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Templeton, Mr AL(Down)
Ternan, Mrs HM (Clogher)
Thomas, Mr DJ (Down)
Thompson, Mr A (Meath)
Thompson, Mr AJ (Raphoe)
Thompson, Mr JE (Cashel)
Totten, Mr HRJ (Connor)
Totten, Mrs PME (Connor)
Treacy, Mr FJ (Cork)
Treacy, Ms J (Cashel)
Treacy, Mr JC (Clogher)

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Trenier, Mr N (Kilmore)
Trimble, Dr PHC (Down)
Tuft, Mr SJ (Connor)
Turner, Miss CS (Connor)
Tweedie, Mr J (Connor)
Vincent, Mr AC (Dublin)
Walker, Mr A (Kilmore)
Wallace, Mr C (Cashel)
Wallace, Mr JW (Connor)
Wallace, Mrs MP (Connor)
Walsh, Rev EJJ (Dublin)
Warburton, Mr HN (Dublin)
Warren, Rev Canon R (Ardfert & Aghadoe)
Watterson, Ven SM (Ardfert & Aghadoe)
Webb, Mr MJT (Dublin)
Weir, Mrs J (Connor)
Wellwood, Mr C (Cashel)
West, Mr D (Raphoe)
West, Rev R (Cashel)
West, Ven TR (Dromore)
Wharton, Rev GV (Dublin)
Wheatley, Mr T (Meath)
White, Mrs ME (Dublin)
Whittaker, Mr A (Dublin)
Whittaker, Rev KP (Derry)
Whyte, Mr PT (Killaloe)
Wilkinson, Ven AM (Cork)
Wilkinson, Mr G (Meath)
Wilkinson, Mrs JO (Down)
Williams, Very Rev A (Elphin)
Williams, Rev Canon DH (Cork)
Williams, Mr JA (Connor)
Williams, Dr JR (Clogher)
Williamson, Mr A (Elphin)
Willoughby, Rev Canon PM (Cork)
Willoughby, Mrs R (Meath)
Wilson, Mr DW (Derry)
Wilson, Mr E (Armagh)
Wilson, Mr TA (Dromore)
Wiseman, Mr G (Meath)
Witherow, Mr KW (Raphoe)
Witherow, Mr SDG (Raphoe)
Woodman, Mr GD (Connor)
Woods, Rev ECJ (Dublin)
Wray, Mr A (Clogher)
Wright, Mrs L (Dromore)
Wright, Mr P (Dromore)
Wright, Mr MF (Kilmore)
Wright, Rev Canon WS (Connor)
Wynne, Mr DJ (Dublin)
Young, Miss AT (Connor)
Young, Mr WA (Cashel)

HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

ARRANGED ACCORDING TO DIOCESES

NUMBERS INDICATE DAYS ATTENDED AT THE 2014 SESSION.

ARMAGH

ARMAGH - CLERICAL

0 Adair, Rev Canon WM
3 Forster, Rev TS
2 Forster, Rev AJ
0 Harper, Rev BJ
2 Scott, Rev Canon T
2 Campbell, Rev Canon JNT
0 Boyd, Rev Canon SRT
3 McClenaghan, Rev JM
0 Hoey, Ven RG
3 Kingston, Rev MT
3 Hilliard, Rev D
2 Macartney, Rev GW
0 Moore, Rev Canon CF
3 McVeigh, Rev DS
2 Hagan, Rev MH
0 Pragnell, Very Rev S
3 Stevenson, Rev MEM
0 Cruise, Rev BJA

ARMAGH – LAY

3 Anderson, Mr WDH
3 McClenaghan, Mrs HM
2 Forbes, Mr GA
2 Leighton, Mrs J
0 McClelland, Mrs JF
0 Neill, Mr A
1 Leighton, Mr SEC
0 Harper, Mr JL
0 Madill, Mr T
3 Hume, Mr TJ
3 Linton, Mr JE
0 Neill, Mrs M
0 Pearson, Mr AD
1 Cochrane, Mrs EE

2 Clayton, Mr WGE
1 Hall, Mrs MFR
2 Bruce, Mr JPH
3 Harkness, Mrs EE
0 Brodison, Mr WS
3 Sutor, Mr WV
2 Wilson, Mr E
3 McKeown, Miss M
3 Kerr, Mr VWB
2 Johnston, Mr G
0 Bradford, Mr RR
3 Kerr, Mrs KM
3 Griffin, Mr RA
0 Cairns, Mr MD
0 Johnston, Mr AI
0 Henry, Mr TG
3 Patterson, Mr JT
0 Sharpe, Mr WK

CLOGHER

CLOGHER - CLERICAL

0 Bourke, Rev Canon SG
2 Blair, Rev WH
3 Berry, Rev Canon ITH
0 Stewart, Rev Canon JW
0 Armstrong, Rev Canon MA
3 Boyd, Rev WJ
0 Eames, Rev C
2 Hall, Very Rev KRJ
1 Pringle, Rev CT
0 Hoey, Rev DP
3 Kerr, Rev Canon BT
3 Skuce, Rev Canon D
2 Barrett, Very Rev KAL
1 Bridle, Rev GP

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CLOGHER - LAY

3 Moore, Mr GMT
3 Pringle, Mr WR
3 Clingan, Miss JH
0 Barton, Cllr R
1 Keating, Mr JH
2 Forde, Mr RC
3 Treacy, Mr JC
0 Hurst, Mrs ML
2 Johnston, Mr JID
2 Humphries, Miss HE
0 Crowe, Mr R
2 Robinson, Mr HA
3 Bourke, Mrs U
3 Ternan, Mrs HM
0 Browne, Mr K
0 Williams, Dr JR
2 Kerr, Mrs H
3 Wray, Mr A
0 Bloomfield, Mr CG
3 Genoe, Mr S
1 Kerr, Mrs S
0 Hazlett, Mr A
2 Ross, Mr B
2 Crawford, Mr A
0 Campbell, Ms H
0 Duffy, Mrs J
0 Irvine, Mr JAT
0 Curtis, Mr J

DERRY AND RAPHOE

DERRY - CLERICAL

2 Quinn, Rev Canon DJ
2 Hanna, Rev IJ
3 Miller, Ven RS
0 Given, Rev Canon HR
1 Clarke, Rev Canon RW
2 Creighton, Rev Canon FD
2 McVeigh, Rev Canon S
2 Morton, Very Rev WW
1 Seale, Rev WA
3 McBeth, Rev DR
0 Ferry, Rev MRK
2 Whittaker, Rev KP

1 Peoples, Rev MTE
2 Peek, Rev AN

DERRY - LAY

2 Gamble, Mr S
2 McFarland, Mr SC
1 Montgomery, Mr WT
2 Pollock, Mr RA
3 Bradley, Mr N
1 Glenn, Mr G
0 Junkin, Mr J
3 Oliver, Mr W
1 Brown, Mr K
3 Hudson, Mr SJ
0 Moore, Mr A
1 Seale, Mrs ME
0 Clarke, Mr I
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3 Wilson, Mr DW
3 Glenn, Mr N
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2 Smallwoods, Mr TA

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2 Crooks, Rev Canon DWT
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0 Barton, Rev Canon SD
0 Deane, Rev J
3 Pierce, Rev CD

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0 Thompson, Mr AJ
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3 Donaghy, Mrs W
3 Kee, Mr JCH

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0 Witherow, Mr KW
0 Peoples, Mr GL
0 Merrick, Mrs R

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2 Nixon, Rev WS
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3 Brown, Rev Canon DL
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2 Hull, Very Rev TH
2 Munyangaju, Rev Canon JC
3 Nesbitt, Rev Canon R
0 Neill, Rev Canon RC
3 Harvey, Rev JM
3 McCrea, Rev F
3 Parker, Rev MA
2 McCartney, Rev AA
3 Auchmuty, Rev JR
2 Gamble, Rev STR
3 Richardson, Rev SKC
3 Hall-Thompson, Rev CL

DOWN - LAY

3 Brannigan, Mr RA
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0 Gallagher, Mrs MM
3 McClay, Mrs H
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2 Kerr, Mr DJ
3 Brown, Mr SR
0 Thomas, Mr DJ
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0 Rogers, Mrs RA
3 Johnston, Mr MH
0 Rogers, Mr A
0 Mackie, Mr D
0 Murphy, Mr WJF
0 Armstrong, Dr MA
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0 Dunne, Mrs VS
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2 Davies, Mr TA
3 Noad, Ms M
3 Brown, Mr J
1 Jardine, Mr P

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0 Megarrell, Rev MJ
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3 West, Ven TR
2 Lowry, Rev Canon SH
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3 Elliott, Rev Dr MJ
3 Martin, Rev BR
3 Howard, Rev Canon JR
3 Ellis, Rev Canon IM
0 Millar, Rev G

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0 Wright, Mrs L
3 Montgomery, Mr MI
3 Briggs, Mr RS
0 Cunningham, Mrs I
0 Dillon, Mr GH

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 0 Houston, Mrs EM
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 2 Johnston, Mr JD
 1 Keown, Mr D
 2 Leckey, Miss ME
 0 McBride, Mr N
 0 McCoy, Mr KJ
 0 Wilson, Mr TA
 2 Wright, Mr P
 0 Sherrard, Ms MI
 2 Crutchley, Ms AS
 2 Carson, Mr H
 2 Graham, Mr A

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 2 Orr, Rev WJC
 3 Dorrian, Rev ATW
 0 McDowell, Rev Canon PK
 3 Fielding, Rev SA
 3 Wright, Rev Canon WS
 0 Dodds, Rev NB
 3 Mann, Very Rev JO
 3 McCann, Rev TAG
 3 Kerr, Rev DP
 1 Bond, Very Rev JFA
 2 McReynolds, Rev Canon KA
 0 McClure, Rev J
 2 McBride, Ven SR
 1 Forde, Ven SB
 3 Taggart, Rev Canon WJ
 0 Murphy, Rev WA
 3 Elsdon, Rev JM
 1 Redfern, Rev P
 1 McConnell, Rev RM
 1 Carson, Rev Canon JI
 3 Lockhart, Rev D
 2 Johnston, Rev TS
 0 Galbraith, Rev PJ
 0 McGlinchey, Rev PG
 2 Cleland, Rev T
 3 Simpson, Rev RJ
 1 Malcolm, Rev MA

3 Taylor, Rev MF
 3 Dunstan, Very Rev GJO
 0 Irwin, Rev Canon WG
 0 Graham, Rev Canon GE

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3 Young, Miss AT
 3 Hibbert, Professor A
 2 Gibbons, Miss MK
 2 Gibson, Mr K
 3 Totten, Mr HRJ
 2 Stevenson, Mr TG
 2 Neill, Mr J
 2 Briggs, Mr G
 1 Cromey, Mrs D
 1 Cromey, Dr R
 3 Hibbert, Mrs GM
 1 Bond, Mrs JP
 2 Wallace, Mr JW
 3 Rodgers, His Honour Judge RF
 3 Macartney, Mrs RA
 3 Tweedie, Mr J
 2 Stevenson, Mrs EA
 2 Woodman, Mr GD
 3 Rodgers, Mrs KM
 2 Cherry, Mrs CLH
 3 Turner, Miss CS
 1 Frayne, Mr B
 3 Patterson, Mr RJ
 2 Wallace, Mrs MP
 3 Totten, Mrs PME
 3 Acheson, Dr AR
 2 Quigley, Mr J
 2 Dunn, Dr KF
 0 Fullerton, Mr DRG
 1 Brownless, Mr JL
 0 Harris, Mr GR
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 3 Kenwell, Miss BEE
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 3 Edgar, Mr GG
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 3 Macartney, Mr AW
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 2 Scholes, Mr DW
 0 Carson, Mrs HRJ

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3 Simpson, Miss CJ
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2 Stewart, Mr TA
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3 High, Mrs AP
2 Hunter, Mr NJ
0 Peter-Gallagher, Mrs RI
2 Williams, Mr JA
2 Richardson, Mr J
3 Weir, Mrs J
0 Littler, Mr B
3 McKelvey, Mrs ER
0 Lewis, Mr TE
3 Jones, Mr AA
0 Tannahill, Miss D
1 Lyons, Mr N
2 Spiers, Mr DN
2 Quinn, Mr RE
3 Paulin, Mr OG
0 Canning, Mr AD
0 Hall, Mrs EA

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KILMORE - CLERICAL

2 McCauley, Ven CWL
1 Ferguson, Very Rev WR
0 Ruiters, Rev Canon IJ
3 Calvin, Rev AJ
2 Hicks, Rev HR
2 Quill, Rev ATE
3 Lindsay, Rev Canon AJ

KILMORE - LAY

3 Bleakley, Ms S
0 Clarke, Mr H
0 Crawford, Ms ME
2 Cunningham, Miss EM
0 Dourish, Ms SV
1 Forster, Mr WH
3 Geelan, Ms M
0 Heaslip, Mr K

1 Poyntz, Ms C
2 Roberts, Mrs IN
1 Trenier, Mr N
0 Wright, Mr MF
1 Walker, Mr A
2 Jones, Mr D

ELPHIN AND ARDAGH - CLERICAL

2 Atkins, Rev FW
3 Bamber, Rev Canon PH
3 Linton, Ven BI
2 Williams, Very Rev A
3 Davison, Ven GTW
0 Bourke, Rev Canon RSJ

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LAY*

0 Barrett, Mrs B
0 Ferguson, Miss S
3 Galbraith, Mrs R
1 Gillespie, Mr DP
0 Henry, Mrs ME
1 Huston, Mr I
2 McElhinney, Mr AC
0 Norris, Mr A
3 Shannon, Mr JH
0 Stuart, Mrs Y
0 Williamson, Mr A
2 Boddy, Mrs I

TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY

*TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY -
CLERICAL*

1 Hastings, Ven GL
3 Grimason, Very Rev AJ
3 Synnott, Ven APS
3 Rogers, Rev VH
3 Pullen, Rev A
0 Clements, Rev Canon DTS
0 O’Raw, Rev Canon NJ

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3 Auchmuty, Mr DJ
 2 Gilmore, Mrs LM
 3 Johnston, Professor PM
 1 Shannon, Mr J
 3 Auchmuty, Mrs BL
 0 Kilroy, Mr CTE
 0 Prins, Mr N
 0 Fair, Mrs S
 3 Ellis, Professor S
 3 Ellison, Mr J
 0 Duignan, Mrs K
 3 Bagnall, Mr NJ
 0 Pope, Mrs H
 0 Higgins, Mrs J

DUBLIN AND GLENDALOUGH

DUBLIN - CLERICAL

3 Wharton, Rev GV
 0 Woods, Rev ECJ
 3 McKinley, Rev Canon AHN
 1 Dowd, Rev GG
 3 Comerford, Rev Canon P
 3 Tanner, Rev LJ
 2 Gyles, Rev S
 2 Dunne, Very Rev DPM
 2 Pierpoint, Ven DA
 3 McCallig, Rev DM
 1 Farrell, Rev SA
 3 Deane, Rev Canon RW
 3 Gillespie, Rev DI
 3 Byrne, Rev Canon RH
 3 Shine, Rev Canon AA
 3 Sloane, Rev NJ
 3 Houston, Rev WP
 3 Bunting, Rev EG

DUBLIN - LAY

3 Webb, Mr MJT
 3 Perrin, Mr DG
 3 Fromholz, Mr G
 3 Appleyard, Mr DS

2 Symes, Mr GJRM
 1 Wynne, Mr DJ
 3 Kirk, Mrs JH
 3 MacCann, Mr LJW
 0 Obe, Ms S
 3 Ainsworth, Mrs ME
 3 McNeile, Mr AN
 3 Richards, Mr GC
 3 Jenkins, Mr M
 3 White, Mrs ME
 3 Cadoo, Mrs A
 3 Halliday, Mr B
 3 Millar, Mr DBM
 3 Warburton, Mr HN
 3 Raab, Ms U
 3 Keatinge, Mrs PJ
 3 Rooke, Mr P
 3 Lodge, Dr A
 0 Walsh, Mr EJJ
 3 Vincent, Mr AC
 3 Hall, Mr E
 3 Darling, Mr JC
 3 Duncan, Mrs VE
 3 Gorman, Mrs HN
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 3 Mulligan, Mr AH
 0 Coburn, Ms E
 3 Fenton, Mr AJ
 2 Cromer, Mrs JE
 1 Whittaker, Mr A
 3 Moloney, Mr I
 0 Martin, Mr D

GLENDALOUGH - CLERICAL

2 Rountree, Ven RB
 3 Sherwood, Rev Canon NJW

GLENDALOUGH – LAY

3 Dungan, Mr K
 3 Handy, Ms R
 3 Neill, Mr RS
 0 Stanley, Ms L
 3 McMaster, Mr GW
 3 Boyle, Mrs DE
 3 Neilson, Mr DF

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2 Camier, Mrs AM

MEATH AND KILDARE

MEATH AND KILDARE - CLERICAL

2 Aiton, Rev JH
 1 Field, Very Rev GG
 3 Peilow, Rev Canon LEA
 3 Stevenson, Ven LTC
 0 Jones, Rev Canon RW
 3 Clarke, Rev Canon JDM
 1 Jackson Noble, Rev RE
 1 Heak, Rev PG
 3 Hutton Bury, Rev Canon D
 2 Ronne, Rev K
 3 Rutherford, Rev PM

MEATH AND KILDARE - LAY

2 Meredith, MR R
 3 Bruton, Mrs JM
 0 Cobbe, Mr E
 2 Oughton, Mr AG
 1 Willoughby, Mrs R
 2 Colton, Mr RF
 0 Wiseman, Mr G
 3 St Leger, Mr H
 2 Deverell, Mr J
 3 Potterton, Mrs HM
 1 Potterton, Mr TG
 3 Thompson, Mr A
 0 Wilkinson, Mr G
 2 Cole, Mrs M
 0 Honner, Mr WGH
 2 Wheatley, Mr T
 1 Colton, Mrs T
 3 Bowers, Mr K
 3 King, Mr GD
 0 McKenna, Mr R
 0 Melbourne, Mrs B
 0 Schmelter, Ms C

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 LISMORE, OSSORY, FERNS
 AND LEIGHLIN**

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 CLERICAL*

3 Harvey, Rev Canon PA
 2 Gordon, Very Rev TW
 3 Poulton, Very Rev KM
 2 Draper, Very Rev PR
 0 Poulton, Rev Canon IP
 3 Murray, Rev EME
 3 Donohoe, Rev OMR
 3 Orr, Ven ADH
 3 Fryday, Rev Canon BY
 3 Mulhall, Rev JG
 2 Hilliard, Rev M
 3 Cole-Baker, Rev Canon PM
 1 Durand, Rev Canon Lady SE
 3 West, Rev R
 2 Green, Rev Canon SD

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 OSSORY AND LEIGHLIN - LAY*

3 Codd, Mr RP
 0 Driver, Mr EGG
 3 Harper, Mr SR
 3 Clifton Brown, Mr PC
 3 Wellwood, Mr C
 0 Bradley, Ms FA
 2 Kingston, Mr JW
 0 Wallace, Mr C
 1 Shirley, Ms S
 3 Corrigan, Ms H
 2 Peavoy, Mr J
 3 Galloway, Mr JBP
 3 Fryday, Mr JN
 0 Jestin, Mr I
 0 Moynan, Mr RW
 1 Grothier, Mrs PE
 1 Couchman, Mr JMD
 2 Young, Mr WA
 0 Thompson, Mr JE
 3 Codd, Mr W
 1 Lanigan, Ms M
 3 Burrows, Mr HMFB
 0 Neale, Mr L
 2 Richardson, Mr D

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0 Armitage, Ms G
3 Carter, Ms Y
3 Purser, Ms G
0 Stanley, Mr AJA
0 Coombes, Mr I
1 Treacy, Ms J
0 Rothwell, Ms E

FERNS – CLERICAL

3 Mooney, Very Rev PG
0 Hayden, Rev Canon MJJ
2 Long, Ven CW
0 Gray, Rev Canon RJ
0 Dungan, Rev IF
3 Minion, Rev Canon A

FERNS - LAY

1 Plant, Ms H
3 Borthistle, Mr G
3 Blake, Ms J
3 Forrest, Mrs A
0 Masterson, Mr WH
3 Crampton, Ms J
2 Boyd, Mr R
3 Graham, Ms IM
1 Rothwell, Ms J
3 Stephens, Mrs MM
2 Stephens, Mrs M

CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS

*CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS -
CLERICAL*

3 Wilkinson, Ven AM
3 Dunne, Very Rev NK
3 Cremin, Rev EV
3 Lynch, Rev Canon EEM
3 Marley, Very Rev AG
3 Willoughby, Rev Canon PM
1 Nuzum, Rev Canon D
3 O'Rourke, Rev BJG
0 Peters, Very Rev CL
0 MacCarthy, Rev DFA
3 Hanna, Rev PT

3 Williams, Rev Canon DH
2 Skuse, Rev A
3 Ardis, Rev I

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 Stanley, Mr JE
3 Dukelow, Ms SR
0 Deane, Mrs L
3 Treacy, Mr FJ
0 Coleman, Mr A
3 Bogan, Ms CPJ
0 Godsil, Mr RW
3 Buttimer, Mrs EA
2 Jackson, Dr TMR
0 Kingston, Mrs J
0 Benn, Mr G
3 Dring, Mr JRH
3 Hunter, Mrs J
3 Cassidy, Mr F
3 Newenham, Mr REW
3 Bourne, Mr DJ
3 Quinn, Mr GS
3 Lynch, Mr R
2 Dunne, Mr HV
0 Jennings, Mr E
0 Brookes, Mr K
0 Burke, Mrs H
1 Healy, Ms S

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AGHADOE, KILLALOE,
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LIMERICK – CLERICAL

3 Galbraith, Rev JA
3 Paulsen Very Rev G
3 McGee Hanna, Rev PE

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LIMERICK - LAY

3 Schutz, Mr PR
3 Clarke, Mr JM
1 Brickenden, Mrs MV
3 Shorten, Mr D
1 Baker, Mr K
0 Jarvis, Dr JL
3 Brislane, Mr KE

*ARDFERT AND AGHADOE -
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3 Warren, Rev Canon R
3 Watterson, Ven SM
0 Cavanagh, Rev MR
3 Hanley, Rev M

ARDFERT AND AGHADOE - LAY

3 Champ, Mr TE
0 Groves, Mrs MK
3 Hilliard, Mr A
0 Mason, Miss CP
2 Gleasure, Mrs LM
0 Blennerhassett, Miss K
0 Boyle, Mr N

*KILLALOE, KILFENORA, CLONFERT
AND KILMACDUAGH - CLERICAL*

3 Carney, Ven RW
3 Neill, Rev Canon SM
2 Rowley-Brooke, Rev Canon M
2 Robinson, Rev ECL
2 Gill, Rev R
0 Johnston, Rev Canon M
3 Flynn, Rev Canon AVG

*KILLALOE, KILFENORA, CLONFERT
AND KILMACDUAGH - LAY*

3 Armstrong, Mr A
2 Blackwell, Mr L
1 Dempsey, Mr RJ
3 Sanders, Mr JAF
2 Benson, Mr RW
0 Langley, Mrs R
3 Cooke, Mr RI
2 Delahunt, Mrs AE
3 Whyte, Mr PT
0 Duke, Mrs BC
2 Harding, Mr CWG
3 Hardy, Mr E
0 Chadwick, Mr C
0 Bailey, Mr ER

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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, 2003, 2009 and 2011)

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. Ecumenical guests shall be entitled to address the House on reports and motions, but shall not be entitled to address the house on bills. 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 with the proposed bill 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.

