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Memorandum to the Members of the 48th Synod

7 key things to know about the running of Synod this year

This year we intend to trial a number of changes to the way Synod is run in response to feedback received from a survey of Synod members in 2008. There are also a number of other matters concerning the running of Synod that I would like to draw to your attention.

Amendments: It greatly assists the running of Synod if any amendments to motions or the text of proposed ordinances are provided to the Diocesan Secretary by 12.00 noon for inclusion in the Amendment Sheet for that day. It may be possible for amendments received after that time to be projected on the screen at the Wesley Theatre. However our capacity to do so will depend on the form and length of such amendments and the time they are received.

Daily Synod papers: Daily Synod papers (Business Papers, Amendment Sheets etc) will be handed to you as you enter the Wesley Theatre. Unlike previous years, these papers will not be placed on the seats in the Theatre.

Distributing material from diocesan organisations: The practice of distributing tabled reports and other authorised material from diocesan organisations on the seats in the Wesley Theatre will also be discontinued. Instead, any authorised material can be made available to members in the foyer of the Theatre by arrangement with the Diocesan Secretary.

Parking: If you are using the St Andrew's House car park, please pre-pay your parking wherever possible using a car parking voucher. One voucher is included in this mailing and further vouchers are available from the Clerks' table at Synod. Pre-payment minimises congestion when people are exiting the car park after each night of Synod.

Public gallery: Please do not sit in the public gallery at the rear of the Wesley Theatre if you wish to participate in debate or vote at the Synod.

Waste paper: Recycling bins will be located outside the doors to the Wesley Theatre at the end of proceedings on each day. Please take advantage of these bins when disposing of any printed material.

Website: Synod papers mailed to members and provided to members during the session will be available on the Secretariat's website www.sds.asn.au. The website will also include a link to the Presidential address and provide information about questions and elections as these items become available.

Please ensure you also read the 2nd circular to Synod members which contains further, but more routine, information about Synod. The 2nd circular is enclosed with this memorandum.

Thank you for your assistance in these matters.

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