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ROMER, REV WM (LIMERICK)
ROOKE, VERY REV PW (CONNOR)
ROSS, MR B (CLOGHER)
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ROTHWELL, MR KG (FERNS)
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ROUNTREE, REV CANON RB
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RUTHERFORD, REV PM (MEATH
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RUTLEDGE, MR EG (DOWN)
RUTLEDGE, MR JET (KILMORE)

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AND OSSORY)
SATCHWELL, MRS V (ELPHIN)
SCHMELTER, MS C (MEATH AND
KILDARE)
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SCOTT, REV CANON T (ARMAGH)
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SEFTON, MR VJ (CONNOR)
SHANNON, MR J (TUAM)
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SHANNON, VEN MJD (ARDFERT)
SHAW, REV AW (ARDFERT)

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SIMS, DR BA (CONNOR)
SINNAMON, REV CANON WD
(DUBLIN)
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SKILLEN, REV JCT (CONNOR)
SKUCE, REV D (DERRY)
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SPIERS, MR A (ARMAGH)
SPIERS, MR DN (CONNOR)
ST LEGER, DR AE (CORK)
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STAFFORD, REV RW (KILMORE)
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(KILLALOE)

STEPHENS, MRS M (FERNS)
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STEVENSON, MRS EA (CONNOR)
STEVENSON, REV LTC (MEATH
AND KILDARE)
STEVENSON, MISS MEM (ARMAGH)
STEVENSON, MR T (CONNOR)
STEWART, REV B (CONNOR)
STEWART, MR EL (ARMAGH)
STEWART, MR H (CLOGHER)
STEWART, REV CANON JW (CLOGHER)
STEWART, MR TA (CONNOR)
STEWART-MAUNDER, MRS AE
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STRATFORD, MR NR (DUBLIN)
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OSSORY)
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WHARTON, REV GV (DUBLIN)
WHEELER, MR TN (LIMERICK)
WHITE, MR JD (CORK)
WHITE, MRS ME (DUBLIN)
WHITE, VEN REB (CORK)
WHITE, VERY REV SR (KILLALOE)
WHITEFORD, MR GD (KILLALOE)
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WILLIAMS, MR DH (DUBLIN)
WILLIAMS, REV CANON DH (CORK)
WILLIAMS, DR J (CLOGHER)
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WILLIAMS, REV CANON TR (CONNOR)
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OSSORY)
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WITHEROW, MR SDG (RAPHOE)
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WOODS, REV ECJ (DUBLIN)
WRAY, MR A (CLOGHER)
WRIGHT, REV CANON WS (CONNOR)
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WYNNE, VERY REV FJG (CASHEL
AND OSSORY)

YOUNG, MS AT (CONNOR)
YOUNG, MR WA (CASHEL AND
OSSORY)

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0 ADAIR, REV WM
3 BARTON, REV CANON JM
3 HALL, REV KRJ
3 HARPER, REV BJ
3 SCOTT, REV CANON T
2 CAMPBELL, REV JNT
3 MCKEGNEY, REV CANON JW
3 FORSTER, REV TS
3 BOYD, REV SRT
3 KENNEDY, REV CANON MC
3 COE, REV D
3 HOEY, VEN RG
0 MOORE, REV CANON CF
3 HILLIARD, REV D
3 PICKERING, REV JA
3 CULBERTSON, REV EM
3 GRAHAM, REV M
3 MCVEIGH, REV DS

ARMAGH - LAY

3 FORBES, MR GA
3 JOHNSTON, MR LV
0 LEIGHTON, MRS J
3 GREENAWAY, MR D
0 HAMILTON, MR RT
0 LEIGHTON, MR SEC
0 MADILL, MR T
3 LINTON, MR JE
3 HUME, MR TJ
3 COCHRANE, MRS E
0 MCCOMB, MR JD
0 BARR, MR A
3 NEILL, MR A
3 STEVENSON, MISS MEM
0 STEWART, MR EL
3 BRODISON, MR WS

2 MILLIGAN, MR RA
3 PALMER, MR RF
3 MCCLURE, MRS E
2 BRUCE, MR JPH
3 HADDEN, MR JR
2 JOHNSTON, MR G
3 SUITOR, MR WV
3 MCKEOWN, MISS M
0 FERRY, MR N
0 MCKINNEY, MR B
0 LAMBERT, MRS I
0 HENRY, MR TG
3 HATRICK, MR LJ
2 BAGNALL, MR C
0 O'REILLY, MRS E
2 SPIERS, MR A
0 WEBB, MR HRJ

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CLOGHER - CLERICAL

3 JOHNSTON, REV CANON DR WJ
3 ARMSTRONG, REV MA
3 KERR, REV BT
3 STEWART, REV CANON JW
3 COURTNEY, REV CANON BJ
3 ROBINSON, REV CANON DW
3 KERR, REV DP
0 THOMPSON, VERY REV RC
2 BOURKE, REV CANON SG
2 HEYHOE, REV CANON JP
3 MATCHETT, REV CJ
0 MCGIRR, REV CANON WE
0 PRINGLE, VEN CT
3 LINTON, REV BI

CLOGHER - LAY

3 KERR, MR J

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2	MORROW, MR SB	<i>DERRY - LAY</i>
3	WATSON, MR JJ	
3	LOANE, MR WI	3 AUSTIN, MR AC
2	TREACY, MR JC	0 CARSON, MR VG
3	IRVINE, MR JJ	3 KANE, MR WRG
2	STEWART, MR H	0 MONTGOMERY, MR WT
3	ATWELL, MR TA	1 GAMBLE, MR S
1	WILLIAMS, DR J	3 ROSS, MR W
3	BLEAKLEY, MR IK	3 MCFARLAND, MR SC
3	NIXON, MISS G	2 POLLOCK, MR RA
3	HUMPHRIES, MISS HE	0 SMALLWOODS, MR TA
2	DICKSON, MR WJ	0 GLENN, MR G
3	JOHNSTON, MR JID	0 NICHOLL, MR J
0	MONTGOMERY, MR GH	0 MOORE, MR A
2	ROSS, MR B	0 EAKIN, MR JLK
3	WRAY, MR A	3 LIVINGSTON, MR JHD
2	KEATING, MR JH	0 WALLACE, MR TJ
0	ALLEN, MR WJ	0 WAY, MRS EJ
2	HALL, MR JTW	0 MCELHINNEY, MR WR
0	WILSON, MR J	0 BARNES, CAPTAIN N
3	FAWCETT, MR JND	2 OLIVER, MR W
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0	BROOKER, MR SF	0 HUDSON, MR SJ
3	HURST, MRS M	0 LENNOX MR MRW
0	MCMORRIS, MR HF	0 ABERCORN, THE DUKE OF
0	ACHESON, MRS J	0 HARRON, MR RJ
2	FORDE, MR R	0 ROBINSON, MISS M
		0 HUNT, MRS SM
		0 MCMULLAN, MRS T

DERRY AND RAPHOE

DERRY - CLERICAL

2	MAYES, REV CANON JCD
3	MORTON, VERY REV WW
3	MCLEAN, VEN DS
3	SKUCE, REV D
3	GIVEN, REV HR
2	QUINN, REV CANON DJ
0	MCNEE, REV CANON WC
2	MCVEIGH, REV CANON S
3	FERRY, REV CANON HDJ
2	CREIGHTON, REV FD
2	FERRY, REV MRK
2	CLARKE, REV CANON RW
3	CRAWFORD, REV L
3	STOREY, REV PL

RAPHOE – CLERICAL

2	HARTE, VEN MS
3	JOHNSON, REV S
3	FOX, REV R
3	MCLAUGHLIN, REV HJK
2	CROOKS, REV CANON DWT
3	JOHNSTON, REV CANON WB

RAPHOE – LAY

3	MCCLAY, MR W
3	STEWART-MAUNDER, MRS AE
2	ARNOLD, MR WR
0	BOYD, MISS M
3	THOMPSON, MR AJ
0	WITHEROW, MR KW

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0	WITHEROW, MR SDG	3	WALLACE, MR IH
0	BASKIN, MRS A	3	MITCHELL, MR WD
3	DONAGHY, MRS W	0	CAPPER, MR DJS
0	LAIRD, MR G	3	CARGO, MR JA
		0	PANTRIDGE, MR G
		0	COOKE, MR A
		0	LIVINGSTONE, MRS MH
		3	ESDALE, MR TA
		3	MACLAUGHLIN, MRS PW
		0	KEE, MR WJF
		0	ALLEN, MR DS
		0	DUNBAR, MR RR
		1	GORDON, MR N
		0	MYLES, MR JR
		0	WHITESIDE, MRS MEJ
		3	RITCHIE, MR HJE
		0	MURPHY, MR WJ
		0	GILMORE, MR P
		0	BROWN, MR A
		0	KEE, MRS A
		3	JOHNSTON, MR MH
		3	TEMPLETON, MR AL
			<i>DROMORE - CLERICAL</i>
		2	BLACOE, REV CANON BT
		0	CADDEN, REV TJ
		3	ELLIOTT, REV DR MJ
		3	ELLIS, REV CANON IM
		3	HOWARD, REV CANON JR
		0	JONES, REV S
		2	LOWRY, VERY REV SH
		3	SCOTT, VEN WJ
		3	WEST, REV CANON TR
		3	ELLIS, REV IW
		2	DOOGAN, REV SE
			<i>DROMORE - LAY</i>
		0	BRIGGS, MR RS
		3	CAMPBELL, MR ME
		2	DONNELL, MRS ME
		0	FORBES, MR KD
		3	HALLIDAY, MISS P
221	O'CALLAGHAN, MR DB		
3	SHEIL, LADY		
3	DAVEY, MR MC		
3	MCCLEARY, MR BH		
3	WILKINSON, MRS JO		
3	GALLAGHER, MRS MM		
3	BUNTING, MR JE		
2	DAVIDSON, MR SI		
0	DUNNE, MR IW		
0	DUNNE, MRS VS		
3	GALLAGHER, MR RJH		
3	KERR, MR DJ		

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0 TOTTEN, MS PME
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3 PATTERSON, MRS R
3 HARRIS, MR GR
3 KENWELL, MISS BEE
3 BROWNLEES, MR JL
0 WATSON, MRS NL
3 HALL, MRS EA
1 SCHOLES, MR WD
1 SCHOLES, MR DW
0 MCCROSSAN, MR R
0 FORDE, MR BG
2 SPIERS, MR DN
3 HALL, MR A
1 QUIGLEY, MR J
2 HENRY, MR D
0 JORDAN, MR T
0 QUINN, MR RE
3 HIGH, MR MBW

KILMORE, ELPHIN AND ARDAGH

KILMORE - CLERICAL

3 DAVISON, VEN GTW
3 FERGUSON, VERY REV WR
3 STAFFORD, REV RW
2 LINDSAY, REV C
3 BROWNE, REV GW
3 MCCAULEY, REV CWL
2 REGAN, REV N

KILMORE - LAY

0 BLAKELY, MR E
0 CLARKE, MR H
2 CUNNINGHAM, MISS M
0 FOSTER, MR WH
0 HEASLIP, MR K
2 HICKS, MRS HR
3 ROBERTS, MRS IN
3 ROBERTS, MR WJ
0 RUTLEDGE, MR JET
0 TAYLOR, MR GW

0 TRENIER, MR N

ELPHIN AND ARDAGH - CLERICAL

2 BARRETT, REV KAL
3 CATTERALL, REV DA
3 FORSTER, VEN AJ
3 WILLIAMS, VERY REV A
3 ATKINS, REV FW
2 MCELHINNEY, REV CANON MEE

ELPHIN AND ARDAGH - LAY

2 MCELHINNEY, MR AC
2 JOHNSTON, MRS J
2 GILLESPIE, MR D
0 JOHNSTON, MR DHG
0 ANDERSON, MR RR
0 DAVIES, MR J
0 SHANNON, MR JH
3 PRICE, MR I
2 O'HARA, MR BC
0 CLAMPETT, MR P
3 SATCHWELL, MRS V
2 SHAW, MS HI

TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY

TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY - CLERICAL

3 TOWERS, VERY REV PL
3 DADSWELL, VEN RE
0 GRIMASON, VERY REV AJ
3 HASTINGS, VEN GL
2 PATTERSON, VERY REV SM
3 CLEMENTS, REV CANON DTS
0 O'RAW, REV NJ

TUAM, KILLALA AND ACHONRY - LAY

3 AUCHMUTY, MR DJ
3 WILLS, MRS AJ
2 BRADISH, MR B
3 GILMORE, MRS LM
0 CLARKE, MRS S

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3	WALTON, MRS A	3	WHITE, MRS ME
0	PRINS, MR N	3	PYLE, MR PDF
1	SHANNON, MR J	3	PROLE, MRS FAD
3	THOMSON, MRS CH	0	ARMSTRONG, MR JV
3	AUCHMUTY, MRS BL	2	CROMER, MRS JE
3	WALKER, MR RS	3	HILLIS, DR JP
1	JOHNSTON, MR PM	3	CADOO, MRS A
0	HODGINS, MR J	1	VINCENT, MR A
0	FAIR, MRS S	1	RICHARDS, MR GC

DUBLIN AND GLENDALOUGH

DUBLIN - CLERICAL

3	APPELBE, REV CANON FC
2	SINNAMON, REV CANON WD
3	HARMAN, VERY REV RD
3	MCENDOO, REV CANON NG
3	COMERFORD, REV P
3	MCCULLAGH, REV CANON JE
3	PIERPOINT, VEN DA
3	WHARTON, REV GV
3	MOYNAN, REV CANON DG
3	POULTON, REV KM
3	WOODS, REV ECJ
3	EMPEY, REV CANON CA
3	STACEY, REV CANON VG
3	DALTON, REV K
3	MCKINLEY, REV CANON AHN
2	BREW, REV WKM
0	ORR, REV ADH
3	CARROLL, REV JT

DUBLIN - LAY

1	MCGUINNESS, HON MRS JUSTICE C
3	JONES, DR V
3	KIRK, MRS JH
2	PERRIN, MR DG
3	APPLEYARD, MR DS
3	MILNE, DR K
3	WEBB, MR MJT
3	MCNEILE, MR AN
2	CAIRD, MR DN
3	MACCANN, MR LJW
3	BERESFORD, MRS M

3	WHITE, MRS ME
3	PYLE, MR PDF
3	PROLE, MRS FAD
0	ARMSTRONG, MR JV
2	CROMER, MRS JE
3	HILLIS, DR JP
3	CADOO, MRS A
1	VINCENT, MR A
1	RICHARDS, MR GC
3	PAPPIN, MRS JEC
2	HALLIDAY, MR B
0	GOODWIN, MR WS
3	O'NEILL, MRS H
2	WYNNE, MR D
3	LEWIS, MR EW
3	JENKINS, MR M
3	WELDON, MR CB
2	GRAY, MR FW
3	MULLIGAN, MR AH
3	MILLAR, MR DBM
3	STRATFORD, MR NR
3	WARBURTON, MR HN
0	WILLIAMS, MR DH
3	GRACE, MR BE
3	BROWN, MR B

GLENDALOUGH - CLERICAL

1	SWANN, VEN EJ
3	ROUNTREE, REV CANON RB
3	SHERWOOD, REV NJW
3	BUTLER, REV CANON GW

GLENDALOUGH - LAY

0	DUNGAN, MR K
3	HANDY, MS R
2	ALEXANDER, MR HJ
3	MCMASTER, MR GW
3	NEILL, MR RS
0	CAMIER, MRS AM
3	TOTTENHAM, MRS ES
3	NEILSON, MR D

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3 STEVENSON, REV LTC
 3 CLARKE, REV CANON JDM
 3 CARMODY, REV CANON DPR
 3 JONES, VERY REV RW
 3 LAWRENCE, VEN PHA
 3 FIELD, REV GG
 1 BOURKE, REV CANON RSJ
 3 PEILOW, REV LEA
 2 RUTHERFORD, REV PM
 2 DONOHOE, REV OMR
 3 AITON, REV JH

MEATH AND KILDARE - LAY

3 BRUTON, MRS JM
 2 COLTON, MR RF
 2 GILLESPIE, MR DR
 3 KILROY, MAJOR WR
 3 ACHESON, MR EA
 2 DEVERELL, MR W
 3 POTTERTON, MRS HM
 3 HIGGINS, MRS FE
 1 KENNY, MR D
 0 OUGHTON, MR A
 2 BRUTON, MS CL
 2 MEREDITH, MR R
 3 WISEMAN, MR GF
 2 GYLES, MRS O
 2 DUNNE, MR JK
 1 WALFORD, CAPT S
 3 HUSTON, MR NJ
 2 BEATTIE, MR A
 0 SCHMELTER, MS C
 3 KING, MR G
 3 TAYLOR, MR D

**CASHEL, WATERFORD, LISMORE,
 OSSORY, FERNS AND LEIGHLIN**

*CASHEL, WATERFORD, LISMORE,
 OSSORY AND LEIGHLIN - CLERICAL*

3 HARVEY, REV CANON PA

3 WYNNE, VERY REV FJG
 3 LYNAS, VERY REV NN
 3 CLIFFE, REV CG
 3 HEAK, REV PG
 3 SANDES, REV CANON DL
 3 BYRNE, REV RH
 3 BEARE, VERY REV W
 3 MURRAY, VEN JG
 3 RITCHIE, REV WJ
 3 FRYDAY, REV CANON BY
 3 GILLESPIE, REV NG
 3 MCCULLAGH, REV CANON MA
 3 KNOWLES, VERY REV PJ
 3 LESTER, VERY REV TR

*CASHEL, WATERFORD, LISMORE,
 OSSORY AND LEIGHLIN - LAY*

3 KIDD, MR TD
 3 GILLIS, MR AL
 3 HARPER, MR SR
 2 BRADLEY, MR G
 3 SHIRLEY, MS S
 3 YOUNG, MR WA
 3 PEAVOY, MR J
 3 CODD, MR RP
 3 WALLACE, MR C
 2 COUCHMAN, MR JMD
 3 KINGSTON, MR JW
 2 MOYNAN, MR RW
 2 NICHOLSON, MR JW
 3 FRYDAY, MR JN
 3 CLIFTON-BROWN, MR PC
 3 JESTIN, MR I
 2 KEMP, MR J
 1 RATHDONNELL, LORD B
 2 DONALD, MR TS
 3 WELLWOOD, MR C
 1 GRUBB, MR LM
 3 WALLACE, MR D
 2 FINLAY, MR DN
 0 GALLOWAY, MR W
 1 DOWD, MR P
 3 ROTHWELL, MR LG
 2 CODD, MR W
 3 WILSON, MR KA
 3 DRIVER, MR EGJ

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<i>FERNS – CLERICAL</i>		
2	MOONEY, VEN PG	
3	DUNNE, REV CANON DPM	
3	HAYDEN, REV MJJ	
2	GRAY, REV CANON RJ	
3	FORREST, VERY REV LDA	
3	LONG, REV CW	
<i>FERNS - LAY</i>		
0	DUNGAN, MR IF	
3	FORREST, MRS A	
2	STEPHENS, MRS M	
2	BOYD, MR R	
2	BLAKE, MS J	
3	GRAHAM, MS I	
2	MILNE, MS H	
3	THORPE, MR BL	
0	MCCORMICK, MR RBS	
0	ROTHWELL, MR KG	
3	STEPHENS, MRS MM	
CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS		
<i>CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS - CLERICAL</i>		
3	WHITE, VEN REB	
3	O'ROURKE, REV BJG	
3	DRAPER, REV CANON PR	
2	MARLEY, VERY REV AG	
3	WILKINSON, REV AM	
3	LYNCH, REV EEM	
3	WILLOUGHBY, REV CANON PM	
3	WILLIAMS, REV CANON DH	
3	NUZUM, REV D	
3	PETERS, VERY REV CL	
3	DUNNE, REV NK	
3	HILLIARD, REV CANON GPSTJ	
3	OLHAUSEN, REV WP	
0	KINGSTON, REV RG	
3	BAKER, MR WF	
3	ROBERTS, MR JK	
3	BANTRY WHITE, MRS CFR	
3	BIRD, MR JAD	
2	BUTTNER, MRS EA	
3	MCCUTCHEON, MS C	
2	HASTIE, MR KD	
3	ST LEGER, DR AE	
3	PERROTT, MR WT	
3	STANLEY, MR JE	
1	DRING, MR JRH	
3	CASSIDY, MR F	
3	NEWENHAM, MR REW	
3	VINCENT, MR E	
3	BOURNE, MR DJ	
2	TREACY, MR FJ	
0	COLEMAN, MR A	
3	BOGAN, MS CPJ	
2	BUTTNER, MR R	
0	JENNINGS, MRS DH	
3	ST LEGER, MRS EM	
3	DUKELOW, MS SR	
0	GODSIL, MR RW	
3	JENKINS, MR JB	
3	WHITE, MR JD	
3	TREACY, MS IM	
2	MACGILLYCUDDY, MR N	
2	DUNNE, MR HV	
LIMERICK, ARDFERT, AGHADOE, KILLALOE, KILFENORA, CLONFERT AND KILMACDUAGH		
<i>LIMERICK – CLERICAL</i>		
3	SIRR, VERY REV JMG	
0	LEWIS, REV RVC	
3	ROMER, REV WM	
3	GALBRAITH, REV JA	
<i>LIMERICK - LAY</i>		
2	HARDY, MR TS	
3	SCHUTZ, MRS M	

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3 CLARKE, MR JW
3 MORROW, MR WT
2 PEIRCE, MR TH
3 WHEELER, MR TN
0 BRISLANE, MR KE

2 NEILL, REV CANON SM
2 HANNA, REV CANON RC
2 GILL, REV R
0 NEVIN, REV AJ
3 MINION, REV A

ARDFERT AND AGHADOE - CLERICAL

2 SHANNON, VEN MJD
3 WARREN, REV CANON R
3 SHAW, REV AW

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AND
KILMACDUAGH - LAY*

ARDFERT AND AGHADOE - LAY

0 TOUGH, MR D
3 GLEASURE, MRS LM
3 BLENNERHASSETT, MR TN
3 GILES, MR WTN
3 BOYLE, MRS ME
3 HILLIARD, MR A
1 KEANE, MR P

2 ROE, MR R
1 HARDY, MR E
3 ARMSTRONG, MR A
1 BENSON, MR RW
2 READ, MR PDG
3 DEMPSEY, MR RJ
2 WALLACE, MR RK
1 WILLIAMS, MR TJM
0 KENNY, MRS FW
3 BLACKWELL, MR L
0 WHITEFORD, MR GD
3 STANLEY WETZEL, MRS OR
0 HYDE, MR PMR
3 JONES, MRS GME

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2 WHITE, VERY REV SR

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(as on 1 July, 2007)

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STANDING ORDERS

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES MAY, 1965

(amended 1970, 1971, 1972, 1975, 1979, 1984, 1985, 1987, 1988, 1997, 2000 and 2003)

General

1. The Holy Bible and the Book of Common Prayer shall lie on the table of the Synod Hall.
2. Each day's proceedings shall open with a reading from Holy Scripture and prayer, during which time the doors shall be closed.
3. The hours for the Synod when in ordinary session shall be as follows:-

First day: 11.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m. or, if the first and second readings of all Bills sent to the members with the summonses have not then been concluded, until such later hour as the Synod shall determine.