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- (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 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.

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

(b) Second Reading

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

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

(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

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must be given at this stage provided that written notice of any such amendment if received by the Honorary Secretaries within one calendar month of the end of this Ordinary Session shall be deemed to have been given at the first reading stage. Amendments, of which notice has been given at the first reading stage, may be moved at the committee stage, and no other amendment may then be moved except any dealing with omissions, grammatical or clerical 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.

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

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36. All amendments shall be put according to the priority of the words proposed to be inserted in or omitted from the clause under consideration, and, except by leave of the Synod, no amendment may be proposed in any part of a question after a later part has been amended.
37. The question to be put in regard to any proposed amendment shall in all cases be whether the proposed amendment be made.
38. (a) At any time before the question has been put in regard to any proposed amendment the mover thereof may with the leave of the Synod alter the terms thereof, but no other amendment to a proposed amendment shall be in order.
(b) When an amendment has been made, the question thus amended becomes the substantive question and further amendments may then be proposed.
39. Where amendments have been made, the main question as amended shall be put and where no amendments have been made the question shall be put as originally proposed.
40. The Synod may order a complicated question to be divided.

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.

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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.

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.

GENERAL SYNOD OF THE CHURCH OF IRELAND

2014

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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Explanatory Memorandum

In 2002 a Covenant between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland was signed acknowledging that the ordained ministries of both Churches are equally given by God, and looking "forward to the time when our ministries can be fully interchangeable and our churches visibly united". In addition the Covenant acknowledged that "personal, collegial and communal oversight is embodied and practised in both churches, as each seeks to express continuity of apostolic life, mission and ministry".

As part of the journey of learning more about the practice of oversight in both churches an 'Interchangeability of Ministry Working Group' was set up by the Church of Ireland to consider the issues that arise for the Church of Ireland, and to work alongside a counterpart group within the Methodist Church. The two working groups, meeting together, produced a Statement of Agreed Principles on the Interchangeability of Ministry which was presented to General Synod in 2010. This was followed by a Second Statement entitled "Interchangeability of Ministry and Episcopate", produced for both General Synod and the Methodist Conference in 2011 as part of the Covenant Council Report. The Bill gives legislative effect to the Statements received and accepted by Synod.

This Bill provides that the polities of the Church of Ireland and Methodist Church in Ireland remain distinct for each church, whilst giving effect to both the aspirations of the 2002 Covenant, and the Agreed Principles put before, and accepted by, General Synod on Interchangeability of Ministry. The Ordinal, Preamble and Declaration of the Church of Ireland maintain inviolate the threefold order of bishop, priest or presbyter, and deacon. What has been discerned is sufficient consonance between the understanding of the threefold ministry in each tradition. There is the recognition of collegial episcopate, communal episcopate, and personal episcopate (in the person of the Methodist President, his or her predecessors and successors), in the polity of the Methodist Church in Ireland, such that interchangeability of ministries between the two polities may now be permitted to take effect.

In this context the title 'Episcopal Minister' is used within the polity of the Methodist Church in Ireland to give expression to the personal episcopate that has always been present in the role of the Methodist President. The role, office, and function of Episcopal Minister commences upon the installation of, and prayer of consecration for, the President of the Conference and of the Methodist Church in Ireland, and remains on the person when the term as President comes to its end. It is an articulation of the role of President, and applies not just to the current President and her successors, but indeed to all past Presidents. It is therefore not a new concept created by the Methodist Church in Ireland to give effect to the Covenant, nor an attempt to impose language from within the polity of the Church of Ireland on the Methodist

Church in Ireland. Rather, it is an articulation within the Methodist Church in Ireland as to how it understands itself, helpfully providing the Church of Ireland with the language of 'Episcopal', over and above the real substance of recognising personal episcopate in the role, office, and function of the Methodist President, successors and predecessors. Given this understanding the Bill considers as equal all Presidents of the Methodist Church in Ireland as Episcopal Ministers, whether installed before or after the time at which it is hoped the Bill comes into effect. Having therefore discerned sufficient consonance in the threefold ministry of each church, and in the understanding of episcopate within the Methodist Church in Ireland, the logic of interchangeability is not to seek to 're-ordain' or 'further consecrate' those who have already been considered to be ordained or consecrated within this understanding of the threefold order.

The effect of the Bill is to permit interchangeability of ministry to happen in practice, but also to make clear that the impact of the Bill does not mean, for example, that a Methodist presbyter is *de facto* a Church of Ireland priest, or a Church of Ireland bishop is *de facto* a president of the Methodist Church. Rather, what is provided for is that, having recognised the validity of the other, an ordained minister in either denomination may come under the discipline and oversight of the other for the exercise of ministry. This will allow participation, subject to the appropriate permissions required by the existing polities of either church, in the liturgies and rites of the other church. For example, a Church of Ireland priest might administer sacraments in a Methodist Church according to the Methodist rite through invitation and with permission, but without becoming a circuit minister in connexion with Conference or for the purpose of District Synod. Furthermore, and as expressly stated in and described by the Bill, a number of Church of Ireland bishops will participate in the Installation and prayer of consecration of a Methodist President. In both instances the corollary will apply.

The Bill would also permit Methodist ministers to be considered for and appointed to a cure or similar role within the Church of Ireland including election to a vacant see, and Episcopal Ministers to be considered for such election without further consecration. In such circumstances those appointed to an office within the Church of Ireland will become a part of the polity of the Church of Ireland, its Dioceses, Synods, Ecclesial offices and functions.

It is appreciated, and in the Agreed Principles was expressly stated, that there will be a period of anomaly during which time there will exist priests and presbyters, bishops and episcopal ministers of both churches from before and after the commencement of interchangeability. Such periods of anomaly have ample precedence in other ecumenical processes and, given that from the outset there has always been the greater acknowledgement of the continuity of apostolic life, mission and ministry embodied and practised in the oversight and ministry of both churches, this period is one that each church can, and should accept, in the full knowledge that with the passing of time those ordained and consecrated during the era of interchangeability will become the norm.

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Progress in relation to the Covenant and the Working Groups on Interchangeability has been communicated both through representation on, and communication to, wider ecumenical groups including the Anglican-Methodist International Commission for Unity in Mission (AMICUM), whilst due regard has been given to those within the Anglican Communion through memorandum and presentation to the Inter Anglican Standing Commission on Unity Faith and Order (IASCUFO).

In summary therefore the Bill represents a significant step in bringing the aspirations of the Covenant into being, through a fulfilment in the deepening of communion, and in sharing a common life and mission.

THE VERY REV NIGEL DUNNE
THE BISHOP OF CASHEL, FERNS AND OSSORY

BILL

To provide for interchangeability of ministry between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland

WHEREAS it is the will of the Church of Ireland to work towards the unity of all God's people;

AND WHEREAS for this purpose it is desirable to enable interchangeability of ministry between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland;

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

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 2014 and the authority of the same as follows:-

1. In this Statute, 'Chapter IX' means Chapter IX of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.
2. In Chapter IX, immediately after Canon 10, there shall be inserted the following Canon:

10A Interchangeability of Ministry with the Methodist Church in Ireland

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- (1) For the purposes of this Canon, ‘in full Connexion with the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland’ shall mean a presbyter who has completed his or her period of training and probation and has been admitted as a member of the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland or admitted into connection therewith.
- (2) Pursuant to the will of the Church of Ireland to work towards the unity of all God's people, and that its mission may be further strengthened, the Church of Ireland,
 - (a) recognizes all three expressions of personal, communal, and collegial episcopacy in the polity of the Methodist Church in Ireland, in the person of the Methodist President and his or her predecessors and successors, in the Methodist congregations and in the Methodist Conference respectively;
 - (b) discerns consonance between the office and function of a bishop within the Church, (as expressed in the Ordinal and the Preamble and Declaration) and in the office and function of a President and a past President within the Methodist Church in Ireland and understands that 'Episcopal Minister' gives expression to the office and function of Presidents and Past Presidents of the Methodist Church in Ireland;
 - (c) requires that at least two bishops of the Church participate in all future Installations and Consecrations of the President of the Methodist Church in Ireland;
 - (d) recognizes those who have been, at any time, installed and consecrated as a President in the Methodist Church in Ireland and who are in full Connexion with the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland, as being entitled to participate in the laying on of hands in the ordination of bishops and priests in the Church.
- (3) When both events referred to in 10A(2)(c) and 10A(2)(d) have first occurred the Church of Ireland shall;
 - (a) consider any presbyter of the Methodist Church who is in full Connexion with the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland, as being equivalent to those ordained priest within the Church solely

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for the purposes of being considered for or appointed to any role which necessitates being in priest's orders within the Church;

- (b) consider any President or former President of the Methodist Church in Ireland, who is in full Connexion with the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland, as being equivalent to those ordained bishop within the Church solely for the purposes of being considered for election and translation into a vacant see within the Church, or any other role which necessitates being in priest's orders within the Church;
- (c) require that ministers and Episcopal Ministers of the Methodist Church in Ireland exercising ministry within the Church be made subject to the ecclesiastical polity, laws and tribunals and authority of the Church including its Canons, Constitution, and discipline for the duration of the exercise of that ministry, and shall have no part in nor be subject to, the same polity, authority, Canons, Constitution, and discipline except during such time as that ministry is exercised within the Church of Ireland;
- (4) When both events referred to in 10A(2)(c) and 10A(2)(d) have first occurred the Church shall acknowledge a period of anomaly during which there shall be those who were installed as President by, and presbyters received in full Connexion with, the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland, before the coming into force of both 10A(2)(c) and 10A(2)(d), and those installed as President by, and presbyters received in full Connexion with, the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland after both 10A(2)(c) and 10A (2)(d) have come into force, and shall not distinguish between the same provided they are in full Connexion with the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland.

Bill No 2

Explanatory Memorandum

In 2012, the General Synod passed a statute (Chapter II of 2012) which established a Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures. Under section 2 of that statute, the members of the Commission were to be appointed by resolution and were to hold office ‘until the termination of the ordinary meeting of the General Synod which shall be held in 2014’. Casual vacancies were to be filled by election by the Standing Committee. Shortly after adopting the statute, the General Synod passed a resolution on the appointment of members of the Commission.

The terms of reference of the Commission are contained in a schedule to the original statute. The first paragraph of that schedule directs the Commission to “report to General Synod not later than May 2014, with conclusions and recommendations on appropriate future arrangements for episcopal ministry and structures in the Church of Ireland.”

The adoption of the proposed Bill will extend the term of office of the current Commission membership until 2016, with provisions to deal with any current or future vacancies should they arise, and will give the Commission a new deadline of May 2016 by which to report to the General Synod with conclusions and recommendations on appropriate future arrangements for episcopal ministry and structures in the Church.

THE BISHOP OF TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY
MRS ETHNE HARKNESS

BILL

To Amend Chapter II of 2012

WHEREAS in 2012, the General Synod established the Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to extend the time available for the Commission to complete its work;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to make additional provision in relation to membership of the Commission;

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AND WHEREAS for this purpose it is necessary to amend Chapter II of 2012;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 2014, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

1. In this Statute, "Chapter II of 2012" means the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter II of 2012.
2. For Section 2 of Chapter II of 2012, the following shall be substituted:
 2. The members of the Commission in office immediately before the termination of the ordinary meeting of the General Synod in 2014 shall hold office until the termination of the ordinary meeting of the General Synod which shall be held in the year 2016. The Commission shall have the power to co-opt up to two additional members.
 - 2A. Casual vacancies, including any casual vacancies in the membership of the Commission immediately before the termination of the ordinary meeting of the General Synod in 2014, shall be filled in the following manner:
 - Where the outgoing member is a Bishop, by election by the House of Bishops;
 - Where the outgoing member is an Honorary Secretary, by election by the Honorary Secretaries;
 - Where the outgoing member is a representative of the Methodist Church in Ireland or the Roman Catholic Church, by appointment by the relevant Church;
 - In all other cases, by election by the Standing Committee.
3. In the first paragraph of the Terms of Reference for the Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures contained in the Schedule to Chapter II of 2012, the year '2014' shall be replaced by the year '2016'.

Bill No 3

Explanatory Memorandum

While preserving the ancient prebendaries attaching to St Mary’s Cathedral, Tuam, this Bill seeks to set out in a single piece of legislation the composition of the Chapter of the said Cathedral and to enable any member of the Chapter to hold an additional prebend stall.

Clause 1 seeks to provide for the reconstitution of the Chapter, as detailed in the Schedule, with seven stalls and the entitlement of any member to hold an additional stall but with only one vote, since Clause 2 seeks to provide that only the Dean (or the Chair of the Chapter for the time being) shall have both an ordinary and a casting vote.

THE VERY REV ALISTAIR GRIMASON
THE VEN GARY HASTINGS

BILL

To provide for the future management and regulation of St Mary’s Cathedral, Tuam, in the United Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry

WHEREAS it is expedient to alter the provisions for the appointment of clergy to the dignities and canonries of St. Mary’s Cathedral, Tuam in the United Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to preserve the ancient prebendaries attaching to the said Cathedral Church;

AND WHEREAS to give effect to the alteration of the said provision it is necessary to repeal and replace the provisions of the following statute, namely 1891, Chapter III;

AND WHEREAS the Cathedral Chapter has agreed to the provisions contained in this Act which have been approved at a meeting of the Diocesan Synod of the United Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry held in Tuam on 28th September 2013.

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 2014, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

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- 1.The Chapter of the Cathedral Church of St. Mary, Tuam, shall be reconstituted in accordance with the provisions of the Schedule to this Act.
- 2.No person shall have more than one vote in the Chapter, except the Dean or the Chair of the said Chapter for the time being, who shall have both an ordinary vote and a casting vote.
- 3.The provisions of the Statute of 1891 Chapter III and the resolution adopted by the General Synod of 1925 relating to the Dignitaries of the Diocese of Tuam are hereby repealed.

Schedule

The Chapter of St Mary’s Cathedral, Tuam

1.The Chapter of St. Mary’s Cathedral, Tuam shall consist of the following:

- i.The Dean of Tuam
- ii.The Archdeacon of Tuam
- iii.The Provost of Tuam
- iv.The Prebendary of Balla and Killabegs
- v.The Prebendary of Faldown and Kilmainmore
- vi.The Prebendary of Kilmeen and Kilmoylan
- vii.The Prebendary of Taghsaxon and Laccagh

2.Subject to section 2 of this Act, it shall be lawful for any member of the Chapter of St. Mary’s Cathedral, Tuam, to hold an additional Prebend Stall in the said Cathedral.

Bill No 4

Explanatory Memorandum

Although wordy, this Bill has a very simple purpose, namely to ensure that those who act as parochial nominators at a time of vacancy have within their ranks a measure of gender balance. One of the aspirations of the Hard Gospel process was to increase the participation of women in the decision making bodies of the church, and this Bill would ensure that at a time of great importance in the life of a parish neither gender was left unrepresented. At present all of the parochial nominators could be male or (less frequently) all female and this Bill aims to eliminate such a situation which would not be permitted in modern appointment procedures in any other professional context. Priests who are female should not encounter parochial nominators, all of whom are men, and priests who are male should not encounter nominators, all of whom are female. This adjustment to the method of selecting nominators should not cause inconvenience even in extensive parochial groups, where for the specific purpose of appointing nominators a group of parishes functions as a single unit and is deemed to be akin to a union in accordance with Chapter III section 29 of the Constitution.

THE BISHOP OF CASHEL, FERNS AND OSSORY
THE VENERABLE ANDREW ORR

BILL

To amend Chapter IV of the Constitution

WHEREAS it is desirable that the parochial nominators for each cure should include at least one woman and at least one man;

AND WHEREAS for this purpose it is necessary to amend Chapter IV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and by the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 2014 and by the authority of the same, as follows: -

1. In this Statute, ‘Chapter IV’ means Chapter IV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.

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2. In Chapter IV, section 5 (1) shall be amended to read;

5 (1) At the Easter vestry in the year 2017 and in every third year thereafter, the registered vestry members of each parish, parochial district or union or group of parishes under one incumbent, and, in the case of chapels without districts, the registered vestry members of such chapels

- (a) shall elect the requisite number of qualified persons to be parochial nominators for the said parish, of whom at least one shall be a woman and at least one shall be a man, and
- (b) shall then elect by ballot an equal number of persons to be supplemental nominators, of whom at least one shall be a woman and at least one shall be a man. The names of the supplemental nominators so elected shall be placed in order on a list in accordance with the number of votes received; in any case of equality of votes the order upon the list shall be determined by lot. Any vacancy in the number of parochial nominators shall be filled by the person whose name stands highest on the list of supplemental parochial nominators unless such action would result in the parochial nominators all being men or would result in the parochial nominators all being women, in which case the qualified person whose name stands nearest to the top of the list shall fill the vacancy.

3. In Chapter IV, section 6 (1) shall be amended to read

(1) Upon the occurrence of a vacancy, by death or otherwise, in the number of the parochial nominators during their period of office which cannot be filled by a supplemental nominator, the registered vestry members shall, at a special general vestry duly convened in accordance with the provisions of Chapter III, elect a qualified person to fill such vacancy and shall also fill any vacancies in the list of supplemental nominators provided only that the parochial nominators must at all times include at least one man and at least one woman, as must the list of supplemental nominators.

4. In Chapter IV, section 7, shall be amended to read

7. In the event of a general vestry failing to elect nominators, or to supply a vacancy in their number within two months after its occurrence, it shall be competent for the diocesan council to appoint nominators, or to supply such vacancy; provided that the person or persons so appointed shall hold office only until the next Easter vestry, when the registered vestry

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members shall be at liberty to fill the vacancy, and provided also that at all times at least one of the nominators shall be a man and at least one a woman.

5. In Chapter IV, section 8 (3) shall be amended to read

(3) If a nominator or supplemental nominator fails to comply with the provisions of sub-section (2) of this section, the bishop shall order a new election for a nominator or supplemental nominator as the case may be; Provided that the bishop shall have power to extend the time for such compliance if it be certified to the bishop that the failure to comply has been caused by absence or other unavoidable circumstances; and Provided also that in ordering any fresh election the bishop shall ensure that at least one parochial nominator shall be a man and at least one a woman, and at least one supplemental nominator shall be a man and at least one a woman.

6. In Chapter IV, section 9 shall be amended to read

9. Whenever a vacancy in a cure of souls shall occur, if the bishop, after communicating or endeavouring to communicate with the parochial nominators, has reason to believe that any one or more of them is unable, by reason of illness, absence or other reasonable cause, to take part in the proceedings for filling the said vacancy, the bishop shall direct that a supplemental nominator shall be summoned and shall act in the place of each absent parochial nominator in such proceedings, until the said vacancy has been filled. The supplemental nominators shall be summoned in their order as returned by the vestry, unless the effect of such action would result in all those acting as parochial nominators being men or if such action would result in all of those acting as parochial nominators being women, in which case the bishop shall summon the qualified supplemental nominator whose name stands highest on the list returned by the vestry.

7. Nothing in this statute shall affect the parochial nominators and supplemental nominators elected at the Easter Vestry of 2014 who shall remain in office until the Easter Vestry of 2017. Any vacancies that occur in the parochial nominators and supplemental nominators elected at the Easter Vestry of 2014 shall be filled in the manner provided for had this statute not been adopted.

