposed by Rev BJ Harper, seconded by Rev FJ McDowell and passed:

That the General Synod takes seriously the impact of ministry on clergy marriages and family life and encourages the Marriage Council to develop methods of support, while acknowledging also that clerical life brings many joys which should be recognised and cherished.

The Benediction was pronounced and the Synod adjourned until Saturday 9 May 2009.

Journal – Second Day (Saturday 9 May 2009)

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SATURDAY 9 MAY 2009

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

A hymn was sung and a portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer were read by the Rt Rev TR Williams, Bishop of Limerick, Killaloe and Ardfert.

The Synod was addressed by the Rev Aian Ferguson, President of the Methodist Church in Ireland.

Communication from the Representative Church Body

The following communication was received from the Representative Church Body:

To the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

Co-opted Members

I wish to advise you that at its meeting on 9 May 2008 the Representative Church Body elected the following as co-opted members:

Mr LJW MacCann

Mr GC Richards

Mr HJ Saville

Mr DAC Smith

Denis C Reardon

Chief Officer and Secretary

Communication from the Record Committee

The following communication was received from the Record Committee:

To the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

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, and signed by His Grace the Lord Primate.

SR Harper

Chairman

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Journal – Second Day (Saturday 9 May 2009)

Representative Church Body

It was proposed by Mr S Gamble, seconded by the Archbishop of Dublin and passed:

- a) That the Report of the Representative Church Body be taken in consideration.
- b)

I. Allocations

That the General Synod hereby authorises the Representative Church Body to make the following allocations for 2009 from the balance on the General Funds Revenue Account for the year ended 31 December 2008:

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Group A – Maintenance of the Stipendiary Ministry	1,486,635
Group B – Pension Related Costs	1,180,064
Group C – Training of Ordinands	1,444,627
Group D – General Synod Activities	1,163,731
Group E – Miscellaneous	25,500
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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 2010, Minimum Approved Stipends shall remain at unchanged levels from 2009, as follows:

- (i) no stipend shall be less than £25,498 per annum in Northern Ireland or €36,219 per annum in the Republic of Ireland in the case of an Incumbent or a member of the clergy 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.
- (ii) the stipend for a Curate-Assistant shall be in accordance with the following scale:

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% “

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

Journal – Second Day (Saturday 9 May 2009)

Church of Ireland Pensions Board

It was proposed by Mr DG Perrin, seconded by Ven DS McLean and passed:

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

Mr LV Johnston
Ven DS McLean
Canon Lady Sheil
Rev ECJ Woods

Adjournment

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

Privilege

By leave of the House, Rev Aian Ferguson, President of the Methodist Church in Ireland, was invited to address the House on behalf of the Methodist Church in Ireland.

By leave of the House, Rev Tony Davidson, President of the Irish Council of Churches, was invited to address the House on behalf of the Irish Council of Churches.

Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue

It was proposed by the Bishop of Meath and Kildare, seconded by Rev Canon P Comerford and passed:

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

The Archbishops and Bishops	Rev FJ McDowell
Rev P Comerford	Mrs R McKelvey
Rev Canon DWT Crooks	Dr K Milne
Rev Canon Dr IM Ellis	Mr WT Morrow
Mr SR Harper	Rev DR Nuzum
Rev IJE Knox	Ms CS Turner
Rev DM McCallig	

Journal – Second Day (Saturday 9 May 2009)

The Covenant Council

It was proposed by the Very Rev NK Dunne, seconded by the Bishop of Meath and Kildare and passed:

That the Report of the Covenant Council be received.

Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue

It was proposed by the Bishop of Meath and Kildare, seconded by Rev Canon P Comerford and passed:

That the General Synod is of the view that the time is right for the different Christian traditions in Ireland to explore afresh together a common theology of baptism and to share insights concerning their baptismal discipline and practice. The Synod accordingly instructs the Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue to make this issue a priority on its agenda.

The Covenant Council

It was proposed by the Very Rev NK Dunne, seconded by the Bishop of Meath and Kildare and passed:

- (i) The General Synod recommends that there be co-opted one Methodist member and one Church of Ireland member from the Covenant Council to any relevant committees concerned with the establishment of ecumenical canons for the Church of Ireland.
- (ii) The General Synod continues to encourage congregations to celebrate the Covenant relationship with neighbouring Methodist congregations on or around September 26 each year.
- (iii) The General Synod agrees to the reduction of the membership of the Covenant Council to eight members from each tradition and appoints its representatives to the Covenant Council for the coming year as follows:

Most Rev Dr Richard Clarke, Bishop of Meath and Kildare (Co-Chair)
Ms Elva Byrne
Very Rev Nigel Dunne (Secretary)
Rev Dr Maurice Elliott
Rev Barry Forde
Rev Virginia Kennerley
Mr Cyril McElhinney
Rev Peter Thompson

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- (iv) The Synod also agrees to allow the Covenant Council to temporarily co-opt members of either tradition with special expertise relevant to the Council's work from time to time.

