Ministry Ordinance 2000

No , 2000

An Ordinance to allow for persons to assist rectors and curates in charge.

Now the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney Ordains as follows -

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This Ordinance is the Ministry Ordinance 2000.

2. Operation

- (1) All provisions as to the use of Church Property which are inconsistent with the amendments made by clauses 3 and 4 or with the ordinances referred to in those clauses as so amended are repealed.
- (2) In the case of Church Property held upon a trust which is inconsistent with the amendments or with those ordinances as so amended it is inexpedient to carry out and observe that trust to the extent of such inconsistency and such trust is varied so as to be consistent with the amendments and with those ordinances as so amended.

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3. Amendment of the Church Grounds and Buildings Ordinance 1990

The Church Grounds and Buildings Ordinance 1990 is amended by the substitution of the following for clause 7 -

- "7 (1) A person must not be licensed as or authorised to act (as rector, incumbent, curate-in-charge or otherwise) in sole charge of a parish or be appointed pursuant to clause 59 of the Church Administration Ordinance 1990 unless that person is a clergyman and, where the Presentation and Exchange Ordinance 1981 is applicable, is licensed pursuant to an offer made in accordance with that ordinance. In this subclause, 'clergyman' means a male person, in priests' orders.
- (2) No person is permitted to celebrate divine service or preach any sermon in any church in a parish except -
 - (a) the Archbishop;
 - the Assistant Bishop of the area in which the church is situated;
 - (c) the minister of the parish;
 - (d) a person:
 - (i) who is licensed or authorised by the Archbishop, whether pursuant to the

	Person Ordinance 1981 or otherwise, to assist the minister of the parish; and	
	(ii) whose appointment was approved generally or specifically by the parish council of the parish; and	5
(e)	a person (not being a person in the order of bishops) invited so to do by the minister of the parish in relation to whom a request has not been made under clause 7(4).	10
(3) operation	By way of example and guidance as to the of clause 7(2)(d)(ii) -	
(a)	an appointment is approved generally if the parish council by resolution approves the appointment of a person not named in the resolution to a particular position - such as assistant minister; and	15
(b)	an appointment is approved specifically if the parish council by resolution approves the appointment of a person named in the resolution.	20
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(a)	the Archbishop;	
(b)	the Assistant Bishop of the area in which the church is situated;	
(c)	the churchwardens of the church; or	30
(d)	the parish council of the parish;	
or if -		
(i)	the churchwardens of the church or the parish council of the parish have asked that persons of a class specified be not invited to assist under clause 7(2)(e);	35
(ii)	the person is a member of that class; and	
(iii)	the churchwardens or parish council (as the case may be) have not made an exception in respect of that person.	40
	made under this provision may be withdrawn e by the person or persons who make it.	
(5) parish ma him or on	Subject to clause 7(4) the minister of a y invite any person of good standing to assist his behalf to celebrate divine service or preach	45

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a sermon in a church or otherwise assist him in the parish."

4. Amendment of the Deaconesses, Readers and Other Lay Persons Ordinance 1981

The Deaconesses, Readers and Other Lay Persons Ordinance 1981 is amended -

- (a) by the deletion of clause 3;
- (b) by the deletion of all the words in clause 4 following "lay person" and the insertion of the matter "to celebrate divine service and preach" in place of those words;

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- (c) by the deletion of clauses 5 and 6;
- (d) by the deletion from clause 7(2) of the matter "or 5";
- (e) by the deletion from clause 8 of the matter ", 5 or 6";
- (f) by the deletion from clause 9 of the matter ", 5 or 6";
- (g) by the deletion of the words "clauses 4 or 5 of this Ordinance" from clause 10 and the insertion of the matter "clause 4" in place of those words;
- (h) by the deletion of clause 11;
- (I) by the deletion of clause 15;
- (j) by the deletion of clause 17; and
- (k) by the deletion of the Schedule.

I Certify that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as reported.

Chairman of Committees

We Certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Sydney on October 2000.

Secretaries of Synod

I Assent to this Ordinance.

Archbishop of Sydney /10/2000