Bill No 5

Explanatory Memorandum

While the Church has talked a good deal of late concerning increasing the levels of participation by various groups such as women and young people in its decision making bodies, it has never formally examined the size of Select Vestries, surely a factor affecting the extent of access to membership of them. For generations the elected membership of Select Vestries, over and above the parochial officers such as churchwardens and glebewardens, has been fixed at twelve – this rooted in a time when many parishes were small and rural and all members were men.

The existing section 13 (c) of Chapter III of the Constitution varies that basic requirements for Select Vestry membership in two ways. First of all, it prescribes that not more than three members of the Select Vestry should be under 21 – surely an anachronistic provision at a time when it is desirable to reduce the number of even symbolic impediments to the participation of young people.

The section also permits, in one situation only, an increase in vestry size for a seven year period to a maximum of twenty. This may be permitted by the diocesan council when a number of churches which previously had a separate Select Vestry either through having an incumbent of their own or being part of a Group of parishes are joined together in a Union with a single Select Vestry. To facilitate the bedding down of such an arrangement and to avoid the instant exclusion of talented and committed people, the Constitution permits the existence of an enlarged Select Vestry for seven years.

This Bill proposes to do away with the limitation on Select Vestry participation by young adults, and to extend the powers of a Diocesan Council to permit the operation of enlarged Select Vestries in particular situations for specified periods. Councils will be expected to examine each particular situation on its merits, and to report in writing their reasons for exercising their powers. They will also be obliged to review their decisions on a regular basis.

This Bill would allow a Diocesan Council, where a cure is growing or changing, to draw greater numbers of parishioners into its governance. It could permit a Council to facilitate the enlargement of a Select Vestry for a specified period in order to encourage the involvement of a larger number of women or young people or newcomers to the Church of Ireland in the administrative life of a parish. These goals, set before us by the Hard Gospel process, are difficult to achieve where Select Vestries are small and where their membership is traditionally associated with families who have been parishioners perhaps through several generations.

This Bill also reflects the experience of rural dioceses where cures with many churches have in recent times made a courageous transition from Group to Union. Such an arrangement is not merely administratively convenient; it also brings about a sense of interdependence and common purpose in ministry and stewardship, a worthy requirement to bear one another's burdens. In such a situation the present permitted transitional period of up to seven years with an enlarged Select Vestry has tended to prove too brief – such arrangements need time to bed down and work fruitfully and to be 'owned' by all. In a cure with seven or more churches, for example, a Select Vestry of only twelve means in reality that, over and above the churchwardens, perhaps just one person from a particular congregation will be numbered among the elected Select Vestry members. Both in changing and growing city parishes and in extensive rural cures the possibility of a Select Vestry of twenty rather than merely twelve might be considered eminently reasonable.

THE BISHOP OF CASHEL, FERNS AND OSSORY
MR SAMUEL HARPER

BILL

To amend Chapter III of the Constitution

WHEREAS it is desirable, in certain circumstances, to increase the prescribed size of Select Vestries in order to enhance participation in the governance of the Church;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter III 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 Dublin in the year 2014, and by the authority of the same as follows: -

1. In this statute 'Chapter III' means Chapter III of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.
2. That in Chapter III, section 13 (c) of the Constitution be amended to read as follows

(c) Not more than twelve other persons elected by the registered vestry members to be members of the select vestry; Provided that the diocesan council may direct an alternative number of other persons be elected by the registered vestry members to be members of the select vestry. Such number shall not be less than twelve nor more than twenty. Any directions given by the diocesan council in accordance with this provision shall be reviewed at

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least every seven years and the reasons for such directions shall be reported in writing to the diocesan synod.

Bill No 6

Explanatory Memorandum

This Bill seeks to revise, amend and consolidate the provisions of earlier legislation relating to the regulation and management of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Downpatrick and to make provision for the appointment by the Bishop of Down of two Ecumenical Canons of the said Cathedral.

Clause 1 seeks to provide for the repeal of earlier legislation and the substitution of the provisions contained in Schedule 1 for those of the statutes so repealed.

Clause 2 seeks to amend the First Schedule to Chapter VII of the Constitution by substituting a summary of the provisions of this Bill for the summary of the earlier statutes which this Bill seeks to repeal.

The detailed provisions relating to the regulation and management of the Cathedral are set out in Schedule 1.

Paragraph 1 seeks to provide that the existing Dean, Dignitaries and Prebendaries of the said Cathedral shall continue to hold office and retain the same rights, powers and privileges as heretofore except as may be extended or modified by the provisions of this Bill.

Paragraphs 2-5 contain provisions for the appointment by the Bishop of Down of the members of the Chapter, for the arrangement of their duties and responsibilities and for the making of rules and regulations governing meetings of the Chapter. The only new provision is that the Dignitaries and Prebendaries shall undertake by arrangement with the Dean, one Sunday in residence each year in the Cathedral.

Paragraph 6 restates provisions to enable the appointment by the Dean and Chapter of two Minor Canons.

The provisions of paragraph 7, which are entirely new, enable the Bishop of Down to appoint two Ecumenical Canons to the Chapter. 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. The Declaration for Subscription, which must be made before the Bishop of Down by the prospective Ecumenical Canon, is contained in Schedule II to this Bill.

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Paragraphs 8 and 9, which contain provisions for the maintenance and revision of a register of vestrypersons and the election of synodspersons for the Cathedral are very similar to earlier legislation except that the time within which the revision and the election shall take place has been altered to bring it into line with that for parochial general vestry meetings to elect select vestries. Paragraph 8(iii), which is also new, enables the Dean to appoint from the list of registered vestry persons a Dean's Cathedral Warden to act for one year.

The Constitution, powers and responsibilities of the Cathedral Board are detailed in paragraphs 10 and 11 and restate the provisions of Chapter III of 2005 with some additional provision, namely the right of the Board to appoint a People's Cathedral Warden. Under the provisions of Paragraph 10, the People's Cathedral Warden, together with the Dean's Cathedral Warden appointed under paragraph 8(iii), will become ex-officio members of the Board and their appointment may be renewed. New provision is also made for the triennial election by the Board of a Secretary and a Lay Treasurer and for the duties of the Lay Treasurer.

Under paragraph 12, the Dean is authorised to act on behalf of the Board in directing the officers appointed by the Board in the discharge of their duties and paragraph 13 enables the Board to determine those matters which are not subject to the rights of the Dean and the Chapter or otherwise provided for in this Bill.

THE VERY REV HENRY HULL
THE BISHOP OF DOWN AND DROMORE

BILL

To amend the provisions relating to the regulation and management of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity at Downpatrick

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the provisions relating to the regulation and management of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity at Downpatrick;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to make consequential amendment of the First Schedule to Chapter VII 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 Dublin in the year 2014 and by the authority of the same as follows:-

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1. The Statutes of the General Synod, Chapter VI of 1872, Chapter III of 1883, Chapter II of 1900, Chapter IX of 1922, Chapter II of 1958, Chapter II of 1985 and Chapter III of 2005 are hereby repealed and the provisions contained in Schedule I hereto annexed are substituted therefor.
2. For paragraph (3) of the First Schedule to Chapter VII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland there shall be substituted:-
 - (3) Down Cathedral
2014, Cap VI
Under the Statute, the Bishop of Down is the Ordinary and has the right of appointment to the Deanery, Dignities and Prebends. The Statute also provides for the appointment of Minor Canons and two Ecumenical Canons; the management and regulation of the Cathedral's affairs; the registration of vestry members; the return of Synod members and the election of lay members of the Cathedral Board and its constitution.

Schedule I

1. The existing Dean, Dignitaries and Prebendaries of the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, Downpatrick shall (subject to the provisions of the Irish Church Act, 1869) continue to hold their respective offices therein and shall retain the same rights, powers and privileges as they have heretofore enjoyed, and shall be liable to the discharge of all duties to which they have hitherto been subject, except so far as the same may be extended or modified by the provisions of this Act.
2. The Bishop of Down shall be the Ordinary of the said Cathedral, and shall have the right of appointment of the members of the Chapter which shall consist of the Dean, Chancellor, Precentor, Treasurer and Archdeacon and the three Prebendaries, all of whom shall be selected from the Diocese of Down.
3. The Dean, shall be subject to the authority and control of the Ordinary. The Dean shall order the services of the Cathedral and, in matters pertaining thereto, shall direct the clergy and officials.
4. The officers, who shall continue to constitute the Cathedral Body shall be the Dignitaries; namely the Dean, Chancellor, Precentor, Treasurer and Archdeacon in that order, and the Prebendaries; namely, the Prebendary of Dunsford, Prebendary of St Andrew, and Prebendary of Talpestone in no particular order. The Dignitaries shall undertake the customary duties pertaining to their office. Each Dignitary and Prebendary shall undertake, by arrangement with the Dean, one Sunday in-residence

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each year in the Cathedral. The Dignitaries and Prebendaries shall also undertake any other duties as decided from time to time by the Dean and Chapter.

5. The Dean and Chapter shall have power to make rules and regulations for the times and conduct of meetings of the Chapter and the discharge of its responsibilities. Meetings of the Chapter shall be presided over by the Dean or, in the absence of the Dean, by the member of the Chapter next in order of precedence who is present.
6. It shall be in the power of the Dean and Chapter, with the consent of the Ordinary, to appoint Minor Canons, not exceeding two in number.
7. (i) The Bishop of Down may appoint two Ecumenical Canons to the Chapter. An Ecumenical Canon shall mean a minister or accredited preacher of one or more such Christian denominations, not in full communion with the Church of Ireland, as may from time to time be specified by the House of Bishops. The Ecumenical Canons shall each have a designated seat in the Cathedral and shall be non-voting members of the Chapter.

(ii) Such Ecumenical Canons may be removed by the Bishop of Down for cause shown. Each Ecumenical Canon, if not so removed, shall hold office for a term of five years from the date of appointment or until such Ecumenical Canon shall resign from such office. An Ecumenical Canon who has served five years may be reappointed.

(iii) The appointment of an Ecumenical Canon shall not be effective unless and until that person shall make and subscribe before the Bishop of Down the declaration contained in Schedule II hereto annexed.

(iv) An Ecumenical Canon may be invited by the Dean to perform all or any of the following duties insofar as the same are consistent with the provisions of Canon 10 –
 - (a) To say or sing Morning or Evening Prayer or the Litany;
 - (b) To read the Holy Scriptures;
 - (c) To deliver an address;
 - (d) To assist at a Baptism, 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.

(v) The Court of the General Synod shall have authority to determine all questions or disputes that may arise respecting the appointment or removal of an Ecumenical Canon.

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8. (i) There shall be a register of vestrypersons for the Cathedral, and every member of the Church of Ireland of the age of 18 or over, who shall have been for one year immediately prior to registration an accustomed member of the congregation and a contributor towards the funds of the Cathedral, shall be entitled to register.
- (ii) The Register shall be revised annually during Lent by the Dean and the Lay Treasurer of the Cathedral Board in the manner set forth in sections 5, 6 and 7 of Chapter III of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.
- (iii) The Dean may appoint from the list of registered vestrypersons, a Dean's Cathedral Warden to act for one year; the person so appointed shall become ex officio a member of the Board for the term of his or her appointment. Such appointment may be renewed.
9. Those registered shall meet triennially, not earlier than twenty days before and not later than twenty days after Easter Day, to elect out of their own number:-
 - (i) Two Lay members of the Cathedral Board as hereinafter constituted.
 - (ii) Synodspersons to sit as members of the Down and Dromore Diocesan Synod who shall possess the same rights and privileges as synodspersons elected by parishes. The number of such synodspersons shall be in proportion to the number of clergy of the said Cathedral who are not otherwise qualified to sit as members of the Down and Dromore Diocesan Synod.

The registered vestrypersons shall also meet at such other times as the Dean may decide.

10. (1) There shall be a Cathedral Board constituted as follows:
 - (a) The Dean
 - (b) The Incumbent of any Parish, Group or Union of Parishes of which the said Cathedral is from time to time annexed if such Incumbent be not the Dean of Down.
 - (c) Two members of the Chapter elected every third year by the Dean and Chapter.
 - (d) Two lay persons elected every third year, by the registered Vestry members of the Cathedral out of their own body.
 - (e) Two lay persons elected every year by the lay members of the Down and Dromore Diocesan Council whose qualification for election shall be the same as that as for the Diocesan Synod.
- (2) Any vacancy occurring in the interval between triennial elections shall be filled:
 - (i) as to those elected by the Dean and Chapter, by the Dean and Chapter;
 - (ii) as to those elected by the Registered Vestry Members by co-optation of persons qualified as in the section provided;

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- (iii) as to those elected by the lay members of the Down and Dromore Council by the lay members of the Down and Dromore Council.

Any person chosen to fill such vacancy shall hold office until the next triennial elections.

(3) The Board may appoint from the list of registered vestrypersons, a People's Cathedral Warden to act for one year; the person so appointed shall become an ex officio member of the Board for the term of his or her appointment. Such appointment may be renewed.

(4) The Board shall triennially elect a Secretary, who shall record the proceedings of the meetings of the Board, and a lay Treasurer who shall submit annually to the Board for its approval an audited financial statement of all funds under the control or management of the Board. If either is not already a member of the Board, he or she may be co-opted.

(5) At least four members, excluding any co-opted members, must be present to form a quorum.

11. The Cathedral Board shall have power to make rules and regulations for the times and conduct of its meetings and the discharge of its responsibilities. It shall be presided over by the Dean, or in the absence of the Dean, by the member of the Chapter next in order of precedence who is present, such President having both an ordinary and a casting vote. A special meeting of the said Board shall be summoned by the Dean or, in the absence of the Dean, by one of the Chapter members who is also a member of the Board, or at any time on the written requisition of three members of the Board.

The Board shall have the appointment and removal of the Organist, Choristers and other officials of the Cathedral and the regulation of their salaries, the control and management of collections and generally the arrangement of financial and other matters relating or appertaining to the said Cathedral, not otherwise provided for,

12. The Dean shall act on behalf of the Board in directing the officers appointed by the Board in the discharge of their duties.
13. Matters relating to the Cathedral not herein otherwise provided for and not heretofore subject to the rights of the Dean and Chapter shall be determined by the Board.

Schedule II – Declaration for Subscription

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

1. I am a minister or accredited preacher of Church.

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2. I agree to be bound by the provisions of Schedule I to the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter VI of 2014 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 Ordinary of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Downpatrick, and *his* successors, Bishops of Down and Dromore. I will observe the statutes and ancient customs of the Cathedral Church, so far as they are not repugnant to the laws of the Church of Ireland and will maintain in confidence all matters entrusted as such to the Chapter.

I subscribe to the above declaration to be appointed to the office of Ecumenical Canon of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Downpatrick.

This day of 20....

FORTY EIGHTH GENERAL SYNOD

Third Ordinary Session, held in Dublin, 8, 9 and 10 May 2014

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY 8 MAY 2014

On this day, according to the summons of His Grace the Lord Primate, the Synod assembled in Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.

The Bible and the Book of Common Prayer were laid on the table.

Chair

At 10:00am the Primate took the Chair and announced that the General Synod was in session.

Holy Scripture and Prayer

A hymn was sung and a portion of Holy Scripture and Prayers were read by the Most Rev Patricia Storey, Bishop of Meath and Kildare.

President's Address

His Grace the Lord Primate delivered the following address.

I would like to begin at the only appropriate place at which one can begin – with an expression of gratitude, of personal gratitude. I wish to thank all those who have given me such love, encouragement and care over this past year. I am truly more than grateful.

I cannot name every name, although during the synod I will undoubtedly convey thanks to individuals, but there are a few people to whom I believe I should make specific reference at this stage in the proceedings.

The support that the wider Church of Ireland receives from its Church House staff, both in Dublin and Belfast, is remarkable – in both its high level of efficiency and its gracious courtesy – and this should never be taken for granted. I would ask our Chief Officer and Secretary-General, Mr Adrian Clements, both to accept our sincere gratitude and also to relay it to his staff on our behalf.

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It is a great pleasure to welcome two new bishops to our proceedings - Bishop Ferran Glenfield of the Dioceses of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh, and Bishop Pat Storey of Meath and Kildare Dioceses. In welcoming both of them to their new tasks and responsibilities, we can of course note that the consecration of the new Bishop of Meath and Kildare brings to a welcome fruition the process begun by the Church of Ireland over twenty years ago, in legislating permission for the ordination of women to the priesthood/presbyterate and to the episcopate. We continue to pray for both our new bishops and for their dioceses.

Sadly, we will soon be bidding farewell to Bishop Trevor Williams of Limerick and Killaloe, who plans to retire in July of this year. We thank him for all that he has brought to the ministry of the Church, as a gifted communicator and also as someone who in his ministry has epitomised the Christian calling to be a reconciler and a peacemaker. We wish Trevor and his wife Joyce every happiness and blessing in his retirement.

Before moving on to the main part of my address, I would ask the General Synod to note two particular anniversaries this year, both very central to the mission of the Church, both here and abroad. 'Us', as the United Society for the Propagation of the Gospel is now called, is celebrating its 250th anniversary, and the Church Missionary Society is celebrating its bicentenary. As we congratulate both organisations, we give thanks for the many hundreds of people who have served Christ and the mission of the Church through the endeavours of both societies over so many years.

And, as we think of those who have faithfully served the Church of Christ in the past, we must also in a moment of quiet remember those who have served the work of this General Synod, and who have died since the last session of synod – Dr Donald Davison of the Diocese of Connor, Mrs Fay Anderson of the Diocese of Armagh, Mrs Helen Livingstone of the Diocese of Down, and Dr Valerie Jones of the Diocese of Dublin.

Last year – at what was my first General Synod as Archbishop of Armagh – I spoke to synod about the Church being primarily an organism rather than an organisation. An organism has a natural inbuilt ability to adjust and to change, to grow fresh shoots and to shed dead leaves, whereas an organisation will of its very nature seek to defend and insulate itself against change, and will readily become obsessed with itself and its own structures.

This year I would like to develop one particular aspect of that image of the organism and pose the question as to what the outsider would see if they looked at the Church objectively but, more particularly, what the outsider *should* see as characteristics of the organism that is the Church of Ireland. We could produce a long list – outward-looking, mission-orientated, lively, committed, faithful. The list could go on and on. I want to suggest a word that might well encapsulate virtually anything we would want to say about the Church and its characteristics. It is the word 'giving'. The Church as an organism that is characterised by its *giving nature*; its people who are characterised by being *giving people*. This is very much a Gospel precept – Matthew Chapter 10, with that powerful phrase of Our Lord, 'Freely you have received, freely give'. We receive grace; we have no option but to respond to the world with an uncalculating and unselfconscious generosity.

Generosity of course includes financial generosity (and we should never for one moment downplay this) but generosity is this and far more. Generosity of character is a disposition that is genuinely more

concerned with giving than receiving. It is the moral and spiritual discernment which can recognise that all that we have is itself ‘gift’ – gifted from God – and should hence be given freely to the world, but never irresponsibly and irreverently used or abused as deserved possession.

With this in mind, I would like, on behalf of the whole membership of the Church of Ireland and in particular this General Synod, to thank sincerely all those who give of their time, their means and their expertise, for the good of the Church. I include those who work on committees, boards and commissions, in every area of the life of the Church. Although I am certain that I fall into the trap myself on occasions, I do not greatly approve of the use of the word ‘level’ – parish level, diocesan level or central level – to describe different components of the life of the Church, as it seems to imply a hierarchy of values. I do not believe that there are *levels* in the Kingdom of God. There is commitment and there is generosity of spirit; that is sufficient. As clergy or laity, whether then it is in the life of parishes, of dioceses or in the work of central administration, all service should be valued at a human level. All service is valued by God.

All life is a gift of God; it is never a commodity. Those made in God’s image and likeness can never be a commodity for the use of others, to be neglected if they are not of obvious personal interest to us. I have said repeatedly (and well before my move to this present post) that one of the aspects of modern culture I most fear is that we have turned all human life into a commodity. The very beginnings of life and the end of life on earth are *gift*, never to be treated as anything less. We have seen in recent legislation in Belgium that euthanasia is now permitted for minors provided that there has been discussion with parents. This is not merely a slippery slope; it is surely near the bottom of such a slope. North or South on this island, we must surely as Christians never concede that life is other than sacred, a gift of God from beginning to end, never to be thrown away as though it were personal property. And yet, as you probably know, the hospice movement is not given proper support from state funding. A hospice I visited recently on the edge of Armagh diocese has to raise two-thirds of its financial requirements through its own fund-raising operations. We simply have to ask, as Christians living in modern society, where public priorities are? Of course there can be no simple solutions for the political class to find money for everything in jurisdictions that are – to be straight about it – simply economically insolvent. However, around us we see that it is the poorer who are becoming poorer and in some cases genuinely destitute, right before our eyes. Many of you may well have seen the work of food banks at first hand, as I have. Should we not feel some sense of shame that this system is now accepted as a necessary backup to state support in any modern society? The generosity of so many people in supporting food banks is of course wonderful – a fine example of *giving* – and must be encouraged, but should this particular form of individual giving actually be necessary? Surely not in a functional humane society that looked after its weakest as a matter of course.

If we go to the earliest stage of life, we find another acute need. Barnardo’s – North and South – can testify that there is now a massive need for foster homes for children. In both jurisdictions, the number of cases of abuse or neglect of children has increased dramatically in the past few years. In one sense it is an encouraging sign that people are no longer turning a blind eye to the abuse of children, but it means of course that the number of children now seen as needing care, whether because of neglect or direct abuse, is increasing. Fostering of children can never be easy. It requires so much emotional strength in those who take on this responsibility, that I can only look on with genuine awe and admiration. It is a need in our society, and it is one that those who value life as a gift, who have the necessary strength and equilibrium, and who seek to give love, stability and care to the most vulnerable of all in our society, can meet. I am

more than happy to appeal to any who would believe this to be a gift they could provide, to take the necessary steps towards being considered as suitable foster carers.