Israel / Palestine

It was proposed by Mr J Couchman, seconded by Mr A Gilbert and passed:

This Synod urges the international community to intensify its efforts to facilitate dialogue between elected representatives of Israel and Palestine in order to secure the internationally recognised territorial integrities of Israel and Palestine and to ensure peace with justice for all the people of the region and the permanent cessation of all hostilities.

Privilege

The Archbishop of Dublin took the chair.

Standing Committee

It was proposed by Rev Canon JE McCullagh, seconded by Mr PJ Hamill and passed:

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

That the proposal, *Restructuring Proposal: Social Theology in Action (Book of Reports p 210)*, be implemented and the Interim Board referred to in the proposal be established and tasked with progressing the work contained therein, with the approval of the General Synod.

Code of Duty and Conduct

It was proposed by Rev MP Jansson, seconded by the Bishop of Limerick, Killaloe and Ardert and passed:

That Standing Committee report to General Synod, in 2010, on progress towards a Code of Duty and Conduct for ministering in the Church of Ireland.

Privilege

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the chair.

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Journal – Second Day (Saturday 9 May 2009)

Liturgical Advisory Committee

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory, seconded by Ven RB Rountree and passed:

That the Report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee be received.

That this Synod welcomes the Green Paper on the use of Liturgical Space, commends it for study at a diocesan level and requests the Liturgical Advisory Committee to bring a resolution to the General Synod of 2010 by which issues of good practice in this matter may be codified and published with the authority of the General Synod.

The Benediction was pronounced and the Synod adjourned until Sunday 10 May 2009.

Journal – Third Day (Sunday 10 May 2009)

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SUNDAY 10 MAY 2009

The Chair was taken at 2.00pm by His Grace the Lord Primate.

A hymn was sung and a portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer were read by the Rt Rev TR Williams, the Bishop of Limerick, Killaloe and Ardfert.

Request for Information (Standing Order No 51)

Mr W Kingston

1. Does Christ Church Cathedral meet the requirements of the Disability Act?
2. What are the attendance numbers for General Synod on each day for the years 2007, 2008 and 2009?

The following response to the first request for information was delivered by Mr SR Harper:

Christ Church Cathedral, as a building open for public access, complies with the terms of the legislation in as far as it is possible in such a historic building.

There is also a loop system for the hard of hearing. There will be further temporary measures taken to ensure, in as far as possible, the comfort and convenience of any disabled members or visitors at General Synod.

The following response to the second request for information was delivered by Mr SR Harper:

The following numbers attended the General Synod in previous years:

	Day One	Day Two	Day Three
2009	494	472	333
2008	443	447	369
2007	451	462	362

Journal – Third Day (Sunday 10 May 2009)

Election of the Standing Committee

Mr SR Harper announced that an error had occurred in the Report of the Election of the Standing Committee in the category of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh, Lay Under 45. He stated that Mrs B Barrett had been elected.

Privilege

By leave of the House, the Rt Rev Bruce Cameron was invited to address the House on behalf of the Scottish Episcopal Church.

Legislation Committee

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the following be elected as members of the Legislation Committee:

Ms C Bruton
The Rt Hon Sir Anthony Campbell
The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness
Ven PF Patterson
Mr GC Richards
Canon Lady Sheil
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

Record Committee

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the following be elected members of the Record Committee:

The Rt Hon Sir Anthony Campbell
The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness
Mr GC Richards
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

Journal – Third Day (Sunday 10 May 2009)

Standing Orders Committee

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the following be elected members of the Standing Orders Committee:

The Rt Hon Sir Anthony Campbell
The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness
Mr GC Richards
The Honorary Secretaries of the Honorary Secretaries

Bill (No 1) To amend *The Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the *Declaration*

As ordered, Bill No 1 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Very Rev PW Rooke, seconded by Mr DB O’Callaghan and passed:

That the Bill to amend *The Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the *Declaration* be read a third time and passed.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes: 67	Noes: 16
	Lay	Ayes: 141	Noes: 26

Bill (No 2) To amend *Marriage One* and *Marriage Two* in *The Book of Common Prayer* (2004)

As ordered, Bill No 2 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by Ven RB Rountree, seconded by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory and passed by a unanimous vote by orders:

That the Bill to amend *Marriage One* and *Marriage Two* in *The Book of Common Prayer* (2004) be read a third time and passed.

