

Anglican Church of Australia Diocese of Sydney

St Andrew's House
Sydney Square NSW 2000
Telephone (02) 9265 1555

PO Box Q190
QVB Post Office NSW 1230
Website: www.sds.asn.au

28 September 2018

Further arrangements and election information: 2nd Session of the 51st Synod

2nd circular to Synod Members

Key Points

- Documents for the Synod session are available with this circular online on the [Synod this year](#) page of SDS's website (www.sds.asn.au). A "self-printing" name tag will be sent as a separate email attachment.
- The opening service for this session will be held in the Cathedral at **1.30 pm Monday 15 October 2018**.
- Proceedings for each day of the session will start at 3.15 pm, with doors to the Wesley Theatre opening at 2.15 pm.
- Daily Papers for each day of the session will be available for members on tables near the entrance to the Wesley Theatre (and will also be available earlier in the day [online](#)). However the business paper for the first day of the session (provided with this circular) will not be provided to members in printed form on the first day.
- There is one contested election at this year's Synod session. Accordingly ballots will be conducted at the session.
- The Notice of Uncontested Elections is posted on the [Synod this year](#) page of the SDS website (www.sds.asn.au).
- Discounted parking will be available at 5 car parks in the vicinity of the Synod venue with most discounted parking requiring prior online booking.
- If you intend to ask a formal question, it is helpful to provide advance notice, to allow time to prepare the answer. These may be emailed to synodbusiness@sydney.anglican.asn.au.
- A reminder that the pre-Synod briefing is to be held **Wednesday 3 October 2018**, at Village Church Annandale (cnr of Johnston and Booth Street, Annandale NSW 2038) from 6:30 pm; and livestreamed simultaneously. Instructions to access the livestream will be posted on the [Synod this year](#) page of the SDS website prior to the briefing.

The material in this circular supplements the material in the 1st circular of 17 August 2018.

1. More on arrangements

Synod communications

- 1.1 This is the second communication to Synod members for this session. It is accompanied by links to the following documents on the [Synod this year](#) page of the Sydney Diocesan Secretariat (“SDS”) website (www.sds.asn.au) –
- This (2nd) circular
 - Business Paper for 15 October 2018
 - Synod Book 1 (including the Standing Committee’s report to Synod and other reports)
 - Synod Book 2 (including the Standing Committee’s supplementary report to Synod and other reports)
 - Synod Book 3 (including bills for ordinances and proposed policies)
 - Synod Book 4 (including copies of the principal ordinances proposed to be amended and other background materials)
 - Notice of Uncontested Elections
 - Notice of Contested Elections
- 1.2 If you require a paper copy of the Standing Committee’s report or any other large document provided to members for the session, copies are available for collection from the Reception at Level 2 St Andrew’s House prior to the session and will be available at the Wesley Theatre during the session of Synod.
- 1.3 This communication also includes a “self-printing” name tag for the session which you will receive as an attachment to a separate email (see items 1.12 to 1.14 below).

Synod Service

- 1.4 An opening service for this Synod will be held in the Cathedral at 1.30 pm with the Rev John Lavender preaching.

Meeting Place, Dates and Microphones

- 1.5 The Synod will meet in the Wesley Theatre, 220 Pitt Street, Sydney on Monday 15, Tuesday 16, Wednesday 17, Monday 22 and Tuesday 23 October 2018.
- 1.6 The proposed hours of meeting for each day of the session are as follows –
- For the first day -
- 3.15 pm to 5.30 pm
5.30 pm to 7.00 pm - *Meal Break*
7.00 pm to 9.30 pm
- For the second and subsequent days -
- 3.15 pm to 5.45 pm
5.45 pm to 7.00 pm - *Meal Break*
7.00 pm to 9.30 pm

- 1.7 The doors of the Theatre will be open to Synod members from 2.15 pm on each day.
- 1.8 There will be a public gallery at the rear of the Theatre. Synod members are not to sit in the public gallery if they want to participate in debate or vote.
- 1.9 Microphones are placed throughout the Theatre. If you are called to speak in debate, move to the nearest microphone and speak into it.