Second day: 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Third day: 10.00 a.m. to 1.00 p.m.; 2.00 p.m. to 4.30 p.m. or such other hour as the Synod may determine.

Provided that the Synod by Resolution assented to by at least two-thirds of the members of the House of Representatives present and voting thereon may (unless the Bishops present by a majority object) prolong the period of any sitting to such hour as may be named in such Resolution.

The hours for the Synod when in special session shall be specified in the notice convening the meeting.

4. (a) Notice of each ordinary meeting of the General Synod shall be sent by post to every member thereof at least 21 days before the day fixed for such meeting.
- (b) Notice of each special meeting of the General Synod shall be sent by post to every member thereof at least 7 days before the day fixed for such meeting.
5. Every member shall be furnished with a card of admission by the honorary secretaries, to be presented at the door of the house: and without such card no person, save members of the Representative Body and its Chief Officer and Secretary, the assessors, and other officers of the Synod, and representatives of Churches invited by the General Synod or by the Standing Committee, shall be admitted to the body of the Synod Hall. Strangers may, on the introduction of a member, be admitted to the gallery, subject to such conditions in this behalf as may be laid down by the Synod. They shall not be admitted to the body of the Synod Hall unless by leave of the house.

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6. Reporters shall be admitted to such part of the Synod Hall as the Synod may appoint except when the Synod shall exclude them by standing order or by an express vote.
7. Four honorary secretaries, two clerical and two lay, shall be elected by their respective orders from among their own members. Any casual vacancy may be filled by the Standing Committee provided always that the clerical or lay representative so elected by the Standing Committee shall be deemed to hold office only until the day previous to the next meeting of the General Synod.
8. On the first day of each ordinary session the President shall appoint as Assessor a person having legal qualifications and experience of the form of government of the Church. The Assessor shall hold office until immediately prior to the following ordinary session and shall be eligible for re-appointment.
9. When the President shall have taken the Chair, no member shall continue standing, except when addressing the Chair.
10. No member shall pass between the Chair and a member who is speaking.
11. If it appear on notice being taken that a quorum is not present, the President shall thereupon adjourn the Synod, without question put, until an hour to be named by the President, or until the next day of meeting, as he shall think fit.
12. A motion to suspend Standing Orders may be moved without notice and to be passed such motion shall require the consent of three-fourths of the members present and voting.
13. All questions of order and relevance shall be decided by the President.
14. The President shall regulate the proceedings of the Synod in all matters not provided for in these Orders by analogy to parliamentary practice.

Rules of Debate

15. Every member desiring to speak shall rise and address the Chair, and when two or more members shall rise simultaneously to address the Chair the President shall decide which of them shall speak.
16. The President shall confine each speaker to the subject-matter of debate; it shall not be in order for any member to interrupt the speaker, except through the medium of the President.
17. Whenever the President rises during a debate, any member speaking or offering to speak shall sit down so that the President may be heard without interruption.
18. No speech of more than five minutes' duration shall be permitted except
 - (a) the proposer of the reports of the Standing Committee and the Representative Body, who may speak for fifteen minutes each; and
 - (b) the seconder of the reports of the Standing Committee and the Representative Body and the proposer of any other report or of any bill, who may speak for ten minutes;

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provided that the President, having regard to the circumstances, including the gravity or complexity of the subject of the debate and the time available for the disposal of business, may decide that compliance with the above restrictions ought to be waived in regard to a particular speech.

19. The President shall leave the Chair when desiring to take part in a debate.

(Note - Appointment to the Chair - see appendix)

20. The proposer of a motion shall have a right of reply, but otherwise a member shall not be permitted to speak more than once on the same question except on the committee stage of a bill. The seconder of a motion or amendment may reserve the right to make a speech to any period of the debate.
21. Members of the Representative Body and its Chief Officer and Secretary shall be entitled to address the House on any question before it, but only those who are members of the House shall be entitled to vote.

Bills

22. Notice of motion for leave to bring in bills for specified purposes may be sent to the honorary secretaries of the Synod at any time not less than one week before the day appointed for the opening of the session of the Synod, and shall appear on the Agenda for the first day of such session; provided that any bill which is lodged with the honorary secretaries not less than six weeks before the first day of the session shall be printed and sent to the members with the summonses.
23. On leave being asked to bring in a bill, the name or names of the member or members proposing to bring in the bill shall be stated and the name or names shall be printed with the bill.
24. (a) At the first ordinary session of each Synod a Bills Committee consisting of six members with the Assessor ex officio shall be elected to hold office until immediately prior to the first ordinary session of the following General Synod.
(b) The Bills Committee shall meet prior to each session of the General Synod to consider legal and drafting aspects of the Bills being presented. The proposer of each Bill shall be notified of the date and place of meeting, and the proposer or the proposer's nominee shall be entitled to participate during the consideration of such Bill.
(c) It shall be competent for the Synod to refer to the Bills Committee any amendments which may be proposed during the progress of a Bill through the Synod.
25. Bills shall be considered in the order of lodgement thereof with the honorary secretaries, save that bills introduced at the request of the Synod or the House of Bishops or the Standing Committee or the Representative Body or the Pensions Board shall have priority over other bills.

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26. Where there are for consideration two or more bills dealing with the same subject matter, the President, if of the opinion that it is advisable so to do, may direct that the question be not put on the second reading of any such bills until there shall have been a debate on the second reading of the other or others.
27. Notice of any amendment proposed to a bill shall be given in writing to the honorary secretaries. (And see S.O.s Nos. 34 to 39.)
28. In the case of any Ordinary Bill which has been printed and sent to the members with the summonses, no amendment shall be considered, save with the leave of the Synod, unless it has been notified to the honorary secretaries on or before the Friday next preceding the session of the Synod; and in the case of such bill (not being a bill to which Standing Order 30 refers) the Synod, if it thinks fit, may proceed on the day of the first reading to the second reading and consideration in committee.
29. Procedure on Ordinary Bills (Ch. 1 sec. 25 of the Constitution) shall be as follows:-

- (a) Introduction and First Reading

The member moving for leave to introduce a bill shall be permitted to make a brief explanatory statement of not more than ten minutes' duration, and if the motion is opposed, a member opposing may make a statement in opposition of not more than ten minutes' duration. The member moving for leave may postpone making a statement until after the member opposing has spoken.

Only the one speech in support of, and one in opposition to, the motion may be made, and the question shall then be put without amendment or further debate; provided that in the case of a bill proposed to be introduced at the request of the Synod or the House of Bishops or the Standing Committee or the Representative Body or the Pensions Board the resolution giving leave to introduce it shall be put without debate unless notice of intention to oppose the resolution has been given to the honorary secretaries of the Synod on or before the Friday next preceding the meeting of the Synod.

Leave to introduce having been given, the bill shall be read a first time, without debate, and an order made fixing a day for the Second Reading.

- (b) Second Reading

On the motion "That the bill be now read a second time", the debate, if any, shall be confined to the question whether the Synod approves the proposal in principle, matters of detail being postponed to the committee stage. The only amendment which may be moved to this motion is one proposing to delete all or some of the words after "That," and the substitution of words which state some reason against the bill being read a second time forthwith.

The bill having been read a second time, an order shall be made fixing a day for consideration in Committee of the whole Synod.

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(c) Consideration in Committee

The Committee of the whole Synod shall consider the bill, clause by clause, together with any relevant amendments which may be proposed, the preamble being taken last. The bill, with or without amendments, shall then be reported to the Synod and an order made fixing a day for consideration on report.

(d) Consideration on Report

On the order for consideration of a bill on report being read, the Synod may consider amendments which arise out of consideration on the committee stage and of which notice has been given the previous day: Provided that amendments rejected in committee shall not be in order. Amendments may also be made without notice if in the opinion of the President they involve merely matters of drafting or the correction of grammatical or clerical errors.

When the bill has received any relevant consideration, an order shall be made fixing a day for the third reading; provided that such order, together with that made under para. (c) above, must permit, unless the Synod otherwise direct, for a clear day being interposed between consideration in Committee and the third reading.

(e) Third Reading

On the motion “That the bill be now read a third time and passed,” any debate shall be confined to what is provided in the bill.

30. Procedure on Special Bills (Ch. 1 sec. 26 of the Constitution) shall be as for Ordinary Bills; provided that:-

- (a) Leave to introduce such a bill may only be given at an ordinary session of the Synod; leave having been given, the bill shall be deemed to have been read a first time, but it shall not be processed further until the next ordinary session when it will come before the Synod for second reading. No amendment to such a Bill may be moved at the first reading stage, but notice of any such amendment must be given at this stage provided that written notice of any such amendment if received by the Honorary Secretaries within one calendar month of the end of this Ordinary Session shall be deemed to have been given at the first reading stage. Amendments, of which notice has been given at the first reading stage, may be moved at the committee stage, and no other amendment may then be moved except any dealing with omissions or grammatical errors.
- (b) Copies of the resolution giving leave to introduce shall be sent to each diocesan synod within one month after the ending of the session at which the resolution was passed.
- (c) The consent of not less than two-thirds of each order, present and voting, shall be required to pass the motions (i) for leave to introduce the bill, (ii) that the bill be now read a second time, and (iii) that the bill be now read a third time and passed, and

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- (d) Debate on the motion that leave to introduce be given shall be governed by the rules of debate without the limitations imposed by S.O. 29(a).

Motions

- 31. (a) A notice of motion (other than a notice of motion referred to in (d) or (e) of this Order) shall be delivered to the Honorary Secretaries not less than one month before the day appointed for the opening of the session of the Synod at which the motion is to be moved.
- (b) A notice of motion duly delivered to the Honorary Secretaries in accordance with (a) of this Order shall be sent to the members of the Synod with the Summons for the Synod at which the motion is to be moved. Such notice shall also be printed on the agenda for the 1st day of such Synod, and may be taken into consideration without further notice.
- (c) A notice of motion shall be signed by the intended mover or by some member on the mover's behalf.
- (d) A notice of motion received during a session of the Synod shall be read to the Synod by one of the Honorary Secretaries on such day as the President shall direct, but such motion shall not be taken into consideration until the next following session unless:-
 - (i) it arises out of business already transacted at the session at which it is received, or
 - (ii) The President and a two-thirds majority of the members present and voting consent to its being taken into consideration at the session at which it is received.

If a motion is taken into consideration under (i) or (ii) it shall be taken into consideration on such day as the President shall direct.
 - (iii) A Notice of Motion received during a Session of the Synod shall be signed by the intended mover with a written indication of support signed by five other members.
 - (iv) The full text of such a Motion shall be submitted in writing to the Honorary Secretaries, shall be read to the Synod by one of the Honorary Secretaries on such day as the President shall direct and printed copies of such Motion shall be made available for consideration by all members of the Synod as soon as possible after receipt from the person proposing the Motion and in any event not later than 12 noon on the final day of the Session unless in exceptional circumstances the President directs otherwise.
 - (v) All amendments to any such Motion shall be delivered in writing to the Honorary Secretaries and copies of such amendments shall be made available for consideration by all members of the Synod as soon as possible after receipt from the person tabling the amendment and in any event not later than 1.00 p.m. on the third day of the Synod unless the President shall direct otherwise.

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- (vi) Any such Motion which is not taken into consideration under (i) or (ii) above shall be sent to the members of the Synod with the Summonses for the next following Session.
 - (e) A motion may be moved without notice by the unanimous leave of the Synod.
32. Motions shall be set down in the order in which the notices were given, provided that motions relating to the same subject shall be taken consecutively and provided that motions relating to any committee or board or commission shall be taken in conjunction with the report of such committee or board or commission.
 33. A motion which does not propose that action be taken beyond its publication or transmission to certain persons shall not be moved unless the permission of the Synod has been previously obtained. When such a motion has been submitted the President shall put the question that leave be given to the member desiring to propose the motion to do so, and a vote shall be taken on this question without debate.
 34. No motion or amendment, except in Committee, shall be taken into consideration unless it be seconded; but, if seconded, it shall not be withdrawn without the leave of the Synod.

Amendments

35. A question having been proposed may be amended (a) by leaving out specified words or (b) by inserting in lieu of specified words included therein other specified words, or (c) by adding or inserting specified words; provided that an amendment which is in effect a direct negative to the question may not be moved.

All amendments shall be delivered in writing to the honorary secretaries.
36. All amendments shall be put according to the priority of the words proposed to be inserted in or omitted from the clause under consideration, and, except by leave of the Synod, no amendment may be proposed in any part of a question after a later part has been amended.
37. The question to be put in regard to any proposed amendment shall in all cases be whether the proposed amendment be made.
38. (a) At any time before the question has been put in regard to any proposed amendment the mover thereof may with the leave of the Synod alter the terms thereof, but no other amendment to a proposed amendment shall be in order.

(b) When an amendment has been made, the question thus amended becomes the substantive question and further amendments may then be proposed.
39. Where amendments have been made, the main question as amended shall be put and where no amendments have been made the question shall be put as originally proposed.
40. The Synod may order a complicated question to be divided.

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Enforced Closure of Debate

41. (a) At any time after a question has been proposed in the Synod, or in a Committee of the whole Synod, a member may claim to move “that the question be now put,” and, unless it shall appear to the President that such a motion is an abuse of Standing Orders, it shall be put forthwith and decided without amendment or debate.
- (b) At any time after a question has been proposed in the Synod a member who considers that a vote on the question is undesirable may claim to move “that the Synod do now pass from this question to its next business,” and, unless it shall appear to the President that such a motion is an abuse of Standing Orders, it shall be put forthwith and decided without amendment or debate.
- (c) The proposer of a closure motion under (a) or (b) above may not interrupt a speaker to do so, and the President, before putting such motion, shall read the original motion (or the motion as amended as the case may be) which was being debated.
- (d) If a closure motion under (a) or (b) above is negated this shall not of itself preclude the proposal of (i) further amendments and (ii), at the discretion of the President, further closure motions, upon the subject in debate.

Motion for Adjournment of Debate or of the Synod

42. No discussion shall be permitted on a motion for adjournment; but the question shall be put immediately from the Chair, and decided by a show of hands on such motion, or by a division, if called for.
43. No adjournment of a debate or of the Synod may be moved if a similar motion on the same subject has been made within the preceding hour.

Voting Procedure

44. (a) When any question is to be put to the Synod or to a Committee of the whole Synod, the President shall rise and announce that “The question is that ...”, thereupon reading or stating the question, and shall require that as many as are of that opinion shall say “Aye” and as many as are of the contrary opinion shall say “No”. The President shall judge from the answers to such requests and state the result, as an opinion, of putting the question.
- (b) After the President shall have stated the result, as an opinion, of the putting of any question, any member may call for a vote upon that question. If a vote is not called for, the President shall forthwith declare the result to be that which had previously been expressed as an opinion.
- (c) When a vote is called for, it shall be taken by show of hands unless 20 members request a division; and the President, before calling for a show of

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hands, shall afford sufficient opportunity for requests to be made for a division or for a vote by orders.

- (d) A vote by orders shall be taken if ten members of either order or the provisions of Ch. 1 sec. 25 of the Constitution so require, and such vote shall be by show of hands unless a division is requested by the requisite number of members.
 - (e) When a division is to be taken, an interval of five minutes shall be allowed after which the doors shall be closed and the question put a second time. The President shall appoint two tellers for each side and order the House to divide; whereupon every member of the House of Representatives present, and wishing to vote, shall record an opinion by passing into the lobby with the “Ayes” or with the “Noes”. At the conclusion of the voting the tellers, having added their own votes, shall report the result to the President, who shall communicate it to the Synod.
 - (f) No question shall be deemed to be carried in the House of Representatives unless, in the case of both orders voting together, there is a majority in favour of the same of the representatives voting thereon, or in the case of the votes being taken by orders there is a majority in favour of the same of the representatives of each order voting thereon. (But see S.O. 29(c) in the case of Special Bills.)
45. When a division is called for, it shall be taken, notwithstanding that the time may have arrived at which, according to standing orders, the Synod ought to adjourn, or proceed to some other business.

(Note - Voting by bishops in Synod - see appendix)

Committees of the Synod

46. All committees of the Synod appointed at one session, and ordered to report at the following session of the Synod, shall lay their report upon the table within the first two days of the session, accompanied by such resolutions as may be necessary.
47. The Synod may order any resolutions, presented by committees upon the first day of the session, to be taken into consideration without further notice.
48. When a motion for the appointment of a committee is carried, the mover thereof shall then, or at the next meeting of the Synod, move the appointment of the members proposed to serve on the Committee, one of whom shall be named as convener. The name of the mover of the resolution for the Committee shall be included in the list of proposed members, provided that this shall not be obligatory when the resolution has been moved on behalf of the House of Bishops, the Standing Committee or the Representative Body.
49. No committee shall, without leave of the Synod, consist of more than fifteen members. Each Committee shall appoint its own chairperson.

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50. Every report of a committee requiring action shall be accompanied by a resolution or resolutions for the consideration of the Synod, and the mere adoption by the Synod of a report of a committee shall not be an authority for the expenditure of money.

Request for Information

51. If any member ask for information with regard to the business of any committee, either of the Synod or of the Representative Body, it shall be the duty of the chairperson of such committee, or of some other member thereof or of the Chief Officer and Secretary of the Representative Body, if so requested, to reply: Provided that at least one clear day's notice of such question shall have been given. The terms of all such requests received by the Honorary Secretaries not less than one week before the first day of a session of the Synod shall be printed on the agenda for the said first day. Any such requests shall be answered on each day of the session at 2 p.m. or as soon thereafter as may be practicable.

Allocation of Money in the Hands of the R.C.B.

52. No resolution relating to the allocation of money in the hands of the Representative Body other than (a) money to the credit of the General Purposes Fund, or (b) for the payment of the expenses of the Synod and its committees shall be put to the Synod until a report from the Representative Body on the subject shall have been first obtained.

Separate Consideration by Bishops of Any Matter in Debate

53. When the bishops shall express their wish to consider separately any matter in debate, and upon such separate consideration shall think fit to communicate to the Synod their opinion upon such matter, the communication so made shall be inserted in the printed orders of the day, and shall come before the Synod in due course for its consideration.
54. If the communication so made shall relate to a bill previously discussed in committee, and then awaiting its third reading, the publication as aforesaid of such communication shall of itself have the effect of re-committing the bill for further consideration upon the subject of such communication, but for no other purpose.

(Note - Voting by bishops in Synod - see appendix)

Orders of the Day

55. Prior to each session of the Synod the honorary secretaries shall prepare an agenda paper which shall include (a) all items required by the Constitution or Standing Orders to be discharged by the Synod, (b) all items which the Synod at a previous session has directed to be included, and (c) all bills, reports and notices of intention to propose motions or amendments which have been received by them by the appointed date. Motions relating to any committee, board or commission shall be placed on the agenda paper in conjunction with the report of the appropriate committee, board or commission.

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56. On the first day at such time as the President shall deem appropriate and in any event not later than 12 noon, the Synod shall consider a motion or motions to be presented by the honorary secretaries with the approval of the President to allocate the time available under Standing Order 3 between the items listed on the agenda paper. In allocating the Synod's time the Honorary Secretaries shall bear in mind that the first priority of the Church of Ireland is spiritual not material. On the adoption of such motion or motions (with or without amendments) business shall be conducted in accordance therewith. Such motion or motions shall include provision of not less than two hours each for consideration of the reports of the Standing Committee and the Representative Body and not less than one hour for the consideration of the report of the Role of the Church Committee.
57. The minutes of the proceedings of the session as certified by the honorary secretaries shall be presented to the next meeting of the Standing Committee and shall be confirmed by the signature of the Chairperson.

Consideration of the General State of the Church

58. On any day of meeting it shall be open to any member, at an hour when motions have precedence, to move that in priority to all other motions the Synod shall proceed to take into consideration the general state of the Church, its progress, prospects and needs. Such motion shall be put without discussion.
59. On such motion being passed, any subject then brought forward by any of the bishops shall have precedence of all others.
60. During such consideration neither strangers nor reporters shall be admitted to any part of the Synod hall or gallery.
61. Such consideration, if not sooner concluded, shall automatically cease at the expiration of one hour, unless prolonged by a special vote.
62. It shall not be necessary for a member bringing forward any subject to conclude with a resolution.
63. A separate record of the proceedings during such consideration shall be kept, and shall be authenticated by the signature of the President before the resumption of the business of the Synod.
64. During such consideration the discussion shall be regulated by the President, whose decision shall be final in all matters not provided for in the foregoing orders.

Petitions

65. A petition in writing may be made by any person or persons of the age of 18 years or upwards being a member or members of the Church of Ireland. Such petition shall be sent to the honorary secretaries of the Synod not later than one week before the day appointed for the meeting of the Synod. Any such petition shall be

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presented to the Synod by a member thereof and shall be referred to the Petitions Committee which shall be elected at the first session of each Synod.

APPENDIX

Voting by Bishops in Synod

Procedure relative to voting by the bishops at meetings of the General Synod is in accordance with the provisions contained in the following sections of Chapter I of the Constitution:

20. If at any time the bishops express their wish to consider separately any matter in debate, the further discussion of that matter shall be postponed until the bishops shall have had the opportunity of so doing.
21. The bishops shall vote separately from the representatives, and no question shall be deemed to have been carried unless there be in its favour a majority of the bishops present, if they desire to vote, and a majority of the clerical and lay representatives present voting conjointly or by orders: Provided always, that if a question affirmed by a majority of the clerical and lay representatives present and voting, conjointly or by orders, but in favour of which there shall not be a majority of the bishops, shall be re-affirmed at the next ordinary session of the General Synod, by not less than two-thirds of the clerical and lay representatives present and voting conjointly or by orders, it shall be deemed to be carried, unless it be negatived by not less than two-thirds of the then members of the House of Bishops, the said two-thirds being present and voting, and giving their reasons in writing.
22. The bishops shall not vote until after the declaration of the votes of the clerical and lay representatives. If they desire to vote, the bishops may withdraw from the General Synod for that purpose, and may reserve the declaration of their vote until the following day.

Appointment to the Chair

Procedure relative to the appointment to the Chair at meetings of the General Synod is in accordance with the provisions contained in the following section of Chapter I of the Constitution:

18. The President may, at his discretion, invite any member of the House of Bishops to take the Chair for such period during a session as the President may determine; any person so taking the Chair shall have, and may exercise, all the powers and functions conferred by Standing Orders on the President.

Venue for the meeting of the General Synod

In the Standing Orders of the General Synod the expression 'Synod Hall', wherever it occurs, shall be deemed to include the room in any building in which, for the time being, the General Synod of the Church of Ireland is meeting in Ordinary or in Special Session.

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BILLS AND EXPLANATORY MEMORANDA

This pamphlet contains those Bills which were lodged with the honorary secretaries at least six weeks before the first day of the session.