Journal – Third Day (Sunday 10 May 2009)

Bill (No 3) To amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution

As ordered, Bill No 3 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by Ven REB White, seconded by Canon Lady Sheil and passed:

That the Bill to amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution be read a third time and passed.

Bill (No 4) To disband the Commission on Church Buildings

As ordered, Bill No 4 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Very Rev LDA Forrest, seconded by Mr WF Baker and passed:

That the Bill to disband the Commission on Church Buildings be read a third time and passed.

Bill (No 5) To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution

As ordered, Bill No 5 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by Mr WF Baker, seconded by the Bishop of Derry and Raphoe and passed:

That the Bill to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution be read a third time and passed.

Journal – Third Day (Sunday 10 May 2009)

Bill (No 6) To amend Chapter VII, Section 24 of the Constitution

As ordered, Bill No 6 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Very Rev LDA Forrest, seconded by Rev Canon Dr MC Kennedy and passed:

That the Bill to amend Chapter VII, Section 24 of the Constitution be read a third time and passed.

Bill (No 7) To amend Statute, Chapter V of 1944

As ordered, Bill No 7 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

On report the following amendment was tabled:

AMENDMENT

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That in Clause 5(A)(2) of the Bill, there be inserted between the words ‘No person’ and ‘be’ the word ‘shall’.

It was proposed by the Very Rev RSJH McKelvey, seconded by Ven PF Patterson and passed:

That the Bill to amend Statute, Chapter V of 1944 be read a third time and passed.

Church in Society Committee

It was proposed by the Bishop of Clogher, seconded by the Very Rev FJG Wynne and passed:

That the Report of the Church in Society Committee be received.

Board for Social Action NI

It was proposed by Capt C Taylor, seconded by the Very Rev PW Rooke and passed:

That the Report of the Board for Social Action NI be received.

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Journal – Third Day (Sunday 10 May 2009)

Board for Social Responsibility RI

It was proposed by Rev FJ McDowell, seconded by Cllr L Hatrick and passed:

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

Journal of the General Synod

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

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

Attendance of Members

	Clerical	Lay	Total
Friday 8 May 2009	178	316	494
Saturday 9 May 2009	166	306	472
Sunday 10 May 2009	112	221	333

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

RESOLUTIONS

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL SYNOD SESSION 2009

Bills

To amend *The Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the *Declaration*.

First reading passed.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To amend *Marriage One* and *Marriage Two* in *The Book of Common Prayer* (2004).

First reading passed.

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Third reading passed.

To amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution.

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Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To disband the Commission on Church Buildings.

First reading passed.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution

First reading passed.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

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First reading passed.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To amend the Statute, Chapter V of 1944.

First reading passed.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

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Bills Committee

That the following be elected as members of the Bills Committee:

The Assessor (*ex-officio*)
The Rt Rev WP Colton
The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness
Canon Lady Sheil
Ven RG Hoey
Ven RB White

Board for Social Action (NI)

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

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.

Church in Society Committee

That the Report of the Church in Society Committee be received.

Church of Ireland Council for Mission

- (a) That the Report of the Church of Ireland Council for Mission be received.
- (b) The Synod affirms the Council for Mission in its efforts to encourage every parish in Ireland to develop a mission strategy, and recommends to parishes the use of the series of leaflets being made available by the Council, as an opportunity to review their approach to mission and to set up mission support groups or appoint parish mission links persons.

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

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Clerical Honorary Secretary

That the following be elected as a Clerical Honorary Secretary of the General Synod:

Ven REB White

Clerical Honorary Secretary

That the following be elected as a Clerical Honorary Secretary of the General Synod:

Rev FJ McDowell
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Journal 2009 – Resolutions

Code of Duty and Conduct

That Standing Committee report to General Synod, in 2010, on progress towards a Code of Duty and Conduct for ministering in the Church of Ireland.

Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue

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Rev FJ McDowell

Mrs R McKelvey

Dr K Milne

Mr WT Morrow

Rev DR Nuzum

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(c) That the General Synod is of the view that the time is right for the different Christian traditions in Ireland to explore afresh together a common theology of baptism and to share insights concerning their baptismal discipline and practice. The Synod accordingly instructs the Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue to make this issue a priority on its agenda.

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(a) That the Report of the Covenant Council be received.

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Elections Committee

That the following be elected as members of the Elections Committee:

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

The Hard Gospel Committee

That the Report of the Hard Gospel Committee be received.