Daily Papers

- 1.10 The Business Paper for 15 October 2018 is available on [SDS’s website](#). Copies of these documents will not be provided to members again on the first day of the session.

- 1.11 Daily Papers for each day of the session will be available in printed form on tables situated near the entrance of the Wesley Theatre. Daily Papers will also be posted on the [SDS website](#) as soon as they are finalised each morning. Members are encouraged, where possible, to download and use the Daily Papers from the website.

Name tags

- 1.12 Your printable form of name tag (without the plastic holder) will be sent to you by **separate** email by Wednesday 3 October as part of this 2nd communication. Please print (in black and white) the sheet on which your name tag appears, cut your tag out of the sheet and bring it to the session. Plastic name tag holders will be available at the Wesley Theatre.
- 1.13 If you have no capacity to print your name tag (in black and white), please contact Nerida at nkp@sydney.anglican.asn.au **by Wednesday 10 October 2018** so that suitable alternative arrangements can be made.
- 1.14 Please wear your name tag while in the Wesley Theatre itself.

Hearing loop and wheelchair access

- 1.15 If you wish to utilise the hearing loop in the Wesley Theatre or require wheelchair access, you should contact the Conference Centre Reception inside the Pitt Street entrance of the Synod venue for assistance.

2. Synod procedures: What you must know

Procedures generally

- 2.1 You should read the business rules contained in the Schedule to the [Conduct of the Business of Synod Ordinance 2000](#). A copy of this Ordinance is also included as background material in Synod Book 4.
- 2.2 Further information about Synod procedures is contained in the paper entitled [Synod Procedures](#). The paper has hints on –
- Meetings and Papers
 - Procedures, Order of Business etc
 - Rules for Tabling and Circulating Printed Material
 - Rules of Debate: Motions and Amendments
 - Questions
 - Ordinance Procedures

Distribution of material

- 2.3 Printed material must not be placed on seats or tables or handed out in the Synod venue or inside the entrance to the Synod venue. Copies of material which has been tabled in the Synod, or which has been authorised, may be made available to members in the foyer of the Wesley Theatre by arrangement with the Diocesan Secretary.

Motions, amendments and questions

- 2.4 Notices of motions from members received by 15 September 2018 are included in the Business Paper for 15 October 2018.
- 2.5 Notices of further motions may be given and questions may be asked at the start of proceedings on 15, 16 and 17 October, but not on 22 and 23 October without leave of the majority of the members present.
- 2.6 Questions are usually answered the day after the question is asked. If you want to ask a question please make sure the wording of the question complies with Business Rule 6.3. It is helpful to provide advance notice of your question as early as possible to the Synod Secretary to allow time to prepare the answer. These may be emailed to synodbusiness@sydney.anglican.asn.au.
- 2.7 Forms of motions, amendments and questions are available from the Secretary Table during the session, or may be downloaded from [SDS's website](#).
- 2.8 Guidelines for the moving of motions are printed at items 2.15 to 2.17 of the 1st Circular to Synod members dated 17 August 2018.

Addressing the Synod

- 2.9 You may only address the Synod when called by the President to do so.
- 2.10 If you wish to be called by the President to address the Synod, you must stand in your place or, if directed by the President, near a microphone. The President may then call you to address the Synod.
- 2.11 However, if the President rises to speak you need to sit down.

Questions about proposed ordinances and policies

- 2.12 There is a question time on a proposed ordinance or policy after the motion that it be approved in principle has been moved and seconded. Questions may be asked without notice at this time, but speeches and statements are not allowed. It is in the interests of the whole Synod if the mover of a proposed ordinance or policy (or the Synod Secretary) is notified in advance of any questions so that, if necessary, answers can be researched or incorporated into the introductory speech.