A Bill is a proposal for legislation which, if passed, will become a Statute, binding on all members of the Church of Ireland. The procedure is designed to ensure that the proposed legislation is considered carefully, both in principle and in detail, and that there is a day's interval for reflection before final approval is given.

The Bills will be taken into consideration in the order in which they appear in this pamphlet, unless the Synod directs otherwise. On the first stage, the proposer moves "That leave be given to introduce Bill no. ___" unless leave has been given in the previous session. This is a formal motion which is normally put to the Synod without debate, but in certain circumstances one speech in support of the motion, and one in opposition to it, may be permitted.

If that motion is passed, the Synod proceeds to the Second Reading, when the principles of the Bill are open to debate. At the conclusion of the debate on this stage, the motion "That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading" is put to the Synod. If this motion is passed, indicating that the Synod approved the Bill in principle, the Committee stage follows.

In the case of Special Bills leave to introduce such a Bill may be given only at an ordinary session of the Synod; leave having been given, the Bill shall be deemed to have been read a first time, but it shall not be processed further until the next ordinary session when it will come before the Synod for second reading.

On the Committee stage, the Bill is considered in detail, the clauses being put to the Synod one by one for debate and decision. The clauses are taken first in their order; then, the schedules (if any); and, finally, the Preamble (the introductory matter). Amendments, notice of which was given to the honorary secretaries not later than the Friday before the session, will appear on the agenda paper for the first day; no other amendment may be moved on Committee stage except with the leave of the Synod. An amendment is taken on the clause to which it relates, and is disposed of before the clause itself is put to the Synod.

In the case of Special Bills, an amendment can be moved on Committee stage only if notice has been given in the previous session except for any dealing with omissions or grammatical errors.

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When the Committee stage has been concluded, the Bill is reported to the Synod, and a day – usually the third day – is fixed for the remaining stages.

On the third day the Report stage is taken. Any amendments which have been lodged with the honorary secretaries before the close of business on the second day will appear on the supplemental agenda paper for the third day. After these amendments have been disposed of – or immediately if there are not any amendments – the Synod proceeds to the Third Reading. At this stage, debate is confined to the provisions of the Bill, and at its conclusion the motion “That the Bill be now read a third time and passed” is put to the Synod.

A simple majority of the House of Representatives is required to pass any and every motion during the passage of a Bill through the Synod, except when

- (a) a vote by orders has been requisitioned by ten members of either order (which may be done on any motion), in which case a simple majority of each order, voting separately, is required.
- (b) a two-thirds majority of each order, voting separately, is required to pass the Second Reading and the Third Reading of a Bill which proposes a modification or alteration in the articles, doctrines, rites, rubrics or formularies of the Church.

For fuller information on Bill procedure reference should be made to Part II of Chapter I of the Constitution and to the Standing Orders. A leaflet on Bill procedure is available on application to the Honorary Secretaries.

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 THE BISHOP OF CASHEL AND OSSORY

(at the request of the General Synod)

Explanatory Memorandum

To amend *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar, The Table of Readings* and *The Collects* as set out in the accompanying Schedule

BILL NO 2 REV CANON RB ROUNTREE
 THE BISHOP OF CASHEL AND OSSORY

(at the request of the General Synod)

Explanatory Memorandum

To amend the Statute II of 1990 by substituting for THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), The Institution of an Incumbent for use in churches of the Church of Ireland as set out in the accompanying Schedule

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(at the request of the General Synod)

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To amend Chapter VII of the Constitution to make provision for the appointment of Ecumenical Canons of the National Cathedral of St Patrick, Dublin

BILL NO 1

Explanatory Memorandum

2005 was the first occasion since 1993 that Christmas Day has fallen on a Sunday. This highlighted an anomaly in the *Calendar and Table of Readings* which had not been apparent during the years of experimental use of the calendar, namely that 1 January is designated as the First Sunday in a season of which it is manifestly the second Sunday. The Church of England, which shares the same Calendar with the Church of Ireland, used an extra schedule to a liturgical statute in its General Synod to deal with the anomaly. It is therefore expedient that minor amendments are made to *The Book of Common Prayer* so that this will be addressed in the Directory and Visual Liturgy when Christmas Day will next fall on a Sunday i.e. 2011.

Present Wording

Amended Wording

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Christmas Day to the eve of The Epiphany

Christmas Day to the eve of The Epiphany
*When Christmas Day falls on a Sunday, 1
January is the Second Sunday of Christmas*

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The First Sunday of Christmas
Between 26 December and 1 January

The First Sunday of Christmas
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The Readings for The Epiphany may be preferred, Readings for Saint Stephen, Saint John the Evangelist, Holy Innocents, and The Circumcision and naming of Jesus may be used when one of those Festivals falls on this Sunday.

The Reading of The Epiphany may be preferred, Readings for Saint Stephen, Saint John the Evangelist and Holy Innocents, may be used when one of those Festivals falls on this Sunday

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The Second Sunday of Christmas
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The Readings for The Epiphany may be preferred.

The Readings for the Circumcision and Naming of Jesus are used when this Sunday is 1 January. The Readings for Epiphany may be preferred.

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...By your grace keep us ever faithful to your word, In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

By your grace keep us ever faithful to your word, In the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

These prayers are used between 2 and 5 January inclusive

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REV CANON RB ROUNTREE
THE BISHOP OF CASHEL AND OSSORY

(at the request of the General Synod)

BILL

To amend *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar*, *The Table of Readings* and *The Collects* as set out in the accompanying Schedule.

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to correct an anomaly in those parts of *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar* and *The Table of Readings* which occurs on those occasions when Christmas Day falls on a Sunday and to include a note in that part entitled *The Collects*;

WHEREAS it is expedient to correct an anomaly in those parts of *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar* and *The Table of Readings* which occurs on those occasions when Christmas Day falls on a Sunday and to include a note in that part entitled *The Collects*:

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the year 2007, and by the authority of the same as follows:

Those parts of *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar*, *The Table of Readings* and *The Collects* shall be amended as set out in the Schedule to this Bill.

BILL NO 2

Explanatory Memorandum

The 2004 *Book of Common Prayer* does not contain a service for the Institution of an Incumbent. It has for some years been the Liturgical Advisory Committee's intention to offer the General Synod an opportunity to address this matter. Some may feel that Institutions vary greatly from diocese to diocese, and are best planned according to the policies of different bishops. However, the provision of a normative version will not diminish the opportunity for appropriate local flexibility and should provide a necessary benchmark.

In preparing this service the Committee has been conscious of what has been valuable in previous texts, as well as what had not worn particularly well. The Committee has striven to root the ministry of a local incumbent in baptism, from which flows the ministry of us all. Definite connections have been made between this order and the revised Ordinal. The Committee has sought to enrich the section of the service in which the new rector is charged and commissioned, and encounters various symbols reflecting the scope of *his* ministry. The familiar 'perambulation' of the church has been retained and indeed augmented, but a fresh approach has been offered involving presentation of symbolic items to the priest at the front of the church.

Institution services are very dramatic and memorable events in a worshipping community, and it is important to strike a balance between the legal and the pastoral, between the presiding role of the bishop and the inaugural liturgical appearance of a new rector in a parish. It is hoped that this order achieves an appropriate balance and makes very clear what the function of ordained ministry is within the ministry of the whole people of God. The Service may be adapted when the priest being licensed is to serve as a bishop's curate or in a chaplaincy.

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REV CANON RB ROUNTREE
THE BISHOP OF CASHEL AND OSSORY

(at the request of the General Synod)

BILL

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend the Statute II of 1990 by substituting for THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), The Institution of an Incumbent for use in churches of the Church of Ireland as set out in the accompanying Schedule.

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend Statute Chapter II of 1990 by substituting, for THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), as included in *Alternative Occasional Services 1993* published by the authority of the General Synod, *The Institution of an Incumbent* as set out in the Schedule to this resolution, for use in the churches of the Church of Ireland.

WHEREAS it is expedient that Statute Chapter II of 1990 be amended by substituting for THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), *The Institution of an Incumbent* as set out in the Schedule to this Bill, for use in the churches of the Church of Ireland:

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the year 2007, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Statute II of 1990 shall be amended by substituting for THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), *The Institution of an Incumbent* as set out in the Schedule to this Bill, for use in the churches of the Church of Ireland.

BILL NO 3

Explanatory Memorandum

In 2002 the General Synod voted to amend the rubrics in Services in the then *Book of Common Prayer* (Statute of the General Synod 2002, C. iv and v) as a result of which the reference to suicide in the rubric at the start of the Burial Service was deleted.

In 1974 the Canons of the Church of Ireland were altered to include a reference to suicide in order to be consonant with that rubric.

In the light of the recent deletion of the rubric in question, and taking into account current pastoral requirements, this Bill seeks to delete the reference to suicide in Canon 32 (2).

The effect will be to restore the canonical position as it pertained prior to 1974. Suicide was not explicitly included among the exceptions listed in the Canons of 1603, the Irish Canons of 1635 or, indeed, in any of our Church of Ireland Canons since disestablishment: in 1871, 1879, 1889, 1899, 1909, 1926, 1934, 1946, or 1960.

<i>Current Wording:</i>	<i>Wording if the Bill is passed:</i>
(2) A member of the clergy may however exercise discretion in refusing to read the burial service in full where the deceased died unbaptised or had committed suicide or had committed some grievous or notorious sin and not repented of it or had been excluded from Holy Communion under Canon 16 and had not been readmitted thereto.	(2) A member of the clergy may however exercise discretion in refusing to read the burial service in full where the deceased died unbaptised or had committed some grievous or notorious sin and not repented of it or had been excluded from Holy Communion under Canon 16 and had not been readmitted thereto.

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THE BISHOP OF CORK, CLOYNE AND ROSS
THE BISHOP OF KILMORE

(at the request of the General Synod)

BILL

To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution in the following terms:

WHEREAS it is desirable to amend in Chapter IX of the Constitution the provisions of the Canon 32(2) of the said Canons concerning the burial of the dead by omitting suicide from the exceptions listed in the said Canon 32(2);

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and by the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Armagh in the year 2006, and by the authority of the same as follows:

1. In this Statute Chapter IX means Chapter IX of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.
2. In Chapter IX in Canon 32(2) the words ‘or had committed suicide’ shall be deleted.

Note: The following amendment has been tabled for 2007 to correct the errors concerning the venue and year for consideration of the Bill at the General Synod in Kilkenny in 2007:

That ‘Kilkenny in the year 2007’ be substituted for ‘Armagh in the year 2006’ in the seventh line.

BILL NO 4

Explanatory Memorandum

When the General Synod was established by the General Convention of 1870, diocesan representation was based on one clerical member for every ten cures and two lay members for each clerical member. The number of representatives produced on this basis has remained largely unchanged since that time, despite considerable demographic changes in the distribution of the Church of Ireland population.

Various proposals to reform the General Synod have been considered by the Standing Committee and the General Synod in recent years. These have largely focused on achieving an equitable representation from each diocese. The present membership is 216 clerical members and 432 lay members, with the twelve bishops being *ex officio* members. The total membership is 660.

The recent process began in June 1998, when the Standing Committee appointed the Synodical Structures Working Group, which reported annually to the Standing Committee. In 2001, a Bill was submitted to the General Synod proposing a total membership of 393, based on one clerical member for every five serving clergy in the diocese and two lay members for each clerical member. The Bill was lost on the First Reading.

In the following year, a Private Member's Bill was submitted, also based on serving clergy, at a ratio of one clerical member for every two clergy. This Bill, which would have produced a larger membership than at present, was also lost on the First Reading.

The General Synod of 2002 requested the Standing Committee to continue the process and in the following June the Synodical Reform Working Group was appointed. In its 2005 report to the Standing Committee, it recommended a diocesan representation model based on one clerical member for every 2.5 serving clergy. This model would produce a total membership of approximately 582. The Standing Committee in March 2005 was divided on whether the proposed model should be recommended to the General Synod. Consequently, it was decided that there would be insufficient support for the proposals and no recommendation was made to the General Synod. (see Book of Reports 2005, Standing Committee Report page 155 and Appendix Q, pages 250 -254)

A decision of the Diocesan Synod of Down and Dromore in June 2006, requested the Standing Committee to bring forward legislation within three years to provide for more equitable representative of the clergy and laity on the General Synod.

In response to the request from the Diocese of Down and Dromore, the Standing Committee agreed that a Bill based on the proposals made by the Synodical Reform Working Group in 2005, should be brought before the General Synod 2007 for consideration.

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The effect of the proposed legislation is that the table in section 4(2) of Chapter I of the Constitution will no longer appear. The review of the number of representatives every third triennium by the Honorary Secretaries will be reported to the General Synod and published in the Journal.

An example of the outcome of the proposals is shown below; the Bill provides for regular revision.

1. Two lay members for each clerical member in each diocese;
2. A total membership of approximately 582;
3. Membership based on one clerical member for every 2.5 cures in each diocese;
4. A minimum of four clerical and eight lay members for each diocese;

Diocese	Cures	Synod Members	Clerical Members	Lay Members
Armagh	46	57	19	38
Clogher	33	42	14	28
Derry and Raphoe	49	60	20	40
Down and Dromore	79	96	32	64
Connor	77	93	31	62
Kilmore and Elphin	24	30	10	20
Tuam, Killala and Achonry	9	12	4	8
Dublin and Glendalough	55	66	22	44
Meath and Kildare	18	24	8	16
Cashel and Ossory	34	42	14	28
Cork, Cloyne and Ross	22	27	9	18
Limerick and Killaloe	16	21	7	14
Total	462	570	190	380

The number of cures is based on the Report of the Working Group 2005.

Summary of General Synod membership:

House of Bishops		12
House of Representatives		570
Clerical	190	
Lay	380	
Total		582

REV CANON BJ COURTNEY
REV CANON SM NEILL

(on behalf of the Standing Committee, at the request of the Diocese of Down and Dromore)

BILL

To amend Chapter I of the Constitution

WHEREAS it is expedient to conduct a continuing review of the size of the House of Representatives;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the principles upon which the clerical and lay representatives to the General Synod to represent the several Dioceses and United Dioceses of the Church of Ireland be set out in the Constitution of the Church of Ireland;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the Table contained in Section 4(2) of Part 1 of Chapter I of the said Constitution be deleted;

AND WHEREAS it is desirable to review the number of clerical and lay representatives returned to the General Synod to represent the several Dioceses and United Dioceses of the Church of Ireland be conducted at least every third triennium;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter I of the Constitution;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops, and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the year 2007, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. For section 4(1) of Part 1 of Chapter I of the Constitution there shall be substituted:

- ‘4(1) (a) The House of Representatives shall consist of representatives of the clergy and of the laity, to be elected as hereinafter provided in the year 2008 and triennially thereafter.
- (b) The number of clerical representatives to be returned to the General Synod by each Diocese or United Dioceses shall be in the proportion of one representative to every 2.5 cures, where cure shall have the meaning as contained in section 36 of Part V of Chapter VI of the Constitution. An additional representative shall be returned for any remaining cure or part thereof.
- (c) For the purposes of subsection 1(b) the number of cures shall, in the year 2008 and at every subsequent review carried out in accordance with subsection 4(1)(e), be ascertained on the 1 January of the review year.

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- (d) The number of lay representatives shall be to the clergy in the proportion of 2:1.
 - (e) On 1 January 2008 and thereafter, on 1 January preceding the first of each third triennium, a review of the number of representatives both clerical and lay to be returned by each Diocese or United Dioceses to the General Synod, shall be conducted by the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod on the basis of the principles hereinbefore set out, provided that the number of representatives of the clergy to be returned by any Diocese or United Dioceses shall not fall below 4.'
2. Section 4(2) of Part 1 of Chapter I of the Constitution shall be deleted with effect from 1 January 2009.
 3. For section 4(3) there shall be substituted:
 - 4(2) The Synods of the several dioceses composing each united diocese may from time to time make such mutual arrangements as to them shall seem fit for apportioning among such dioceses respectively the number of representatives allotted to the several united dioceses in accordance with section 4.
 4. The former sections 4(3), 4(4) and 4(5) shall be renumbered 4(2), 4(3) and 4(4).

BILL NO 5

Explanatory Memorandum

The reproduction and use of the words and music of hymns, anthems and the like is subject to the laws on copyright. There is a moral and legal obligation on all parishes to comply with the copyright laws and to obtain the appropriate permission, paying the appropriate fee, from the copyright holder on any occasion on which they reproduce such material.

Alternatively they can hold a licence. Discussions have taken place with Church Copyright Licensing International (CCLI), which acts as a licensing agent for the greater part of the material commonly used in the Church of Ireland; they have agreed to grant a block license for the Church of Ireland as a whole. The Representative Church Body has agreed to purchase such a license annually subject to the cost being recouped from the dioceses. This bill defines the basis on which the fee for the license would be calculated and provides machinery for its recovery.

The license fee would be based on the number of worshipping congregations (Parishes or Grouped Parishes) rather than on individual church buildings as would be the current norm. A banding system related to the weekly attendances at the various parish units throughout the church would form the basis of the calculation of the block fee. Individual parishes would be responsible for making returns of the use of copyright material to CCLI as indeed they are now. The cost of the block license would be levied on the dioceses *pro rata* and they would recoup that cost from the parishes in whatever manner they chose. The number of worshipping congregations and the weekly attendance figures would be received triennially. The bill provides for the scheme to commence in January 2008. *Ad hoc* arrangements for parishes who wish to join early could be made, with refunds where appropriate.

There are a number of advantages to such a scheme.

First, for both the church at large and for individual parishes the problem of compliance with the copyright rules will be largely taken care of.

Second, there would be a significant cost saving. Based on current figures and practice the total license fees payable to CCLI could amount to a sum in excess of €250,000. The cost of the block license would be of the order of €140,000.

How that saving would impact on individual parishes would depend on the method used by the various dioceses to recoup the cost.

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Finally, the amount of administration on a church wide and diocesan level will be kept to a minimum. Individual parishes will have to make returns for any hymns/songs uses but they are already bound to do that under existing rules.

The bill as drawn reflects the terms discussed with CCLI but it also provides for the possibility of making similar arrangements (based on worshipping congregations) with a new or different licensing agent should that become appropriate. It would be anticipated that assistance with the implementation of the scheme would be available to parishes in the period September 2007 and February 2008.

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REV CANON PF PATTERSON
REV CANON RB ROUNTREE

(on behalf of the Standing Committee)

BILL

To provide for the better observance of requirements relating to copyright

WHEREAS it is expedient to make provision for the better observance of requirements relating to copyright in churches of the Church of Ireland

AND WHEREAS for that purpose the Representative Body has agreed to purchase annually a licence or licences authorising the use in all churches (or cathedral churches) in the Church of Ireland of musical and poetic works.

AND WHEREAS it is desirable that the cost of such licence or licences be recovered from the various dioceses

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the year 2007, and by the authority of the same as follows:

- 1 (i) From 1st January 2008 each diocese shall contribute towards the cost of the said licence or licences a sum in respect of each cure, including vacant cures, in each such diocese as at the preceding 30th June calculated according to such formula, based on the usual weekly attendance in the cure, or such other basis as may seem to the Standing Committee appropriate, as the Standing Committee may from time to time, with the consent of the Representative Body, adopt
- (ii) The number of cures in each diocese shall be agreed between the Representative Body and the diocesan council. In the event of disagreement between the Representative Body and the diocesan council as to the number of cures in any diocese, such shall be determined by the decision of the archbishop of the province in which such diocese is situated.
2. Each diocese shall collect and obtain and, if so requested by the Representative Body, provide such information as may be reasonably required to calculate the sum referred to in clause 1(i) hereof.
3. Contributions shall be payable quarterly in arrears by each diocesan council on 31 March, 30 June, 30th September and 31 December each year or in such other manner as the Representative Body may approve.

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4. Each diocesan council shall be at liberty to recover in whole or in part the contribution so charged by direct assessment on the individual parishes, unions or groups of parishes, or churches, within its jurisdiction in whatever manner it deems appropriate.
5. For the purposes of this Statute the term 'cure' shall have the same general meaning as contained in Chapter IV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland, and shall include:
 - (a) A parish, union or group of parishes under the care of an incumbent appointed under Part III of Chapter IV;
 - (b) A parish, union or group of parishes under the care of a bishop's curate appointed under section 42 of Chapter IV;
 - (c) A parish, union or group of parishes assigned to the immediate care of a vicar appointed under Part X of Chapter IV;
 - (d) A parish, union or group of parishes in respect of which a certificate has been issued by the Representative Body under section 52 of Chapter IV;
 - (e) A "light-duty parish" as defined by section 62 of Chapter IV;
 - (f) A cathedral which is non-parochial.

BILL NO 6

Explanatory Memorandum

In the light of the triennial actuarial evaluation of the Fund, at 30th September 2006, particulars of which are included in the Report of the Church of Ireland Pensions Board, the Representative Church Body in conjunction with the Church of Ireland Pensions Board has agreed that an increase in annual total contributions to the Fund of 1.7% is needed to enable the Trustees to pay future benefits under the Fund as they fall due while maintaining the long-term solvency of the Fund.

The Representative Church Body and the Church of Ireland Pensions Board have agreed that part of the cost of this increase should be shared in similar proportions to the existing contributions made by members and parishes/dioceses. This necessitates amendment of sections 34 and 35 of Chapter XIV of the Constitution which provide for the manner in which contributions are made to the Fund and details the rates of contribution.

According, Clauses 2 and 3 seek to effect the required amendments to sections 34 and 35 which would be effective from 1st January 2008. These Clauses seek to increase by 0.3% from 5.3% to 5.6% of minimum approved stipend, the amount of contribution from a member. The assessment on parishes/dioceses would be increased from 15.9% of minimum approved stipend to 16.8%, an increase of 0.9%.

Together these two increases would amount to a contribution of 22.4% of the minimum approved stipend. The Representative Church Body itself would be required to contribute an increase of 0.5% from 7.7% to 8.2% bringing an overall increase in annual contributions to the Fund of 1.7%.

At a time when more young people are experiencing third level education, it is important that child dependency allowance should continue to be paid in respect of those children of deceased members of the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Fund who are engaged in third level education until such children attain the age of 23.

The provisions of clauses 7, 8, 9 and 11 seek to effect this significant improvement with effect from 10th May 2008.

The remaining Clauses of the Bill, namely Clauses 4, 5, 6 and 10, seek to make minor consequential and drafting amendments to Chapter XIV of the Constitution.

LADY SHEIL
MR DG PERRIN

(on behalf of the Representative Church Body
and of the Church of Ireland Pensions Board)

BILL

To amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution

WHEREAS an increase in the annual total contribution made to the Church of Ireland Pensions Fund, established under Chapter XIV of the Constitution and hereafter referred to as 'The Fund', is required to maintain the solvency of the Fund and whereas it is desirable to improve certain of the benefits provided under Chapter XIV of the Constitution and to make sundry other amendments to the Chapter;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution;

AND WHEREAS the Church of Ireland Pensions Board has certified that on the enactment of this Statute the Fund should remain solvent as required by Section 16(1) of Chapter XIV of the Constitution.