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Israel / Palestine

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Journal of the General Synod

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Lay Honorary Secretary

That the following be elected as a Lay Honorary Secretary of the General Synod:

Mr SR Harper

Lay Honorary Secretary

That the following be elected as a Lay Honorary Secretary of the General Synod:

Canon Lady Sheil

Legislation Committee

That the following be elected as members of the Legislation Committee:

Ms C Bruton
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The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness
Ven PF Patterson
Mr GC Richards
Canon Lady Sheil
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

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Liturgical Advisory Committee

- (a) That the Report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee be received.
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Motion on Procedure

For the sentence in Standing Order No 3 commencing ‘Provided that the Synod...’ there shall be substituted the following:-

Provided that:

- a) The Standing Committee may by Resolution determine that –
 - i. the number of days of the Synod; and/or
 - ii. the hour at which the Synod shall commence on any day shall be otherwise than as stated above.
- b) 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.

Petitions Committee

That the following be elected as members of the Petitions Committee:

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

Record Committee

That the following be elected members of the Record Committee:

The Rt Hon Sir Anthony Campbell
The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness
Mr GC Richards
The Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod
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Representative Church Body

- (a) That the Report of the Representative Church Body be taken in consideration.
(b)

I. Allocations

That the General Synod hereby authorises the Representative Church Body to make the following allocations for 2009 from the balance on the General Funds Revenue Account for the year ended 31 December 2008:

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	5,300,557

II. Minimum Approved Stipend

That, in accordance with Section 51 (1) of Chapter IV of the Constitution and with effect from 1 January 2010, Minimum Approved Stipends shall remain at unchanged levels from 2009, as follows:

- (i) no stipend shall be less than £25,498 per annum in Northern Ireland or €36,219 per annum in the Republic of Ireland in the case of an Incumbent or a member of the clergy 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.
- (ii) the stipend for a Curate-Assistant shall be in accordance with the following scale:

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% “

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

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Standing Committee

- (a) That the Report of the Standing Committee be received and adopted.
- (b) That the proposal, *Restructuring Proposal: Social Theology in Action (Book of Reports p 210)*, be implemented and the Interim Board referred to in the proposal be established and tasked with progressing the work contained therein, with the approval of the General Synod.

Standing Orders Committee

That the following be elected members of the Standing Orders Committee:

The Rt Hon Sir Anthony Campbell
The Honourable Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness
Mr GC Richards
The Honorary Secretaries of the Honorary Secretaries

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OF

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND

passed in

THE SESSION OF THE GENERAL SYNOD 2008

CHAPTER I

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod 2008 to amend *The Book of Common Prayer* by including therein the *Declaration* as set out in the accompanying Schedule

WHEREAS it is desirable that the *Declaration*, as set out in the accompanying Schedule, be included in *The Book of Common Prayer*, immediately preceding the *Articles of Religion*;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient to include a Declaration with regard to its understanding of the historic formularies of the Church of Ireland, in *The Book of Common Prayer*;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. In all future printings of *The Book of Common Prayer* there shall be included the *Declaration*, as set out in the accompanying Schedule, immediately preceding the *Articles of Religion*.

SCHEDULE

Declaration

The Church of Ireland is part of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church, worshipping the one true God - Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds: which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies - the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer, the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons and the Declaration prefixed to the Statutes of the Church of Ireland (1870).

These historic formularies are a definition of the faith as proclaimed by the Church of Ireland, and thus form an important part of the inheritance through which this Church has been formed in its faith and witness to this day. The formularies that have been passed on are part of a living tradition that today must face new challenges and grasp fresh opportunities.

Historic documents often stem from periods of deep separation between Christian Churches. Whilst, in spite of a real degree of convergence, distinct differences remain, the tone and tenor of the language of the negative statements towards other Christians should not be seen as representing the spirit of this Church today.

The Church of Ireland affirms all in its tradition that witnesses to the truth of the Gospel. It regrets that words written in another age and in a different context should be used in a manner hurtful to or antagonistic towards other Christians.

The Church of Ireland seeks the visible unity of the Church. In working towards that goal this Church is committed to reaching out towards other Churches in a spirit of humility and love, that together all Christians may grow towards unity in life and mission to the glory of God.

CHAPTER II

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod 2008 to amend Marriage One and Marriage Two in *The Book of Common Prayer* (2004)

WHEREAS a Resolution to amend *Marriage One and Marriage Two* in *The Book of Common Prayer* (2004) was duly passed in full Synod in Galway in the year 2008, by the required majorities and was duly transmitted to the Secretaries of all Diocesan Synods;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said resolution should 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 2009;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

In *The Book of Common Prayer* (2004) those parts entitled *Marriage One and Marriage Two* shall be amended in the following terms:

MARRIAGE ONE

- On page 406 under "*The priest says to the congregation*" delete the last two lines
"Therefore if any man ...hold his peace"
- On page 406 the rubric "*The minister says to the couple*" to read
"The minister may say to the couple".
- On page 406 after "*neither is their matrimony lawful*" insert the following rubric:
"[RI] Unless the declarations of no civil impediment have already been made by the couple prior to the marriage in the presence of the Registered Solemniser and the two witnesses the man and the woman each make the required declaration now."