Amendments during debate

- 2.13 To move an amendment during a debate, you must stand in your place (or near a microphone if directed by the President) and if called by the President (or the Chairman of Committees when the Synod is in committee), state that you wish to move an amendment, read the amendment and speak to it. If you have not already handed in the text at the Synod Secretary Table, one of the clerks will collect it from you after you have spoken.
- 2.14 Formal notice is not required for an amendment. However, providing the details of your proposed amendment to the Synod Secretary as early as possible either on paper or by email to synodbusiness@sydney.anglican.asn.au has several benefits. If there is sufficient time –
 - (a) the mover of the principal motion will be advised,
 - (b) different points of view can be discussed with the mover of the principal motion and perhaps reconciled without taking up valuable time of the whole Synod, and
 - (c) the amendments can be included in the Amendment Sheet (or displayed on the overhead screen).
- 2.15 If the mover of a principal motion agrees to include your amendment in the motion, the mover should notify the Synod Secretary. The Synod Secretary will then print the principal motion in the business paper for the next day in a form which incorporates the amendment.
- 2.16 This year, the Synod will be asked to continue a trial process by which amendments included on the Amendment Sheet are considered before general debate on the principal motion commences. The “priority” consideration of such amendments, if agreed by the Synod, is another reason to provide details of a proposed amendment to the Synod Secretary as soon as possible.

3. Meals

Meals etc

- 6.1 Drinking water dispensers are located in the Wesley Theatre Foyer.
- 6.2 There are a number of small restaurants and cafes in the vicinity of the Wesley Centre where a quick cup of coffee or a meal can be obtained for a reasonable range of prices.

4. Car parking

Parking rates and times

- 4.1 The parking arrangements for this year are similar to last year, and rely on pre-booking a space online in order to benefit from discounted pricing. Significant roadwork is underway in the CBD during Synod, so please plan your route through the city carefully.

Online booking

- 4.2 The following table lists the car parks which have provided discounted flat rates for Synod members. The evening rates provided are the standard online booking rates available to the public. The discounted flat rates are also booked online, but require a specific promotional code.

Carpark facility	Discounted flat rate (booked online with promotional code) 12.00 noon – 11.30 pm	Evening public rate (booked online) 5.00 pm – 11.30 pm
St Andrew’s House 464 Kent Street <i>WILSON PARKING</i>	\$30.50	\$12
Angel Place 123 Pitt Street <i>WILSON PARKING</i>	\$30.50	\$24
Citipark 431 Kent Street <i>WILSON PARKING</i>	\$30.50	\$12
383 Kent Street Car park (Extra height for taller vehicles: 2.1m) <i>WILSON PARKING</i>	\$30.50	\$15
Darling Park 201 Sussex Street <i>WILSON PARKING</i>	\$30.50	\$15
Piccadilly Car park 137 Castlereagh Street (Underneath Wesley Centre) <i>SECURE PARKING</i>	\$40	Hourly rates apply

4.3 We cannot guarantee parking in any of these car parks. Overnight parking costs extra.

4.4 Please note the closing time of the car park you select. St Andrew’s House car park closes at midnight each night during Synod.

Evening Parking

4.5 If you are parking only for the evening session, you might also consider the Queen Victoria Building car park, being closer than most other car parks and having parking after 5.00 pm until car park close (1am) for \$12, without the need to prebook online.

Parking procedure

4.6 For each carpark facility in the above table, you need to follow the specific procedure outlined below to book a spot online at the listed rates. This should be done at least one hour before entering the carpark facility.