It is not my intention to comment on all the business of this synod but, in the context of the theme of *gift*, I would like to draw attention to two matters of business that will come before us. The first is the second part of legislation concerning the Covenant between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland. It would be easy to see the legislation for an interchangeability in ministries simply as an ecumenical structural arrangement. This would, I believe, be a very limited view of the matter. There will of course be wholly practical outworkings of a new arrangement, if this were to pass through the General Synod, but I would like us to take a broader view of the matter. This is also about the mission of the Church and it is about the gifts that each tradition might give to the other, and hence to the wider world. We have gifts to bring; we have gifts to receive. I am not going to preempt the discussion, nor presume on the outcome. All I would wish to say is that the work has been done very carefully and thoroughly, with prayer and with deep thought, and that the Anglican Communion as a whole, through the Inter-Anglican Standing Commission on Unity, Faith and Order (or ‘IASCUFU’ as it is probably better known), has signalled to us its approval of the path the Church of Ireland has been following in this matter.

A resolution will be brought to the synod by the Church and Society Commission regarding the ‘Flesh and Blood’ campaign that has been running in Britain for the past year. I, for one, would very much wish to see this campaign becoming part of the Irish church scene in these coming months, throughout the island, and also as something which we might do in ecumenical partnership with other Christian traditions. I mention it here because, again, it comes straight to our understanding of the human person as gift, and even of the human body in death, as potential gift for others. Flesh and Blood – ‘FAB’ to use the useful acronym – encourages Church members to consider being blood donors and also to sign up for organ transplant at death, as an opportunity for *giving to others*. Although almost everyone would accept an organ if they needed one, not everyone is prepared to make that offer for others. At present, more than one hundred and fifty people in Northern Ireland are on an *active* transplant waiting list (and each year around fifteen people die needlessly as they await a suitable organ), but less than one-third of the population has indicated that they would be organ donors. What is needed in Northern Ireland is needed equally in the Republic – more people who would give the gift of blood in life, or of organs after earthly death. It has been made clear by the organisers that although this is obviously something to be encouraged through FAB, it should not be a matter for pressure or intrusion into the personal wishes of others and, least of all, for competitiveness between people. It is an opportunity for *giving* of which all should become aware.

If we are to be a confident Church of Ireland, we must be a Church which looks beyond itself and looks beyond the present, and also encourages others to do so. Before turning to the ways in which we as a Church tradition might seek to undertake this, I would make an appeal to a wider audience and ask those who have been entrusted with political leadership to tell us what they wish to offer, to give, to the future, to our children and grandchildren. It surely cannot simply be ‘more of the same’ that we wish to offer to future generations? There is continuing political paralysis in Northern Ireland; a culture of entitlement for those who in the Republic already have plenty; and an austerity which assaults the poor more than the wealthy in both our jurisdictions. This cannot be a political vision that truly seeks *to give to the future*. But what of us as the Church of Ireland? We cannot ask of others, if we will not look at ourselves and what our hopes might be for the future. I am not, I believe, alone in fearing that the Church of Ireland has become so concerned with dealing with present concerns under our noses – all of which are indeed

pressing and critically important – that we have somehow lost the vision and hope to look further into the future, and to ask what we as a church community might propose to give as a legacy to future generations. In partnership with others already mentioned above, I am asking that the Church of Ireland as a whole takes a deep collective breath and looks to the long-term future, and begins to work collaboratively towards what we might wish to be, let us say, in twenty years' time, 2034 – being a Church for the long-term, being in word and deed a long-term Church. This might be our gift to the future. Not for us, but for our children and grandchildren.

This is neither to be at the exclusion of 'solving' present day issues, nor to prevent wonderful creative local projects from flourishing, such as those encouraged and supported by the Priorities Fund. I believe, however, that only when we are also prepared to look beyond ourselves (and our own immediate concerns and interests) to a *future spiritual place* for our children and grandchildren, a place which we ourselves may not still be on earth to see, that we are following a path of true Christian hope and vision. Our ancestors in the Church of Ireland, at the time of disestablishment, had to take courage in both hands and believe in a future beyond themselves, and then to work and plan energetically for that future. Such an attitude is surely equally necessary again, in our time and place? What do we wish to give to the future? Some years ago, the archbishops and bishops produced a vision statement, 'Growth, Unity and Service' for the encouragement of the Church, and in the hope that it might provide incentive for fresh initiatives and a new resolve in mission. The document had a certain amount of take-up, but little follow-through. In retrospect, I believe that we may have put these aspirations in the wrong order. We should perhaps have entitled it, 'Service, Unity and Growth'. Why? Because it is in giving and serving together that so many of the barriers between Christians – within traditions and between traditions - are pulled down. It is in serving the world, that those walls between the Church and the world are broken down. This is how unity in its fullness can evolve, and it is through a spirit of unified purpose that true Christian growth that is more than mere recruitment can become reality.

Whatever for that, what now follows is based firmly on ideas contained in 'Growth, Unity and Service', but looking also into a further future. The ideas now being proposed are drawn with intentionally broad-brush strokes, as what is suggested will not have the same appearance in every place. Some of these hopes for the long-term future are indeed already being developed. Some will require major work at local community level. Some will need the energy and vision of the so-called 'Central Church', whether through its trustee body (the RCB) or its legislative body (the General Synod), or with both working in tandem. Some may be diocesan-led projects, albeit with support from the central church or local parish communities. I hope that the Church as a whole may grasp a vision of what we can achieve for the future. Staging posts on the journey will be needed, where what has been done may be assessed and, where necessary, modified for the future. The vision will undoubtedly change and develop in different ways as time goes on, and local applications may well differ. None of this should be feared. What is utterly essential, however, is that there should be a spirit of collaboration rather than of competitiveness throughout the Church, and of true hope rather than passive cynicism. Cynicism is cheap and easy. Commitment and conviction do not come cheaply.

In terms of a time-line, it is hoped that the basics of a strategy for moving towards the goals which I wish to propose will be worked through in the coming autumn. I am grateful to all those who have already given encouragement for this project, surely a 'big idea' in which we all might share, under the title or heading of 'Long-term Church'. We are here for the long-term. We need to think in the long-term.

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This is not a mission statement, nor is it a statement about mission *per se*, which will inevitably follow differing contours in different parts of the Church, but thoughts and reflections of some of the features we might hope would characterise the Church of Ireland as a whole in 2034. In broad-brush strokes, let me suggest the following ideas –

- To continue to be Anglican in worship and practice and to be a clearly identifiable and vibrant part of the worldwide Christian Church, involved energetically in its mission.
- To have a coherent and meaningful structure that is well understood by those within and outside the Church.
- To be relevant to and visible in the community in all parts of Ireland, making a positive contribution that gives witness to the work of the Church and its people.
- To be an obvious home for those who are seeking faith in an increasingly secularised world.
- To be a hands-on church with involvement with the deprived areas of Ireland and the world.
- To be competent, professional and accountable in all aspects of delivering ministry, with a self-sustaining pattern for local and regional/diocesan ministries.
- To have specialist central support available for critical and innovative aspects of Church mission and administrative work.
- To have resolved the heritage issues of surplus properties.
- To have processes in place to support ministry and ministers, including those encountering difficulties, and to enable speedy re-allocation of resources where ministry requires re-visioning.
- To be spending less on conservation and more on growth.

To return to where I began this address – ‘Freely we have been given’. Surely we can be characterised as a Church which gives freely, which is generous, and which will give, freely and generously of itself – even, and indeed *certainly* at a risk to itself – giving to others and giving to the future in the name and the power of Jesus Christ, our risen Lord.

Welcome of Official Guests

The Primate welcomed the official guests on behalf of the General Synod.

Ecumenical Guest

At the invitation of the Primate and with the approval of the House, the Rev Lorraine Kennedy-Ritchie of the Irish Council of Churches and Mrs Éilís O’Malley of the Roman Catholic Church addressed the Synod.

Members of General Synod

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

Nomination of an Assessor

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

Election of an Honorary Secretary

On the proposal of the Ven Richard Rountree (Glendalough), seconded by the Ven Adrian Wilkinson (Cork, Cloyne and Ross) the following resolution was adopted:

That the following be elected an Honorary Secretary of the General Synod.

The Rev Gillian Wharton.

Motion on Procedure

Mr Sam Harper proposed an amendment to the draft Motion No 1 to allow the motions relating to the Liturgical Advisory Committee on Day 3 to be taken immediately after the debate on the same report

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That Motion No 1 on procedure be passed.

<p>MOTION NO 1 – THE HONORARY SECRETARIES (WITH THE APPROVAL OF THE PRESIDENT) That in accordance with Standing Order 56, the time available under Standing Order 3 be allocated as follows:</p>

FIRST DAY

10.00am	President takes the chair Reading from Holy Scripture and Prayer List of members of the General Synod to be laid on the table President's Address
to	Welcome official guests Nomination of an assessor by the President Election of Honorary Secretary Motion No 1 (Timetable) Formal business and communications Report of the Bills Committee
12.30pm	Bill Nos 1 to 6
2.00pm	Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)

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	Presentation by Ms Lydia Monds on Bishops' Appeal (15 minutes)
	Report of the Standing Committee (2 hours)
	- Motion No 2 (Alcohol and Taxation)
	- Motion No 3 (Flesh and Blood Campaign)
	Board of Education (1 hour)
to	- Board of Education NI
	- Board of Education RI
	- Motion No 4 (Controlled Schools in Northern Ireland)
	- Motion No 5 (Religious Education in the Republic of Ireland)
	Mission and Ministry (30 minutes)
6:30pm	- The Church of Ireland Youth Department

SECOND DAY	
10.00am	Reading from Holy Scripture and Prayer
	Formal business and communications
to	Report of the Representative Church Body (2 hours)
12.30pm	- Motion No 6 (Allocations)
2.00pm	Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)
	Anglican and Ecumenical and Interfaith relations (1 hour)
	- Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue
	- Motion No 7 (Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue – Membership)
to	- The Covenant Council
	- Motion No 8 (Covenant Council – Membership)
	- Motion No 9 (Covenant Council – Celebrations)
	Mission and Ministry (1 hour)
	- The Liturgical Advisory Committee
	- Council for Mission
	- Motion No 10 (Report and Diocesan Response)
	- Motion No 11 (Association of Mission Societies)
	- Motion No 12 (Council for Mission - Membership)
	Motion No 13 (Church Mission Society Ireland)
4:30pm	Council for Mission Small Group Session (to last to 6pm)

THIRD DAY	
10.00am	Reading from Holy Scripture and Prayer
	Formal business and communications
to	Bill Nos 1 to 6: Further stage as ordered on the first day
	Select Committee on Human Sexuality in the Context of Christian Belief (20 minutes)
12.30pm	Motion No 14 (Pride in People and past)
2.00pm	Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)
	Mission and Ministry (1 hour)
	- The Commission on Ministry

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to	<ul style="list-style-type: none">- Motion No 15 (Commission on Ministry – Membership)- Motion No 16 (Self-Supporting Ministry)- The Church of Ireland Marriage Council- Motion No 17 (Church of Ireland Marriage Council – Membership)- Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures- Motion No 18 (Episcopal Training and Review)
4.30pm	Motion No 19 (The Journal) (not more than 5 minutes) At 4.25pm any outstanding items will be put from the Chair without debate.

If business listed for any period is completed before the hour appointed, reports listed for Saturday afternoon will be taken in reverse order, commencing with the Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures.

References in this motion to a “report” shall include any resolutions accompanying such report on the agenda paper.

Reports of Committees and Boards

The following reports were presented:

Representative Church Body (incorporating the reports of the Clergy Pensions Trustee Limited and the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Board)
Standing Committee
Board of Education
Church of Ireland Youth Department
The Covenant Council
Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue
Liturgical Advisory Committee
Church of Ireland Council for Mission
Commission on Ministry
Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures
Church of Ireland Marriage Council
Select Committee on Human Sexuality in the Context of Christian Belief
Priorities News 2014
Incorporated Society: Report and Accounts to 31 July 2013
PACT Financial Statements for the year ended 31 December 2013.

Communication from the Record Committee

The following communication was received from the Record Committee and laid on the table.

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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.

His Honour Judge Derek Rodgers
Chairman

Presentation of Petitions

Speaking on behalf of the Honorary Secretaries, Mrs Ethne Harkness announced that a petition had been received by the Honorary Secretaries more than one week prior to Synod from twenty persons, all of whom have declared that they are members of the Church of Ireland in the Dioceses of Down and Dromore, concerning two sets of disciplinary proceedings that were taken against a member of the clergy pursuant to the provisions of Chapter VIII, Part IV of the Constitution.

The petition was referred to the Petitions Committee in accordance with the provisions of Standing Order 65.

The Assessor informed members of the Synod about the procedure in regard to petitions.

New Rules and Regulations made by Diocesan Synods

The Diocese of Connor presented amended diocesan regulations and the Diocese of Down and Dromore also presented amended diocesan regulations. These were laid on the table.

Communication from Diocesan Synods

The Honorary Secretaries announced that a letter had been received from the United Dioceses of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory announcing the unification of the Synods of Cashel and Ossory and of Ferns. The letter requested that ‘strenuous efforts’ be made in the wider Church of Ireland to describe the United Diocese as ‘Cashel, Ferns and Ossory’.

The letter was laid on the table.

Communication from the House of Bishops

The following communications were received from the House of Bishops.

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Church of Ireland

The House of Bishops

**PROTOCOL FOR TRANSFER
OF CHURCH ARMY EVANGELISTS
TO TRAINING FOR ORDAINED MINISTRY**

The House of Bishops adopted this protocol in 2014. It sets out the process for transfer of Church Army Evangelists to training for ordained ministry within the Church of Ireland.

1. Mindful of the importance of the ministry of evangelist within the Church, and the Church of Ireland's long-established partnership with Church Army, no transfer to training for ordained ministry within the Church of Ireland will be permitted before completion of five full years of service within Church Army.
2. A diocesan bishop ('the sponsoring bishop') who has received enquiry locally about such a transfer will ensure that the name is included on an advance notice of meeting for the House of Bishops and bring the name to the attention of the House of Bishops.
3. The sponsoring bishop shall arrange for the Church Army Evangelist ('enquirer') in question to meet the Director of the CITI to undergo academic assessment.
4. The House of Bishops will determine whether or not the enquirer is to undertake the Foundation Course. In reaching a decision in this matter the House of Bishops shall have at its disposal a written report from the Director of the CITI and the sponsoring bishop. It should be noted that where an enquirer does not undertake and satisfactorily complete the Foundation Course s/he is not eligible to enrol on the M.Th. degree programme.
5. Upon completion of the Foundation Year (if undertaken), if the enquirer wishes to proceed with training for ordination he or she shall undergo psychological assessment by arrangement with the sponsoring bishop.
6. If the sponsoring bishop deems it appropriate, he or she will arrange for the enquirer to attend a Bishops' Selection Conference.
7. The recommendation of the Bishops' Selection Conference will be communicated, as is customary, to the sponsoring bishop, who will then make his or her decision.

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8. The decision will be communicated to the House of Bishops by the sponsoring bishop for noting.
9. Where an enquirer has been recommended for training, the House of Bishops, guided by the sponsoring bishop and Director of the CITI, will determine what course of study is to be undertaken by that enquirer, including in the internship year.
10. The enquirer will, at the appropriate stages, be required to undergo the Garda vetting or AccessNI vetting process (as appropriate), and to undertake the Safeguarding Trust training programme.
11. Further psychological assessment is required before a decision is taken to ordain the enquirer.
12. Following ordination, the deacon will serve in an internship in accordance with the current practice of deploying interns.
13. Upon completion of internship, where the deacon has both successfully completed the course of training, and where a decision has been taken to ordain the deacon to the priesthood, the candidate priest will enter the curacy discernment and allocation process.
14. The sponsoring bishop has no obligation to provide a curacy.
15. A Church Army Evangelist who has trained and transferred to ordained ministry is not permitted to become an incumbent or vicar within two years of his or her first appointment, but may, if so permitted, become a bishop's curate after the completion of one year.

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April, 2014

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Church of Ireland

The House of Bishops

**PROTOCOL FOR GRANTING
PERMISSION TO OFFICIATE TO
CERTAIN PRIESTS
WHO WERE ORDAINED IN THE
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH OR EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCHES
AND WHO ARE NOW
MEMBERS OF THE CHURCH OF IRELAND**

Introduction

Permission to Officiate, or a Licence, from a Diocesan Bishop (“the bishop”) is required for any form of public ministry as an ordained person.

This protocol sets out the circumstances in which Permission to Officiate may, on an occasional basis, be given to priests of the Roman Catholic Church or Eastern Orthodox Churches (the enquirer), who no longer exercise ministry in either of those Churches and have become well-established members of the Church of Ireland.

Such people may have, at this stage, no desire to have a ‘full’ ministry within the Church of Ireland. This protocol addresses to what extent, and in what circumstances, the reality of their priesthood might be acknowledged, particularly in the places where they live and worship.

Such priests may have passed an age where the prospect of a full and active ministry is, in reality, unlikely. It may be that such priests are well-established in other occupations and would not aspire to extend their ministry beyond the local context in which they have become well known.

This protocol:

- offers such priests an opportunity to exercise an occasional and local ministry as appropriate, under the immediate direction of the local incumbent or the archdeacon of the diocese, with the Permission to Officiate granted by the bishop
- enables them to be visibly the priests their peers and fellow parishioners know them to be, and
- recognises the fact that many such people, although long out of public ministry, have continued disciplines of prayer and devotion that are proper to their vocation.

Stage 1: Preliminaries and Enquiry

- 1.1 The enquirer should be resident in the Diocese and an established and practising member of the Church of Ireland for a period of 3 years.
- 1.2 The fact of the priestly ministry of the enquirer, formerly in the Roman Catholic Church or Eastern Orthodox Church, shall have been known and acknowledged locally.
- 1.3 The enquirer should supply a full CV to the bishop.

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- 1.4 The enquirer should not be in a position to consider formal transfer to the ordained ministry of the Church of Ireland (in accordance with HoB Protocol 2013/002).
- 1.5 The enquirer should not previously have been formally turned down for transfer to the ordained ministry of the Church of Ireland (in accordance with HoB Protocol 2013/002).
- 1.6 The enquirer shall be in good standing in his local parish and within the diocese.
- 1.7 The enquirer shall make application to the bishop on the form provided.
- 1.8 The applicant should supply the names of at least 3 referees.
 - 1.8.1 One of these should if at all possible be senior clergy or bishops of the church to which the priest previously belonged.
 - 1.8.2 One should be a priest of the Church of Ireland – usually the enquirer’s rector – who has come to know the applicant well.
 - 1.8.3 Two should be from lay members of the Church of Ireland who know the applicant well.

Stage 2: Assessment by the Bishop

- 2.1 The bishop will seek written references from each referee and may wish, with the applicant’s consent, to follow them up as appropriate.
- 2.2 The bishop (with, as necessary, others appointed by him or her) will carry out in-depth interviews concerning:
 - Doctrine and spirituality, with a view to ascertaining that the enquirer has come to a true spiritual home in the Church of Ireland;
 - Attitude to authority and discipline;
 - The Book of Common Prayer and Ordinal, and the contents of the latter relating especially to Holy Scripture;
 - Familiarity with the Church of Ireland, and of wider Anglicanism; and
 - Overall approach to ministering in the Church of Ireland.
- 2.3 Formal evidence shall be sought of the date and place of the enquirer’s ordination to the priesthood.
- 2.4 The bishop shall establish that, prior to leaving the former church, that the enquirer was, at all times in good standing in that church.

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- 2.5 Prior to the granting of Permission to Officiate the enquirer be required to undergo the Garda vetting or AccessNI vetting process (as appropriate), and to undertake the Safeguarding Trust training programme.
- 2.6 The enquirer shall be required to undertake such additional training locally as the bishop may deem necessary.

Stage 3: Permission to Officiate

- 3.1 Permission to Officiate shall be granted by the Bishop in the manner set out in House of Bishops Protocol 2014/003. Legally, Permission to Officiate is held at the Bishop's pleasure and may be withdrawn at any time.
- 3.2 The bishop should not give Permission to Officiate when s/he discerns that the enquirer should in fact be directed to preparing for a fuller and wider ministry within the Church of Ireland.
- 3.3 The bishop should make clear the limitations that surround the giving of permission to officiate including in terms of wider diocesan involvement, stressing that any desire to enter a fuller licensed ministry, should the enquirer's circumstances change, would involve following the adherence to the procedures in HoB Protocol 2013/002.

Stage 4: Recording, Notification and Limitations

- 4.1 The priest to be granted Permission to Officiate shall, in the presence of the bishop and two other witnesses make and subscribe the Declarations, the fact of which shall be recorded in the Diocesan Registry.
- 4.2 There shall be no public ceremony or liturgy marking the granting of Permission to Officiate.
- 4.3 The Permission to Officiate shall be recorded in the Diocesan Registry.
- 4.5 A priest to whom such Permission to Officiate has been granted is not eligible to be licensed.

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These communications were laid on the table.

Report of the Bills Committee

The report of the Bills Committee (below) was read by Mr Sam Harper and laid on the table along with a copy of the Bills pamphlet.

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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 5pm on Tuesday 8 April 2014.