I solemnly declare that I do not know of any civil impediment to my proposed marriage with ..."

- On page 415 delete “*On the day... costs incurred*” and insert the following:

“A couple must produce a Schedule of Marriage (NI) or a Marriage Registration Form (RI) to the officiating priest before a marriage can take place.”

MARRIAGE TWO

- On page 419 under the heading “THE MARRIAGE” delete the first two paragraphs “*The minister says to the congregation...you must declare it now*”.
- On page 419, following deletion of the first two paragraphs under the heading “*THE MARRIAGE*”, “*The minister says to the congregation... you must declare it now*” insert the following:

“The minister may say to the couple:

God, the judge of all
knows the secrets of our hearts;
therefore if either of you knows any reason
why you may not lawfully marry
you must declare it now.

[RI] Unless the declarations of no civil impediment have already been made by the couple prior to the marriage in the presence of the Registered Solemniser and the two witnesses the bride and bridegroom each make the required declaration now.

I solemnly declare that I do not know of any civil impediment to my proposed marriage with ...”

- On pages 429 and 430 delete “On the day of the marriage..... Marriage Law in the Republic of Ireland
- On page 429 and 430, following the deletion of ‘*On the day of the marriage...Marriage Law in the Republic of Ireland*’ insert the following:

“A couple must produce a Schedule of Marriage (NI) or a Marriage Registration Form (RI) to the officiating priest before a marriage can take place.”

CHAPTER III

To amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution

WHEREAS an increase in the annual total contribution made to the Church of Ireland Pensions Fund, established under Chapter XIV of the Constitution and hereinafter referred to as “the Fund”, is required to maintain the solvency of the Fund;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution;

AND WHEREAS the Church of Ireland Pensions Board has certified that on the enactment of this Statute the Fund will remain compliant with the requirements of Section 16(1) of Chapter XIV of the Constitution;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. In this Statute “Chapter XIV” means Chapter XIV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland 2003.
2. In Section 34 of Chapter XIV for “1st January 2008” there shall be substituted “1st January 2010” and for the figure “22.4%” there shall be substituted the figure “26%”.
3. (i) In section 35(1) of Chapter XIV for the figure “5.6%” wherever it occurs there shall be substituted the figure “7.6%”.

(ii) In section 35(1) of Chapter XIV for the figure “16.8%” wherever it occurs there shall be substituted the figure “18.4%”.

CHAPTER IV

To disband the Commission on Church Buildings

WHEREAS the General Synod in 2008 passed Motion No 4 requesting that the Representative Church Body present a Bill to the General Synod of 2009 to disband the Commission on Church Buildings, also referred to as the Commission on Churches.

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. The following Statutes shall be and the same are hereby repealed with immediate effect: Provided always that such repeal shall not invalidate or affect any act or thing heretofore done or any right or liability heretofore acquired or incurred under or in pursuance of the provisions hereby repealed.

Statute Chapter i of 1986
Statute Chapter ii of 1993
Statute Chapter iii of 1994
Statute Chapter iv of 2000

CHAPTER V

To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution

WHEREAS it is desirable, in certain circumstances, to permit the making of payments to persons serving in the auxiliary ministry;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. In this Statute “Chapter IX” shall mean Chapter IX of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland 2003 and “the Canons” shall mean the Canons contained in the said Chapter IX.
2. Canon 34 of the Canons shall be amended by the insertion after paragraph (4) of the following paragraph:-
 - (5) Notwithstanding the provisions of Canon 20, a person who has been admitted to holy orders for general assistance in a diocese on the basis that such a person will continue to earn a living in a lay occupation or will have some other source of income sufficient for such person’s needs, and who has served in the auxiliary ministry for a period of not less than three years, may apply to the bishop, to be paid for duties performed at the bishop’s request and to be reimbursed for expenses incurred in the performance of such duties; provided that no such payment and no such reimbursement of expenses shall -
 - a) be at a rate in excess of those prescribed in such rules in this regard as shall, from time to time, be made by the Representative Church Body and approved by the Standing Committee of the General Synod; or
 - b) confer any entitlement to membership of or participation in the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Fund.