Wilson car parks – St Andrew’s House, Angel Place, Citipark, 383 Kent Street and Darling Park car parks

4.7 For the Wilson car parks listed, go to <https://www.wilsonparking.com.au/book-a-bay>, and select “NSW”.

4.8 Select your chosen car park (*St Andrew’s House, Angel Place, Citipark, 383 Kent Street or Darling Park*) and your entry (and exit) date, and the following recommended times to allow the greatest flexibility –

(a) If you require parking prior to 5.00 pm –

Entry Time: **12.00** | Exit Time: **23.30** | Promo code: **SYNOD**

(b) If you require parking after 5.00 pm –

Entry Time: **17.00** | Exit Time: **23.30** | (do not enter a promo code)

4.9 Parking prior to 5.00 pm and using the promo code will attract the discounted flat rate of \$30.50. If parking after 5.00 pm, it is cheaper to select the “Book a Bay” evening rate for that car park and leave the promo code blank. There is a one hour grace period prior to your entry time and following your exit time (pending car park operating hours) to allow for unforeseen circumstances.

4.10 Complete the payment process being careful to use a Credit Card that you will have with you while parking (your credit card is used as your pass to enter and exit the parking facility).

Piccadilly car park (under the Wesley Centre)

- 4.11 For the Piccadilly car park, go to <https://au.secure-a-spot.com>. If you are not already a registered customer with Secure Parking, you need to complete a registration process to reserve a carspace.
- 4.12 To book parking at Piccadilly car park –
- Search for “Piccadilly Car Park”.
 - Choose a Date and select a Time of Day –
Entry Date: **e.g. 15/10/201** | Entry Time: **12.00 PM** | Exit Time: **11.30 PM**
 - Select “Show me what’s available” and then you need to choose “Piccadilly Car Park” from the options on the right. This will display a rate that has not yet been discounted.
 - After selecting “Piccadilly Car Park”, click on “Book Now” which will take you to a Review page.
 - Click on “Redeem a Promotion Code” and Enter the Promotion Code: **DSA2018** and click “Apply”. This will reduce the rate per day to \$39.00 (+ \$1.00 booking fee).
 - Following the site’s instructions to complete your booking.
- 4.13 Secure Parking have provided the following number to call if you have any problems: 8912 4900.

5. Elections for this Synod Session

- 5.1 In accordance with Business Rule 5.2, information on the Contested Elections to be conducted at this Synod session is set out at item 6, showing –
- the office for which a ballot is to be conducted, and
 - the name of the persons nominated and the suburb or locality of their residence, and
 - if a person nominated is seeking re-election, the year in which the person was first elected, and
 - the names of the 2 members of Synod making the nomination.
- 5.2 The Returning Officer (Martin Thearle) or his delegate will be situated in the Wesley Theatre Foyer.
- 5.3 The ballot will commence at 2.00 pm on Monday 15 October and close at 9.00 pm on Tuesday 16 October. Ballot papers will be issued between 2.00 pm and 8.00 pm on those days. The ballot box will be open from 2.00 pm to 9.00 pm on both days.
- 5.4 All other elections are Uncontested Elections. The list of Uncontested Elections is posted on [SDS's website](#) and will also be tabled in the Synod on Monday 15 October 2018.

6. Contested Elections

(Ballots to be conducted on 15 and 16 October 2018)

Election Offices / Name of Nominee No	Residential suburb	Year first elected <i>(if seeking re-election)</i>	First nominator	Second nominator
2.	ANGLICAN COMMUNITY SERVICES (ANGLICARE) (Anglican Community Services Constitution Ordinance 1961) 1 member of the clergy (who must be a rector), elected for 3 years.			
	The Rev Eric Cheung	CARINGBAH	The Rev Dr Rajeev Gupta	The Rev Gavin M Poole
	The Rev David O'Mara	LEICHHARDT	The Rev Martin Morgan	The Rev David W Wallace

7. Précis of Nominees in the Contested Elections

(Information provided by the nominee)

CHEUNG, Eric

Senior Minister, St Philip's, Caringbah. Finance and Loans Board, 2015 – present. Shore Council, 2014 – present. Senior systems consultant, Infra Corp, 1998 – 2001. Married to Viv with two children. Brings energy, diversity and board experience.

O'MARA, David

As rector I have seen gospel benefit from Anglicare parish partnerships. I bring social work training, an MA, cross cultural experience with CMS and BCA, board experience and have contributed to 2 Synod task groups.