PRESENT

The Rt Rev Dr Paul Colton (Chair)
Canon Lady Sheil
The Hon Mrs Justice Catherine McGuinness
Mr Lyndon MacCann SC
The Rt Rev Harold Miller (seconded of Bill No 6)
The Rt Rev Michael Burrows (proposer of Bills Nos 4 and 5
and seconded of Bill No 1)

IN ATTENDANCE

Mrs Janet Maxwell
Mr Garrett Casey

BILLS

The Committee considered the legal and drafting aspects of Bills numbered 1, 2, 3, 4, 5 and 6 in the attached Bills pamphlet.

The Committee had no comment to make on Bills numbered 1, 2, 3 and 5 inclusive.

The Committee makes the following comments on Bill number 4:

In Clause 2 of Bill No 4, the Committee advises that for the avoidance of confusion with the term ‘qualified person’ as defined elsewhere in the Chapter, an amendment be introduced to add the words ‘of the unrepresented gender’ in the proposed new section 5 (1) (b), after the words ‘the qualified person’.

In Clause 6 of Bill No 4, the Committee advises that for the same reason as above, in the proposed new section 9, an amendment be introduced to add the words ‘of the unrepresented gender’ after the words ‘the qualified person’.

The Committee had the following comment to make on Bill number 6:

While the Committee makes no comment on the legal and drafting aspects of Bill No. 6, it draws attention to the fact that if Bill No. 1 is enacted it would be advisable, in due course, to amend Bill Number 6 and other recently enacted legislation which provide for the appointment of ecumenical canons in St Patrick’s Cathedral, Dublin and St Patrick’s Cathedral, Armagh, that is to say the statutes – chapter 6 [2011], c. 7 [2009] and c. 5 [2007].

CHAIRMAN +Paul Cork

DATE 8th May, 2014

Chair

The Bishop of Cork took the Chair.

Bills Procedure

The Bishop of Cork gave a brief introduction to the Bills procedure at General Synod explaining what can be raised and discussed at each stage.

Bill (No 1) to provide for Inter-changeability of Ministry between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland

It was proposed by the Very Rev Nigel Dunne and seconded by the Bishop of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory and passed by the required two-thirds majority:

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.

Saturday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 2) to Amend Chapter II of 2012

It was proposed by the Bishop of Tuam, Killala and Achonry and seconded by Mrs Ethne Harkness and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 2.

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.

Saturday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

**Bill (No 3) to provide for the future management and regulation of St Mary's Cathedral
Tuam, in the United Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry**

It was proposed by the Very Rev Alistair Grimason and seconded by the Ven Gary Hastings 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 Schedule was passed.

The Bill was reported.

The House resumed.

Saturday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 4) to amend Chapter IV of the Constitution

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory and seconded by the Venerable Andrew Orr and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 4.

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory and seconded by the Venerable Andrew Orr:

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

The Motion was defeated.

VOTING:	Ayes:	143
	Noes:	157

Bill (No 5) to amend Chapter III of the Constitution

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory and seconded by Mr Samuel Harper 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.

Saturday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 6) to amend the provisions relating to the regulation and management of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Downpatrick

It was proposed by the Very Rev Henry Hull and seconded by the Bishop of Down and Dromore 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.

The Clauses were passed.

The First Schedule was passed.

The Second Schedule was passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

The House resumed.

Saturday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Chair

The Primate resumed the Chair.

Adjournment

The House adjourned at 12.25pm and resumed at 2.00pm.

Request for Information

On behalf of the Honorary Secretaries, Mr Samuel Harper said that a request for information had been received from Mr Tom Stevenson (Connor) under Standing Order 51.

The request for information was:

What is the comparative cost of holding General Synod in Armagh City Hotel and Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin?

Mr Harper announced that the information requested would be given to the Synod after lunch on the second day of the Synod.

Standing Orders

The Chairman asked the Synod if it would agree to the suspension of Standing Orders to allow Ms Lydia Monds to deliver a presentation on the work of Bishops' Appeal.

The Synod agreed.

Presentation by Ms Lydia Monds on the work of Bishops' Appeal.

Ms Lydia Monds delivered a presentation to the General Synod on the work of Bishops' Appeal.

Standing Orders were resumed.

Chair

The Archbishop of Dublin assumed the Chair.

Standing Committee

It was proposed by Mr Glenn Moore (Clogher), seconded by the Rev Gillian Wharton (Dublin) and passed:

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

Alcohol and Taxation

It was proposed by Mr David Wilson (Derry), seconded by the Rev David McBeth (Derry) and passed:

That this General Synod expresses grave concern about the ongoing high levels of alcohol related health and social damage in both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, and calls on the governments of both jurisdictions to introduce:

- i) An extra £0.30/€0.35 per unit tax on all off licence sales and transactions, which would be used as further funding for the health services for alcohol-related disease and preventative measures.
- ii) Greater powers to be given to Customs & Excise, Police and the judiciary for dealing with those who import or distribute alcohol illegally.

Flesh and Blood Campaign

It was proposed by the Rev Adrian Dorrian (Connor) and seconded by the Rev Canon Shane Forster (Armagh) and passed:

Whereas the ‘Flesh and Blood’ (*fab*) campaign has been founded as a partnership between Kore and NHS Blood and Transplant, and aims to raise the profile of blood and organ donation within the church and encourage such donation as a personal gift as well as equipping individuals and churches as advocates for donation, the Synod resolves that:

1. The Church of Ireland shall become an Associate of *fab*, which will include advocacy for donation, distribution of information and the provision of resources where available.
2. The Church and Society Commission shall encourage the principles behind *fab* to be promoted on an all-Ireland basis.

3. The Synod requests that the Archbishops explore opportunities to encourage uptake of *fab* within and between other Christian traditions in Ireland.

Chair

The Bishop of Connor took the Chair.

Report of the Board of Education

It was proposed by the Rev Canon Bryan Kerr (Clogher) and seconded by the Bishop of Tuam, Killala and Achonry and passed:

That the report of the Board of Education be received.

Controlled Schools in Northern Ireland

It was proposed by the Bishop of Derry and Raphoe and seconded by Dr Kenneth Dunn (Connor) and passed:

The General Synod notes with deep concern the continued disadvantaged position of Controlled Schools throughout Northern Ireland due to a lack of a dedicated advocacy and support body and calls upon the Minister of Education to take steps to resolve this injustice and ensure equality of treatment for all schools.

Religious Education in the Republic of Ireland

It was proposed by Dr Anne Lodge (Dublin) and seconded by the Ven Adrian Wilkinson (Cork, Cloyne and Ross) and passed:

That the General Synod affirms the importance of Religious Education in primary schools under Church of Ireland Patronage and calls on the Board of Education RI to ensure that high quality standards are maintained in the delivery of the *Follow Me* Religious Education Curriculum.

Church of Ireland College of Education

It was proposed by Mr Adrian Oughton (Meath) and seconded by the Bishop of Clogher and passed:

That General Synod encourages the Board of Governors of CICE to ensure that in ongoing discussions regarding any reconfiguration of the college, the religious ethos and values of the Church of Ireland as outlined in the resolution adopted by the General Synod in 2013, are promoted and legally safeguarded.

Chair

The Archbishop of Armagh took the Chair.

Church of Ireland Youth Department

It was proposed by the Rev Paul Whittaker (Derry) and seconded by Mr Damien Shorten (Limerick) and passed:

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

Chair

The Bishop of Derry and Raphoe took the Chair.

Report of the Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures

It was proposed by Mrs Ethne Harkness (Armagh) and seconded by the Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe and passed:

That the report of the Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures be received.

Episcopal Training and Review

It was proposed by Mrs Ethne Harkness (Armagh) and seconded by the Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe and passed:

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That the General Synod respectfully requests that the House of Bishops progress work towards the introduction of arrangements for a systematic programme of induction and in-post training, development and ministerial review for the Archbishops and Bishops.

Adjournment

The Benediction was pronounced and the Synod adjourned until Friday 9 May 2014.

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SECOND DAY’S PROCEEDINGS

FRIDAY 9 MAY 2014

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 Most Rev Patricia Storey, Bishop of Meath and Kildare.

Communication from the Representative Church Body

The following communication was received from the Representative Church Body:

9 May 2014

TO THE HONORARY SECRETARIES OF THE GENERAL SYNOD

CO-OPTED MEMBERS

I wish to advise you that at its meeting on 9 May 2014 the Representative Church Body elected the following as co-opted members:

Rev Andrew Forster
Mr Samuel Harper
Mr Tim McCormick
Mr William Oliver.

ADRIAN CLEMENTS
Chief Officer and Secretary

Chair

The Bishop of Down and Dromore assumed the Chair.

Report of the Representative Church Body

It was proposed by Mr Robert Neill (Glendalough), seconded by the Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe and passed:

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That the Report of the Representative Church Body, incorporating the report of the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Trustee Limited, be taken into consideration.

It was proposed by Mr Robert Neill, seconded by the Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe and passed:

That the General Synod hereby authorises the Representative Body to make the following allocations from General Funds in 2014:

Group A – Maintenance of the Stipendiary Ministry	€ 1,224,608
Group B – Pension Related Costs	197,693
Group C – Training of Ordinands	1,383,963
Group D – General Synod Activities	945,354
Group E – Miscellaneous	5,500

	3,757,118

It was proposed by Mr Robert Neill, seconded by the Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe and passed:

That the Report of the Representative Church Body, incorporating the report of the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Trustee Limited, be adopted subject to the resolutions already passed relating thereto.

Chair

The Bishop of Meath and Kildare assumed the Chair.

Church of Ireland Marriage Council

It was proposed by the Very Rev Arthur Barrett (Clogher) and seconded by Mr Andrew McNeile (Dublin) and passed:

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

It was proposed by the Very Rev Arthur Barrett (Clogher) and seconded by Mr Andrew McNeile (Dublin) and passed:

That the following be appointed members of the Marriage Council for the next two years from 1 June 2014.

A bishop to be appointed by the House of Bishops

Rev John Ardis
Very Rev Arthur Barrett
Mrs Sarah Bevan
Rev Stephen Farrell
Mrs Lynn Heber

Rev Canon Lynda Peilow
Rev David Somerville
Mrs Deirdre Whitley
Ms Ros Willoughby
A representative from the Mothers' Union.

Commission on Ministry

It was proposed by the Ven Leslie Stevenson (Meath) and seconded by Ven George Davison (Elphin) and passed:

That the report of the Commission on Ministry be received.

It was proposed by the Ven Leslie Stevenson (Meath) and seconded by the Very Rev Katharine Poulton (Cashel, Ferns and Ossory) and passed:

That the General Synod elects the following as a clerical General Synod representative on the Commission on Ministry for the remainder of the triennium:

Rev Anne Skuse.

It was proposed by the Very Rev Katharine Poulton (Cashel, Ferns and Ossory) and seconded by the Bishop of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh and passed:

That the General Synod encourages the Commission on Ministry, in consultation with the House of Bishops and the CITI, to continue the process of identifying means by which a diocesan based and locally effective self-supporting ministry might be developed as a distinctive vocation.

Adjournment

The House adjourned at 12.25pm and resumed at 2.00pm. Upon the resumption of the Synod, the Archbishop of Armagh took the Chair.

Answer to Request for information

In response to the request for information of Mr Tom Stevenson (Connor), Mr Samuel Harper read the following on behalf of the Honorary Secretaries:

The total cost of the General Synod 2013, which took place in Armagh was approximately €35,000. It is anticipated that the General Synod this year will cost in the region of €33,000.

Motion

The Primate announced that a motion had been received under Standing Order 31 (d) on the Synod venue proposed by Mrs Joan Bruton and signed by five others as required under the Standing Order (the Rev Jane Galbraith (Limerick), the Rev Canon Paul Willoughby (Cork, Cloyne and Ross), Mr Denzil Auchmuty (Tuam), Mrs Avril Forrest (Ferns) and Mr James Clarke (Limerick and Killaloe). The motion was distributed to General Synod members and read to the Synod by Mr Samuel Harper. The Primate proposed to put the motion to the Synod immediately.

Synod Venue

It was proposed by Mrs Joan Bruton (Meath) and seconded by Mr James Clarke (Limerick and Killaloe) and passed:

Whilst acknowledging with thanks the assistance of the Dean, Chapter and Staff of Christ Church Cathedral, the Synod supports the proposal that the General Synod should be located in the City of Armagh subject to contractual agreement until another venue with similar facilities is available at a reasonable cost.

Report of the Petitions Committee

Mrs Ethne Harkness presented the report of the Petitions Committee on the petition presented to the General Synod on 8 May 2014.

Petitions Committee

Christ Church Cathedral, 9 May 2014 at 1245pm

Present: Canon Graham Richards
Mrs Ethne Harkness (Chairman)
Ven George Davison
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Rev Gillian Wharton

In Attendance: Mrs Janet Maxwell
Mr Garrett Casey

Mr Sam Harper and the Rev Canon Simon Doogan recused themselves from the meeting.

The Committee examined the petition presented to the General Synod on 8 May 2014 concerning two sets of disciplinary proceedings against a member of the clergy under Chapter VIII, Part IV of the Constitution.

The Committee has determined that the Petition is in accordance with Standing Order 65.

Signed: Ethne E Harkness
Chairman, Petition Committee

Petition

Mrs Harkness then made the following statement on behalf of the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod:

The petition in the present case has been presented by members of the Church of Ireland as follows: the chief petitioner is Mr William J King and additional petitioners are

Sandra Palmer	James Palmer	Iris Bell
Samuel Palmer	Jill Palmer	Jeffery Smith
Carolyn Cully	John McKinley	Zoe Adair
Kyle Cully	W Bell	J Emberton
H McNamara	Jane Smith	Hayley Adair
Heather Adair	Christie Allen	Sally Allen
Leonard Allen		

The petition relates to two sets of disciplinary proceedings taken in 2009 and 2012/2013 against the Revd John James Hemphill, Rector of the grouped parishes of Ballyhalbert and Ardkeen.

In broad terms, the petitioners contend that there was a failure to comply with the letter and/or the spirit of the provisions of Chapter VIII of the Constitution relating to disciplinary proceedings and further contend that on both occasions Mr Hemphill was suspended from office and disciplinary proceedings were brought without first attempting to have the matter resolved by way of pastoral resolution or mediation under Section 19 of Part IV, Chapter VIII.

The 2009 disciplinary proceedings resulted in a consent order being made with the agreement of Mr Hemphill. There was no appeal against that order. The matter is reported in the 2011 Journal of the General Synod. Having made inquiry, it is our understanding that the 2012/2013 disciplinary proceedings concluded in the Disciplinary Tribunal handing down an order temporarily depriving Mr Hemphill of his office for a period of 12 months (among other provisions). We understand that the order of temporary deprivation is due to expire in October this year. No appeal has been lodged. The matter will be reported in the next Journal of the General Synod.

The prayer for relief in the petition is that the General Synod should consider the implications of the petition and whether or not there has been a breach of the letter and the spirit of Part IV of Chapter VIII of the Constitution in relation to the disciplinary proceedings that were taken against Revd Mr Hemphill and if they determine that there has been such a breach that Revd Mr Hemphill be reinstated as Rector of his two parishes and that all other aspects of the Complaints against him be erased.

The petition will now be laid on the table where it will be available for inspection by members of Synod.

The Assessor explained to Synod yesterday that the presentation of a petition does not of itself result in any action being taken by Synod.

The petition and the report of the Petitions Committee were laid on the table.

Chair

The Bishop of Tuam, Killala and Achonry assumed the Chair.

Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue

It was proposed by the Bishop of Clogher and seconded by the Rev Canon Ian Ellis (Dromore) and passed:

That the report of the Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue be received.

It was proposed by the Bishop of Clogher and seconded by the Rev Canon Ian Ellis (Dromore) and passed:

That the following be appointed members of the Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue.

The Archbishops and Bishops
Rev Ása Björk Ólafsdóttir
Rev Canon Patrick Comerford
Rev Canon David Crooks
Ms Georgina Coptý
Rev Canon Dr Ian Ellis
Mr Samuel Harper
Rev Darren McCallig
Mrs Roberta McKelvey
Mr Philip McKinley
Dr Kenneth Milne
Mr Trevor Morrow
Rev Daniel Nuzum
Rev Niall Sloane
Ven Helene Tarneberg Steed
Ms Catherine Turner.

Covenant Council

It was proposed by the Rev Dr Maurice Elliott (Dromore) and seconded by the Very Rev Nigel Dunne (Cork) and passed:

That the report of the Covenant Council be received.

It was proposed by the Rev Dr Maurice Elliott and seconded by the Very Rev Nigel Dunne and passed:

That the following be elected as Church of Ireland representatives on the Covenant Council for the coming year:

The Rt Rev Alan Abernethy, Bishop of Connor (Co-Chair)
Ms Elva Byrne
Very Rev Nigel Dunne
Rev Dr Maurice Elliott
Rev Barry Forde
Mr Harold Giboney
Rev Ginnie Kennerley
Rev Dr Peter Thompson.

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It was proposed by the Rev Dr Maurice Elliott and seconded by the Very Rev Nigel Dunne and passed:

That General Synod continues to encourage congregations to celebrate the Covenant relationship with neighbouring Methodist congregations on or around John Wesley Day, 24th May each year.

Chair

The Bishop of Clogher assumed the Chair.

Liturgical Advisory Committee

It was proposed by the Rev Adrian Dorrian (Connor) and seconded by the Ven Richard Rountree (Glendalough) and passed:

That the report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee be received.

Chair

The Bishop of Kilmore, Elphin and Ardagh assumed the Chair.

Council for Mission

It was proposed by the Rev Adam Pullen (Tuam) and seconded by the Rev Eileen Cremin (Cork) and passed:

That the report of the Council for Mission be received.

It was proposed by the Rev Adam Pullen (Tuam) and seconded by the Rev Eileen Cremin (Cork) and passed:

That this Synod receives the report of the 2014 Mission Conference and affirms its effort to “articulate the mission of the Church of Ireland in a way that can be embraced and supported by all”. Furthermore, it calls on each diocese and body of the Church to note its key findings and to enact an appropriate response.

It was proposed by the Rev Adam Pullen (Tuam) and seconded by the Rev Eileen Cremin (Cork) and passed:

That the General Synod affirms the work of all those agencies advancing Mission at global and local level and especially commends to the prayers and support of the Church those agencies that work together as *The Association of Mission Societies (AMS)*.

It was proposed by the Rev Adam Pullen (Tuam) and seconded by the Rev Eileen Cremin (Cork) and passed:

That the following be elected by General Synod to the Church of Ireland Council for Mission for the forthcoming triennial period:

Ms Johanne Martin
Rev Jake Worley
Rev Cliff Jeffers
Ms Julie Currie
Rev Simon Genoe
Capt. Colin Taylor.

Church Mission Society Ireland

It was proposed by the Bishop of Connor, seconded by the Bishop of Tuam, Killala and Achonry and passed:

That, the Synod recognises the work of mission to be a call to the whole people of God at all levels of His Church and recognises the contribution that the Church Mission Society Ireland has made to that mission since its formation in 1814 as the Hibernian Church Missionary Society, through the sending of mission personnel, the resourcing of the Church in Ireland and through prayer and solidarity with Christians across the world.

We rejoice with the Church Mission Society Ireland in its bicentenary and welcome the special celebration events, those which have taken place and those being planned, including the Changing Times Conference and Celebration in Armagh from 15th – 16th May.

We recognise the ongoing influence that relationships forged through the Church Mission Society Ireland continue to have on the Church of Ireland, and commend the society's work to the wider Church.

Adjournment

The Synod adjourned the formal session at 4:40pm to allow informal small group sessions in St Audeon's Church, St Werburgh's Church and Christ Church Cathedral to discuss questions posed by the Council for Mission. The full house resumed in the Synod Hall at 10am on Saturday 10 May.

Journal – Third Day (Saturday 10 May 2014)

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

SATURDAY 10 MAY 2014

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 Most Rev Patricia Storey, Bishop of Meath and Kildare.

Ecumenical Guest

At the invitation of the Primate, the Rev Dr Heinz Lederleitner of the Old Catholic Churches addressed the Synod.

Chair

The Bishop of Cork assumed the Chair.

Bill (No 1) to provide for Inter-changeability of Ministry between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland

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 Nigel Dunne (Cork), seconded by the Bishop of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory and passed by the House of Representatives by the required two-thirds majority:

That Bill No 1 to provide for Inter-changeability of Ministry between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland be read a third time and passed.

The House of Bishops chose to vote publicly and supported the Bill unanimously.

Primate

With the leave of the Synod, the Primate addressed the Synod.

Journal – Third Day (Saturday 10 May 2014)

Ecumenical Guest

With the leave of the Synod, the President of the Methodist Church in Ireland, the Rev Dr Heather Morris addressed the Synod.

Bill (No 2) to Amend Chapter II of 2012

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

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Bishop of Tuam, Killala and Achonry and seconded by Mrs Ethne Harkness and passed:

That Bill No 2 to amend Chapter II of 2012 be read a third time and passed.

Bill (No 3) to provide for the future management and regulation of St Mary's Cathedral Tuam, in the United Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry

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

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Very Rev Alistair Grimason (Tuam) and seconded by the Ven Alan Synnott (Tuam) and passed:

That Bill No 3 to provide for the future management and regulation of St Mary's Cathedral, Tuam be read a third time and passed.

Bill (No 5) to amend Chapter III 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 the Bishop of Cashel, Ferns and Ossory and seconded by Mr Samuel Harper and passed:

That Bill No 5 to amend Chapter III of the Constitution be read a third time and passed.