CHAPTER VI

To amend Chapter VII, Section 24 of the Constitution

WHEREAS Chapter VII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland was amended by Statute Chapter V of 2007 to provide, *inter alia*, for the appointment of ecumenical canons to the Chapter of the Collegiate and Cathedral Church of St. Patrick, Dublin;

AND WHEREAS it is considered desirable that prebendal stalls should only be assigned to ecumenical canons resident in Ireland;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

1. The second sentence of section 24 of Chapter VII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland shall be amended by the insertion after the words “resident in Ireland” of the words “and ecumenical canons resident in Ireland”.

CHAPTER VII

To amend Statute, Chapter V of 1944

WHEREAS it is desirable to make further provision for the regulation of the Chapter of the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to make provision for the appointment of lay canons to the Cathedral Church of St Anne, Belfast;

AND WHEREAS it is also desirable for the promotion of relations with other churches that provision should be made for the appointment of ecumenical canons to the said Cathedral Church;

AND WHEREAS the provisions of this Bill have the consent of the Ordinary and the approval of the Bishop of Down and Dromore and were adopted by the Dean and Chapter of the said Cathedral Church;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2009, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Section 5 of the Statute, Chapter V of 1944 shall be substituted by the following:
 5. The Chapter shall consist of the following members in the following order of precedence:-
 - (a) The Dean, who shall bear the title of “Dean of Belfast”;
 - (b) The Chancellor, who shall be the person for the time being appointed to the office of Archdeacon of Down;
 - (c) The Precentor, who shall be the person for the time being appointed to the office of Archdeacon of Belfast;
 - (d) The Treasurer, who shall be appointed by the Ordinary on the nomination of the Dean. The Dean shall only be entitled to nominate to the office of Treasurer a member of the clergy of the Church of Ireland who is on the staff of the Cathedral staff and who, in the opinion of the Dean, has attained a sufficient degree of seniority for appointment to that office.

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- (e) Ten Canons in order of seniority of appointment, who shall be appointed as follows:-
- i) Four Canons shall be appointed by the Bishop of Connor from among the beneficed or licensed clergy of such bishop's diocese;
 - ii) Four Canons shall be appointed by the Bishop of Down and Dromore from among the beneficed or licensed clergy of such bishop's diocese; and
 - iii) Two Canons shall be elected by the Dean and Chapter (or by the Chapter if the Office of Dean is vacant) from among the beneficed or licensed clergy of the Diocese of Connor and/or the Diocese of Down and Dromore.

2. The following sections shall be inserted after Section 5:

Ecumenical Canons

- 5A.** (1) In this Chapter "ecumenical canon" shall mean a minister or accredited preacher of one or other of such Christian denominations not in full communion with the Church as may from time to time be specified by the House of Bishops, appointed to office under the provisions of this section.
- (2) No person shall be eligible for appointment as an ecumenical canon unless resident in the Diocese of Down and Dromore or the Diocese of Connor at the time of such appointment.
- (3) It shall be in the power of the Dean and Chapter, having first consulted with the Bishop of Down and Dromore and the Bishop of Connor, to appoint ecumenical canons, not exceeding three in number without salaries.
- (4) Each ecumenical canon may be removed by the Dean and Chapter with the approval of the Bishop of Down and Dromore and the Bishop of Connor for cause shown.
- (5) Each ecumenical canon, if not so removed, shall hold office until such person shall resign from office or cease to be a full-time minister or accredited preacher of one or other of such Christian denominations not in

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full communion with the Church as may from time to time be specified by the House of Bishops, whichever shall be the earlier.

- (6) The appointment of an ecumenical canon shall not be effective unless and until that person shall make and subscribe before the Dean and Chapter the declaration contained in the Schedule hereunto annexed.
- (7) An ecumenical canon may be invited by the Dean to perform all or any of the following duties insofar as the same are consonant with the provisions of Canon 10 –
 - (a) To say or sing Morning or Evening Prayer or the Litany;
 - (b) To read the Holy Scriptures at any service;
 - (c) To deliver an address at any service;
 - (d) To assist at a Baptismal, Marriage or Funeral Service or at the Celebration of the Holy Communion; if the ecumenical canon is authorised to perform a similar duty in his or her own Church.
- (8) The Court of the General Synod shall have authority to determine all questions and disputes that may arise respecting the appointment or removal of an ecumenical canon.

Honorary Lay Canons

- 5B. (1) In this Section “Lay Canon” shall mean a member of the Church of Ireland who, in recognition of such person’s service to the Cathedral or to the Diocese of Down and Dromore or to the Diocese of Connor or to some other aspect of the Church of Ireland, is appointed to office under the provisions of this Section.
- (2) The Bishop of Down and Dromore and the Bishop of Connor shall each appoint three Lay Canons from separate lists of nominees submitted to them by the Dean and Chapter.