Be it enacted by the Archbishops and Bishops and the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the Year 2007, and by the authority of the same as follows:-

1. In this Statute 'Chapter XIV' means Chapter XIV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland 2003.
2. In Section 34 of Chapter XIV for '1st January 2005' there shall be substituted '1st January 2008' and for the figure '21.2%' there shall be substituted the figure '22.4%'.
3. In Section 35(1) of Chapter XIV for the figure '5.3%' wherever it occurs there shall be substituted the figure '5.6%' and for the figure '15.9%' wherever it occurs there shall be substituted the figure '16.8%'.
4. After Section 37 of Chapter XIV and immediately before Section 38 the following shall be inserted

'CONTRIBUTIONS FROM CENTRAL FUNDS'

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5. After Section 38 of Chapter XIV and immediately before Section 39 of the said Chapter the following shall be inserted:

‘OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS’

6. In Section 58(3) of Chapter XIV for the words ‘sub-sections (1) and (2)’ there shall be substituted the words ‘subsections (1), (2) and (4).’
7. In Section 58 of Chapter XIV immediately after sub-section (3) there shall be inserted the following sub-section:
‘(4) The limitation of age prescribed by sub-sections (1) and (2) of this section shall, in respect of each child who is engaged in third-level education, be 23 years.’
8. In Section 59 of Chapter XIV for the words ‘until the child attains the age of 18 years or marries, whichever is the earlier’ there shall be substituted the words ‘until the child attains the age of 18 years or, if engaged in third-level education, 23 years, or marries whichever is the earlier.’
9. In Section 61(1) of Chapter XIV for the words ‘attains the age of 18 or marries, whichever is the earlier’ there shall be substituted the words ‘attains the age of 18 or, if engaged in third-level education, of 23, or marries whichever is the earlier.’
10. In Section 64(a) of Chapter XIV for the figure ‘46’ there shall be substituted the figure ‘47’.
11. In Section 81(1) of Chapter XIV for the words ‘until the child attains the age of 18 years or marries, whichever is the earlier:’ there shall be substituted ‘until the child attains the age of 18 years or, if engaged in third-level education, 23 years, or marries, whichever is the earlier:’

BILL NO 7

Explanatory Memorandum

In his contribution to *Irish Anglicanism 1869–1969* published in 1970, Michael Hurley S.J. wrote “I look forward to the day (and it can be delayed only at our common peril).....when St Patrick’s Cathedral, Dublin will become a fully inter-denominational, ecumenical cathedral.” The present proposal is a small first-step in that direction. The proposed new prebendaries will be known as the prebendaries of Clondalkin and Finglas, two of the original prebends of the 1191 foundation which were subsequently subsumed in the deanery and the chancellorship respectively.

REV CANON TR WILLIAMS
VERY REV LDA FORREST

BILL

To amend Chapter VII of the Constitution to make provision for the appointment of Ecumenical Canons of the National Cathedral of St Patrick, Dublin.

WHEREAS it is desirable for the promotion of relations with other churches that provision should be made for the appointment of ecumenical canons to the Collegiate and Cathedral Church of St. Patrick;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is expedient to amend Part II of Chapter VII accordingly;

Be it enacted by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the year 2007, and by the authority of the same as follows:-

1. Section 21 shall be substituted by the following:
 21. The Chapter shall consist of the Dean, Precentor, Chancellor, Treasurer, the Prebendary of Cualaun (who, as in times past, shall be the Archbishop of Dublin for the time being), twenty-one other prebendaries or canons, whose stalls shall have the titles of the ancient prebends connected therewith respectively and two ecumenical canons appointed under the provisions of Section 24A of this Chapter.
2. The following section shall be inserted after Section 24:

Ecumenical Canons

24A(1) In this Chapter “ecumenical canon” shall mean a minister or accredited preacher of one or other of such Christian denominations not in full communion with the Church as may from time to time be specified by the House of Bishops appointed a member of the Chapter under the provisions of this section.

(2) It shall be in the power of the Chapter to appoint ecumenical canons, not exceeding two in number without salaries. Such ecumenical canons may be removed by the Dean and Chapter with the approval of the Archbishop of Dublin and for cause shown. Each ecumenical canon, if not so removed, shall hold office for a term of five years from the date of appointment or until such ecumenical canon shall resign from office, and shall be eligible for reappointment.

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- (3) The appointment of an ecumenical canon shall not be effective unless and until that person shall make and subscribe before the Dean and Chapter the declaration contained in the Second Schedule hereunto annexed.
- (4) An ecumenical canon may be invited by the Dean to perform all or any of the following duties -
- a. To say or sing Morning or Evening Prayer or the Litany;
 - b. To read the Holy Scriptures at any service;
 - c. To deliver an address at any service;
 - d. To assist at a Baptismal, Marriage or Funeral Service or at the Celebration of the Holy Communion;
- if the ecumenical canon is authorised to perform a similar duty in his or her own Church.
- (5) The Court of the General Synod shall have authority to determine all questions and disputes that may arise respecting the appointment or removal of an ecumenical canon.

3. Sections 25 and 26 shall be substituted by the following:

Election of Dean

25. The Dean shall be elected by the members of the Chapter out of the members of the Chapter (other than the ecumenical canons): Provided that if no such election take place within three months after the occurrence of a vacancy the Archbishop of Dublin shall appoint a Dean from among the members of the Chapter (other than the ecumenical canons). During a vacancy in the office of Dean all the powers of that office other than those conferred by Section 26 of this Chapter, shall devolve on and be exercisable by the Precentor or in the Precentor's absence the member of the Chapter (other than an ecumenical canon) next in order of precedence.

Appointment of Dignitaries

26. The Precentor, the Chancellor and Treasurer shall be appointed by the Dean. Ecumenical canons shall not be eligible for appointment to any of these offices.

4. Section 29 shall be substituted by the following:-

Clergy members of Diocesan Synod of Dublin

29. The Dean and such members of the Chapter (other than ecumenical canons) as are habitually resident within the diocese of Dublin, and also the clerical vicars and other clergy habitually residing within

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the diocese of Dublin and serving in the said cathedral church, shall be members of the diocesan synod of Dublin.

5. Section 34 shall be substituted by the following:
 34. The Dean shall be the immediate ordinary of the said Cathedral, for the purpose of directing the clergy and officials (including ecumenical canons) and ordering the services. All other matters relating to the cathedral and not herein otherwise provided for shall be determined in Chapter. And at all meetings of the Chapter, the Dean or in the Dean's absence the member of the chapter (other than an ecumenical canon) present next in order of precedence, shall have both an ordinary and a casting vote.
6. The words "FIRST SCHEDULE" shall be substituted for the existing title of the Schedule to Chapter VII and immediately after that Schedule there shall be inserted the following:-

SECOND SCHEDULE

DECLARATION FOR SUBSCRIPTION

I, A.B., do hereby solemnly declare that:-

- (1) I am a validly ordained member of Church.
- (2) I agree to be bound by the provisions of Part II of Chapter VII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland and, to that extent only, I submit myself to the authority of the Church of Ireland, and to the laws and tribunals thereof.
- (3) I A.B. do declare that I will perform Canonical obedience to the Dean of this Cathedral and Collegiate Church of Saint Patrick, Dublin, and his successors canonically entering. The statutes and ancient customs of this Cathedral and Collegiate Church, so far as they are not repugnant to the laws of the Church of Ireland, I will observe, and my endeavours for their defence against all persons whatsoever will diligently use, and also the secrets of this Chapter, so long as they shall continue to be secrets, will keep private and undisclosed.

*I subscribe the
above declaration to
be appointed to the
office of Ecumenical Canon
of the Collegiate and Cathedral
Church of St. Patrick
This day of 200*

FORTY SIXTH GENERAL SYNOD

Second Ordinary Session, held in Kilkenny, on 8, 9 and 10 May 2007

FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY 8 MAY 2007

On this day, according to the summons of His Grace the Lord Primate, the Synod assembled in the Lyrath Estate Hotel, Kilkenny.

The Chair was taken at 11.00 am by His Grace the Lord Primate.

A hymn was sung and a portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer were read by the Rt Rev MAJ Burrows, Bishop of Cashel and Ossory.

A list of the members of the General Synod was laid on the Table.

Nomination of an Assessor

The President nominated Mr MC Davey to act as his Assessor.

President's Address

His Grace the Lord Primate delivered the following address.

Members of the General Synod, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen,

It is my privilege to welcome you to this the second ordinary session of the 46th General Synod of the Church of Ireland, the first to be held in Kilkenny and the first for 20 years not to have been held under the skilled and benign presidency of Archbishop Robin Eames. My first duty, I believe, should be to seek your support for the sending of greetings from this meeting of Synod to Lord and Lady Eames. This will be a very different synod experience in the absence of Archbishop Robin.

Members of Synod, we meet in amazing and rapidly changing times.

Last Thursday in Northern Ireland the UVF and Red Hand Commando issued a statement standing down their organization, promising to put all weaponry beyond reach (but, sadly, not beyond use,) and undertaking to oppose all criminality and cooperate fully with the police. They could, of course, have gone much further and I wish they had, but I welcome their statement as a significant step along the road to the complete removal of paramilitary violence from our society and an investment in peace building and the normalization of the political process.

That political process takes another giant leap forward today. As we meet in General Synod the newly formed Executive of the Northern Ireland Assembly is also meeting to exercise for the first time its powers of government. I believe that it is important for us to

send a clear message of support to those now entering executive office. Much trust has been placed in them; much is expected of them; the hopes and dreams of millions on this island for a constructive, shared future, marked by justice, equality and mutual respect, lie squarely upon their shoulders. It is important that the members of the Executive and indeed the whole body of the Assembly should be aware that we are all praying to Almighty God for success in their collaboration and that it may lead to a future freed from the evils and antagonisms of the past.

Cynics and caricaturists have conditioned us to look for the worst in those who offer themselves for public office. This is not helpful. I believe a very different message needs to be heard, namely that politics is an honourable profession, that we recognise that politicians have a difficult job to do, and that they need our encouragement and support in order to ensure that they do their work well. Clearly the electorate will hold politicians to account for their stewardship of the responsibilities they have sought and been given. The Church will feel free to criticise, cajole and encourage. Meanwhile, politicians in all parts of this island deserve our respect in acknowledgment of the demanding nature of the task they undertake on our behalf.

SYNOD AND THE SHAPE OF THINGS TO COME

Most of my remarks today will have a self-consciously domestic focus.

It is right, I believe, that from time to time we should ask ourselves hard questions about what we do and the way that we do it. Since this is my first Presidential Address I propose to begin that task.

Radical and exciting change in the life of our church is beginning in some areas and called for in others. Therefore I want to provoke an internal conversation about how things are and how they might be.

You will all be aware that a Bill will be presented today which aims to link representation on the General Synod to the number of cures in each diocese. Important though this issue is, other issues to do with our model of synodical government are equally pressing.

The General Synod is the Church of Ireland's deliberative assembly. We should recognise, however, that a synod is not only an exercise in internal self-government it is also a window on the Church and indeed a shop window for the Church. Therefore we need to ask ourselves searching questions and in particular these:

- “What is the role of the General Synod in furthering the mission of the Church?”
- “How effective a vehicle is General Synod for communicating both to the internal constituency of the Church of Ireland and to the wider community the views of the Church of Ireland in seeking to be faithful to the revelation of God in Jesus Christ?”

My preliminary answers to these questions are these:

1. The General Synod does and should have an important role in furthering the mission of the Church but it isn't working as well as it should and could.
2. Whether by age or accident the synod is now failing effectively to communicate its message in ways that resonate with the needs of the 21st century.

It is of course commonplace to observe that society in general has become highly secularised and that the Church and religious affairs command little public attention unless scandal is involved. Even if I concede that those things are true (and actually I do not accept that interest in religion and things spiritual is diminishing), even then, my conclusion is that we are called upon to shape our procedures and focus our energies in ways which will allow the important things we have to say to be clearly heard. This may, from time to time, require us to be deliberately provocative in the way we articulate the important things we have to say. So be it.

You have before you a Book of Reports. Reports like that of the Standing Committee, the Church in Society Committee, the Central Communications Board, the Youth Department, the Commission on Ministry, the Marriage Council and all the rest stand before you largely as historical accounts of past work. Take the Report of the Church in Society Committee: many of its sections are impressive and learned (for example the section on Ethical Issues and the Care of the Elderly, or the section on Advanced Directives.) No doubt these sections will receive thoughtful debate but I strongly believe that we should be requesting that our boards and committees give shape and direction to the debate which their work should provoke by putting down motions to enable this house to express an opinion or adopt a direction in response to that work. We ought, furthermore, to be mature enough as an assembly to assume that the reports themselves have been studied in advance so that opinions of a substantive nature may receive specific consideration and, potentially, endorsement by a vote of the synod.

Everyone knows that there arises with monotonous regularity the question of “Who speaks for the Church of Ireland and with what authority?” The definitive answer to that question should be that this synod speaks for the Church of Ireland, but this can only happen if issues and options are placed before synod for determination.

This matter is, however, far more than the expression of disembodied opinion. It is first about carefully and succinctly articulating an opinion; but, second, it is about considering and setting a course of action. We should, for example, give serious consideration to what actions we might take in those areas for which we, as a Church, have direct responsibility. For example: the Ecological and Environmental sub-committee of the Church in Society Committee reports a project aiming at “good ecological practice within parishes”. I should have welcomed a motion which seeks to commit this synod to requesting all parishes and dioceses to undertake an ecological and environmental audit of their activities, under the guidance of the sub committee, with the aim of establishing eco- friendly best practice in all that the Church of Ireland does. If such a motion were to be accepted then we should have embarked upon a very practical course of action which makes real what we say we believe on this issue. Sometimes, when I think of the carbon footprint created by the plethora of committees of the Church of Ireland, I wonder if we do not also need an audit at central level also.

Let me be specific by way of an example which will affect me directly: I am told that the Diocese of Armagh is to be provided with a new See House. It would be my hope that such a “new build” would incorporate every appropriate device to render the project as eco-friendly as possible. A motion from this synod requiring full account to be taken of ecological and environmental issues in any new building project would impact directly on that project and on all other future projects including, for example, the plans for a new Theological Institute. It would send a clear message about the Church of Ireland view on

the responsible stewardship of creation, in addition to our equal commitment at all times to enhance the quality of the built environment.

In fine, I do not believe that it is sufficient to outline considerations and present information in the form of essentially historical accounts of past business. We need to express ourselves in specific terms and to address issues in an ordered and focussed fashion. We need to know what we think and say what we know and do what we say.

Let me mention another synodical matter. Our procedures for the passage and implementation of legislation are based on a British, Victorian, Parliamentary model. They have served us well but that does not mean that they should not be re-examined from time to time. If, even after listening attentively and reading carefully the instructions about the Bills procedure for this synod, some members remain confused, it will come as no surprise to anyone. If, worse still, members of synod are inhibited from making a contribution to our debates for fear that they may be doing or saying the wrong thing at the wrong time we should regard that as a serious matter: our procedures should be designed to inspire confidence not fear, participation not confusion. If they don't we should change them to a more user friendly model.

So far I have addressed myself to the way we shape the current work of our Synod. Now I want to be more radical.

It has been pointed out to me that the present structures of our Church are strong in the areas of representation, safeguards, and the maintenance of ethos, but that key weaknesses include:

- A lack of clear understanding of where policy is set;
- A lack of defined short term priorities;
- A fatal separation of decision-making on policy from decision-making on resources;
- A lack of clarity on who makes the ultimate financial decisions and what criteria are used in making those decisions

My correspondent, who is a prominent lay person in my former diocese, wrote that, in his view:

- Structure should be shaped by vision, policy and priorities; and that
- We should be wary of being (what he called,) “committee driven”

He also said that

- Direction for the church should be set by the bishops as, what he called, “the spiritual leaders of the Church”;
- That the bishops should be encouraged to communicate their vision with an indication of an order of priorities; and that
- To become a reality the vision would require to be owned, resourced, communicated effectively, reviewed regularly and given realistic time frames.
- The challenge is to shape our structures to serve our mission.

Now, very clearly it is important not to throw out babies with bathwater. Nevertheless, when a thoughtful and extremely experienced lay person expresses himself so clearly and forcefully, I believe we should listen.

Coincidentally, the responsibility for oversight of the training of clergy for ordained ministry led to the bishops adopting a “working definition” of what we see as the mission of the Church of Ireland at the beginning of the 21st century. You will have seen it in the material circulated about the new Ministry Formation Project and you will hear about it later in a presentation to be made to this synod. It remains a work in progress and already a small amendment has been proposed so that the slightly amended statement might read:

“The Church of Ireland, as an authentic part of the universal church of God, is called to develop growing communities of faith, in and through which the Kingdom of God is made known, and in which the whole people serve together as followers of Jesus Christ for the good of the world and to the glory of God the Father.”

I am confident that this statement, or some refinement of it, represents a good starting point for the exercise implied by my correspondent.

Members of Synod may know that the Standing Committee, through the Honorary Secretaries, began the work of reviewing our existing committee structures – essentially, I suspect, to determine whether all the committees we have are strictly necessary or cost effective.

I want to suggest, therefore, in response to the radical critique of my anonymous correspondent, and the initiative of the Honorary Secretaries, that a somewhat different exercise is called for. Namely, one in which perhaps the bishops and the Honorary Secretaries sit down, together or separately, to ask this kind of question:

“In the light of our mission statement for the 21st century what are the principal areas of concern in church life, what is the relative order of priority of each, and what are the best structures for dealing with these concerns, in order to respond faithfully to our calling in Christ Jesus?”

Such an exercise should be offered first for consideration by the Standing Committee and brought to General Synod for wider consultation. We should take as our point of departure a determination that the outcome of the exercise (whether differing radically from what we now have or not) will represent a deliberate and purposeful address to our common task as Christian people and that if the task is agreed the means should be willed.

Let me point, purely by way of example, to a possible outcome in one particular area. Over the past five years I have chaired the Board for Social Responsibility (NI). During that time I have been fully aware that the work we have been doing has little underpinning in the form of a coherent Theology of Social Engagement. Meanwhile, with little or no correspondence between us, the Church in Society Committee has been thinking theological thoughts on a whole range of social issues but has little practical engagement with any of them. There is no joining up of theology and action. I do not think that this makes sense. I do think that what we need is, perhaps, a Division of the Church concerned with coordinating theology and social action.

I note that, through two of its current members, the Board for Social Responsibility (RI) is telling us that the Board doesn't know what it should be doing and even if it did it couldn't do it! Look at motion no. 4 on the order paper and you will see it writ plain. Now, to my mind, a declaration of incapacity in relation to engagement in action to

address issues of social concern, deprivation, exclusion or need is so serious that papering over cracks simply will not do. If we are not here to make the Kingdom of God known, present and real and to serve together for the good of the world, and if that does not mean reaching out to serve the most vulnerable in our society, I find it hard to know why we are here. Therefore we need to examine with some urgency how we contribute, as a Church, to the well-being of vulnerable humanity and how we develop a coherent theology of social engagement which leads to social action.

I say again, what I have described is chosen by way of example. I do not intend that this exercise of re-evaluation should be confined to simply the area of social concern. My suggestion is that we take a blank sheet of paper and write on it not what, by accretion, we have inherited from a past generation but what we now need in order to fulfil the will of Christ in our day. My belief is that this is not a case of “if it ain’t broke don’t fix it”, but rather, “Let’s not fix it, let’s build what we need to do today’s job today!”

Now if this conversation that I am attempting to provoke gains any momentum at all it will immediately run into considerations about funding, so, let us not be fearful of addressing that issue also. All synod members will be aware that a great fault line runs from top to bottom in the Church of Ireland: the fault line that separates the Treasury from the “spending departments”, that is the RCB from the General Synod.

The Act of Parliament and the Trustee functions under which the Representative Body does its work and manages its assets places upon it as the major responsibility the sustentation of the clergy. Their performance of that Trustee responsibility has been nothing less than superb. But, because of the limitations of the Trust, the RCB cannot easily allocate funds for many of the purposes which the General Synod might wish to promote.

This is, of course, the financial background against which the Priorities Fund was created. In effect, the Standing Committee and the General Synod have no money of their own except that which they administer through Priorities. It admittedly has a tiny amount in the Royalties Fund derived from the publication of materials such as the Hymnal and the Book of Common Prayer.

All this places a major inhibition on the work of the Standing Committee and all structures related to the work of the General Synod.

The Priorities Fund, quite rightly, seeks to promote new initiatives at grass roots level within the church: the variety is immense and, as seed-funding, the subventions have been totally invaluable – you will find a summary of the allocations from Priorities on p233 of the Book of Reports. The Priorities Fund Committee establishes its own working criteria for allocations and operates within them. What I should like to see, either within Priorities or alongside it, is the creation of a Central Projects Fund so that the work of the Boards and Committees of this synod would have resources to draw upon when developing their work, including the power to engage professional staff where such a requirement is established. I have no wand to wave in order to achieve that outcome. I do believe, however, that we have radically to re-examine our financing structures, both to realign them, if possible, where they are unhelpful to our core endeavour and to examine new ways to generate revenue for the core work of the Church quite independent of the obligation to provide for the sustentation of the clergy. If it cannot be done, then it cannot be done! But I am unwilling to begin from such a premise! We must become a Church which does its work efficiently but which is also properly resourced.

I am coming towards the end of this address. There are many things I should have liked to have touched upon including issues like the debate we need in 21st century Ireland on the issues of integration and multi-culturalism; issues concerned with asylum seekers and migrant workers in our society; people trafficking and the sexual exploitation of women, children and young men; issues surrounding the current state of family life and contemporary attitudes to marriage; millennium development goals, poverty, corruption and HIV/AIDS especially affecting our partner churches in Africa. All these things and many more are issues this synod should take into consideration. However, this address is already long enough. Therefore I want to touch on just one other issue which, to an extent, also fits into my essentially domestic agenda for today. I refer to issues surrounding the Review of Public Administration and Education in Northern Ireland.

EDUCATION

Early in my address I made reference to the meeting today of the Northern Ireland Executive. One of the major issues which the Assembly and the Executive will have to address has to do with the new shape of education in Northern Ireland.

The Churches, and the Church of Ireland in particular, were involved in providing education long before governments took on the responsibility. In the 1930s and 1940s the Church of Ireland, along with the two other Protestant Churches transferred their schools into the control of the state. They became “controlled schools”. They did so on the understanding that these were “church-related schools” and that the transferor churches would retain a role in the governance of those schools and that their ethos would be protected.

Between 1926 and 1947 approximately 500 schools were transferred. In the same period 200 schools were provided by the State. Little by little the influence of the churches, exercised through Transferor Representatives on the Boards of Management (or Boards of Governors) has been whittled away. Under current proposals they will be further reduced. This is, at the least, a lack of understanding of the importance of transferors in the establishment of the educational system in Northern Ireland and at the worst a total lack of moral integrity in deliberately failing to honour promises entered into in good faith.

