General Synod - Canon Concerning Confirmation 1992 Adopting Ordinance 1998

An Ordinance to adopt Canon No 14, 1998 of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia.

The Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains -

Name of Ordinance

1.   This Ordinance is the General Synod - Canon Concerning Confirmation 1992 Adopting Ordinance 1998.

Adoption of Canon No 14, 1998

2.   Canon No 14, 1998 of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of Australia, the text of which is set out in the Schedule, is adopted.

Schedule

1.   This canon may be cited as "Canon concerning Confirmation 1992".

2   The bishop of a diocese must personally or by a bishop authorized by him confirm throughout his diocese as often and in as many places as convenient, laying his hands upon those who have been baptised and instructed in the Christian faith and life as set forth in the Scriptures and in the Catechism and praying over them.

3.   Every minister who has a cure of souls shall encourage those baptized as infants to affirm the Christian faith for themselves and to present for confirmation.

4.   Every minister who has a cure of souls must instruct or cause to be instructed all who wish to be confirmed in the Christian faith as set forth in the Scriptures and in the Catechism.

5.   A minister normally must present to the bishop only those who have come to years of discretion and who are ready to make public affirmation of their commitment to our Lord Jesus Christ and who can render an appropriate account of the faith and life expected of a Christian.

6.   The canons numbered 60 and 61 of the Canons of 1603, in so far as the same may have any force, have no operation or effect in a diocese which adopts this canon.

7.   The provisions of this canon affect the order and good government of this Church within a diocese and shall not come into force in a diocese unless and until the diocese adopts this canon by ordinance of the synod of the diocese.

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