Bill (No 6) to amend the provisions relating to the regulation and management of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Downpatrick

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

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

The Very Rev Henry Hull proposed the following amendment:

That in clause 2 of Bill Number 6, the Roman numeral VI be replaced with V.

The amendment was passed.

It was proposed by the Very Rev Henry Hull, seconded by the Bishop of Down and Dromore and passed:

That Bill No 6 to amend the provisions relating to the regulation and management of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Downpatrick as amended be read a third time and passed.

Chair

The Primate resumed the Chair.

Human Sexuality in the Context of Christian Belief

It was proposed by the Very Rev John Mann (Connor) and seconded by Mrs Helen McClellanaghan (Armagh) and passed:

That the report of the Select Committee on Human Sexuality in the Context of Christian Belief be received.

Pride in People and Past

It was proposed by Dr Alan Acheson (Connor) and seconded by Dr Michael Webb (Dublin) and passed:

This house appeals to the Church to take pride in her people and in her past.

Journal – Third Day (Saturday 10 May 2014)

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

Mr Samuel Harper informed the Synod of the attendance of members on behalf of the Honorary Secretaries.

	Clerical	Lay	Total
Thursday 8 May 2014	160	267	427
Friday 9 May 2014	146	247	393
Saturday 10 May 2014	112	186	298

The Benediction was pronounced and the session terminated at 12:30pm.

PROTOCOLS LAID ON THE TABLE OF GENERAL SYNOD IN 2013

HoB Protocol 001/2013

Church of Ireland The House of Bishops

PROTOCOL FOR TRANSFER OF CLERGY SERVING IN THE NON-STIPENDIARY MINISTRY TO THE STIPENDIARY MINISTRY

This protocol was revised by the House of Bishops in April 2002 and in April 2013. It sets out the process for transfer from non-stipendiary ministry to stipendiary ministry within the Church of Ireland.

The following is the protocol for transfer to the stipendiary ministry:

1. Other than in exceptional circumstances (as determined by the House of Bishops) no transfer will be permitted before completion of five full years of service within the non-stipendiary ministry.
2. A diocesan bishop (‘the sponsoring bishop’) who has received enquiry locally about such a transfer will see that the name is included on an advance notice of meeting for the House of Bishops and bring the name to the attention of the House of Bishops.
3. The House of Bishops will appoint two of their number to interview the enquirer.
4. The non-stipendiary minister in question will provide to the two interviewing bishops a C.V. and two statements, one outlining their experience in ministry to date; and another setting out reasons for desire to transfer to stipendiary ministry.
5. The two bishops will meet the enquirer in person at a mutually agreed time and venue.
6. The recommendation from the two bishops will be communicated to the House of Bishops.
7. The House of Bishops will make its determination.
8. A non-stipendiary minister approved for transfer to the stipendiary ministry will be required to undertake at least two terms further training in the CITI or equivalent.
9. A consultation between the diocesan bishop, the transferring minister and the Director of the CITI will take place to see which areas, in particular, are to be covered in the further training.
10. The transferring priest will, at the appropriate stages, be required to undergo the Garda vetting or AccessNI vetting process (as appropriate), and to undertake the Safeguarding Trust training programme.
11. Upon completion of training, the transferring priest may, in the first instance, be offered an appropriate curacy by the sponsoring bishop.
12. Where no such curacy is available, or when, following consideration of the

sponsoring bishop's offer and by mutual agreement, the transferring priest turns down the offer of the curacy initially offered, he or she is free either (i) to seek a position in another diocese in Ireland; or (ii) to opt to be included on the subsequent curacy allocation list.

13. The sponsoring bishop has no obligation to provide a curacy.

14. A non-stipendiary minister who has transferred to stipendiary ministry is not permitted to become an incumbent or vicar within two years of his or her first appointment, but may, if so permitted, become a bishop's curate after the of one year.

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HoB Protocol 002/2013

**Church of Ireland
The House of Bishops**

**PROTOCOL FOR RECEIVING PRIESTS
WHO HAVE BEEN ORDAINED IN EITHER THE
ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH
OR THE
EASTERN ORTHODOX CHURCHES**

Introduction

This protocol sets out the process for receiving into the ministry of the Church of Ireland, priests who have been ordained in either the Roman Catholic Church or the Eastern Orthodox Churches.

The process involves four stages: (1) assessment by the diocesan bishop; (2) the House of Bishops; (3) Training; and (4) Licensing.

The process may vary, depending, for example, on the following:

- whether the applicant has recently been in active ministry in the Roman Catholic/Eastern Orthodox Churches, or
- whether he has, for a significant period, been worshipping in the Church of Ireland, and active in a parish.

It is important, and will be required, that applicants have a real sense of the parochial reality and worshipping life of the Church of Ireland before they are permitted to proceed.

Applicants who are still 'active' in ministry of the other church (Roman Catholic or Eastern Orthodox) are required to ensure, not least for the sake of ecumenical courtesy, that they deal fully and transparently with their own ecclesiastical

authorities. Proceeding with undue haste from the ministry of one church to another is not permitted.

Stage 1: Assessment by the diocesan bishop

At local level, the process may vary from diocese to diocese. It will, however, include the following:

- 1.1 In the first instance, an enquirer or applicant should make contact directly or indirectly with the bishop of the diocese in which he resides.
- 1.2 The applicant should supply a full C.V.
- 1.3 The applicant should supply the names of at least four referees:
 - 1.3.1.1 Two of these should, if at all possible, be senior clergy or bishops of the church to which the priest currently belongs (Roman Catholic or Orthodox).
 - 1.3.2 One should be a layperson who has observed the ministry of the applicant in his former situation.
 - 1.3.3 One should be a priest of the Church of Ireland – usually the enquirer’s rector – who has come to know the applicant well.
 - 1.3.3 It may also be appropriate to seek references from lay member(s) of the Church of Ireland who know the applicant.
- 1.4 The applicant will complete an application form, and also provide a written summary of his reasons for seeking to minister in the Church of Ireland.
- 1.5 The bishop will seek written references from each referee and may wish, with the applicant’s consent, to follow them up as appropriate.
- 1.6 The bishop (with, as necessary, others appointed by him or her) will carry out in-depth interviews concerning:
 - 1.6.1 Doctrine and spirituality;
 - 1.6.2 Attitude to authority and discipline which may include issues touching personal relationships (for example, if the applicant intends to marry in the context of leaving their former ministry);
 - 1.6.3 The Book of Common Prayer and Ordinal, and the contents of the latter relating especially to Holy Scripture;

- 1.6.4 Familiarity with the Church of Ireland, and of wider Anglicanism; and
- 1.6.5 Overall motivation for seeking to minister in the Church of Ireland.
- 1.7 The applicant will be required to undertake a psychological assessment with such a professional, as the bishop shall designate. It is especially important that the bishop is assured, if necessary through professional psychological guidance, that the applicant has the necessary quality of adaptability to work fruitfully in the context of a different ecclesiastical culture and discipline.
- 1.8 The bishop may determine whether further advice is necessary, such as medical or academic assessment.
- 1.9 If the bishop decides to proceed further, s/he should then refer the application to the House of Bishops with written and verbal reports and a recommendation, together with the completed application papers from the applicant.
- 1.10 At the appropriate stages an applicant is required to undergo the Garda vetting or AccessNI vetting process (as appropriate), and also to undertake the Safeguarding Trust (Church of Ireland Child Protection) training programme.

Stage 2: The House of Bishops

- 2.1 If the House of Bishops decides, in principle, to support an application, then it will appoint two bishops, other than the applicant's diocesan bishop, and one other person – often the Director of the Theological Institute – to serve as an assessment panel.
- 2.2 The panel may meet the applicant as a single group, or the non-episcopal member may interview him alone. An experienced layperson may be added to the panel.
 - 2.3.1 The panel will be supplied with all documentation in the possession of the diocesan bishop and the House of Bishops concerning the application.
 - 2.3.2 The assessment panel will interview the candidate.
 - 2.3.3 The assessment panel may request further professional assessment.
 - 2.3.4 The outcome of the psychological assessment previously undertaken shall be available to the panel or, alternatively, a further psychological assessment may be requested.

2.3.5 The assessment panel will make a written report to the House of Bishops and, if this is positive, it should include recommendations as to training requirements.

Stage 3: Training

3.1 The content of the training will be agreed between the applicant's bishop and the Director of the Theological Institute in the light of the recommendation in (2.3.5) above, and in the form of an individual Study Agreement.

3.2 Training should usually last a residential academic year, or its equivalent in nonresidential/modular terms.

3.3 The necessary parish placement during training should be non-ministerial it should not involve the formal leading of any liturgy or the wearing of priestly liturgical attire. (It is not yet time for the applicant again to exercise their priesthood yet they cannot be perceived as any kind of 'student reader'). That said, it is important that there be adequate training during this period in the liturgy and worship of the Church of Ireland. The placement should offer opportunities to attend a rich variety of parochial worship, to accompany an incumbent in his/her duties and to sit in on as many aspects of parish life as possible. The applicant may, of course, read the Scriptures in church, lead the intercessions of the people or assist with the distribution of Holy Communion; these being things which any faithful member of a congregation lay or ordained may do with appropriate permission.

3.4 However, particularly if the applicant has only recently ceased to minister in his own church (Roman Catholic or Eastern Orthodox), the period of training should be regarded as creating a definite break between the exercise of priestly ministry in one context and its resumption in another. Such a break is of very considerable psychological and spiritual importance. The House of Bishops may also recommend that the period of training be accompanied by one-to-one mentoring with a person of appropriate experience, such as a retired bishop.

Stage 4: Licensing

4.1 The licensing ceremony should be public, possibly in either the diocesan cathedral or the parish to which the priest is going to serve as curate-assistant, whether in a stipendiary capacity or otherwise.

4.2 It is important as it marks the actual moment of entry into the ministry of the Church of Ireland.

4.3 The bishop will wish to order this liturgy to suit the context, but it should certainly involve a Ministry of the Word, Presentation by the archdeacon and other chosen sponsors, affirmation by the people, the reading of the Declarations in the Ordinal – that is the Bishop's Charge as normally used with candidate priests and the Examination. There must be no laying on of hands

and any prayers concerning the priest's continuing ministry within the Church of Ireland should be on the lines of those used in praying for a new ministry at an Institution.

4.4 Following licensing, the priest should – if serving in a full-time stipendiary capacity – serve as a curate-assistant for at least two years. If the ministry is other than full-time, the diocesan bishop should ensure there is an equivalent and adequate period of supervised ministry under a training incumbent before the priest is considered for institution to an incumbency or an equivalent area of personal responsibility.

4.5 Upon completion of training, the transferring priest may, in the first instance, be offered an appropriate curacy by his own diocesan bishop. The diocesan bishop has no obligation to provide such a curacy.

Where no such curacy is available, or when, following consideration of the diocesan bishop's offer and by mutual agreement, the transferring priest turns down the offer of the curacy initially offered, he or she is free either to seek a position in another diocese in the Church of Ireland. The House of Bishops retains oversight of whether either of these options is the most prudent course of action, or whether the priest concerned should seek a curacy in the same manner as any candidate priest seeking a title in the Church of Ireland.

Conclusion

This protocol presupposes that the applicant wishes to become a licensed and fully active priest of the Church of Ireland, entering upon a long-term ministry within exactly the same parameters as those training for ordination in the Church of Ireland itself.

**The House of Bishops of the Church of Ireland
April, 2013**

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The House of Bishops**

**PROTOCOL FOR RECEIVING MINISTERS OF
OTHER CHRISTIAN CHURCHES WHO HAVE NOT BEEN
EPISCOPALLY ORDAINED**

Introduction

This protocol sets out the process for receiving into the ministry of the Church of Ireland, Ministers who have served in other Christian churches (those included on the list approved by the House of Bishops) but have not been episcopally ordained.

The Process

The process involves four stages: (1) assessment by the diocesan bishop; (2) the House of Bishops; (3) Training; and (4) Episcopal Ordination.

The process may vary, depending, for example, on the following:

- whether the applicant has recently been in active ministry in another Christian church;
- whether s/he has, for a significant period, been worshipping in the Church of Ireland, and active in the parish.

It is important, and will be required, that applicants have a real sense of the parochial reality and worshipping life of the Church of Ireland before they are permitted to proceed.

Applicants who are still ‘active’ in ministry of the other church are required to ensure, not least for the sake of ecumenical courtesy, that they deal fully and transparently with their own ecclesiastical authorities. Proceeding with undue haste from the ministry of one church to another is not permitted.

Stage 1: Assessment by the diocesan bishop

At local level, the process may vary from diocese to diocese. It will, however, include the following:

- 1.1 In the first instance, an enquirer or applicant should make contact directly or indirectly with the bishop of the diocese in which he or she resides.

- 1.2 The applicant should supply a full C.V.
- 1.3 The applicant should supply the names of at least four referees:
 - 1.3.1 Two of these should, if at all possible, be ministers of the church in which the applicant has formerly served;
 - 1.3.2 One should be a layperson who has observed the ministry of the applicant in his or her former situation.
 - 1.3.3 One should be a priest of the Church of Ireland – usually the applicant’s rector – who has come to know the applicant well.
 - 1.3.4 It may also be appropriate to seek references from lay member(s) of the Church of Ireland who know the applicant.
- 1.4 The applicant will complete an application form, and also provide a written summary of his or her reasons for seeking to minister in the Church of Ireland.
- 1.5 The bishop will seek written references from each referee and may wish, with the applicant’s consent, to follow them up as appropriate.
- 1.6 The bishop (with, as necessary, others appointed by him or her) carries out in-depth interviews concerning:
 - 1.6.1 Doctrine and spirituality;
 - 1.6.2 Attitude to authority and discipline which may include issues touching personal relationships (for example, if the applicant intends to marry in the context of leaving their former ministry);
 - 1.6.3 The Book of Common Prayer and Ordinal, and the contents of the latter relating especially to Holy Scripture;
 - 1.6.4 Familiarity with the Church of Ireland, and of wider Anglicanism; and
 - 1.6.5 Overall motivation for seeking to minister in the Church of Ireland.
- 1.7 The applicant will be required to undertake a psychological assessment with such a professional as the bishop shall designate. It is especially important that the bishop is assured, if necessary through professional psychological guidance, that the applicant has the necessary quality of adaptability to work fruitfully in the context of a different ecclesiastical culture and discipline.
- 1.8 The bishop may determine whether further advice is necessary, such as medical or academic assessment.

- 1.9 If the bishop decides to proceed further, s/he should then refer the application to the House of Bishops with written and verbal reports and a recommendation, together with the completed application papers from the applicant.
- 1.10 Before the matter proceeds to the House of Bishops evidence of Confirmation will also be required.
- 1.11 At the appropriate stages an applicant is required to undergo the Garda vetting or AccessNI vetting process (as appropriate), and also to undertake the Safeguarding Trust (Church of Ireland Child Protection) training programme.

Stage 2: The House of Bishops

- 2.1 If the House of Bishops decides, in principle, to support an application, then two bishops will be appointed (other than the applicant's diocesan bishop) and one other person – often the Director of the Theological Institute – to serve as an assessment panel.
- 2.2 The panel may meet the applicant as a single group, or the non-episcopal member may interview him alone. An experienced layperson may be added to the panel.
 - 2.3.1 The panel will be supplied with all documentation in the possession of the diocesan bishop and the House of Bishops concerning the application.
 - 2.3.2 The assessment panel will interview the candidate.
 - 2.3.3 The assessment panel may request further professional assessment.
 - 2.3.4 The outcome of the psychological assessment previously undertaken shall be available to the panel or, alternatively, a further psychological assessment may be requested.
 - 2.3.5 The assessment panel will make a written report to the House of Bishops and, if this is positive, it should include recommendations as to training requirements.

Stage 3: Training

- 3.1 The content of the training will be agreed between the applicant's bishop and the Director of the Theological Institute in the light of the recommendation in (2.3.5) above, and in the form of an individual Study Agreement. It is

recognised that the content and standards of theological training vary greatly according to the church from which the applicant comes.

3.2 Training should usually last a residential academic year, or its equivalent in nonresidential/modular terms. In exceptional circumstances, it may be necessary to recommend that the applicant undertake the full normal training of a Church of Ireland ordinand.

3.3 The necessary parish placement during training should be handled sensitively. It should recognise that the applicant has already had considerable experience in ministry while also making clear that he or she is in preparation for Episcopal ordination. It is particularly important that there be adequate training during this period in the liturgy and worship of the Church of Ireland. The placement should offer opportunities to attend a rich variety of parochial worship, to accompany an incumbent in his/her duties and to sit in on as many aspects of parish life as possible.

3.4 However, particularly if the applicant has only recently ceased to minister in his or her own church the period of training should be regarded as creating a definite break between the exercise of ministry in one context and its resumption in another. Such a break is of very considerable psychological and spiritual importance. The House of Bishops may also recommend that the period of training be accompanied by one-to-one mentoring with a person of appropriate experience, such as a retired bishop.

Stage 4: Ordination

4.1 While the Episcopal ordination of an applicant in this situation as both deacon and priest should be essentially identical to any other ordination, it is appropriate that their previous ministry and its fruits are acknowledged sensitively and gratefully in the course of the service. The manner in which this is done will vary according to the nature of the ecumenical relationship between the Church of Ireland and their former church.

4.2 The new deacon is not expected to serve in an internship; he or she may proceed directly to a curacy following ordination to the diaconate.

4.4 Following ordination to the priesthood and licensing, the new priest should normally – if serving in a full-time stipendiary capacity – serve as a curate-assistant for at least two further years. If the ministry is other than full-time, the diocesan bishop should ensure there is an equivalent and adequate period of supervised ministry under a training incumbent before the priest is considered for institution to an incumbency or an equivalent area of personal responsibility.

4.5 Upon completion of training, the candidate deacon may, in the first instance, be offered an appropriate curacy by his or her own diocesan bishop. The diocesan bishop has no obligation to provide such a curacy.

Where no such curacy is available, or when, following consideration of the diocesan bishop's offer and by mutual agreement, the candidate deacon turns down the offer of the curacy initially offered, he or she shall enter the curacy allocation process which takes place upon completion of training.

The House of Bishops retains oversight of whether either of these options is the most prudent course of action, or whether the candidate deacon concerned should seek a curacy in the same manner as any candidate deacon seeking a title in the Church of Ireland.

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April, 2013**

HoB Protocol 004/2013

**Church of Ireland
The House of Bishops**

**PROTOCOL FOR THE SELECTION, TRAINING AND
COMMISSIONING OF DIOCESAN READERS**

1. A potential diocesan reader must be nominated by his/her rector to the diocesan warden of readers or equivalent person in a diocese.
2. The potential diocesan reader will make application and supply references as required by the diocese. The warden of readers or selection committee will then meet with the potential diocesan reader and, being satisfied, will make a recommendation to the diocesan bishop.
3. The bishop gives/refuses to give consent that the candidate be accepted for training.
4. Garda/AccessNI vetting will take place c/o the warden of readers.
5. Prior to commissioning, the candidate will be required to undergo Safeguarding Trust training, in the diocese.
6. Each diocese is responsible for the costs of training its own diocesan readers.
7. Paths to training:
 - a) *The Readers' Course* available through the Church of Ireland Theological Institute

(CITT). It is a two-year part-time course that begins each year in March. It involves six day conferences. Subject to the satisfactory completion of the course, and the final approval of the diocesan bishop, commissioning will take place.

b) *The 'Cashel' Course* through NUI Maynooth or other accredited courses as may be approved by the House of Bishops. Subject to the satisfactory completion of the course, and the final approval of the diocesan bishop, commissioning will take place.

In exceptional circumstances:

c) The candidate may be entered for the *Foundation Course* undertaken through CITT. The candidate will also attend six day conferences held over a two-year period. Subject to the satisfactory completion of the course, and the final approval of the diocesan bishop, commissioning can take place after one year, on the understanding that the diocesan reader will attend the remaining three day conferences.

Exceptional circumstances may include the academic background of the candidate, also the possibility of the candidate offering for ordination – the Foundation Course being a pre-requisite for this.

(Candidates not recommended for training for ordination at a Bishops' Selection Conference may, with the bishop's consent, be considered for commissioning as diocesan readers on the understanding they undertake to attend the six day conferences.)

8. Alongside the above courses, there should be local input on issues and requirements pertinent to the particular diocese. This will be the responsibility of the warden of readers in consultation with the diocesan bishop.

9. The diocesan bishop will licence the diocesan reader. All diocesan readers will be commissioned, under a time-limited licence (usually 3-5 years). A licence may be renewed. A Reader's Licence shall expire on the attainment of 75 years of age. Subsequent ministry would be with the diocesan bishop's permission.

10. A diocesan reader undertakes to be available to serve as required anywhere in the diocese.

11. A diocesan reader may be entitled to claim travelling expenses in accordance with local diocesan regulations.

12. A diocesan reader's licence permits the diocesan reader to exercise the Office of Reader only in the particular diocese/united dioceses.

13. A diocesan reader moving to another diocese, may apply for a licence in his/her new diocese as in 1 - 5 above. Further training may be required.

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RESOLUTIONS

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL SYNOD SESSION 2014

Bills

To provide for interchangeability of ministry between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To amend Chapter II of 2012.

First reading passed.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To provide for the future management and regulation of St Mary's Cathedral, Tuam in the United Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry.

First reading passed.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To amend Chapter IV of the Constitution.

First reading passed.

Second reading lost.

To amend Chapter III of the Constitution.

First reading passed.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To amend the provisions relating to the regulation and management of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity at Downpatrick.

First reading passed.