It is not for this address to examine in detail the direction which is indicated in the current consultations but I do want to say something. It is this:

The Church of Ireland has a much greater interest in education than merely the protection of ancient rights. It is important that we should be saying something quite specific about the character and values that we believe should mark the educational system as a whole and the schools in particular. The things we say apply particularly to church-related schools but are more generally applicable than that.

Our culture and way of life is born of and formed by Christianity. I believe that we should be clear that even for those who profess no Christian faith the values and standards inherited from the Christian tradition remain important. Those of other religious traditions and none have a right to have their sincerely held convictions respected. Indeed, this is something we, as a Church, should seek to ensure. However, I believe that education is much more than merely the transmission of knowledge and that education should never be morally neutral or ethically ambiguous. We are seeking to educate the whole person and we require to maintain and develop a society with strong and coherent moral and spiritual values. I believe that those moral and spiritual values

are most exquisitely and perfectly expressed in and through the revelation of God in Christ and I make no apology for holding such a conviction. I therefore believe that in all schools, but especially church-related schools, there should be overarching principles and emphases which we need now to advocate. These include:

1. Recognition of the place of God and the revelation of God in Christ in both the values and the observances of the institution.
2. Principles of love and respect for self and for the other which incorporate and encourage tolerance and courtesy.
3. The teaching and modelling of forgiveness with open and unambiguous commitment to reconciliation.
4. The development of attitudes of respect for and stewardship of creation.
5. Respect for the intrinsic value of the individual.
6. Respect for society and acceptance of the individual's place in it as both a human necessity and as a wider expression of personal identity and responsibility.
7. Equality of opportunity and equivalence of provision to meet the educational needs of all young people, recognising the diverse nature both of those needs and of each person's gifts.

I make no claim that this is an exhaustive or particularly well-informed list. I offer it to highlight the need to engage in a debate which will carry on and be concluded without us unless we make our voice heard. Meanwhile, I would want clearly to be heard my strong objection to what I believe to be the deliberate marginalization of the rights and responsibilities of the Church of Ireland by an administration that has so attenuated the consultation process that even yet there has not been issued a key consultation document, namely Paper 20, which purports to deal with the future ownership of the schools which we originally transferred into the control but, arguably, not the ownership of the state.

IRELAND IN RAPID TRANSITION

Much earlier in this address I referred to the rapidly changing character of society in Ireland, the challenges of secularism but also the opportunities that we need to secure in order to speak into the debates being conducted in civil society. Therefore I welcome the initiative of An Taoiseach in initiating high level structured dialogue on government policy with stakeholders including the Church of Ireland. I also welcome the modest structures for similar dialogue established at Civil Service level in Northern Ireland and I should like to see them expanded. The Churches (and I speak advisedly in the plural) have an important role to play in shaping future society here in Ireland. My aim is that the Church of Ireland should be fully fitted to engage effectively in such a dialogue and that our voice should be clearly heard. I commend that aspiration to the General Synod

Privilege

By leave of the House the Rev Ivan McElhinney and Mrs Mary Salmon were invited to address the House on behalf of the member Churches of the Irish Council of Churches and the Church in Wales respectively.

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Motions on Procedure

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That motion No 1 on procedure be passed.

FIRST DAY

11.00 am President takes the chair
to Reading of Holy Scripture and Prayer
1.00 pm List of members of the General Synod to be laid on the table
Nomination of an Assessor by the President
President's Address
Welcome Official Guests
Motion No 1 (Timetable)
Formal business and communications
Bill Nos 1 to 7
2.00 pm Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)
to Continuation of Bills No 1 to 7
6.00 pm Report of the Pensions Board (not more than 30 minutes)
Report of the Committee for Christian Unity (not more than 30 minutes)
Motion No 2 (Committee for Christian Unity) (not more than 15 minutes)

SECOND DAY

10.00 am Reading of Holy Scripture and Prayer
to Formal business and communications
1.00 pm Report of the Representative Church Body (not more than 2 hours)
Report of the Commission on Ministry (not more than 30 minutes)
Presentation by The Hard Gospel Committee (30 minutes)
2.00 pm Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)
to Presentation by the Ministry Formation Project (45 minutes)
6.30 pm Report of the Standing Committee (not more than 2 hours)
Re-launch of the Church of Ireland Website
Report of the Church in Society Committee (not more than 45 minutes)
Report of the Church of Ireland Youth Department (not more than 30 minutes)
Motion No 3 (Church of Ireland Youth Department) (not more than 20 minutes)

THIRD DAY

10.00 am Reading of Holy Scripture and Prayer
to Formal business and communications
1.00 pm Bills No 1 to 7: further stage as ordered on first day
Report of the Board of Education} (not more than 1 hour 30 minutes)
Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (NI) (not more than 30 minutes)
Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (RI) (not more than 20 minutes)

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Motion No 4 (Social Action in the Republic of Ireland) (not more than 5 minutes)

2.00 pm to 4.30 pm

Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)
Report of the Church's Ministry of Healing (not more than 30 minutes)
Report of the Church of Ireland Council for Mission (not more than 30 minutes)
Report of The Covenant Council (not more than 30 minutes)
Motion No 5 (The Covenant Council) (not more than 5 minutes)
Motion No 6 (Mr JMD Couchman and the Rev Canon WD Sinnamon) (not more than 10 minutes)
Report of the Church of Ireland Marriage Council (not more than 30 minutes)
Report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee (not more than 20 minutes)
Report of the Commission on Church Buildings (not more than 10 minutes)
Motion No 7 concerning publication of the Journal (not more than 5 minutes)
At 4.25 pm any outstanding items will be put from the Chair without debate.

If business listed for any period is completed before the hour appointed, reports listed for Thursday afternoon will be taken in reverse order, commencing with Church of Ireland Youth Department.

References in this motion to a "report" shall include any resolutions accompanying such report on the agenda paper.

Reports of Committees and Boards

The following reports were presented:

Representative Church Body
Church of Ireland Pensions Board
Standing Committee
Church in Society Committee
Board of Education
Church of Ireland Youth Department
The Covenant Council
Committee for Christian Unity
Liturgical Advisory Committee
Church of Ireland Council for Mission
Commission on Ministry
Church of Ireland Marriage Council
Commission on Church Buildings
Church's Ministry of Healing
Board for Social Responsibility (NI)
Board for Social Responsibility (RI)
Priorities News

Irish Council of Churches' Annual Report
Incorporated Society: Report and Accounts to 31 July 2006

Communication from the House of Bishops

The following communication was received from the House of Bishops:

I wish to inform you that at a meeting of the House of Bishops held on 24 January, 2007, it was agreed to give permission for a period of seven years, to the experimental use of a service of Holy Communion by Extension (for those unable to be present at the public celebration), with a view to becoming permanent after the passing of legislation. This service is issued in accordance with the Constitution of the Church of Ireland, Chapter 1, section 26 (3).

Communication from Diocesan Synods

The following communication was received from the Diocesan Synod of Tuam, Killala and Achonry:

This synod requests that the General Synod approves that Canon 32(2), Chapter IX of the Constitution concerning the burial of the dead be amended by omitting suicide from the exceptions listed in the said Canon.

The following communication was received from the Diocesan Synod of Dublin and Glendalough:

That these Diocesan Synods support the Bishop of Cork in his Bill to amend Canon 32(2) of Chapter 9 of the Constitution, concerning the burial of the dead be amended by omitting suicide from the exceptions listed in the said Canon 32(2).

Bills

A copy of the Bills Pamphlet was laid on the Table.

Report of Bills Committee

Members

Rt Rev WP Colton (Chairman); Very Rev RD Harman; Ven RG Hoey; Mr MC Davey; Mr GC Richards; Lady Sheil.

In accordance with Standing Order 24(b) the Bills Committee met on two occasions on Thursday 29 March 2007 and on Tuesday 8 May.

BILLS:

The Committee considered the legal and drafting aspects of Bills Nos 1, 2, 3, 4 5 6 and 7 in the attached Bill Pamphlet.

The Committee made no comment on Bill Nos 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6.

The Committee made the following comments on Bill No 5:

Preamble, 2nd paragraph: The Bills Committee notes that the Representative Body has not agreed to purchase an annual licence for the Church of Ireland.

The proposed licence will not necessarily cover all musical and poetic work. The Preamble should reflect this. The Bill provides for a licence for musical and poetic works, but not for prose.

Clause 1, section (i): This section lacks clarity, particularly by the use of the phrase ‘usual weekly attendance’.

Clause 2: Greater definition is required concerning the collection of data by dioceses.

Bill No 7

In the case of Bill No 7, the Bills Committee was concerned to ensure that the Bill would be consonant with Canon 10 and to this end the Bill was redrafted accordingly. On further reflection and for the removal of doubt, the Committee recommends that the General Synod give permission for the following amendment to be made to Clause 2 in the proposed Section 24A(4): after the word ‘duties’ the following shall be inserted, namely ‘insofar as the same are consonant with the provisions of Canon 10’.

The Committee also recommends that the General Synod give permission for an amendment to be made to the Second Schedule, that is to say, that in paragraph 1 of the Declaration in the Second Schedule the words after ‘I am’ be deleted and replaced with the words ‘a minister or accredited preacher of _____ Church.’

Adjournment

The House adjourned at 1.00 pm and resumed at 2.00 pm.

Request for information (Standing Order No 51)

Mr GW McMaster

With particular reference to the approximately €2 million Equity investment in Imperial Tobacco (*Book of Reports*, Page 117) can the RB please:

1. Explain how the holding of this investment accords with the aspirations set out in Appendix E “Socially Responsible Investment” (Page 78)?
2. The Socially Responsible Investment Statement indicates that the Investment Committee conducts an ethical assessment at least once a year. When did the review of 2006 take place, and who participated in the review meeting?
3. The Socially Responsible Investment Statement acknowledges that the Investment Committee gives weight to the findings of the Church of England Ethical Investment Advisory Group (amongst others). How does the RB Investment Committee reconcile the investment in Imperial Tobacco with the Church of England Ethical Investment Advisory Group’s Statement of Ethical Investment Policy, dated September 2006, which states amongst other things “In addition, investment is avoided in any company, a major part of whose business activity or focus is gambling, the supply of tobacco products ...”?

4. Does the RB hold any other investments in the tobacco industry (not identified in the *Book of Reports*) and if so what is the total of such investments?
5. Has the Investment Committee ever disinvested as a result of one of the yearly reviews?

The following response to the request from Mr Geoffrey McMaster, Diocese of Glendalough, in relation “to the approximate €2 million equity investment in Imperial Tobacco”, was delivered by Mr SR Harper:

1. As Trustee, the RCB has a fiduciary responsibility to obtain the best risk adjusted financial return possible for the trust beneficiaries. The Investment Committee has not recommended any investment restriction on tobacco stocks; however, due to the sensitive nature of this sector, it is kept under regular review.
2. As reported on page 22 of the *Book of Reports* (2007) a formal review was conducted by the Investment Committee at its meeting in June 2006 which then reported on to the RCB Executive Committee and to the Representative Body. Submissions covering a wide range of issues were received from the investment managers. Socially responsible investment issues were also discussed at other meetings of the Investment Committee during the year.
3. The Investment Committee reviews the research findings of the Church of England Ethical Investment Advisory Group; however, it has never adopted the findings of that Advisory Group nor attempts to reconcile its recommendations with the Representative Body’s investments.
4. At 31 December 2006, the Representative Church Body held other investments to the value of €6 million in companies in the tobacco industry, or 0.86% of total investments.
5. Yes, the Investment Committee has directly disinvested in the past and has also asked that their external managers do so.

Bill (No 1) – To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod 2006 to amend *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar, The Table of Readings and The Collects* as set out in the accompanying Schedule

It was proposed by Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Bishop of Cashel & Ossory and passed:

That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading.

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered in detail.

The Clause was passed.

The Schedule was passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

Thursday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 2) To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend the Statute II of 1990 by substituting for the INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), The Institution of an Incumbent for use in churches of the Church of Ireland as set out in the accompanying Schedule

It was proposed by Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Bishop of Cashel & Ossory and passed:

That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading.

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered in detail.

AMENDMENT NO 1

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory and passed:

On page 10 for *Applause may be appropriate* read *Applause is appropriate*

AMENDMENT NO 2

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory and passed:

On page 13 at the end of *The First Form* insert the rubric *The service continues on page X before 'The rector alone kneels before the bishop...'*

VOTING: Ayes: 170 Noes: 158

AMENDMENT NO 3

It was proposed by the Ven PF Patterson, seconded by the Rev AJ Forster and passed:

On page 13 (last line) omit the words, 'share in my ministry to'.

VOTING: Ayes: 155 Noes: 103

AMENDMENT NO 4

It was proposed by the Rev Canon DH Williams, seconded by the Rev Canon MC Kennedy and passed:

On page 15 after the line '*Other symbols, pertinent to the ministry to be undertaken, may be included where appropriate*' a rubric shall be added stating '*The Second Form ends here.*'

AMENDMENT NO 5

It was proposed by the Rev Canon DH Williams, seconded by the Rev Canon MC Kennedy and lost:

On page 15 the rubric *'The bishop may place the rector in the accustomed prayer desk or stall'* be moved to appear after the words *'and make me worthy of my calling. Amen.'* On page 16.

AMENDMENT NO 6

It was proposed by the Rev Canon DH Williams, seconded by the Rev Canon MC Kennedy and lost:

That the rubric be continued with the words *'and may say
.....I install you here as incumbent of this parish, and leave you in peaceful possession of the same; and may the Lord preserve your going out and your coming in from this time forth, for evermore. Amen.'*

The Clause was passed.

The Schedule was passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

Thursday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

**Bill (No 3) to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend
Chapter IX of the Constitution**

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross, seconded by the Bishop of Kilmore and passed:

That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading.

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

AMENDMENT NO 1

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross, seconded by the Bishop of Kilmore and passed:

That *'Kilkenny in the year 2007'* be substituted for *'Armagh in the year 2006'* in the seventh line.

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The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble, as amended, was passed.

The Bill was reported.

Thursday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 4) to amend Chapter 1 of the Constitution

It was proposed by the Rev Canon BJ Courtney, seconded by the Rev Canon SM Neill and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 4.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon BJ Courtney, seconded by the Rev Canon SM Neill and lost:

That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes: 66	Noes: 94
	Lay	Ayes: 89	Noes: 158

Bill (No 5) To provide for the better observance of requirements relating to copyright

Bill No 5 in the names of the Ven PF Patterson and the Rev Canon RB Rountree, was withdrawn by leave of the Synod.

Bill (No 6) To amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution

It was proposed by Lady Sheil, seconded by Mr DG Perrin and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 6.

That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading.

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

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The Bill was reported.

Thursday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 7) to amend Chapter VII of the Constitution to make provision for the appointment of Ecumenical Canons of the National Cathedral of St Patrick, Dublin

It was proposed by the Rev Canon TR Williams, seconded by the Very Rev LDA Forrest and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 7.

That the Bill be approved in principle and given a second reading.

According to order the House went into Committee.

The Bill was considered Clause by Clause.

AMENDMENT NO 1

It was proposed by the Rev Canon TR Williams, seconded by the Very Rev LDA Forrest and passed:

In clause 2 in the new section 24A(4) after the words ‘duties’ there shall be inserted the words:

‘insofar as the same are consonant with the provisions of Canon 10’

AMENDMENT NO 2

It was proposed by the Rev Canon TR Williams, seconded by the Very Rev LDA Forrest and passed:

In the Second Schedule, for paragraph 1 of the Declaration there shall be substituted:

‘(1) I am a minister or accredited preacher of _____ Church.’

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

Thursday 10 May was fixed for the next stage.

Chair

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

Church of Ireland Pensions Board

It was proposed by Mr DG Perrin, seconded by the Rev FJ McDowell and passed:

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Pensions Board be received and adopted.

Chair

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the Chair.

Committee for Christian Unity

It was proposed by the Bishop of Meath and Kildare, seconded by Dr K Milne and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Committee for Christian Unity be received.
- (b) That the following be elected members of the Committee:

The Archbishops and Bishops

Rev P Comerford	Mr WT Morrow
Rev Canon DWT Crooks	Rev DR Nuzum
Rev Canon Dr IM Ellis	Mr N Richardson
Very Rev RD Harman	Very Rev PW Rooke
Mr SR Harper	Ms CS Turner
Rev IJE Knox	Rev OC Ulogwara
Rev Canon WA Lewis	Rev GV Wharton
Rev DM McCallig	Rev Canon TR Williams
Mrs R McKelvey	Mrs AJ Wills
Dr K Milne	

- (c) That the following represent the Church of Ireland on the Irish Council of Churches:

Mr L Brien	Dr K Milne
Mr GC Casey	Ms M Maconachy
The Most Rev RL Clarke	Mr JTN McGaffin
Rev Canon Dr IM Ellis	Mrs R McKelvey
Rev Canon R Fox	Mr WT Morrow
Rev S Gyles	Most Rev Dr JRW Neill
Ms R Handy	Rev DR Nuzum
Mr SR Harper	Rev BT Stanley

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Ms S Harte
Rev Canon JCD Mayes

Rev OC Ulogwara
Rev Canon TR Williams

The Benediction was pronounced and the Synod adjourned until Wednesday 9 May 2007.

SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY 9 MAY 2007

The Chair was taken at 10.00 am by His Grace the Lord Primate.

A portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer were read by the Rt Rev MAJ Burrows.

Communication from the Representative Church Body

The following communication was received from the Representative Church Body:

To the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

Co-Opted Members

I wish to advise you that at its meeting on 9 May 2007 the Representative Church Body elected the following as co-opted members:

Mr TH Forsyth

Mrs J Peters

Mr MJT Webb

Denis C Reardon

Chief Officer and Secretary

Communication from the Record Committee

The following communication was received from the Record Committee

To the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod

Record Committee

The Record Committee reports that, as provided by the Statutes, the Statutes passed at the last Session have been printed in duplicate and they now present two copies which have been compared, certified and sealed, and signed by His Grace the Lord Primate.

J Gerard Buchanan

Chairman

Privilege

By leave of the House the Rev Brendan Leahy was invited to address the House on behalf of the Roman Catholic Church.

Committee for Christian Unity - Terms of Reference

It was proposed by the Bishop of Meath and Kildare and seconded by Dr K Milne:

That the name of the Committee for Christian Unity be changed to ‘The Church of Ireland Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue’ and that the following terms of reference replace those of 1995:

- (a) To promote within the Church of Ireland the vision of Church Unity;
- (b) To promote and support movements in Ireland towards co-operation among the various Christian bodies;
- (c) To maintain Church of Ireland membership of, and participation in, national and international ecumenical bodies;
- (d) To address developments within the Anglican Communion;
- (e) To encourage and engage in inter-faith encounter and dialogue;
- (f) To report annually to the General Synod.

It was proposed by the Bishop of Meath and Kildare, seconded by Dr K Milne and passed:

That section (d) be amended to read:

To address, in consultation with the Standing Committee, developments within the Anglican Communion;

The substantive motion was passed.

Representative Church Body

It was proposed by Mr S Gamble, seconded by the Rev AJ Forster and passed:

- (1) That the Report of the Representative Church Body be taken into consideration.

I. Allocations

- (2)(i) That the General Synod hereby authorises the Representative Body to make the following allocations for 2007 from the balance on the General Funds Revenue Account for the year ended 31 December 2006:

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Group A – Maintenance of the Stipendiary Ministry	1,612,814
Group B – Retired Clergy and Surviving Spouses	1,253,315
Group C – Training of Ordinands	1,227,186
Group D – General Synod Activities	1,514,935
Group E – Miscellaneous Financing	36,569
	<u>€5,644,819</u>

II. Minimum Approved Stipend

(2)(ii) That, in accordance with Section 51 (1) of Chapter IV of the Constitution and with effect from 1 January 2008.

(a) No stipend shall be less than £24,400 per annum in Northern Ireland or €34,494 per annum in the Republic of Ireland in the case of an Incumbent or a member of the clergy appointed as Bishop's Curate under the provisions of Section 42 of Chapter IV or of a Diocesan Curate over the age of 30 years appointed under the provisions of Section 43 of Chapter IV.

(b) the stipend for a Curate-Assistant shall be in accordance with the following scale:

<u>Year of Service</u>	<u>Annual Stipend</u>
First Year	75.0% of minimum stipend for incumbent
Second Year	77.5% of minimum stipend for incumbent
Third Year	80.0% of minimum stipend for incumbent
Fourth Year	82.5% of minimum stipend for incumbent
Fifth and succeeding Years	85.0% of minimum stipend for incumbent

(3) That the Report of the Representative Church Body be adopted subject to the Resolutions already passed relating thereto.

Commission on Ministry

It was proposed by the Rev Canon AF Abernethy, seconded by Mrs CH Thomson and passed:

That the Report of the Commission on Ministry be received.

The Hard Gospel Committee

Standing Orders were suspended at 12.15 pm to allow a presentation by the Hard Gospel Committee.

Standing Orders were resumed at 1.00 pm.

Adjournment

The House adjourned at 1.00 pm and resumed at 2.00 pm.

Request for Information (Standing Order No 51)

Ven PF Patterson

1. Who submitted the Church of Ireland response to the Anglican Communion ‘Listening Process’?
2. Was the submission reported to the Standing Committee?
3. Did the Standing Committee endorse this submission?

The following answers were delivered by the Archbishop of Armagh:

1. A preliminary response to the requirement set out in Resolution 1.10 of the Lambeth Conference of 1998 was issued to the Anglican Communion Office in the form of the Bishops’ Pastoral Statement issued earlier. The work of the Listening Process is, from the perspective of the Bishops, ongoing.
2. The submission was not reported to the Standing Committee.
3. The Standing Committee did not endorse the submission which does not constitute an official Church of Ireland response.

The Hard Gospel Committee

Standing Orders were suspended at 2.10 pm to allow the continuation of the presentation by the Hard Gospel Committee.

The Ministry Formation Project

A presentation was made by the Ministry Formation Project.

Standing Orders were resumed at 3.10 pm.

Standing Committee

It was proposed by the Very Rev NN Lynas, seconded by Mr LV Johnson and passed:

That the Report of the Standing Committee be received and adopted.

Re-launch of the Church of Ireland Website

Standing Orders were suspended at 5.10 pm to allow for the re-launch of the Church of Ireland Website.

Standing Orders were resumed at 5.20 pm.

Chair

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

Church in Society Committee

It was proposed by the Bishop of Clogher, seconded by the Very Rev FJG Wynne and passed:

That the Report of the Church in Society Committee be received.

Chair

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the Chair.

Church of Ireland Youth Department

It was proposed by Mr E Hardy, seconded by the Bishop of Tuam and passed:

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Youth Department be received.