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- (3) Each lay canon may be removed by the Dean and Chapter with the approval of the Bishop of Down and Dromore and the Bishop of Connor for cause shown.
- (4) Each lay canon, if not so removed, shall hold office for life or until such person shall resign from office.
- (5) Each lay canon shall perform such functions, if any, as are consistent with the provisions of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland and as may, from time to time, be delegated to such person by the Dean.

SCHEDULE

DECLARATION FOR SUBSCRIPTION

I, A.B., do hereby solemnly declare that:

- (1) I am a minister or accredited preacher of _____ Church.
- (2) I agree to be bound by the provisions of Part I of Chapter VII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland and by the provisions of such Statutes of the Church of Ireland as shall from time to time relate to the administration and regulation of Saint Anne's Cathedral Belfast and, to that extent only, I submit myself to the authority of the Church of Ireland, and to the laws and tribunals thereof.
- (3) I A.B. do declare that I will perform Canonical obedience to the Dean of Saint Anne's Cathedral Belfast, and his successors canonically entering. The statutes and ancient customs of this Cathedral Church, so far as they are not repugnant to the laws of the Church of Ireland, I will observe, and my endeavours for their defence against all persons whatsoever will diligently use.

*I subscribe the above declaration
to be appointed to the office of
Ecumenical Canon of
Saint Anne's Cathedral Belfast
This day of 20*

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"	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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1877			
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.
"	ii.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1886, C.vii.

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1880			
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.
1896			
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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.
"	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.			

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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.
"	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.	-

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"	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.
"	ii.	Widows and Orphans.	Consolidated with 1919, C.i.
"	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.
"	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.

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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.	-
"	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.	-

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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.
"	vi.	Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer.	-
"	vii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.

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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. s.5 amended by 2008, C.iii
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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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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Cap.	viii.	Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
1961			
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.	Sparsey 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. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	viii.	Retirement of Bishops. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	ix.	Sparsey Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	x.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.

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1965			
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"	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.
"	ii.	Appointment to Cures.	Repealed by 1975, C.ii.
"	iii.	Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	iv.	Retirement of Bishops. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	v.	Endowment Assurance Fund.	Repealed by 1971, C.viii.
"	vi.	Killaloe & Clonfert Cathedrals.	-
"	vii.	City and Town Parishes Commission. St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	-
1971			
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"	iii.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	iv.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	v.	Appointment of Cures.	Repealed by 1975, C.ii.
"	vi.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	vii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	viii.	Endowment Assurance Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	ix.	City and Town Parishes Commission. Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	-
"	x.	Modification or Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	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.
"	xiv.	Appointment to Cures.	Repealed by 1975, C.ii.
1972			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	ii.	Baptism.	-
"	iii.	Archbishops and Bishops.	-
"	iv.	Modification or Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1976, C.ix.
"	v.	Canon 28.	-
"	vi.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	Spent.
"	vii.	Stipends.	-
"	viii.	Representative Body.	-
"	ix.	Superannuation of Clergy.	-
"	x.	Cork, Cloyne & Ross Cathedrals.	-
"	xi.	Armagh Cathedral.	-
"	xii.	Widows and Orphans.	-
1973			
Cap.	i.	Translations of Bible.	-
"	ii.	Meath, Kilmore & Tuam Dioceses.	-
"	iii.	Parishes and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	iv.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	v.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vi.	Retirement of Bishops. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vii.	Kildare Deanery.	-
1974			
Cap.	i.	Canons.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	ii.	Repeal of Statues.	-

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"	iv.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	v.	Superannuation of Clergy.	-
"	vi.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	vii.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	viii.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
1975			
Cap.	i.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	ii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	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.
"	v.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vi.	Parishes and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vii.	Dioceses of Ossory & Leighlin.	-
1976			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Reorganisation.	Repealed by 1981, C.vii.
"	ii.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	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.
"	ix.	Modification or Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	x.	Diocesan Councils.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	xi.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
1977			
Cap.	i.	Amendments to Constitution.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	ii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
1978			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	ii.	Kildare Deanery.	-
1979			
Cap.	i.	Holy Communion.	-
"	ii.	Auxiliary Clergymen.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iii.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iv.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.

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Cap.	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vi.	Resignation of Bishops. Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vii.	Belfast Cathedral.	Repealed by 1984, c.vii.
1980			
Cap.	i.	Parishes and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	ii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iv.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
1981			
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"	ii.	Sentences of Scripture.	-
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"	iv.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	v.	Cashel, Waterford & Lismore Cathedrals.	-
"	vi.	Hildersheim Dish.	-
"	vii.	Diocesan Reorganisation.	-
"	viii.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
1982			
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"	iii.	Archdeaconries.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iv.	Baptismal and Burial Registers.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	v.	Glebe Repair Loans.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vi.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
1983			
Cap.	i.	Financing of the Episcopacy.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
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1984			
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"	iii.	Calendar, Collects & Lectionary.	-
"	iv.	Litany, Late Evening Office.	-
"	v.	Baptism.	-
"	vi.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vii.	Belfast Cathedral.	-
"	viii.	Belfast Cathedral.	-
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"	x.	Preface.	-
"	xi.	Canon 38.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.