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed as amended.

Resolutions

Alcohol and Taxation

That this General Synod expresses grave concern about the ongoing high levels of alcohol related health and social damage in both Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland, and calls on the governments of both jurisdictions to introduce:

- i) An extra £0.30/€0.35 per unit tax on all off licence sales and transactions, which would be used as further funding for the health services for alcohol-related disease and preventative measures.
- ii) Greater powers to be given to Customs & Excise, Police and the judiciary for dealing with those who import or distribute alcohol illegally.

Board of Education

That the report of the Board of Education be received.

Church Mission Society Ireland

That, the Synod recognises the work of mission to be a call to the whole people of God at all levels of His Church and recognises the contribution that the Church Mission Society Ireland has made to that mission since its formation in 1814 as the Hibernian Church Missionary Society, through the sending of mission personnel, the resourcing of the Church in Ireland and through prayer and solidarity with Christians across the world.

We rejoice with the Church Mission Society Ireland in its bicentenary and welcome the special celebration events, those which have taken place and those being planned, including the Changing Times Conference and Celebration in Armagh from 15th – 16th May.

We recognise the ongoing influence that relationships forged through the Church Mission Society Ireland continue to have on the Church of Ireland, and commend the society's work to the wider Church.

Church of Ireland College of Education

That General Synod encourages the Board of Governors of CICE to ensure that in ongoing discussions regarding any reconfiguration of the college, the religious ethos and values of the

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Church of Ireland as outlined in the resolution adopted by the General Synod in 2013, are promoted and legally safeguarded.

Church of Ireland Council for Mission

- (a) That the Report of the Council for Mission be received.
- (b) That this Synod receives the report of the 2014 Mission Conference and affirms its effort to “articulate the mission of the Church of Ireland in a way that can be embraced and supported by all”. Furthermore, it calls on each diocese and body of the Church to note its key findings and to enact an appropriate response.
- (c) That the General Synod affirms the work of all those agencies advancing Mission at global and local level and especially commends to the prayers and support of the Church those agencies that work together as *The Association of Mission Societies (AMS)*.
- (d) That the following be elected by General Synod to the Church of Ireland Council for Mission for the forthcoming triennial period:

Ms Johanne Martin
Rev Jake Worley
Rev Cliff Jeffers
Ms Julie Currie
Rev Simon Genoe
Capt. Colin Taylor

Church of Ireland Marriage Council

- (a) That the Report of the Church of Ireland Marriage Council be received.
- (b) That the following be appointed members of the Marriage Council for the next two years from 1 June 2014.

A bishop to be appointed by the House of Bishops

Rev John Ardis
Very Rev Arthur Barrett
Mrs Sarah Bevan
Rev Stephen Farrell
Mrs Lynn Heber

Rev Canon Lynda Peilow
Rev David Somerville
Mrs Deirdre Whitley
Ms Ros Willoughby
A representative from the Mothers' Union

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Church of Ireland Youth Department

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

Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue

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

The Archbishops and Bishops
Rev Ása Björk Ólafsdóttir
Rev Canon Patrick Comerford
Rev Canon David Crooks
Ms Georgina Coptý
Rev Canon Dr Ian Ellis
Mr Samuel Harper
Rev Darren McCallig
Mrs Roberta McKelvey
Mr Philip McKinley
Dr Kenneth Milne
Mr Trevor Morrow
Rev Daniel Nuzum
Rev Niall Sloane
Ven Helene Tarneberg Steed
Ms Catherine Turner

Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Episcopal Structures

- (a) That the report of the Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures be received.
- (b) That the General Synod respectfully requests that the House of Bishops progress work towards the introduction of arrangements for a systematic programme of induction and in-post training, development and ministerial review for the Archbishops and Bishops.

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Commission on Ministry

- (a) That the report of the Commission on Ministry be received.
- (b) That the General Synod elects the following as a clerical General Synod representative on the Commission on Ministry for the remainder of the triennium:

Rev Anne Skuse

- (c) That the General Synod encourages the Commission on Ministry, in consultation with the House of Bishops and the CITI, to continue the process of identifying means by which a diocesan based and locally effective self-supporting ministry might be developed as a distinctive vocation.

Controlled Schools in Northern Ireland

The General Synod notes with deep concern the continued disadvantaged position of Controlled Schools throughout Northern Ireland due to a lack of a dedicated advocacy and support body and calls upon the Minister of Education to take steps to resolve this injustice and ensure equality of treatment for all schools.

Covenant Council

- (a) That the report of the Covenant Council be received.
- (b) That the following be elected as Church of Ireland representatives on the Covenant Council for the coming year:

The Rt Rev Alan Abernethy, Bishop of Connor (Co-Chair)

Ms Elva Byrne

Very Rev Nigel Dunne

Rev Dr Maurice Elliott

Rev Barry Forde

Mr Harold Giboney

Rev Ginnie Kennerley

Rev Dr Peter Thompson

- (c) That General Synod continues to encourage congregations to celebrate the Covenant relationship with neighbouring Methodist congregations on or around John Wesley Day, 24th May each year.

Resolutions

Election of an Honorary Secretary

That the following be elected an Honorary Secretary of the General Synod

The Rev Gillian Wharton

Flesh and Blood Campaign

Whereas the ‘Flesh and Blood’ (*fab*) campaign has been founded as a partnership between Kore and NHS Blood and Transplant, and aims to raise the profile of blood and organ donation within the church and encourage such donation as a personal gift as well as equipping individuals and churches as advocates for donation, the Synod resolves that:

1. The Church of Ireland shall become an Associate of *fab*, which will include advocacy for donation, distribution of information and the provision of resources where available.
2. The Church and Society Commission shall encourage the principles behind *fab* to be promoted on an all-Ireland basis.
3. The Synod requests that the Archbishops explore opportunities to encourage uptake of *fab* within and between other Christian traditions in Ireland.

Journal of the General Synod

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.

Liturgical Advisory Committee

That the report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee be received.

Pride in People and Past

This house appeals to the Church to take pride in her people and in her past.

Resolutions

Religious Education in the Republic of Ireland

That the General Synod affirms the importance of Religious Education in primary schools under Church of Ireland Patronage and calls on the Board of Education RI to ensure that high quality standards are maintained in the delivery of the *Follow Me* Religious Education Curriculum.

Representative Church Body

- (a) That the Report of the Representative Church Body, incorporating the report of the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Trustee Limited, be taken in consideration.
- (b) That the General Synod hereby authorises the Representative Body to make the following allocations from General Funds in 2014:

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Group A – Maintenance of the Stipendiary Ministry	1,224,608
Group B – Pension Related Costs	197,693
Group C – Training of Ordinands	1,383,963
Group D – General Synod Activities	945,354
Group E – Miscellaneous	5,500

	3,757,118

- (c) That the Report of the Representative Church Body, incorporating the report of the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Trustee Limited, be adopted subject to the resolutions already passed relating thereto.

Select Committee on Human Sexuality in the Context of Christian Belief

That the report of the Select Committee on Human Sexuality in the Context of Christian Belief be received.

Standing Committee

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

Resolutions

Synod Venue

Whilst acknowledging with thanks the assistance of the Dean, Chapter and Staff of Christ Church Cathedral, the Synod supports the proposal that the General Synod should be located in the City of Armagh subject to contractual agreement until another venue with similar facilities is available at a reasonable cost.

STATUTES

OF

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND

passed in

THE SESSION OF THE GENERAL SYNOD 2014

CHAPTER I

To provide for interchangeability of ministry between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland

WHEREAS it is the will of the Church of Ireland to work towards the unity of all God's people;

AND WHEREAS for this purpose it is desirable to enable interchangeability of ministry between the Church of Ireland and the Methodist Church in Ireland;

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

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 2014 and the authority of the same as follows:-

1. In this Statute, 'Chapter IX' means Chapter IX of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.
2. In Chapter IX, immediately after Canon 10, there shall be inserted the following Canon:

10A Interchangeability of Ministry with the Methodist Church in Ireland

- (1) For the purposes of this Canon, 'in full Connexion with the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland' shall mean a presbyter who has completed his or her period of training and probation and has been

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admitted as a member of the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland or admitted into connection therewith.

- (2) Pursuant to the will of the Church of Ireland to work towards the unity of all God's people, and that its mission may be further strengthened, the Church of Ireland,
 - (a) recognizes all three expressions of personal, communal, and collegial episcopate in the polity of the Methodist Church in Ireland, in the person of the Methodist President and his or her predecessors and successors, in the Methodist congregations and in the Methodist Conference respectively;
 - (b) discerns consonance between the office and function of a bishop within the Church, (as expressed in the Ordinal and the Preamble and Declaration) and in the office and function of a President and a past President within the Methodist Church in Ireland and understands that 'Episcopal Minister' gives expression to the office and function of Presidents and Past Presidents of the Methodist Church in Ireland;
 - (c) requires that at least two bishops of the Church participate in all future Installations and Consecrations of the President of the Methodist Church in Ireland;
 - (d) recognizes those who have been, at any time, installed and consecrated as a President in the Methodist Church in Ireland and who are in full Connexion with the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland, as being entitled to participate in the laying on of hands in the ordination of bishops and priests in the Church.
- (3) When both events referred to in 10A(2)(c) and 10A(2)(d) have first occurred the Church of Ireland shall;
 - (a) consider any presbyter of the Methodist Church who is in full Connexion with the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland, as being equivalent to those ordained priest within the Church solely for the purposes of being considered for or appointed to any role which necessitates being in priest's orders within the Church;
 - (b) consider any President or former President of the Methodist Church in Ireland, who is in full Connexion with the Conference of the

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Methodist Church in Ireland, as being equivalent to those ordained bishop within the Church solely for the purposes of being considered for election and translation into a vacant see within the Church, or any other role which necessitates being in priest's orders within the Church;

- (c) require that ministers and Episcopal Ministers of the Methodist Church in Ireland exercising ministry within the Church be made subject to the ecclesiastical polity, laws and tribunals and authority of the Church including its Canons, Constitution, and discipline for the duration of the exercise of that ministry, and shall have no part in nor be subject to, the same polity, authority, Canons, Constitution, and discipline except during such time as that ministry is exercised within the Church of Ireland;
- (4) When both events referred to in 10A(2)(c) and 10A(2)(d) have first occurred the Church shall acknowledge a period of anomaly during which there shall be those who were installed as President by, and presbyters received in full Connexion with, the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland, before the coming into force of both 10A(2)(c) and 10A(2)(d), and those installed as President by, and presbyters received in full Connexion with, the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland after both 10A(2)(c) and 10A (2)(d) have come into force, and shall not distinguish between the same provided they are in full Connexion with the Conference of the Methodist Church in Ireland.

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CHAPTER II

To Amend Chapter II of 2012

WHEREAS in 2012, the General Synod established the Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to extend the time available for the Commission to complete its work;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to make additional provision in relation to membership of the Commission;

AND WHEREAS for this purpose it is necessary to amend Chapter II of 2012;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 2014, and by the authority of the same, as follows:-

1. In this Statute, "Chapter II of 2012" means the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter II of 2012.
2. For Section 2 of Chapter II of 2012, the following shall be substituted:

2. The members of the Commission in office immediately before the termination of the ordinary meeting of the General Synod in 2014 shall hold office until the termination of the ordinary meeting of the General Synod which shall be held in the year 2016. The Commission shall have the power to co-opt up to two additional members.

2A. Casual vacancies, including any casual vacancies in the membership of the Commission immediately before the termination of the ordinary meeting of the General Synod in 2014, shall be filled in the following manner:

- Where the outgoing member is a Bishop, by election by the House of Bishops;
- Where the outgoing member is an Honorary Secretary, by election by the Honorary Secretaries;
- Where the outgoing member is a representative of the Methodist Church in Ireland or the Roman Catholic Church, by appointment by the relevant Church;
- In all other cases, by election by the Standing Committee.

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3. In the first paragraph of the Terms of Reference for the Commission on Episcopal Ministry and Structures contained in the Schedule to Chapter II of 2012, the year '2014' shall be replaced by the year '2016'.

CHAPTER III

To provide for the future management and regulation of St Mary's Cathedral, Tuam, in the United Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry

WHEREAS it is expedient to alter the provisions for the appointment of clergy to the dignities and canonries of St. Mary's Cathedral, Tuam in the United Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to preserve the ancient prebendaries attaching to the said Cathedral Church;

AND WHEREAS to give effect to the alteration of the said provision it is necessary to repeal and replace the provisions of the following statute, namely 1891, Chapter III;

AND WHEREAS the Cathedral Chapter has agreed to the provisions contained in this Act which have been approved at a meeting of the Diocesan Synod of the United Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry held in Tuam on 28th September 2013.

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 2014, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

- 1.The Chapter of the Cathedral Church of St. Mary, Tuam, shall be reconstituted in accordance with the provisions of the Schedule to this Act.
- 2.No person shall have more than one vote in the Chapter, except the Dean or the Chair of the said Chapter for the time being, who shall have both an ordinary vote and a casting vote.
- 3.The provisions of the Statute of 1891 Chapter III and the resolution adopted by the General Synod of 1925 relating to the Dignitaries of the Diocese of Tuam are hereby repealed.

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Schedule

The Chapter of St Mary's Cathedral, Tuam

1.The Chapter of St. Mary's Cathedral, Tuam shall consist of the following:

- i.The Dean of Tuam
- ii.The Archdeacon of Tuam
- iii.The Provost of Tuam
- iv.The Prebendary of Balla and Killabegs
- v.The Prebendary of Faldown and Kilmainmore
- vi.The Prebendary of Kilmeen and Kilmoylan
- vii.The Prebendary of Taghsaxon and Laccagh

2.Subject to section 2 of this Act, it shall be lawful for any member of the Chapter of St. Mary's Cathedral, Tuam, to hold an additional Prebend Stall in the said Cathedral.

CHAPTER IV

To amend Chapter III of the Constitution

WHEREAS it is desirable, in certain circumstances, to increase the prescribed size of Select Vestries in order to enhance participation in the governance of the Church;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter III 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 Dublin in the year 2014, and by the authority of the same as follows: -

1. In this statute 'Chapter III' means Chapter III of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.
2. That in Chapter III, section 13 (c) of the Constitution be amended to read as follows—

(c) Not more than twelve other persons elected by the registered vestry members to be members of the select vestry; Provided that the diocesan council may direct an alternative number of other persons be elected by the registered vestry members to be members of the select vestry. Such number shall not be less than twelve nor more than twenty. Any directions given by the diocesan council in accordance with this provision shall be reviewed at least every seven years and the reasons for such directions shall be reported in writing to the diocesan synod.

CHAPTER V

To amend the provisions relating to the regulation and management of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity at Downpatrick

WHEREAS it is expedient to amend the provisions relating to the regulation and management of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity at Downpatrick;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to make consequential amendment of the First Schedule to Chapter VII 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 Dublin in the year 2014 and by the authority of the same as follows:-

1. The Statutes of the General Synod, Chapter VI of 1872, Chapter III of 1883, Chapter II of 1900, Chapter IX of 1922, Chapter II of 1958, Chapter II of 1985 and Chapter III of 2005 are hereby repealed and the provisions contained in Schedule I hereto annexed are substituted therefor.
2. For paragraph (3) of the First Schedule to Chapter VII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland there shall be substituted:-

(3) Down Cathedral

2014, Cap V

Under the Statute, the Bishop of Down is the Ordinary and has the right of appointment to the Deanery, Dignities and Prebends. The Statute also provides for the appointment of Minor Canons and two Ecumenical Canons; the management and regulation of the Cathedral's affairs; the registration of vestry members; the return of Synod members and the election of lay members of the Cathedral Board and its constitution.

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Schedule I

1. The existing Dean, Dignitaries and Prebendaries of the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity, Downpatrick shall (subject to the provisions of the Irish Church Act, 1869) continue to hold their respective offices therein and shall retain the same rights, powers and privileges as they have heretofore enjoyed, and shall be liable to the discharge of all duties to which they have hitherto been subject, except so far as the same may be extended or modified by the provisions of this Act.
2. The Bishop of Down shall be the Ordinary of the said Cathedral, and shall have the right of appointment of the members of the Chapter which shall consist of the Dean, Chancellor, Precentor, Treasurer and Archdeacon and the three Prebendaries, all of whom shall be selected from the Diocese of Down.
3. The Dean, shall be subject to the authority and control of the Ordinary. The Dean shall order the services of the Cathedral and, in matters pertaining thereto, shall direct the clergy and officials.
4. The officers, who shall continue to constitute the Cathedral Body shall be the Dignitaries; namely the Dean, Chancellor, Precentor, Treasurer and Archdeacon in that order, and the Prebendaries; namely, the Prebendary of Dunsford, Prebendary of St Andrew, and Prebendary of Talpestone in no particular order. The Dignitaries shall undertake the customary duties pertaining to their office. Each Dignitary and Prebendary shall undertake, by arrangement with the Dean, one Sunday in-residence each year in the Cathedral. The Dignitaries and Prebendaries shall also undertake any other duties as decided from time to time by the Dean and Chapter.
5. The Dean and Chapter shall have power to make rules and regulations for the times and conduct of meetings of the Chapter and the discharge of its responsibilities. Meetings of the Chapter shall be presided over by the Dean or, in the absence of the Dean, by the member of the Chapter next in order of precedence who is present.
6. It shall be in the power of the Dean and Chapter, with the consent of the Ordinary, to appoint Minor Canons, not exceeding two in number.
7. (i) The Bishop of Down may appoint two Ecumenical Canons to the Chapter. An Ecumenical Canon shall mean a minister or accredited preacher of one or more such Christian denominations, not in full communion with the Church of Ireland, as may from time to time be specified by the House of Bishops. The Ecumenical Canons shall each have a designated seat in the Cathedral and shall be non-voting members of the Chapter.

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(ii) Such Ecumenical Canons may be removed by the Bishop of Down for cause shown. Each Ecumenical Canon, if not so removed, shall hold office for a term of five years from the date of appointment or until such Ecumenical Canon shall resign from such office. An Ecumenical Canon who has served five years may be reappointed.

(iii) The appointment of an Ecumenical Canon shall not be effective unless and until that person shall make and subscribe before the Bishop of Down the declaration contained in Schedule II hereto annexed.

(iv) An Ecumenical Canon may be invited by the Dean to perform all or any of the following duties insofar as the same are consistent with the provisions of Canon 10 –

- (a) To say or sing Morning or Evening Prayer or the Litany;
- (b) To read the Holy Scriptures;
- (c) To deliver an address;
- (d) To assist at a Baptism, 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.

(v) The Court of the General Synod shall have authority to determine all questions or disputes that may arise respecting the appointment or removal of an Ecumenical Canon.

8. (i) There shall be a register of vestrypersons for the Cathedral, and every member of the Church of Ireland of the age of 18 or over, who shall have been for one year immediately prior to registration an accustomed member of the congregation and a contributor towards the funds of the Cathedral, shall be entitled to register.

(ii) The Register shall be revised annually during Lent by the Dean and the Lay Treasurer of the Cathedral Board in the manner set forth in sections 5, 6 and 7 of Chapter III of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.

(iii) The Dean may appoint from the list of registered vestrypersons, a Dean's Cathedral Warden to act for one year; the person so appointed shall become ex officio a member of the Board for the term of his or her appointment. Such appointment may be renewed.

9. Those registered shall meet triennially, not earlier than twenty days before and not later than twenty days after Easter Day, to elect out of their own number:-

- (i) Two Lay members of the Cathedral Board as hereinafter constituted.

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- (ii) Synodspersons to sit as members of the Down and Dromore Diocesan Synod who shall possess the same rights and privileges as synodspersons elected by parishes. The number of such synodspersons shall be in proportion to the number of clergy of the said Cathedral who are not otherwise qualified to sit as members of the Down and Dromore Diocesan Synod.

The registered vestrypersons shall also meet at such other times as the Dean may decide.

10. (1) There shall be a Cathedral Board constituted as follows:
- (a) The Dean
 - (b) The Incumbent of any Parish, Group or Union of Parishes of which the said Cathedral is from time to time annexed if such Incumbent be not the Dean of Down.
 - (c) Two members of the Chapter elected every third year by the Dean and Chapter.
 - (d) Two lay persons elected every third year, by the registered Vestry members of the Cathedral out of their own body.
 - (e) Two lay persons elected every year by the lay members of the Down and Dromore Diocesan Council whose qualification for election shall be the same as that as for the Diocesan Synod.
- (2) Any vacancy occurring in the interval between triennial elections shall be filled:
- (i) as to those elected by the Dean and Chapter, by the Dean and Chapter;
 - (ii) as to those elected by the Registered Vestry Members by co-option of persons qualified as in the section provided;
 - (iii) as to those elected by the lay members of the Down and Dromore Council by the lay members of the Down and Dromore Council.
- Any person chosen to fill such vacancy shall hold office until the next triennial elections.
- (3) The Board may appoint from the list of registered vestrypersons, a People's Cathedral Warden to act for one year; the person so appointed shall become an ex officio member of the Board for the term of his or her appointment. Such appointment may be renewed.
- (4) The Board shall triennially elect a Secretary, who shall record the proceedings of the meetings of the Board, and a lay Treasurer who shall submit annually to the Board for its approval an audited financial statement of all funds under the control or management of the Board. If either is not already a member of the Board, he or she may be co-opted.
- (5) At least four members, excluding any co-opted members, must be present to form a quorum.