Church of Ireland Youth Department - Revised Constitution

It was proposed by Mr E Hardy, seconded by the Bishop of Tuam and passed:

That the General Synod approves the revised Constitution of the Church of Ireland Youth Department, which is responsible for the development and co-ordination of Church of Ireland youth ministry.

Structure and Function

The Church of Ireland Youth Department shall be composed of:

The *Central Board* which shall meet twice yearly or more frequently as it considers necessary, and shall be responsible for:

- (a) defining policy towards young people in the Church of Ireland;
- (b) the acquisition, development and distribution of resources;
- (c) the appointment, direction, management and terms and conditions of its staff;
- (d) directing specific programmes of activities and events.

Composition

The *Central Board* shall be composed of 22 (twenty-two) members nominated as follows:

- (a) *House of Bishops*: 1 (one) of its members, who shall be President of the organisation and shall preside over the triennial election of the Executive. The President shall chair the *Central Board* meetings or nominate another member to act as chairperson.
- (b) *General Synod Standing Committee*: 2 (two) of its members, one each from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland respectively.

- (c) *Bishops' Nominees*: each of the twelve bishops shall nominate 1 (one) person, clerical or lay, from that bishop's diocese
- (d) *Co-options*: 6 (six) co-opted annually on the basis of specialised interests, e.g. School/University Chaplains, specific programmes, communication skills, legal expertise etc., as the need arises
- (e) *Youth Ministry Co-ordinator* is ex officio

Terms of Appointment

- (a) Members of the *Central Board*, who shall normally be members of the Church of Ireland, shall be appointed for three years.
- (b) The *Central Board* shall hold a triennial election for the positions of Vice Chairperson, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and any other officer positions which the *Central Board* may determine from time to time.

Executive

The *Central Board* shall elect an *Executive Committee* to oversee the implementation and management of decisions made by the *Central Board*.

The *Executive Committee* shall consist of the President (or chair of the *Central Board* if not the President (see 2(a) above)), the Vice-Chair of the *Central Board* (who shall chair the *Executive Committee*), Treasurer, and two representatives from Northern Ireland and two from the Republic of Ireland and the Youth Ministry Co-ordinator.

The *Executive Committee* shall elect from its membership a Secretary and shall meet at least five times a year.

Reporting

The Church of Ireland Youth Department shall report to the General Synod at least once every two years.

General

- (i) The *Central Board* may appoint sub committees as the need arises
- (ii) Any casual vacancies occurring in any of the organisations of the Youth Department shall be filled as soon as practicable by the electing body
- (iii) Diocesan Youth officers who are not nominated members of the *Central Board* may be invited to make a contribution to meetings of the *Central Board* from time to time
- (iv) The Vice Chair acts also as the Line Manager of the Youth Officer
- (v) If the President of CIYD delegates responsibility to a Chairperson of the Central Board, the President may be considered as a regional representative of the Executive
- (vi) It is desirable that the Secretary of the Executive should also act as Secretary of the Central Board

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- (vii) The Church of Ireland Youth Department was established on 1st September 1999 and took over responsibility for the Church of Ireland Youth Council on 1st January 2000.

The Benediction was pronounced and the Synod adjourned until Thursday 10 May 2007.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY 10 MAY 2007

The Chair was taken at 10.00 am by His Grace the Lord Primate.

A hymn was sung and a portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer were read by the Rt Rev MAJ Burrows.

Bill (No 1) – To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod 2006 to amend *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar, The Table of Readings and The Collects* as set out in the accompanying Schedule

As ordered Bill No 1 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory and passed:

That the bill to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod 2006 to amend *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar, The Table of Readings and The Collects* as set out in the accompanying Schedule be read a third time and passed.

No votes against the motion were recorded.

Bill (No 2) To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend the Statute II of 1990 by substituting for the INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), The Institution of an Incumbent for use in churches of the Church of Ireland as set out in the accompanying Schedule

As ordered Bill No 2 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory and passed:

That the bill to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend the Statute II of 1990 by substituting for the INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), The Institution of an Incumbent for use in churches of the Church of Ireland as set out in the accompanying Schedule be read a third time and passed.

No votes against the motion were recorded.

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Bill (No 3) to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution

As ordered Bill No 3 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross, seconded by the Bishop of Kilmore and passed:

That the bill to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution be read a third time and passed.

No votes against the motion were recorded.

Bill (No 6) to amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution

As ordered Bill No 6 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by Lady Sheil, seconded by Mr MJT Webb and passed:

That the bill to amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution be read a third time and passed.

Bill (No 7) to amend Chapter VII of the Constitution to make provision for the appointment of Ecumenical Canons of the National Cathedral of St Patrick, Dublin

As ordered Bill No 7 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon TR Williams, seconded by the Very Rev LDA Forrest and passed:

That the bill to amend Chapter VII of the Constitution to make provision for the appointment of Ecumenical Canons of the National Cathedral of St Patrick, Dublin be read a third time and passed.

Board of Education

It was proposed by the Rev BJG O'Rourke, seconded by the Ven SB Forde and passed:

That the Report of the Board of Education be received.

Board for Social Responsibility (NI)

It was proposed by Dr J Turner, seconded by the Rev JA Pickering and passed:

That the Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (NI) be received.

Board for Social Responsibility (RI)

It was proposed by the Rev DA Catterall, seconded by Mrs F Stewart-Maunder and lost.

That the Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (RI) be received.

Social Action in the Republic of Ireland

In accordance with Standing Order No 33, the Synod decided that the following motion, in the names of the Rev DA Catterall and Mrs F Stewart-Maunder, not be moved.

That this Synod does not believe that it is able to engage in a practical way with Social Action in the Republic of Ireland.

Commission on Church Buildings

It was proposed by the Very Rev JMG Sirr, seconded by Mr WF Baker and passed:

That the Report of the Commission on Church Buildings be received.

Church's Ministry of Healing

It was proposed by the Rev DL Brown, seconded by the Rev Canon DPM Dunne and passed:

That the Report of the Church's Ministry of Healing be received.

Church of Ireland Council for Mission

It was proposed by the Rev DP Kerr, seconded by Mrs P Wallace and passed:

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Council for Mission be received and that the following be elected to the Council of Mission on behalf of General Synod:

Very Rev S Lowry
Mrs R Moore
Mrs F Blennerhassett

Rev DP Hoey
Rev Canon DG Moynan

for the period ended 31 May 2009.

The Covenant Council

It was proposed by the Rev Dr MJ Elliott, seconded by the Very Rev NK Dunne and passed:

That the Report of The Covenant Council be received.

It was proposed by the Rev Dr MJ Elliott, seconded by the Very Rev NK Dunne and passed:

1. That the General Synod set in motion a process of reflection on and response to the Interim Statement on Interchangeability and Oversight to this report.
2. The General Synod encourages Church of Ireland congregations to celebrate the Covenant relationship with neighbouring Methodist congregations on or around September 26th each year.
3. That the following be appointed as the Church of Ireland members of the Covenant Council:

Rt Rev HC Miller (co-Chair)	Rr Dr MJ Elliott
Mr D Brown	Rev Canon KV Kennerley
Ms E Byrne	Mr AC McElhinney
Very Rev NK Dunne	Dr A Pierce
Rev Canon CA Empey	Rev PA Thompson

The Israeli – Palestinian Conflict

It was proposed by Mr JMD Couchman, seconded by the Rev Canon WD Sinnamon and passed:

That this Synod support initiatives by the International Community that would lead towards a resolution of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict, so that the people of the Palestinian Territories – Christian and Muslim – may live in freedom, and the siege conditions and intolerable restrictions placed upon them be lifted, so as to enable all people of Israel and the Occupied Palestinian Territories – Christian, Jew and Muslim – to live with dignity in security and peace.

Church of Ireland Marriage Council

It was proposed by the Rev FJ McDowell, seconded by the Bishop of Tuam and passed:

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Marriage Council be received.

Liturgical Advisory Committee

It was proposed by the Rev Canon MC Kennedy, seconded by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee be received.
- (b) That the following be elected as members of the Liturgical Advisory Committee:

Rt Rev MAJ Burrows	Ms J Martin
Mrs A Cadden	Rev PK McDowell
Rev GG Field	Rt Rev HC Miller
Rev E Hanna	Rev Canon RB Rountree
Rev MP Jansson	Rev AJ Ruffli
Rev Canon MC Kennedy	Mrs J Wilkinson
Dr R Marsh	Rev CM Woods

Journal of the General Synod

It was proposed by the Honorary Secretaries and passed:

That the Honorary Secretaries of the General Synod be instructed to publish with as little delay as possible, the Journal of the Proceedings during this session, with such appendices as they think expedient.

Attendance of Members

	Clerical	Lay	Total
Tuesday 8 th May 2007	179	272	451
Wednesday 9 th May 2007	185	277	462
Thursday 10 May 2007	153	209	362

The Benediction was pronounced and the session terminated at 4.25 pm.

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RESOLUTIONS

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL SYNOD SESSION 2007

Bills

To amend *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar, The Table of Readings and The Collects* as set out in the accompanying Schedule
Second reading passed.
Third reading passed.

To amend the Statute II of 1990 by substituting for THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), The Institution of an Incumbent for use in churches of the Church of Ireland as set out in the accompanying Schedule
Second reading passed.
Third reading passed.

To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution
Second reading passed.
Third reading passed.

To amend Chapter I of the Constitution
Second reading lost.

To provide for the better observance of requirements relating to copyright
Withdrawn.

To amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution
First reading passed.
Second reading passed.
Third reading passed.

To amend Chapter VII of the Constitution to make provision for the appointment of Ecumenical Canons of the National Cathedral of St Patrick, Dublin
First reading passed.
Second reading passed.
Third reading passed.

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Board for Social Responsibility (NI)

That the Report of the Board for Social Responsibility (NI) be received.

Board of Education

That the Report of the Board of Education be received.

Church in Society Committee

That the Report of the Church in Society Committee be received.

Church of Ireland Council for Mission

- (a) That the Report of the Church of Ireland Council for Mission be received.
- (b) That the following be elected to the Council of Mission as members of General Synod for the period ended 31 May 2009:

Rev SH Lowry

Mrs B Moore

Mrs F Blennerhassett

Rev DP Hoey

Rev Canon DG Moynan

Church of Ireland Marriage Council

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Marriage Council be received.

Church of Ireland Pensions Board

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Pensions Board be received and adopted.

Church of Ireland Youth Department

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Youth Department be received.

Church of Ireland Youth Department – Revised Constitution

That the General Synod approves the revised Constitution of the Church of Ireland Youth Department, which is responsible for the development and co-ordination of Church of Ireland youth ministry.

Structure and Function

The Church of Ireland Youth Department shall be composed of:

The *Central Board* which shall meet twice yearly or more frequently as it considers necessary, and shall be responsible for:

- (a) defining policy towards young people in the Church of Ireland;
- (b) the acquisition, development and distribution of resources;
- (c) the appointment, direction, management and terms and conditions of its staff;
- (d) directing specific programmes of activities and events.

Composition

The *Central Board* shall be composed of 22 (twenty-two) members nominated as follows:

- (a) *House of Bishops*: 1 (one) of its members, who shall be President of the organisation and shall preside over the triennial election of the Executive. The President shall chair the *Central Board* meetings or nominate another member to act as chairperson.
- (b) *General Synod Standing Committee*: 2 (two) of its members, one each from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland respectively.
- (c) *Bishops' Nominees*: each of the twelve bishops shall nominate 1 (one) person, clerical or lay, from that bishop's diocese
- (d) *Co-options*: 6 (six) co-opted annually on the basis of specialised interests, e.g. School/University Chaplains, specific programmes, communication skills, legal expertise etc., as the need arises
- (e) *Youth Ministry Co-ordinator* is ex officio

Terms of Appointment

- (a) Members of the *Central Board*, who shall normally be members of the Church of Ireland, shall be appointed for three years.
- (b) The *Central Board* shall hold a triennial election for the positions of Vice Chairperson, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and any other officer positions which the *Central Board* may determine from time to time.

Executive

The *Central Board* shall elect an *Executive Committee* to oversee the implementation and management of decisions made by the *Central Board*.

The *Executive Committee* shall consist of the President (or chair of the *Central Board* if not the President (see 2(a) above)), the Vice-Chair of the *Central Board* (who shall chair the *Executive Committee*), Treasurer, and two representatives from Northern Ireland and two from the Republic of Ireland and the Youth Ministry Co-ordinator.

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The *Executive Committee* shall elect from its membership a Secretary and shall meet at least five times a year.

Reporting

The Church of Ireland Youth Department shall report to the General Synod at least once every two years.

General:

- (i) The *Central Board* may appoint sub committees as the need arises
- (ii) Any casual vacancies occurring in any of the organisations of the Youth Department shall be filled as soon as practicable by the electing body
- (iii) Diocesan Youth officers who are not nominated members of the *Central Board* may be invited to make a contribution to meetings of the *Central Board* from time to time
- (iv) The Vice Chair acts also as the Line Manager of the Youth Officer
- (v) If the President of CIYD delegates responsibility to a Chairperson of the Central Board, the President may be considered as a regional representative of the Executive
- (vi) It is desirable that the Secretary of the Executive should also act as Secretary of the Central Board
- (vii) The Church of Ireland Youth Department was established on 1st September 1999 and took over responsibility for the Church of Ireland Youth Council on 1st January 2000.

Church's Ministry of Healing

That the Report of the Church's Ministry of Healing be received.

Commission on Church Buildings

That the Report of the Commission on Church Buildings be received.

Commission on Ministry

That the Report of the Commission on Ministry be received.

Committee for Christian Unity

- (a) That the Report of the Committee for Christian Unity be received.

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- (b) That the following be elected members of the Committee:

The Archbishops and Bishops

Rev P Comerford	Mr WT Morrow
Rev Canon DWT Crooks	Rev DR Nuzum
Rev Canon Dr IM Ellis	Mr N Richardson
Very Rev RD Harman	Very Rev PW Rooke
Mr SR Harper	Ms CS Turner
Rev IJE Knox	Rev OC Ulogwara
Rev Canon WA Lewis	Rev GV Wharton
Rev DM McCallig	Rev Canon TR Williams
Mrs R McKelvey	Mrs AJ Wills
Dr K Milne	

- (c) That the following represent the Church of Ireland on the Irish Council of Churches:

Mr L Brien	Dr K Milne
Mr GC Casey	Ms M Maconachy
The Most Rev RL Clarke	Mr JTN McGaffin
Rev Canon DR IM Ellis	Mrs R McKelvey
Rev Canon R Fox	Mr WT Morrow
Rev S Gyles	Most Rev Dr JRW Neill
Ms R Handy	Rev DR Nuzum
Mr SR Harper	Rev BT Stanley
Ms S Harte	Rev OC Ulogwara
Rev Canon JCD Mayes	Rev Canon TR Williams

Committee for Christian Unity – Terms of Reference

That the name of the Committee for Christian Unity be changed to ‘The Church of Ireland Commission for Christian Unity and Dialogue’ and that the following terms of reference replace those of 1995:

- (a) To promote within the Church of Ireland the vision of Church Unity;
- (b) To promote and support movements in Ireland towards co-operation among the various Christian bodies;
- (c) To maintain Church of Ireland membership of, and participation in, national and international ecumenical bodies;
- (d) To address, in consultation with the Standing Committee, developments within the Anglican Communion;
- (e) To encourage and engage in inter-faith encounter and dialogue;
- (f) To report annually to the General Synod.

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The Covenant Council

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Mrs A Cadden	Rev PK McDowell
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Rev E Hanna	Rev Canon RB Rountree

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Rev MP Jansson
Rev Canon MC Kennedy
Dr R Marsh

Rev AJ Ruffli
Mrs J Wilkinson
Rev CM Woods

Representative Church Body

That the Report of the Representative Church Body be taken into consideration.

I. Allocations

That the General Synod hereby authorises the Representative Body to make the following allocations for 2007 from the balance on the General Funds Revenue Account for the year ended 31 December 2006:

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Group A – Maintenance of the Stipendiary Ministry	1,612,814
Group B – Retired Clergy and Surviving Spouses	1,253,315
Group C – Training of Ordinands	1,227,186
Group D – General Synod Activities	1,514,935
Group E – Miscellaneous Financing	36,569
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II. Minimum Approved Stipend

That, in accordance with Section 51 (1) of Chapter IV of the Constitution and with effect from 1 January 2008.

- (a) no stipend shall be less than £24,400 per annum in Northern Ireland or €34,494 per annum in the Republic of Ireland in the case of an Incumbent or a member of the clergy appointed as Bishop's Curate under the provisions of Section 42 of Chapter IV or of a Diocesan Curate over the age of 30 years appointed under the provisions of Section 43 of Chapter IV.
- (b) the stipend for a Curate-Assistant shall be in accordance with the following scale:

<u>Year of Service</u>	<u>Annual Stipend</u>
First Year	75.0% of minimum stipend for incumbent
Second Year	77.5% of minimum stipend for incumbent
Third Year	80.0% of minimum stipend for incumbent

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Fourth Year	82.5% of minimum stipend for incumbent
Fifth and succeeding Years	85.0% of minimum stipend for incumbent

That the Report of the Representative Church Body be adopted subject to the Resolutions already passed relating thereto.

Standing Committee

That the Report of the Standing Committee be received and adopted.

STATUTES

OF

THE CHURCH OF IRELAND

passed in

THE SESSION OF THE GENERAL SYNOD 2007

CHAPTER I

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar*, *The Table of Readings* and *The Collects* as set out in the accompanying Schedule.

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to correct an anomaly in those parts of *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar* and *The Table of Readings* which occurs on those occasions when Christmas Day falls on a Sunday and to include a note in that part entitled *The Collects*;

WHEREAS it is expedient to correct an anomaly in those parts of *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar* and *The Table of Readings* which occurs on those occasions when Christmas Day falls on a Sunday and to include a note in that part entitled *The Collects*:

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and by the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the year 2007, and by the authority of the same as follows:

Those parts of *The Book of Common Prayer* entitled *The Calendar*, *The Table of Readings* and *The Collects* shall be amended as set out in the Schedule to this Bill.

SCHEDULE

1. In *The Calendar* immediately after the line ‘Christmas Day to the eve of The Epiphany’ the following shall be added in italics, ‘When Christmas Day falls on a Sunday, 1 January is the Second Sunday of Christmas’;
2. In *The Table of Readings* immediately under the heading ‘The First Sunday of Christmas’, the words ‘26 and 31 December’ shall be substituted for the words ‘26 December and 1 January’;

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3. In *The Table of Readings* under ‘The First Sunday of Christmas’ in the rubric beginning ‘The Readings’ the word ‘and’ shall be inserted before the words ‘Holy Innocents’ and the words ‘and the Circumcision and Naming of Jesus’ shall be deleted;
4. In *The Table of Readings* immediately under the heading ‘The Second Sunday of Christmas, for the numeral ‘2’ there shall be substituted the numeral ‘1’;
5. In *The Table of Readings* under the heading ‘The Second Sunday of Christmas’ immediately before the words ‘The Readings for The Epiphany may be preferred’ the following words shall be inserted: ‘The Readings for the Circumcision and Naming of Jesus are used when this Sunday is 1 January’;
6. In *The Collects* after the three prayers printed under ‘The Second Sunday of Christmas’ the following note shall be added: ‘These prayers are used between 2 and 5 January inclusive.’

CHAPTER II

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend the Statute II of 1990 by substituting for THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), The Institution of an Incumbent for use in churches of the Church of Ireland as set out in the accompanying Schedule.

To Carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend Statute Chapter II of 1990 by substituting, for THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), as included in *Alternative Occasional Services 1993* published by the authority of the General Synod, *The Institution of an Incumbent* as set out in the Schedule to this resolution, for use in the churches of the Church of Ireland.

WHEREAS it is expedient that Statute Chapter II of 1990 be amended by substituting for THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), *The Institution of an Incumbent* as set out in the Schedule to this Bill, for use in the churches of the Church of Ireland:

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the year 2007, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

Statute II of 1990 shall be amended by substituting for THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT (AN ALTERNATIVE ORDER), *The Institution of an Incumbent* as set out in the Schedule to this Bill, for use in the churches of the Church of Ireland.

SCHEDULE

THE INSTITUTION OF AN INCUMBENT

The Gathering of God's People

At the entry of the ministers a hymn may be sung.

The bishop says

The Lord be with you

and also with you.

We are the body of Christ.

By the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:

One God and Father of all.

'Just as in a single human body there are many limbs and organs, all with different

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functions, so we who are united with Christ, though many, form one body, and belong to one another as its limbs and organs. We have gifts allotted to each of us by God's grace'.

Romans 12: 5,6 - REB

The bishop says appropriate words of welcome and introduction.

The archdeacon presents the incumbent -elect to the bishop and says

Bishop, I present for institution the Reverend, who has been nominated to serve as *incumbent of this parish.*

The bishop commends the nominee to the prayers of the congregation and silence is kept.

THE COLLECT

God our Father, Lord of all the world,
we thank you that through your Son
you have called us into the fellowship of your universal church:
Hear our prayer for your faithful people
that in their vocation and ministry
they may be instruments of your love,
and give to this your servant
the needful gifts of grace;
through our Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. **Amen.**

When appropriate the collect of the day may be used.

Proclaiming and Receiving the Word

The Ember Day readings (p.70 of the Book of Common Prayer) or the readings of the Day are used.

THE FIRST READING

THE PSALM

THE SECOND READING

A hymn, canticle or anthem may be sung.

THE GOSPEL READING

The reading is introduced with the following words:

Hear the Gospel of our saviour Christ according to Saint, chapter beginning at verse

Glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

And concludes with
This is the Gospel of the Lord:
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

THE SERMON

The Institution

The bishop asks the registrar to read the certificate of nomination.

THE DECLARATIONS

The First Form

The bishop says to the registrar

Let the Declarations required by the Constitution of the Church of Ireland be made and signed.

or

The Second Form

If the declarations have already been made, the bishop asks the registrar

Have the Declarations required by the Constitution of the Church of Ireland been made and signed?

The registrar replies
They have.

The bishop says to the churchwardens

Churchwardens, as representatives of the parishioners have you witnessed the making of these declarations?

The churchwardens reply
We have.

THE ACT OF INSTITUTION

The bishop reads the Act of Institution.

The bishop hands it to the rector and says

.... , the care of God's people in this parish is entrusted to you and to me within the body of Christ. Accept the responsibilities and privileges of this ministry as a priest in this diocese, in communion with the bishop.

Remember the solemn promises of your ordination as you encourage all God's people to be good stewards of their gifts. Care alike for young and old, strong and

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weak, rich and poor. By your words and in your life proclaim the Gospel.

May God the Father, God the Son and God the Holy Spirit bless you as you minister in word and sacrament to his people. Amen.

The bishop and the rector stand and face the people, and the bishop says

I present to you as your rector.

Will you support and encourage in *his* ministry, praying for *him* as *he* will pray for you?

We will.

Welcome *him* in the name of the Lord!

In the name of the Lord we greet you.

Applause is appropriate.

A hymn may be sung.