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1985			
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"	ii.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
1986			
Cap.	i.	Commission on Churches.	Repealed by 2009, C.iv.
"	ii.	Church Fabric Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
1987			
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"	ii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	iii.	Burial of the Dead.	-
"	iv.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vi.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	viii.	Limerick, Killaloe and Clonfert Cathedrals.	-
1988			
Cap.	i.	Renewal of Baptismal Vows.	-
"	ii.	Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion.	-
"	iii.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iv.	Amendments to the Constitution.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
1989			
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"	ii.	General Synod.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
1990			
Cap.	i.	Ordination of Women as Priests and Bishops.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	ii.	Institution of an Incumbent.	-
"	iii.	Stipends. Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iv.	Church Fabric Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	vi.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
1991			
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1992			
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"	ii.	Ordinal.	-
"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.

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"	ii.	Commission on Churches.	Repealed by 2009, C.iv.
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1994			
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"	ii.	Parish and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iii.	Commission on Churches.	Repealed by 2009, C.iv.
1995			
Cap.	i.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	ii.	Parish and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
1996			
Cap.	i.	Remarriage of Divorced Persons.	-
"	ii.	Alternative Prayer Book.	-
"	iii.	Management of Glebes etc.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iv.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
1997			
Cap.	i.	Church Fabric Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	ii.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	-
1998			
Cap.	i.	Appointment of Archbishops and Bishops.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	ii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iii.	Kildare Cathedral and Trim Cathedral.	-
1999			
Cap.	i.	Revised Common Lectionary.	-
"	ii.	Revised Common Lectionary.	-
"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iv.	Part-time Deployment of Stipendiary Clergy.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	v.	Membership of General Vestries.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
2000			
Cap.	i.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	ii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
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"	iv.	Commission on Churches.	Repealed by 2009, C.iv.
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"	ii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	iii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	iv.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
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2002			
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"	iii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-

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27. 1921 Johnson and others v. Robinson.
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- Reported in Journal, 1928, p.367.
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- Reported in Journal, 1933, p. 381.
30. 1935 Christie and others v. Colquhoun.
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- Reported in Journal, 1937, p. 355.
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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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37. 2002 The Bishop of Meath and Kildare v. Very Rev AWU Furlong.
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1. The following case was also heard and decided by the Court, but was not reported:-

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2. The Court sat on sundry dates in November and December, 1923, to hear Appeals from
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were dismissed. Details of the nine Appeals are printed in Journals, 1924 - 1963.

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ATTENDANCE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2009

Friday 8 May

Diocese	Clerical	Lay	Total
Armagh	15	27	42
Clogher	13	22	35
Derry & Raphoe	15	28	43
Down & Dromore	23	48	71
Connor	30	48	78
Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh	10	11	21
Tuam, Killala & Achonry	4	8	12
Dublin & Glendalough	21	34	55
Meath & Kildare	7	17	24
Cashel & Ossory	18	32	50
Cork, Cloyne & Ross	12	25	37
Limerick & Killaloe	10	16	26
Total	178	316	494

Saturday 9 May

Diocese	Clerical	Lay	Total
Armagh	13	26	39
Clogher	12	20	32
Derry & Raphoe	16	30	46
Down & Dromore	23	43	66
Connor	24	41	65
Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh	8	12	20
Tuam, Killala & Achonry	4	7	11
Dublin & Glendalough	19	35	54
Meath & Kildare	7	17	24
Cashel & Ossory	18	31	49
Cork, Cloyne & Ross	12	25	37
Limerick & Killaloe	10	19	29
Total	166	306	472

Sunday 10 May

Diocese	Clerical	Lay	Total
Armagh	9	15	24
Clogher	5	18	23
Derry & Raphoe	10	20	30
Down & Dromore	15	34	49
Connor	15	32	47
Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh	3	5	8
Tuam, Killala & Achonry	3	3	6
Dublin & Glendalough	11	27	38
Meath & Kildare	4	6	10
Cashel & Ossory	18	26	44
Cork, Cloyne & Ross	9	21	30
Limerick & Killaloe	10	14	24
Total	112	221	333

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE

Date	Clerical	Lay	Total
May 8	178	316	494
May 9	166	306	472
May 10	112	221	333

Total number of attendances recorded: 1,299; average 433

Clerical	456	Average	152
Lay	843	Average	281

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