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11. The Cathedral Board shall have power to make rules and regulations for the times and conduct of its meetings and the discharge of its responsibilities. It shall be presided over by the Dean, or in the absence of the Dean, by the member of the Chapter next in order of precedence who is present, such President having both an ordinary and a casting vote. A special meeting of the said Board shall be summoned by the Dean or, in the absence of the Dean, by one of the Chapter members who is also a member of the Board, or at any time on the written requisition of three members of the Board.

The Board shall have the appointment and removal of the Organist, Choristers and other officials of the Cathedral and the regulation of their salaries, the control and management of collections and generally the arrangement of financial and other matters relating or appertaining to the said Cathedral, not otherwise provided for,

12. The Dean shall act on behalf of the Board in directing the officers appointed by the Board in the discharge of their duties.
13. Matters relating to the Cathedral not herein otherwise provided for and not heretofore subject to the rights of the Dean and Chapter shall be determined by the Board.

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Schedule II – 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 Schedule I to the Statute of the General Synod, Chapter VI of 2014 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 Ordinary of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Downpatrick, and *his* successors, Bishops of Down and Dromore. I will observe the statutes and ancient customs of the Cathedral Church, so far as they are not repugnant to the laws of the Church of Ireland and will maintain in confidence all matters entrusted as such to the Chapter.

I subscribe to the above declaration to be appointed to the office of Ecumenical Canon of the Cathedral Church of the Holy Trinity, Downpatrick.

This day of 20....

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Killaloe Diocese: Transfer of Parishes - 1872, C.viii.
Kilmacduagh Cathedral - 1890, C.iii; (See Resolution 1934).
Kilmore Diocese: Transfer of Parishes - 1878, C.ii; 1909, C.ii; 1921, C.xiii.
Kilmore Diocese: Union with Meath and Ardagh - 1973, C.ii.
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Leighlin Diocese: Transfer of Parishes - 1872, C.viii; 1878, C.i.
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Tuam Diocese: Union with Elphin - 1973, C.ii.
Tuam Diocese: Union with Killala and Achonry - 1961, C.viii.
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and of
THE GENERAL SYNOD, 1871 – 2014

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

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Cap.	ii.	Cathedrals. Waterford Cathedral.	All except s.23 (Waterford Cathedral) repealed by 1879, C.i.s.23 repealed by 1981, C.v.
"	iii.	Armagh Cathedral.	Repealed by 1972, C.xi.
"	iv.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	s.1 repealed by 1974, C.ii. ss. 5, 12-14 repealed by 1874, C.i. ss. 3, 7-9 and 11 repealed by 1879, C.ii. Remainder (except s.1) repealed by 1886, C.vii.
"	v.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vi.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	s.3 amended by 1958, C.ii. s.5 amended by 1900, C.ii. s.7 amended by 1883, C.iii, 1922, C.ix and 1985, C.ii. s.9 repealed by 1985, C.ii. Repealed by 2014, C.v.
"	vii.	Appointments to Cures.	All except s.1 repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	viii.	Diocesan and Parochial Boundaries.	Portion repealed by 1879, C.i. Portions of schedule repealed by 1876, C.iii, and 1880, C.iii.
"	ix.	Boulter Fund.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	x.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
1873			
Cap.	i.	Modification of Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	ii.	Exempt Jurisdiction of Newry and Mourne.	-
"	iii.	Declarations of Parochial Nominators.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	iv.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vi.	Churchwardens.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vii.	Table of Lessons. Shortening the Services.	Schedule amended by 1875, C. vi, and 1876, v.i.
"	viii.	Preservation and Authentication of Records of General Convention and General Synod.	All except ss.4 and 5 repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	ix.	Burying Grounds.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	x.	Faculties.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	xi.	Unions of Benefices.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	xii.	Consideration of Report of Revision Committee by Synod of 1874.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.

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

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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.	Repealed by 2014, C.v.
"	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.	ss.I to VI repealed by 2013, C.i.
"	ii.	Ferns Cathedral.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iii.	Tuam Cathedral.	Amended by 2013, C.ii.
1892			
Cap.	i.	Cork, Cloyne & Ross Diocesan Synod.	-
"	ii.	Kildare Cathedral.	-
1893			
Cap.	i.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Schedule repealed by 1899, C.i.
1894			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Courts.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
"	ii.	Glebes.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iii.	Easter Vestry.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
1895			
Cap.	i.	Court of General Synod.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1899, C.i.
"	ii.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
"	iii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.

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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.
"	ii.	Belfast Cathedral.	Repealed by 1944, C.v.
1900			
Cap.	i.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
"	ii.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	Repealed by 2014, C.v.
"	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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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.	-

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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.	Repealed by 2014, C.v.
"	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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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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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.	Repealed by 2014, C.v.
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.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	v.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	vi.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1963			
Cap.	i.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
"	ii.	Register Books.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	iii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1971, C.vi.
"	iv.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	v.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	vi.	Limerick Cathedral.	-
"	vii.	City and Town Parishes Commission.	-
"	viii.	Kilkenny & Leighlin Cathedrals.	-
1964			
Cap.	i.	Tables of Lessons	-
"	ii.	Book of Occasional Prayers.	-
"	iii.	Dedication of Memorial or Gifts.	-
"	iv.	Parochial Organization.	ss.1 and 3 repealed by 1977, C.ii.
"	v.	Cathedrals.	s.2 repealed by 1970, C.iii.
"	vi.	Churches and Church Halls.	Repealed by 1970, C.iii.
"	vii.	Retirement of Bishops.	-
"	viii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	viii.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	viii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	ix.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	x.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.

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Cap.	xi.	Canon 36.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1965			
Cap.	i.	Revised Standard Version.	-
"	ii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1971, C.vi.
"	iii.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	iv.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	v.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	vi.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1969, C.ii.
"	vii.	Archdeaconries in Diocese of Connor.	Repealed by 1984, C.vii.
1966			
Cap.	i.	Canon 1.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	ii.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	iii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	iv.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	v.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
1967			
Cap.	i.	Modification or alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1969, C.ii.
"	ii.	Diocesan Councils.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1968			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	ii.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	iii.	Modification or alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1969, C.ii.
"	iv.	Limitation of Rights of Bishops.	-
1969			
Cap.	i.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	ii.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	iii.	Diocesan Councils.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	iv.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	v.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	vi.	Insurance.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1970			
Cap.	i.	Holy Communion.	Amended by 1979, C.i.
"	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			
Cap.	i.	Burial Grounds.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.

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Cap.	ii.	Dioceses and Diocesan Organisation. Parishes and Parochial Organisation. Appointment to and Tenure of Cures. Canons.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	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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Cap.	iii.	Commission on Episcopal Needs.	-
"	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.
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Cap.	i.	Amendments to Constitution.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	ii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
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"	ii.	Kildare Deanery.	-
1979			
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"	ii.	Auxiliary Clergymen.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
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"	vi.	Resignation of Bishops. Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vii.	Belfast Cathedral.	Repealed by 1984, c.vii.
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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.
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"	vi.	Hildersheim Dish.	-
"	vii.	Diocesan Reorganisation.	-
"	viii.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
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"	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.
"	ii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iii.	Belfast Cathedral.	-
1984			
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"	ii.	Psalter.	-
"	iii.	Calendar, Collects & Lectionary.	-
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"	vi.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vii.	Belfast Cathedral.	-
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"	ii.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	Repealed by 2014, C.v.
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Cap.	i.	Commission on Churches.	Repealed by 2009, C.iv.
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1987			
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1988			
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"	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
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"	iii.	Commission on Churches.	Repealed by 2009, C.iv.
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"	iii.	Management of Glebes etc.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
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1999			
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"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
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"	vi.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
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1. 1885 Re Meath Episcopal Election. Right of Diocesan Synod to submit the names of three clergymen to the Bench of Bishops. Case from Bishops. - Reported in Journal, 1886, p. 169.
2. 1886 Re Precedence of Bishop of Meath. Case from Bishops. - Reported in Journal, 1886, p. 176.
3. 1888 Legality of Grant for Divinity School in connection with the Church of Ireland. Case from General Synod. - Reported in Journal, 1888, p. 158.
4. 1888 Mode of Election of Diocesan Nominators. Case from General Synod. - Reported in Journal, 1888, p. 160.
5. 1888 Effect of Resignation of his Benefice of Archdeacon upon his Retainer of the Archdeaconry. Case from Bishops. - Reported in Journal, 1888, p. 161.
6. 1890 M'Keown v. Irwin.
Immorality of Clerk. Case from Diocesan Court of Derry. Sentence of Suspension. - Reported in Journal, 1895, p.202.
7. 1892 Brown and Creagh v. Pattison.
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8. 1892 Grant v. Smith and others.
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9. 1893 MacLaughlin and MacMahon v Diocesan Synod of Cashel.
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10. 1893 Ross v M'Donagh.
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11. 1894 Campbell and others v. Hunt.
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12. 1896 Bishop of Limerick v. Cotter.
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- Reported in Journal 1897, p. 258.
13. 1898 Bishop of Cashel v. Going.
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- Reported in Journal, 1902, p. 222a.
14. 1900 Bellingham, Macan and M'Kee v. Leslie.
Legality of Election of Incumbent. Insufficient notice of holding of Board
of Nomination. - Reported in Journal, 1902, p.222b.
15. 1903 Re Tyney.
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- Reported in Journal, 1905, p. 332.
16. 1903 Re Leet.
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- Reported in Journal, 1905, p. 333
17. 1905 Archbishop of Armagh v. Hains.
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19. 1907 Re Cooney.
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- Reported in Journal, 1908, p.332.
20. 1908 Re The Deceased Wife's Sister Marriage Act, 1907. Case from Bishops.
- Reported in Journal, 1908, p.333 and pp. liii-iv.
21. 1909 Re Dancy.
Clergyman incapacitated by permanent mental infirmity.
- Reported in Journal, 1910, p. 316.
22. 1914 Correll v. Robinson and others.

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Rights of Burial in Parochial Graveyard. Appeal from Diocesan Court of Glendalough. Appeal dismissed. - Reported in Journal, 1915, p.459.

23. 1916 Diocesan Council of Down, Connor and Dromore v. Representative Church Body.
Claim in respect of Bequest of Archdeacon Smythe.
- Reported in Journal, 1916, p. 324.
24. 1918 Archbishop of Dublin v. Robinson.
Ceasing to reside in Parish and to perform his duties as Incumbent.
Sentence of Suspension. - Reported in Journal, 1919, p.363.
25. 1918 Hitchcock and others v. Archbishop of Armagh.
Claim a Declaration that ruling of Respondent as President of the Session of the General synod was erroneous. No jurisdiction.
- Reported in Journal, 1919, p. 365.
26. 1919 Re Powers of the General Synod.
The Court decided that it was within the power of the General Synod to amend Canon XXII by the insertion of the following words after the word "Ministers": "and in such examination shall be included a course of theological study approved by the General Synod". Case from Bishops.
- Reported in Journal, 1919, p. 366.
27. 1921 Johnson and others v. Robinson.
Alleged sub-letting of Glebe without permission, and other charges.
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28. 1928 Chamney and others v. Simpson.
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- Reported in Journal, 1928, p.367.
29. 1933 Re Bradshaw.
Cleryman incapacitated by permanent mental infirmity.
- Reported in Journal, 1933, p. 381.
30. 1935 Christie and others v. Colquhoun.
Violation of Canons. Sentence of Admonition.
- Reported in Journal, 1937, p. 355.
- 30A. 1937 Chamney and others v. Colquhoun.
Violation of Canons. Sentence of six months suspension.
- Reported in Journal 1992, p.368.
31. 1939 Caithness and others v. Colquhoun and others.

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- Petition for a Faculty for the removal of a Crucifix. Appeal from Diocesan Court of Dublin. Appeal dismissed.
- Reported in Journal, 1941, p.406.
32. 1940 Colquhoun and others v. Caithness and others.
Petition for a Faculty to confirm the retention of a Crucifix. Appeal from Diocesan Court of Dublin. Remitted to Diocesan Court.
- Reported in Journal, 1941, p.413.
33. 1941 Hick and others v. Wilson
Alleged violation of Canons. Petition dismissed.
- Reported in Journal, 1947, p.330.
34. 1947 Bishop of Tuam v. Judge.
Refusal to meet Ordinary. Sentence of Admonition. Sundry other charges dismissed. - Reported in Journal, 1948, p.283.
35. 1991 Carnduff and Others v. Thomas and Another.
Grant of Faculty for the placing of a cross on the Communion Table. Appeal from Diocesan Court of Down and Dromore. Appeal dismissed.
- Reported in Journal, 1991, p.302.
36. 2001 Re Special Diocesan Synod of Cashel and Ossory held on 29 June 2000.
Question concerning rules and procedures. – Reported in Journal, 2001, p. 368.
37. 2002 The Bishop of Meath and Kildare v. Very Rev AWU Furlong.
Holding beliefs contrary to the doctrines of the Church of Ireland. Petition withdrawn on agreed terms. – Reported in Journal 2003.

NOTES

1. The following case was also heard and decided by the Court, but was not reported:-

1872 Gilbert v. Maturin.
Defendant was charged with certain ecclesiastical offences, some of which were held to be proved, but in the exceptional circumstances of the case no punishment was inflicted nor were costs awarded.
2. The Court sat on sundry dates in November and December, 1923, to hear Appeals from the Decisions of the Commissioners appointed under the Statute 1920 (Special Session), c.iii, in respect of Final Schemes framed by them. Six Appeals were granted, and three were dismissed. Details of the nine Appeals are printed in Journals, 1924 - 1963.

ECCLESIASTICAL TRIBUNALS

REPORTS OF CASES

The following Cases have been reported in the Journals of the General Synod as follows:-

Disciplinary Tribunal

1. 2011 Complaints Committee v. Williamson
Conduct unbecoming to sacred calling – neglect of duty – breach of Safeguarding Trust.
Sentence of permanent deprivation of office and deposition from holy orders, upon terms. - Reported in Journal, 2011, p. 451
2. 2013 Complaints Committee v. Hemphill
Conduct unbecoming to sacred calling
Sentence of temporary deprivation of office. – Reported in Journal 2014, p. 454

Complaints Committee

1. 2011 Complaints Committee v. Hemphill
Conduct unbecoming to sacred calling – neglect of duty.
Sentence of severe admonition on consent. - Reported in Journal, 2011, p. 454

CHURCH OF IRELAND DISCIPLINARY TRIBUNAL
IN THE MATTER OF A FORMAL COMPLAINT DATED 22nd FEBRUARY 2013
REFERRED BY THE COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE TO A DISCIPLINARY
TRIBUNAL

THE COMPLAINTS COMMITTEE OF THE CHURCH OF IRELAND

Presenter

-and-

THE REVEREND JOHN JAMES HEMPHILL

Respondent

Upon hearing Counsel for the Complaints Committee and Counsel for the Respondent and further to the ex tempore Judgment of the Disciplinary Tribunal (“the Tribunal”) dated 14th June 2013 together with the full Judgment of the Tribunal dated 20th August 2013, the Tribunal orders as follows:-

1. The Respondent be temporarily deprived of his office for a period of one year from the date hereof.
2. The Respondent is to be permitted to remain in the Rectory during this period.
3. The Respondent’s salary is to be reduced by 25% gross and no expenses shall be paid to him during this period.
4. The Respondent shall take no part in parish activities during this period.
5. The Complaints Committee shall pay a contribution of £1,500.00 to the Respondent in respect of his costs to reflect the fact that three parts of the Formal Complaint were not proven.

6. A copy of this Order shall be published in the Journal of the General Synod in accordance with section 33(j) of Chapter VIII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.

The Tribunal wishes to put on record the following observations in relation to the matter:-

1. The Tribunal considered that while, in addition to the matters set out at paragraph 1 of the Formal Complaint, various aspects of the Respondent's general conduct constituted conduct unbecoming to the sacred calling of a person in holy orders, the Tribunal was precluded from making an Order in relation to these matters because of the narrowness of the Formal Complaint as set out by the Complaints Committee.
2. The Tribunal considers that some of the submissions by the Complaints Committee in relation to the sanctions to be imposed by the Tribunal were not properly relevant to the Formal Complaint.
3. The complaints set out at paragraphs 1, 2, 3 and 4 of the Formal Complaint were so narrowly formulated that it was not possible for the Bishop of Down and Dromore to give evidence concerning the subject matter of the Formal Complaint.
4. The submission of the Bishop of Down and Dromore made by letter dated 6th September 2013 could not be considered by the Tribunal, the Bishop not having been present at the meeting held on 16th July 2012. The Bishop's letter refers to additional matters which are not the subject of the Formal Complaint. While in no way doubting the veracity of the Bishop, it must be accepted that none of these matters were tested in evidence before the Tribunal. The Tribunal acknowledges the role of the bishops and archbishops in administering discipline as set out in Section 24(c) of Chapter VIII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland as relied on by the Bishop of Down and Dromore in his letter.

Section 24(c) provides:

"The bishops and archbishops of the Church of Ireland have by virtue of their respective offices and consecration a role in administering discipline and each of the Disciplinary Bodies shall, in exercising its functions under this Part of this Chapter, have due regard to that role as outlined in section 19." (emphasis added)

Section 19, which is entitled "Pastoral Resolution", deals in some detail with the ministry of reconciliation to be exercised by bishops and archbishops in dealing with

complaints, this to be done “as a first step before the disciplinary processes . . . are set in motion.” Section 19(c) provides:

“Only where a bishop, in that bishop’s absolute discretion, determines that such pastoral reconciliation has not been possible or is not appropriate should recourse be had to the disciplinary process set out in this Part of this Chapter.”

The Tribunal does not doubt that the Bishop of Down and Dromore has properly exercised this ministry of reconciliation prior to recourse to the present disciplinary process. The Tribunal considers that Section 24(c) read together with Section 19 emphasises the general desire that all complaints and disputes be resolved pastorally within each diocese, this to be done before the disciplinary processes set out in Chapter VIII are set in motion. Once this is done it is a matter for the Tribunal to consider the matters before it on the basis of the evidence presented to it.

Dated this 16th day of October 2013

Signed by the members:

The Hon. Mrs. Justice Catherine McGuinness

Rev. Canon Terence Scott

Mr. Charles Galloway, Solicitor

GS Complaints procedure - Cost 2013

	2013				2012			
	Euro	0.8302 Sterling	Sterling as Euro	Total	Euro	0.8161 Sterling	Sterling as Euro	Total
Deposits		- 600.00	- 735.20	- 735.20		- 1,200.00	- 1,470.41	- 1,470.41
Less - deposit refund		600.00	735.20	735.20			-	-
Support for General Purpose Fund	-991.22	0	0	- 991.22	0	- 1,200.00	- 1,470.41	- 1,470.41
Net deposits	<u>-991.22</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>-991.22</u>	<u>0</u>	<u>- 1,200.00</u>	<u>- 1,470.41</u>	<u>- 1,470.41</u>
Costs								
Legal - External		20,025.00	24,537.43	24,537.43			-	-
Legal - In-House Legal	24120			24,120.00	7064	127.60	156.35	7,220.35
Technical			-	-			-	-
Expert witness costs			-	-			-	-
Administrative and secretarial			-	-			-	-
Travel & subsistence	3189.6	535.00	655.56	3,845.16			-	-
Sundry			-	-			-	-
Rev Hemphill expenses	<u>27,309.60</u>	<u>1,500.00</u>	<u>1,838.01</u>	<u>1,838.01</u>	<u>7064</u>	<u>127.60</u>	<u>156.35</u>	<u>7,220.35</u>
	<u><u>27,309.60</u></u>	<u><u>22,060.00</u></u>	<u><u>27,031.00</u></u>	<u><u>54,340.60</u></u>	<u><u>7064</u></u>	<u><u>127.60</u></u>	<u><u>156.35</u></u>	<u><u>7,220.35</u></u>

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ATTENDANCE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2014

Thursday 8 May

Diocese	Clerical	Lay	Total
Armagh	11	20	31
Clogher	8	15	23
Derry & Raphoe	15	19	34
Down & Dromore	22	32	54
Connor	23	51	74
Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh	10	13	23
Tuam, Killala & Achonry	5	7	12
Dublin & Glendalough	19	37	56
Meath & Kildare	9	12	21
Cashel, Ferns & Ossory	17	28	45
Cork, Cloyne & Ross	10	19	29
Limerick & Killaloe	11	14	25
Total	160	267	427

Friday 9 May

Diocese	Clerical	Lay	Total
Armagh	11	17	28
Clogher	8	16	24
Derry & Raphoe	13	15	28
Down & Dromore	23	30	53
Connor	17	43	60
Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh	9	9	18
Tuam, Killala & Achonry	4	8	12
Dublin & Glendalough	15	37	52
Meath & Kildare	7	13	20
Cashel, Ferns & Ossory	15	23	38
Cork, Cloyne & Ross	12	19	31

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Limerick & Killaloe	12	17	29
Total	146	247	393

Saturday 10 May

Diocese	Clerical	Lay	Total
Armagh	6	11	17
Clogher	4	9	13
Derry & Raphoe	6	10	16
Down & Dromore	19	22	41
Connor	12	27	39
Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh	7	6	13
Tuam, Killala & Achonry	4	6	10
Dublin & Glendalough	15	35	50
Meath & Kildare	6	8	14
Cashel, Ferns & Ossory	12	19	31
Cork, Cloyne & Ross	10	18	28
Limerick & Killaloe	11	15	26
Total	112	186	298

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE

Date	Clerical	Lay	Total
May 8	160	267	427
May 9	146	247	423
May 10	112	186	298

Total number of attendances recorded: 1,148 average 483

Clerical	418	Average	139
Lay	700	Average	233

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

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