The Commission

The First Form

The bishop says to the people

Brothers and sisters in Christ, as members of this parish you are called together to be the Body of Christ, serving God's kingdom, and living together through the power of the Holy Spirit. You are called to witness to the love of Christ and to serve others in the name of Christ.

The apostle Paul writes: 'I beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.'

Ephesians 4: 1-3

Will you follow in this way?

By the help of God, we will.

The bishop and the rector go to the DOOR, the FONT, a PRAYER DESK, the LECTERN or PULPIT and the LORD'S TABLE

At the open door, a member of the congregation says

I was glad when they said to me,

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let us go to the House of the Lord. *Psalm 122: 1*

All say

**Keep watch, Lord, over our going out and our coming in,
from this time forth for evermore.**

The bishop says to the rector

Make the door of this church wide enough to receive all who need human love and fellowship and a Father's care, and narrow enough to shut out all envy, pride and uncharitableness.

The rector says

With the help of the Lord, I will.

At the font, a member of the congregation says

Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. *Matthew 28:19*

All say

**God has adopted us by baptism into his church
we are members of the household of faith.**

The bishop says to the rector

See that those who are incorporated into the Church by baptism continue as living members, growing in the knowledge and love of God. Equip them to proclaim the good news, so that through their ministry others may be brought into the fellowship of Christ's Church.

The rector says

With the help of the Lord, I will.

While the rector stands at a prayer desk (which may suitably be placed in the aisle of the church to represent the offering of intercession in the name of the whole people of God) a member of the congregation says

Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus.

Philippians 4: 6 RSV

All say

**We meet together as God's people
we pray in Christ's name**

God's Spirit is with us.

The bishop says to the rector

Lead the people of God in public prayer, and by your teaching and example encourage them also to a life of personal devotion.

The rector says

With the help of the Lord, I will.

While the rector stands in the pulpit or at the lectern a member of the congregation says

All scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work. *2 Timothy 3: 16-17*

All say

**God's word is a lantern to our feet,
a light to our paths,
a strength in our lives.**

The bishop says to the rector

Proclaim the word of God. Be faithful in preaching it so that the people may grow in godliness and understanding.

The rector says

With the help of the Lord, I will.

While the rector stands at the Lord's Table (in the position normally occupied by the presiding minister during the Great Thanksgiving) a member of the congregation says

As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord's death until he comes. *1 Corinthians 11: 26*

All say

**We share the bread,
we drink the cup.
Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.**

The bishop says

Break the bread and bless the cup.

Celebrate this joyful thanksgiving with God's people that together you may be built up as the Body of Christ.

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The rector says
With the help of the Lord, I will.

*The Service continues on Page X before 'The rector alone kneels before the bishop
....'*

or

The Second Form

The bishop says to the people
Brothers and sisters in Christ, as members of this parish you are called together to be the Body of Christ, serving God's kingdom, and living together through the power of the Holy Spirit. You are called to witness to the love of Christ and to serve others in the name of Christ.

The apostle Paul writes: 'I beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace.' *Ephesians 4: 1-3*

Will you follow in this way?

By the help of God, we will.

The bishop and the rector stand before the congregation.

Members of the congregation bring forward symbols of the teaching, pastoral and sacramental ministry of an incumbent.

A member of the congregation presents a Bible to the rector and says

'All Scripture is inspired by God and is useful for teaching, for reproof, for correction and for training in righteousness, so that everyone who belongs to God may be proficient, equipped for every good work'. *2 Timothy 3: 16-17*

The bishop says
.... , receive this Bible, and proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ

The rector says
With the help of the Lord, I will.

All say
**God's word is a lantern to our feet,
a light to our paths,
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A container of water is presented, with these words:

‘Go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit’. *Matthew 28: 19*

The bishop says

.... , receive this water and in this place baptize in the name of the Holy Trinity.

The rector says

With the help of the Lord, I will.

All say

God has adopted us by baptism into his church.

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A member of the congregation presents a Book of Common Prayer, saying

‘Have no anxiety about anything, but in everything by prayer and supplication with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which passes all understanding, will keep your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus’.

Philippians 4: 6

The bishop says

....., receive this Book and be among us as one who leads public prayer and encourages in us a life of personal devotion.

The rector says

With the help of the Lord, I will.

All say

We meet together as God’s people

we pray in Christ’s name

God’s Spirit is with us.

A member of the congregation presents bread and wine and says

‘As often as you eat this bread and drink the cup, you proclaim the Lord’s death until he comes’. *1 Corinthians 11: 26*

The bishop says

.... , take this bread and wine and be among us to break the bread and to bless the cup, with reverence and with joy.

The rector says

With the help of the Lord, I will.

All say

We share the bread

we drink the cup.

Amen. Come, Lord Jesus.

Any of the following symbols may also be used, depending on local circumstances and at the discretion of the bishop.

An appropriate person presents oil, saying

‘A Samaritan...went to the man and bandaged his wounds, having poured oil and wine on them.’ *Luke 10: 33-34*

The bishop says

...., use this oil and be among us as a healer and reconciler.

The rector says

With the help of the Lord, I will.

All say

May our Heavenly Father grant us the inward anointing of the Holy Spirit and restore us to wholeness and strength.

A churchwarden brings forward the key of the church and says

‘I was glad when they said to me,
let us go to the House of the Lord.’ *Psalm 122: 1*

The bishop says

...., receive this key and let the doors of this place be open to all people.

The rector says

With the help of the Lord, I will.

All say

**Keep watch O Lord over our going out and our coming in,
from this time forth for evermore.**

A towel is presented, with these words:

‘If I, your Lord and Teacher, have washed your feet, you also ought to wash one another’s feet.’ *John 13: 14*

The bishop says

...., receive this towel and be a servant and a support to those in need and in trouble.

The rector says

With the help of the Lord, I will.

All say

Give us the will to be the servants of others

as Jesus Christ was the servant of all.

Other symbols, pertinent to the ministry to be undertaken, may be included where appropriate.

The Second Form ends here.

The bishop may place the rector in the accustomed prayer desk or stall.

*The rector alone kneels before the bishop and the bishop says
....., the care of God's people in this parish has been committed to you.
May the Lord pour out his Holy Spirit on you and equip you to fulfil the sacred duties
with which you have been entrusted.*

*Rector **Amen.***

May he give you the spirit of power and of love and of a sound judgement.
May he guard you against the snares of temptation and keep you pure in heart and
steadfast in the right way.

*Rector **Amen.***

In prayer, may the Lord bring new life to your devotion;
In praise, may he deepen your love and gratitude;
And may he grant you the needful gifts of grace to the glory of his name.

*Rector **Amen.***

*Silence is kept and then the rector says
Almighty God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit,
strengthen and sustain me in this ministry to which I have been called. Give me the
vision of your glory and make me worthy of my calling. **Amen.***

THE PEACE

*The rector, or the bishop when the Eucharist is being celebrated, says
We are the body of Christ,
in the one Spirit we were all baptized into one body.
Let us then pursue all that makes for peace and builds up our common life.
The peace of the Lord be always with you
and also with you.*

All present exchange a sign of peace.

*It is appropriate that representatives of the parish, other churches in the local area
and the wider local community have an opportunity to greet the rector.*

A hymn may be sung.

The Prayers of the People

When there is no Holy Communion the rector leads intercessions and thanksgivings.

Such prayers may appropriately include reference to

The ministry of all the baptized

The continuity of ministry in this parish

The witness of the local Christian community and the need for peace and understanding between all faithful people

Those in need

Remembrance of, and thanksgiving for, the faithful departed.

If a versicle and response are required after each section, one of the following may be said or sung:

Lord, in your mercy:

hear our prayer.

or

Lord, hear us:

Lord, graciously hear us.

or

Kyrie eleison.

Accept our prayers through Jesus Christ our Lord, who taught us to pray:

Our Father...

The incumbent gives notice of celebrations of the Holy Communion on the following Sunday.

A hymn may be sung.

Going out as God's People

BLESSING

The bishop says

Almighty God stir up in you the gifts of his grace,

and sustain each one of you in your ministry;

and the blessing of God almighty,

the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit,

be with you and remain with you always. **Amen.**

When Holy Communion Two is celebrated it continues at Celebrating at the Lord's Table in the Book of Common Prayer (page 208), Holy Communion One at Lift up

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your hearts... (*page 186*).

PROPER PREFACE

Within the royal priesthood of the church
you ordain ministers to proclaim the Word of God,
to care for your people
and to celebrate the sacraments of the new covenant.

The new incumbent should assist the bishop in the administration of the Holy Communion.

NOTES

1. On the first Sunday on which a minister officiates in a church of a parish or parochial group or union to which he has been instituted there shall always be a celebration of the Holy Communion at the principal service.
2. If the bishop is unable to be present he may appoint a deputy to preside at The Institution of an Incumbent. In this instance, the words ‘and to me’ in the paragraph following the delivery of the Act of Institution are amended to read ‘and to the bishop’. In a similar manner when the archdeacon is unable to fulfil his designated role a deputy may be appointed
3. The above order including the title of the service may be adapted for use at the licensing of a bishop’s curate, vicar or chaplain.
4. When the first form of the commission is used, it is important that the font is uncovered and contains water, a Book of Common Prayer be placed at the prayer desk, a Bible be open on the lectern or pulpit, and the Holy Table be covered with a fair linen cloth.
When the second form of the Commission is used, it may be appropriate for some or all of the items presented to the incumbent to be brought from the point in the church where they would normally be located.
5. Where the declarations are made in the vestry the text should be included on the service sheet.
6. The Preamble and Declaration to the Constitution of the Church of Ireland may be found in the *Book of Common Prayer* (page 776). The Articles of Religion may be found in the *Book of Common Prayer* (page 778)
7. Scriptural quotations, except where otherwise indicated, are from the *New Revised Standard Version* of the Bible © 1989 The Division of Christian Education of the National Council of Christian Churches of the United States of America. Used by permission. All rights reserved.

CHAPTER III

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 2006 to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution in the following terms:

WHEREAS it is desirable to amend in Chapter IX of the Constitution the provisions of the Canon 32(2) of the said Canons concerning the burial of the dead by omitting suicide from the exceptions listed in the said Canon 32(2);

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops and by the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the year 2007, and by the authority of the same as follows:

1. In this Statute Chapter IX means Chapter IX of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland.
2. In Chapter IX in Canon 32(2) the words ‘or had committed suicide’ shall be deleted.

CHAPTER IV

To amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution

WHEREAS an increase in the annual total contribution made to the Church of Ireland Pensions Fund, established under Chapter XIV of the Constitution and hereafter referred to as ‘The Fund’, is required to maintain the solvency of the Fund and whereas it is desirable to improve certain of the benefits provided under Chapter XIV of the Constitution and to make sundry other amendments to the Chapter;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter XIV of the Constitution;

AND WHEREAS the Church of Ireland Pensions Board has certified that on the enactment of this Statute the Fund should remain solvent as required by Section 16(1) of Chapter XIV of the Constitution.

Be it enacted by the Archbishops and Bishops and the clergy and laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the Year 2007, and by the authority of the same as follows:-

1. In this Statute ‘Chapter XIV’ means Chapter XIV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland 2003.
2. In Section 34 of Chapter XIV for ‘1st January 2005’ there shall be substituted ‘1st January 2008’ and for the figure ‘21.2%’ there shall be substituted the figure ‘22.4%’.
3. In Section 35(1) of Chapter XIV for the figure ‘5.3%’ wherever it occurs there shall be substituted the figure ‘5.6%’ and for the figure ‘15.9%’ wherever it occurs there shall be substituted the figure ‘16.8%’.
4. After Section 37 of Chapter XIV and immediately before Section 38 the following shall be inserted

‘CONTRIBUTIONS FROM CENTRAL FUNDS’
5. After Section 38 of Chapter XIV and immediately before Section 39 of the said Chapter the following shall be inserted:

‘OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS’
6. In Section 58(3) of Chapter XIV for the words ‘sub-sections (1) and (2)’ there shall be substituted the words ‘subsections (1), (2) and (4).’
7. In Section 58 of Chapter XIV immediately after sub-section (3) there shall be inserted the following sub-section:

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‘(4) The limitation of age prescribed by sub-sections (1) and (2) of this section shall, in respect of each child who is engaged in third-level education, be 23 years.’

8. In Section 59 of Chapter XIV for the words ‘until the child attains the age of 18 years or marries, whichever is the earlier’ there shall be substituted the words ‘until the child attains the age of 18 years or, if engaged in third-level education, 23 years, or marries whichever is the earlier.’
9. In Section 61(1) of Chapter XIV for words ‘attains the age of 18 or marries, whichever is the earlier’ there shall be substituted the words ‘attains the age of 18 or, if engaged in third-level education, of 23, or marries whichever is the earlier.’
10. In Section 64(a) of Chapter XIV for the figure ‘46’ there shall be substituted the figure ‘47’.
11. In Section 81(1) of Chapter XIV for the words ‘until the child attains the age of 18 years or marries, whichever is the earlier’ there shall be substituted ‘until the child attains the age of 18 years or, if engaged in third-level education, 23 years, or marries, whichever is the earlier.’

CHAPTER V

To amend Chapter VII of the Constitution to make provision for the appointment of Ecumenical Canons of the National Cathedral of St Patrick, Dublin.

WHEREAS it is desirable for the promotion of relations with other churches that provision should be made for the appointment of ecumenical canons to the Collegiate and Cathedral Church of St. Patrick;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is expedient to amend Part II of Chapter VII accordingly;

Be it enacted by the Archbishops and Bishops and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland in General Synod assembled in Kilkenny in the year 2007, and by the authority of the same as follows:-

1. Section 21 shall be substituted by the following:

21. The Chapter shall consist of the Dean, Precentor, Chancellor, Treasurer, the Prebendary of Cualaun, (who, as in times past, shall be the Archbishop of Dublin for the time being), twenty-one other prebendaries or canons, whose stalls shall have the titles of the ancient prebends connected therewith respectively and two ecumenical canons appointed under the provisions of Section 24A of this Chapter.

2. The following section shall be inserted after Section 24:

Ecumenical Canons

24A(1) In this Chapter “ecumenical canon” shall mean a minister or accredited preacher of one or other of such Christian denominations not in full communion with the Church as may from time to time be specified by the House of Bishops appointed a member of the Chapter under the provisions of this section.

(2) It shall be in the power of the Chapter to appoint ecumenical canons, not exceeding two in number without salaries. Such ecumenical canons may be removed by the Dean and Chapter with the approval of the Archbishop of Dublin and for cause shown. Each ecumenical canon, if not so removed, shall hold office for a term of five years from the date of appointment or until such ecumenical canon shall resign from office, and shall be eligible for reappointment.

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- (3) The appointment of an ecumenical canon shall not be effective unless and until that person shall make and subscribe before the Dean and Chapter the declaration contained in the Second Schedule hereunto annexed.
- (4) An ecumenical canon may be invited by the Dean to perform all or any of the following duties insofar as the same are consonant with the provisions of Canon 10 -
- (a) To say or sing Morning or Evening Prayer or the Litany;
 - (b) To read the Holy Scriptures at any service;
 - (c) To deliver an address at any service;
 - (d) To assist at a Baptismal, Marriage or Funeral Service or at the Celebration of the Holy Communion;
- If the ecumenical canon is authorised to perform a similar duty in his or her own Church.
- (5) The Court of the General Synod shall have authority to determine all questions and disputes that may arise respecting the appointment or removal of an ecumenical canon.

3. Section 25 and 26 shall be substituted by the following:

Election of Dean

25. The Dean shall be elected by the members of the Chapter out of the members of the Chapter (other than the ecumenical canons): Provided that if no such election take place within three months after the occurrence of a vacancy the Archbishop of Dublin shall appoint a Dean from among the members of the Chapter (other than the ecumenical canons). During a vacancy in the office of Dean all the powers of the office other than those conferred by Section 26 of this Chapter, shall devolve on and be exercisable by the Precentor or in the Precentor's absence the member of the Chapter (other than an ecumenical canon) next in order of precedence.

Appointment of Dignitaries

26. The Precentor, the Chancellor and Treasurer shall be appointed by the Dean. Ecumenical canons shall not be eligible for appointment to any of these offices.

4. Section 29 shall be substituted by the following:-

Clergy members of Diocesan Synod of Dublin

29. The Dean and such members of the Chapter (other than ecumenical canons) as are habitually resident within the diocese of Dublin, and also the clerical vicars and other clergy habitually residing within the diocese of Dublin and serving in the said cathedral church, shall be members of the diocesan synod of Dublin.
5. Section 34 shall be substituted by the following:
34. The Dean shall be the immediate ordinary of the said Cathedral, for the purpose of directing the clergy and officials (including ecumenical canons) and ordering the services. All other matters relating to the cathedral and not herein otherwise provided for shall be determined in Chapter. And at all meetings of the Chapter, the Dean or in the Dean's absence the member of the chapter (other than an ecumenical canon) present next in order of precedence, shall have both an ordinary and a casting vote.
6. The words "FIRST SCHEDULE" shall be substituted for the existing title of the Schedule to Chapter VII and immediately after that Schedule there shall be inserted the following:-

SECOND SCHEDULE

DECLARATION FOR SUBSCRIPTION

I, A.B., do hereby solemnly declare that:-

- (1) I am a minister or accredited preacher of _____ Church.
- (2) I agree to be bound by the provisions of Part II of Chapter VII of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland and, to that extent only, I submit myself to the authority of the Church of Ireland, and to the laws and tribunals thereof.
- (3) I A.B. do declare that I will perform Canonical obedience to the Dean of this Cathedral and Collegiate Church of Saint Patrick, Dublin, and his successors canonically entering. The statutes and ancient customs of this Cathedral and Collegiate Church, so far as they are not repugnant to the laws of the Church of Ireland, I will observe, and my endeavors for their defense against all persons whatsoever will diligently use, and also the secrets of this Chapter, so long as they shall continue to be secrets, will keep private and undisclosed.

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I subscribe the

Above declaration to

Be appointed to the

Office of Ecumenical Canon

Of the Collegiate and Cathedral

Church of St. Patrick

This day of 200

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"	xiv.	Canons.	-
"	xv.	Burial of the Dead.	-
"	xvi.	Preface.	-
"	xvii.	Preface.	-
"	xviii.	Preface.	-
"	xix.	Preface.	-
"	xx.	Table of Contents of Prayer Book.	-
"	xxi.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	xxii.	Date of Coming into Effect of Prayer Book Revision Statutes.	-
1878			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	ii.	Burial of the Dead.	-
"	iii.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iv.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	v.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	vi.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vii.	Boulter Fund.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	viii.	Kildare Cathedral.	ss. 1 and 2 amended by 1923, C.v. s.3 amended by 1892, C.ii, and 1923, C.v.
"	ix.	General Synod. Diocesan Synods. Parishes and Parochial Organisation. Appointments to Cures. Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
1879			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter VIII) repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	ii.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1886, C.vii.

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1880			
Cap.	i.	Cashel Cathedral.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	ii.	Killaloe Cathedral.	-
"	iii.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iv.	Parish of Drumcar.	-
1881			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	ii.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iii.	Parochial Records.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iv.	Armagh and Clogher Dioceses.	-
1882			
Cap.	i.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	ii.	Armagh and Clogher Dioceses.	-
1883			
Cap.	i.	Unions of Parishes.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	ii.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1886, C.vii.
"	iii.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
"	iv.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
1884			
Cap.	i.	Glebes.	All except schedules repealed by 1889, C.i.
1885			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	ii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iii.	Election of Bishop of Meath.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iv.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
1886			
Cap.	i.	Election of See of Armagh.	All except the repealing clauses in ss. 3 and 4 repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	ii.	Armagh and Clogher Diocese.	-
"	iii.	Sextons, Schoolmasters, etc.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iv.	Rules, etc. of Diocesan Courts.	ss. 1 and 2 repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	v.	Proprietary Churches.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	vi.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	vii.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	All except s.1 repealed by 1902, C.i.
"	viii.	Court of General Synod.	Repealed by 1974, C.i.
1887			
Cap.	i.	Armagh and Clogher Dioceses.	-

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1887 continued			
Cap.	ii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	All except s.1 repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iii.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iv.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
1888			
Cap.	i.	Augmentation of Clerical Incomes.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	ii.	Representative Body.	All except s.1 repealed by 1889, C.i.
1889			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter IX) repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	ii.	Augmentation of Clerical Incomes.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iii.	Boulter and other Annuities.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
1890			
Cap.	i.	Cork, Cloyne & Ross Cathedrals.	s.4 and schedule No. 11 repealed by 1972, C.x.
"	ii.	Waterford & Lismore Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1981, C.v.
"	iii.	Killaloe, Kilfenora, Clonfert and Kilmacduagh Cathedrals.	s.4(2) repealed by 1915, C.v. Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iv.	Limerick Cathedral.	-
"	v.	Exchange of Benefices.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
1891			
Cap.	i.	Killala and Achonry Cathedrals.	-
"	ii.	Ferns Cathedral.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iii.	Tuam Cathedral.	-
1892			
Cap.	i.	Cork, Cloyne & Ross Diocesan Synod.	-
"	ii.	Kildare Cathedral.	-
1893			
Cap.	i.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Schedule repealed by 1899, C.i.
1894			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Courts.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
"	ii.	Glebes.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iii.	Easter Vestry.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
1895			
Cap.	i.	Court of General Synod.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1899, C.i.
"	ii.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
"	iii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
1896			
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1897			
Cap.	i.	Retirement of Bishops.	All except s.14 repealed by 1899, C.i.
"	ii.	Incumbents Mentally Incapacitated.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
"	iii.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iv.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
"	v.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1899, C.i.
1898			
No Statutes.			
1899			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter IX) repealed by 1909, C.i. Repealed by 1944, C.v.
"	ii.	Belfast Cathedral.	
1900			
Cap.	i.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
"	ii.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
"	iii.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iv.	General Synod. Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
1901			
Cap.	i.	Ferns Cathedral.	-
"	ii.	Limerick Cathedral.	-
1902			
Cap.	i.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	ss. 11,13,14 amended by 1997, C.ii. s.3 amended by 1971, C.ix. s.11 amended by 1920, C.v. ss.12,16 and 17 amended by 1920, special session, C.vi. s.14 amended by 1920, C.v. and 1920, special session, C.vi.
1903			
Cap.	i.	Appointment to Cures.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
1904			
No Statutes.			
1905			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Schedule repealed by 1909, C.i.
1906			
Cap.	i.	Archdeacons.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
"	ii.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
"	iii.	Court of General Synod.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
"	iv.	Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
"	v.	Widows and Orphans.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1909, C.i.
1907			
No Statutes.			

