

Consecration of the Archbishop of Sydney Ordinance 2021

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The Consecration of the Archbishop of Sydney Ordinance 2021 as amended by the Consecration of the Archbishop of Sydney Amendment Ordinance 2024.

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Long Title

An Ordinance to provide for the consecration of an Archbishop to the Metropolitan See of Sydney.

Preamble

Whereas

- A. This Diocese has not adopted the *Law of the Church of England Clarification Canon 1992*.
- B. To avoid the situation where the consecrating bishop is unable to function in the Diocese or where alternative provision should be made for other reasons it is expedient that the Synod exclude the *General Synod Consecration of Bishops Canon 1966* and make other provision for determining the name of the consecrating bishop.

The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains as follows.

1. Name

This Ordinance is the Consecration of the Archbishop of Sydney Ordinance 2021.

2. Exclusion of General Synod Canon

- (1) Pursuant to section 30(d) of the Constitution, the *Consecration of Bishops Canon 1966* is excluded on and from the date of assent to this Ordinance.
- (2) To the extent that Clause 5 of Determination II, Session 1905 of the General Synod of the Church of England in Australia and Tasmania as amended has any operation in this diocese that effect shall cease on and from the date of assent to this Ordinance.

3. Consecration of nominee not in episcopal orders

- (1) If the nominee elected as Archbishop of Sydney pursuant to the provisions of the *Archbishop of Sydney Election Ordinance 1982* is not in episcopal orders this clause 3 will apply.
- (2) The elected nominee shall be consecrated by a diocesan bishop of the Anglican Church of Australia assisted by two or more other bishops, upon the confirmation of the canonical fitness of the Archbishop-Elect, pursuant to the *Provincial Synod Ordinance for the Confirmation of Bishops' Elections (N.S.W.) Assenting Ordinance 1965*. After consulting with the Archbishop-Elect, the Standing Committee of the Synod shall by a two-thirds vote of its members, voting together, determine the name of a diocesan bishop to be the consecrating bishop. If the Standing Committee is not able to determine the name of the consecrating bishop then the Administrator will determine the name after consultation with the Archbishop-Elect.
- (3) The Standing Committee of the Synod shall approve a pool of suitable diocesan bishops, whose names shall remain confidential, in addition to the consecrating bishop determined under clause 3(2). If the consecrating bishop is unable to attend the consecration, the Administrator shall, after consultation with the Archbishop-Elect, select another bishop from the pool to serve as the consecrating bishop.

(4) Nothing in this ordinance shall preclude the consecrating bishop from inviting any other bishop to assist at the consecration.

Notes

1. The original form of ordinance was assented to on 3 May 2021.

Table of Amendments

Clause 3 Amended by Ordinance No 24, 2024.

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