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1908			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1909, C.i.
1909			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter IX) repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	ii.	Diocesan Boundaries. (Note - a statute concerning appointments to cures was also passed, and was incorporated in Cap.i.)	-
1910			
No Statutes.			
1911			
No Statutes.			
1912			
Cap.	i.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	ii.	Easter Vestry. Registers of Vestrymen.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
1913			
Cap.	i.	Divinity Hostel.	s.2 amended by 1943, C.ii.
"	ii.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
1914			
Cap.	i.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	ii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	iii.	Table of Lessons.	-
"	iv.	Table of Lessons.	-
"	v.	Table of Proper Psalms.	-
"	vi.	Table of Proper Psalms.	-
"	vii.	Table of Proper Psalms.	-
"	viii.	Table of Proper Psalms.	-
"	ix.	Tables and Rules for Feasts.	-
"	x.	Tables and Rules for Feasts.	-
1915			
Cap.	i.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	ii.	Superannuation of Clergy	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	iii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	iv.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	v.	Killaloe & Kilfenora Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	vi.	Order how Holy Scriptures is to be read.	-
"	vii.	Morning and Evening Prayer.	-
"	viii.	Morning Prayer.	-
"	ix.	Morning Prayer.	-
"	x.	Evening Prayer.	-
"	xi.	Evening Prayer.	-
"	xii.	Prayers and Thanksgiving.	-
"	xiii.	Confirmation.	-
"	xiv.	Confirmation.	-

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"	xv.	Confirmation.	-
"	xvi.	Confirmation.	-
"	xvii.	Confirmation.	-
"	xviii.	Confirmation.	-
"	xix.	Confirmation.	-
"	xx.	Confirmation.	-
"	xxi.	Confirmation.	-
"	xxii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	xxiii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	xxiv.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	xxv.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	xxvi.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	xxvii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	xxviii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	xxix.	Public Institution of Minister.	-
"	xxx.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
"	xxxi.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
"	xxxii.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
"	xxxiii.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
"	xxxiv.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
"	xxxv.	First Sunday after Institution.	-
1916			
No Statutes.			
1917			
Cap.	i.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	iii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	iv.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	v.	Morning Prayer.	-
"	vi.	Evening Prayer.	-

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1917 continued			
Cap.	vii.	Prayers and Thanksgivings.	-
"	viii.	Confirmation.	-
"	ix.	Consecration of Churchyard.	-
"	x.	Date of Coming into Effect of Prayer Book Revision Statutes.	-
1918			
Cap.	i.	Churchwardens.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	ii.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	iii.	Burying Grounds.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	iv.	Superannuation of Clergy	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	v.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1919, C.i.
"	vi.	Morning and Evening Prayer. Litany, Prayers and Thanksgivings. Collects, Epistles and Gospels.	-
1919			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter IX) repealed by 1926, C.i. Consolidated with 1919, C.i.
"	ii.	Widows and Orphans.	Consolidated with 1919, C.i.
"	iii.	Morning and Evening Prayer. Litany. Prayers and Thanksgivings. Holy Communion. Collects. Epistles and Gospels.	-
"	iv.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
1920			
Cap.	i.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	ii.	Eligibility of Women.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	iii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	iv.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	v.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	-
"	vi.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
"	vii.	Date of Coming into effect of Prayer Book Revision Statutes.	-
1920 Special Session			
Cap.	i.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	ii.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	iii.	Commission for Union of Parishes.	Commission dissolved by 1925, C.iii. Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iv.	Light Duty Parishes.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	v.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	vi.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	-
"	vii.	Suspension of Board of Nomination.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	viii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.

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1921			
Cap.	i.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	ii.	Churchwardens.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	iii.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	iv.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	v.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	vi.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
"	vii.	Psalter.	-
"	viii.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	ix.	Armagh Cathedral.	Repealed by 1972, C. xi.
"	x.	Provincial and Diocesan Boundaries.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	xi.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	xii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	xiii.	Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	xiv.	Enniskillen Cathedral.	-
1922			
Cap.	i.	Widows and Orphans.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	iii.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	iv.	Curates-in-charge, etc.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	v.	Election to See of Armagh.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	vi.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
"	vii.	Psalter.	-
"	viii.	Psalter.	-
"	ix.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
"	x.	Cashel Cathedral.	Repealed by 1981, C.v.
"	xi.	Waterford & Lismore Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1981, C.v.
"	xii.	Kilkenny & Leighlin Cathedrals.	ss.1 and 3 partly repealed by 1963, C.viii.
1923			
Cap.	i.	Incumbents' Leave of Absence.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	ii.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	iii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	All except s.11 repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	iv.	Deanery of Kildare.	Repealed by 1973, C.vii.
"	v.	Kildare Cathedral.	-
"	vi.	Limerick & Ardfert Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1963, C.vi., insofar as inconsistent therewith.
"	vii.	Canon 43.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	viii.	Representative Body	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	ix.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-

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1924			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	ii.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
"	iii.	Psalter.	-
1925			
Cap.	i.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
"	ii.	Date of Coming into Effect of Prayer Book Revision Statutes.	-
"	iii.	Commission for Union of Parishes. Central Church Fund. Stipends. Light Duty Parishes.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iv.	Suspension of Boards of Nomination.	Repealed by 1926, C.i.
"	v.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1926, C.i.
1926			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	1st schedule (except Preamble and Declaration and Chapter IX) repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	ii.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
"	iii.	Psalms and Canticles.	-
"	iv.	Order of Services.	-
"	v.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
"	vi.	Prayers and Thanksgivings. Visitation of Sick.	-
"	vii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	viii.	Bishopric of Down and Connor and Dromore.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	ix.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	x.	Archdeacons. Superannuation of Clergy.	-
"	xi.	Elphin and Ardagh Dioceses.	-
1927			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	ii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	iii.	Easter Vestry.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	iv.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	v.	Belfast Cathedral.	Repealed by 1944, C.v.

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1927 continued			
Cap.	vi.	Killaloe Cathedral.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	vii.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
1928			
Cap.	i.	Church Extension in Belfast.	s.2 amended by 1931, C.ii. All repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	ii.	Easter Vestry.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	iii.	Register Books.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	iv.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	v.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	vi.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
1929			
Cap.	i.	Revised Version of Holy Bible.	-
1930			
Cap.	i.	Church Fabric Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	iii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	iv.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
1931			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	ii.	Church Extension in Belfast.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	iv.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	v.	Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer.	Repealed by 1934, C.vi.
1932			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
1933			
Cap.	i.	Modification of Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	ii.	Boulter Fund.	All except repealing clause repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	iii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1934, C.i.
"	iv.	Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer.	-
1934			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	ii.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iii.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iv.	Church Plate and Parochial Documents.	ss.4-7 repealed by 1946, C.i. Remainder repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	v.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	vi.	Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer.	-
"	vii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.

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1935			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	ii.	Groups of Parishes.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iii.	Modification of Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iv.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	v.	Armagh Cathedral. Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	-
1936			
No Statutes.			
1937			
Cap.	i.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	ii.	Light Duty Parishes.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iii.	General Synod. Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1938			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1939			
Cap.	i.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1945, C.iii.
"	ii.	Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1940			
Cap.	i.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1945, C.iii.
"	ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iii.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iv.	Vacancy in See.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1941			
Cap.	i.	Retirement of Bishops. Augmentation of Incomes of Bishops' Widows Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1945, C.iii.
"	iv.	Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1942			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	ii.	Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iv.	Bishopric of Down and Connor and Dromore.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
1943			
Cap.	i.	Bishopric of Down and Connor and Dromore.	-
"	ii.	Divinity Hostel.	-

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1943 continued			
Cap.	iii.	Vacancy in See.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iv.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	v.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	vi.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1944			
Cap.	i.	State Prayers.	Repealed by 1950, C.i.
"	ii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iii.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iv.	Down, Connor & Dromore Dioceses.	s.6 repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	v.	Belfast Cathedral.	s.5 repealed by 1984, C.vii. s.8 amended by 1984, C.viii.
1945			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	ii.	Canon 1.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	iv.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	v.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	vi.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
"	vii.	Canons 1 and 30.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
1946			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii.	Commission of Financial Reconstruction.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iv.	Canon 28.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	v.	Holy Communion.	-
"	vi.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	vii.	Chancellors of Dioceses.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1947			
Cap.	i.	Table of Kindred and Affinity.	-
"	ii.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iii.	Suspension of Boards of Nomination.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iv.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	v.	Select Vestry.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1948			
Cap.	i.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii.	City and Town Parishes Commission.	s.5 amended by 1954, C.vi. s.6 amended by 1949, C.vi. and 1954, C.vi.
"	iii.	Appointment to Cures.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iv.	Armagh Cathedral.	Repealed by 1972, C.xi.

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1949			
Cap.	i.	State Prayers.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	ii.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iii.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iv.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	v.	Glebes.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	vi.	City and Town Parishes Commission.	-
"	vii.	Bishops' Curates.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	viii.	Eligibility of Women.	Repealed by 1960, C.ii.
"	ix.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
1950			
Cap.	i.	State Prayers.	-
"	ii.	Augmentation of Widow's Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1951			
Cap.	i.	Augmentation of Widow's Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1952			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii.	Litany.	-
"	iii.	Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer.	-
"	iv.	Lisburn Cathedral.	s.2 amended by 1965, C.vi.
1953			
Cap.	i.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii.	Parishes and Parochial Organization.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iii.	Church Fabric Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1954			
Cap.	i.	Burial of the Dead.	-
"	ii.	New Areas (Connor) Churches and Church Halls.	s.2 amended by 1955, C.ii. All repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iii.	New Areas (Down and Dromore) Churches and Church Halls.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	iv.	Trim Cathedral.	-
"	v.	Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	vi.	City and Town Parishes Commission.	-
1955			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii.	New Areas (Connor) Churches and Church Halls.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
1956			
Cap.	i.	Shortening the Services.	-
"	ii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.

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"	iv.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	v.	Belfast Cathedral.	Repealed by 1984, C.vii.
"	vi.	Cashel Cathedral.	Repealed by 1981, C.v.
1957			
Cap.	i.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	Repealed by 1960, C.v.
"	iii.	Unions of Parishes.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iv.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	v.	Widows and Orphans. Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1958			
Cap.	i.	Retirement of Bishops.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
1959			
Cap.	i.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	ii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	iv.	Retirement of Bishops. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
"	v.	Churches and Church Halls.	ss.2 and 6 amended by 1962, C.v. 1964, C.vi., and 1966, C.v., and 1969, C.iv. s.8 amended by 1966, C.v. s.9 amended by 1971, C.iv.
"	vi.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1960, C.i.
1960			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration and Rules and Schedules to Chapter XIII, repealed by 1972, C.i. Rules and Schedules to Chapter XIII, repealed by 1973, C.iv.
"	ii.	Collects, Epistles and Gospels.	Repealed by 1963, C.i.
"	iii.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	iv.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1966, C.ii.
"	v.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	-
"	vi.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1970, C.iii.
"	vii.	Deanery of Kildare.	Repealed by 1973, C.vii.

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Cap.	viii.	Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
1961			
Cap.	i.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	ii.	Chancellors of Dioceses.	Repealed by 1971, C.vi.
"	iii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1971, C.vii.
"	iv.	Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	v.	City and Town Parishes Commission.	-
"	vi.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	vii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1971, C.vii.
"	viii.	Dioceses of Tuam, Killala and Achonry.	-
1962			
Cap.	i.	New English Bible, New Testament.	-
"	ii.	Table of Lessons.	Schedule amended by 1964, C.i.
"	iii.	Canons 1 and 30.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	iv.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	v.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	vi.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1963			
Cap.	i.	Prayer Book. Sundry Amendments.	-
"	ii.	Register Books.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	iii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1971, C.vi.
"	iv.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	v.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	vi.	Limerick Cathedral.	-
"	vii.	City and Town Parishes Commission.	-
"	viii.	Kilkenny & Leighlin Cathedrals.	-
1964			
Cap.	i.	Tables of Lessons	-
"	ii.	Book of Occasional Prayers.	-
"	iii.	Dedication of Memorial or Gifts.	-
"	iv.	Parochial Organization.	ss.1 and 3 repealed by 1977, C.ii. s.2 repealed by 1970, C.iii.
"	v.	Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1970, C.iii.
"	vi.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	vii.	Retirement of Bishops. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	viii.	Retirement of Bishops. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	ix.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	x.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.

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"	ii.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1971, C.vi.
"	iii.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	iv.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	v.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	-
"	vi.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1969, C.ii.
"	vii.	Archdeaonries in Diocese of Connor.	Repealed by 1984, C.vii.
1966			
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"	ii.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	iii.	Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	iv.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	v.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
1967			
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"	ii.	Diocesan Councils.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1968			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	ii.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	iii.	Modification or alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1969, C.ii.
"	iv.	Limitation of Rights of Bishops.	-
1969			
Cap.	i.	Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	ii.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	iii.	Diocesan Councils.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	iv.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	v.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
"	vi.	Insurance.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1970			
Cap.	i.	Holy Communion.	Amended by 1979, C.i.
"	ii.	Appointment to Cures.	Repealed by 1975, C.ii.
"	iii.	Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	iv.	Retirement of Bishops. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	v.	Endowment Assurance Fund.	Repealed by 1971, C.viii.
"	vi.	Killaloe & Clonfert Cathedrals.	-
"	vii.	City and Town Parishes Commission. St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	-
1971			
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"	iii.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	iv.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	v.	Appointment of Cures.	Repealed by 1975, C.ii.
"	vi.	Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	vii.	Election of Bishops.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	viii.	Endowment Assurance Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	ix.	City and Town Parishes Commission. Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	-
"	x.	Modification or Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	xi.	Archdeaconries in Diocese of Connor.	Repealed by 1984, C.vii.
"	xii.	Resignation of Bishops.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	xiii.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
"	xiv.	Appointment to Cures.	Repealed by 1975, C.ii.
1972			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	ii.	Baptism.	-
"	iii.	Archbishops and Bishops.	-
"	iv.	Modification or Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1976, C.ix.
"	v.	Canon 28.	-
"	vi.	Suspension of Episcopal Elections.	Spent.
"	vii.	Stipends.	-
"	viii.	Representative Body.	-
"	ix.	Superannuation of Clergy.	-
"	x.	Cork, Cloyne & Ross Cathedrals.	-
"	xi.	Armagh Cathedral.	-
"	xii.	Widows and Orphans.	-
1973			
Cap.	i.	Translations of Bible.	-
"	ii.	Meath, Kilmore & Tuam Dioceses.	-
"	iii.	Parishes and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	iv.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	v.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vi.	Retirement of Bishops. Superannuation of Clergy.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vii.	Kildare Deanery.	-
1974			
Cap.	i.	Canons.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	ii.	Repeal of Statues.	-

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"	iv.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	v.	Superannuation of Clergy.	-
"	vi.	Churches and Church Halls.	-
"	vii.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	viii.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
1975			
Cap.	i.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	ii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	iii.	Office of Vicar.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	iv.	Superannuation of Clergy. Widows and Orphans.	ss.4 and 5 repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	v.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vi.	Parishes and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vii.	Dioceses of Ossory & Leighlin.	-
1976			
Cap.	i.	Diocesan Reorganisation.	Repealed by 1981, C.vii.
"	ii.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	iii.	Auxiliary Priests.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	iv.	Election of Bishops.	s.1 repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vi.	Supplemental Fund.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	vii.	Amendments to Constitution.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	viii.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	ix.	Modification or Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	x.	Diocesan Councils.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	xi.	Glebes and Parochial Buildings.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
1977			
Cap.	i.	Amendments to Constitution.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	ii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
1978			
Cap.	i.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	ii.	Kildare Deanery.	-
1979			
Cap.	i.	Holy Communion.	-
"	ii.	Auxiliary Clergymen.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iii.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iv.	Representative Body.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.

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Cap.	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vi.	Resignation of Bishops. Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vii.	Belfast Cathedral.	Repealed by 1984, c.vii.
1980			
Cap.	i.	Parishes and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	ii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iv.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
1981			
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"	ii.	Sentences of Scripture.	-
"	iii.	Canticles.	-
"	iv.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
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"	vi.	Hildersheim Dish.	-
"	vii.	Diocesan Reorganisation.	-
"	viii.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
1982			
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"	ii.	Concerning the Services of the Church.	-
"	iii.	Archdeaconries.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iv.	Baptismal and Burial Registers.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	v.	Glebe Repair Loans.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vi.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
1983			
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"	ii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
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1984			
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"	ii.	Psalter.	-
"	iii.	Calendar, Collects & Lectionary.	-
"	iv.	Litany, Late Evening Office.	-
"	v.	Baptism.	-
"	vi.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vii.	Belfast Cathedral.	-
"	viii.	Belfast Cathedral.	-
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"	xi.	Canon 38.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.

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1985			
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"	ii.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
1986			
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"	ii.	Church Fabric Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
1987			
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"	ii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	iii.	Burial of the Dead.	-
"	iv.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vi.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
"	vii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
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1988			
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"	ii.	Baptism, Confirmation, First Communion.	-
"	iii.	Consolidation of Constitution.	All except Preamble and Declaration repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iv.	Amendments to the Constitution.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
1989			
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"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
1990			
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"	ii.	Institution of an Incumbent.	-
"	iii.	Stipends. Central Church Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iv.	Church Fabric Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	vi.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
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1992			
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"	ii.	Ordinal.	-
"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.

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"	ii.	Commission on Churches.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iii.	Armagh Cathedral.	-
1994			
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"	ii.	Parish and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iii.	Commission on Churches.	s.4 amended 2000, C.iv.
1995			
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"	ii.	Parish and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
1996			
Cap.	i.	Remarriage of Divorced Persons.	-
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"	iii.	Management of Glebes etc.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iv.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
1997			
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"	ii.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	-
1998			
Cap.	i.	Appointment of Archbishops and Bishops.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	ii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iii.	Kildare Cathedral and Trim Cathedral.	-
1999			
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"	ii.	Revised Common Lectionary.	-
"	iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	iv.	Part-time Deployment of Stipendiary Clergy.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
"	v.	Membership of General Vestries.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
2000			
Cap.	i.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	ii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	iii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	iv.	Commission on Churches.	-
2001			
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"	ii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	iii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	iv.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.
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"	ix.	Amendments to the Constitution.	Repealed by 2003, C.xv.

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Cap.	i.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
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"	iii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	iv.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	v.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	vi.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	vii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	viii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	ix.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	x.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	xi.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	xii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	xiii.	Book of Common Prayer.	-
"	xiv.	The Canons.	-
"	xv.	Consolidation of the Constitution.	-
"	xvi.	Severance Fund for Clergy.	-

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2. 1886 Re Precedence of Bishop of Meath. Case from Bishops. - Reported in Journal, 1886, p. 176.
3. 1888 Legality of Grant for Divinity School in connection with the Church of Ireland. Case from General Synod. - Reported in Journal, 1888, p. 158.
4. 1888 Mode of Election of Diocesan Nominators. Case from General Synod. - Reported in Journal, 1888, p. 160.
5. 1888 Effect of Resignation of his Benefice of Archdeacon upon his Retainer of the Archdeaconry. Case from Bishops. - Reported in Journal, 1888, p. 161.
6. 1890 M'Keown v. Irwin. Immorality of Clerk. Case from Diocesan Court of Derry. Sentence of Suspension. - Reported in Journal, 1895, p.202.
7. 1892 Brown and Creagh v. Pattison. Legality of Election of Incumbent. Petition under Chapter IV of the Constitution. - Reported in Journal, 1895, p. 203.
8. 1892 Grant v. Smith and others. Construction of Canon XXXVI. Appeal from Diocesan Court of Dublin. Cross on Stand behind Communion Table held to be illegal. - Reported in Journal, 1895, p.204.
9. 1893 MacLaughlin and MacMahon v Diocesan Synod of Cashel. Power of Diocesan Synod to amend Diocesan Scheme. - Reported in Journal, 1895, p.215.
10. 1893 Ross v M'Donagh. Drunkenness of Clerk. Using Profane Language. Neglecting to celebrate Divine Service. Case from Diocesan Court of Down, Connor and Dromore. Sentence of Deprivation. - Reported in Journal, 1895, p.216.

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11. 1894 Campbell and others v. Hunt.
Maintaining Doctrines contrary to the Articles of the Church of Ireland.
Petition. - Reported in Journal, 1895, p.217.
12. 1896 Bishop of Limerick v. Cotter.
Maintaining Doctrines contrary to the Articles of the Church of Ireland.
Refusing to wear Surplice. Sentence of Deprivation.
- Reported in Journal 1897, p. 258.
13. 1898 Bishop of Cashel v. Going.
Clergyman incapacitated by permanent mental infirmity.
- Reported in Journal, 1902, p. 222a.
14. 1900 Bellingham, Macan and M'Kee v. Leslie.
Legality of Election of Incumbent. Insufficient notice of holding of Board
of Nomination. - Reported in Journal, 1902, p.222b.
15. 1903 Re Tyney.
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1. The following case was also heard and decided by the Court, but was not reported:-

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Defendant was charged with certain ecclesiastical offences, some of which
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no punishment was inflicted nor were costs awarded.
2. The Court sat on sundry dates in November and December, 1923, to hear Appeals from
the Decisions of the Commissioners appointed under the Statute 1920 (Special Session),
c.iii, in respect of Final Schemes framed by them. Six Appeals were granted, and three
were dismissed. Details of the nine Appeals are printed in Journals, 1924 - 1963.

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ATTENDANCE OF REPRESENTATIVES 2007

Tuesday 8 May

Diocese	Clerical	Lay	Total
Armagh	16	18	34
Clogher	11	17	28
Derry & Raphoe	17	13	30
Down & Dromore	25	33	58
Connor	22	40	62
Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh	13	11	24
Tuam, Killala & Achonry	5	8	13
Dublin & Glendalough	19	35	54
Meath & Kildare	10	18	28
Cashel & Ossory	20	34	54
Cork, Cloyne & Ross	13	25	38
Limerick & Killaloe	9	20	29
Total	179	272	451

Wednesday 9 May

Diocese	Clerical	Lay	Total
Armagh	16	20	36
Clogher	11	22	33
Derry & Raphoe	19	12	31
Down & Dromore	26	34	60
Connor	21	37	58
Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh	13	11	24
Tuam, Killala & Achonry	5	9	14
Dublin & Glendalough	20	37	57
Meath & Kildare	10	18	28
Cashel & Ossory	20	34	54
Cork, Cloyne & Ross	13	24	37
Limerick & Killaloe	11	19	30
Total	185	277	462

Journal 2006 – Attendance of Representatives

Thursday 10 May

Diocese	Clerical	Lay	Total
Armagh	15	17	32
Clogher	9	15	24
Derry & Raphoe	13	9	22
Down & Dromore	19	29	48
Connor	14	26	40
Kilmore, Elphin & Ardagh	9	4	13
Tuam, Killala & Achonry	4	8	12
Dublin & Glendalough	20	32	52
Meath & Kildare	9	9	18
Cashel & Ossory	21	25	46
Cork, Cloyne & Ross	12	18	30
Limerick & Killaloe	8	17	25
Total	153	209	362

SUMMARY OF ATTENDANCE

Date	Clerical	Lay	Total
May 8	180	272	452
May 9	185	277	462
May 10	153	209	362

Total number of attendances recorded: 1,276; average 425

Clerical	518	Average	172
Lay	758	Average	252

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