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3 Barton, Rev Canon JM
1 Adair, Rev WM
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2 Swann, Rev Canon FD
2 Ellis, Rev IW
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3 Ferguson, Rev WR
3 Lawrenson, Rev RD
3 Porteus, Rev Canon RJN
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2 Harper, Rev BJ
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3 Neely, Rev Canon Dr WG
3 Dundas, Rev ET
0 Boyd, Rev RH
3 Culbertson, Rev EM

Armagh – Lay

Armagh Deaneries

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2 McConnell, Mr JR
2 Davison, Mr JI
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3 Anderson, Mr WHD
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2 McGaffin, Mr JTN
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2 Weatherup, Mr DRM
0 Flannigan, Mr TW
0 Proctor, Mr TD
2 Gilpin, Mr JM
2 Frizell, Mr WJ
0 McCune, Mr J

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2 McKinney, Mr B
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0 Wilkinson, Mr RS
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1 Brodison, Mrs D
1 Lambert, Mrs I

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1 Henry, Mr TG
1 Okuno, Mrs CD
1 Smith, Mr H St G
3 Bagnall, Mr C

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3 Hay, Rev Canon J
3 Courtney, Rev Canon BJ
3 Moore, Very Rev TR
3 Thompson, Rev RC
3 Johnston, Rev WJ
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3 Wilson, Rev PS
3 Riddel, Rev Canon RJ
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3 Johnson, Rev S

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3 Burns, Mrs D
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2 Stratford, Ven RM
3 Ardis, Very Rev EG
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3 Mitchell, Rev Canon AG
3 Clements, Rev DTS

Tuam – Lay

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 3 McEndoo, Rev Canon NG
 1 Baird, Rev Canon WS
 1 Bartlett, Rev Canon JR
 3 Woods, Rev ECJ
 3 Wharton, Rev GV
 3 Appelbe, Rev FC

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 3 Jones, Mrs VA
 3 Walker, Mr CG
 3 Appleyard, Mr DS
 3 O'Shea, Mrs C
 2 Beresford, Mrs M
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 3 Townley, Very Rev RK
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 0 Grimason, Rev Canon AJ
 3 Ritchie, Rev WJ
 3 Peoples, Rev JS
 1 Bourke, Rev RSJ

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 3 Potterton, Mrs HM
 3 Dunne, Mr JK
 2 Thompson, Mr JA
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		2	McCabe, Mr T
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		2	Kidd, Mr G
		3	Thorpe, Mr DB
		1	Deacon, Mr SH
		3	Rath, Mrs G
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		2	Draper, Rev Canon PR
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Leighlin – Clerical*

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3	Dowd, Rev Canon GG
3	Lynas, Very Rev NN
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3	Neill, Rev WBA
3	Beare, Rev Canon W
3	Murray, Ven JG
3	Sandes, Rev DL
1	Black, Rev Canon RJEFB
3	McCullagh, Rev Canon MA
2	Orr, Rev ADH
3	Oxley, Rev DW
3	Wallace, Rev A
3	Sherlock, Rev TA

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Leighlin – Lay*

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3	Clifton-Brown, Mr PC
3	Peavoy, Mr J
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 0 Hastie, Mr KD
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 3 Williams, Mr AC
 3 Stanley, Mr JE
 3 Bird, Mr JAD
 3 St Leger, Mrs EM
 3 Stephens, Mr JT
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 0 Neill, Rev SM
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 2 Keane, Mr P
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 2 Keegan, Ven DL
 2 Cummins, Very Rev NM
 2 Hanna, Rev RC
 3 White Spinner, Rev JJ
 2 Carney, Rev RW

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 3 Read, Mr PDG
 1 Benson, Mr RW
 3 Gill, Mrs R
 2 Armstrong, Mr A
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 1 Wallace, Mr RH
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APPENDIX

STANDING ORDERS

ADOPTED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

MAY, 1965

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

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:

Tuesday, 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; 2 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.

Wednesday, 10.00 a.m. to 1 p.m.; 2 p.m. to 6.30 p.m.

Thursday, 10 a.m. to 1 p.m.; 2 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 jointly 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. He 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 him, 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 in his place, 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

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- (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;

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 he desires to take part in a debate.

(Note - Appointment of Chairman - 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 his 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 he (or his 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.

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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.
26. Where there are for consideration two or more bills dealing with the same subject matter, the President, if he is 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 his 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.

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

(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. 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 his 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. If it is not taken into consideration it 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.

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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.

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.

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- (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 negatived 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". He shall judge from the answers to his requests and state the result, in his opinion, of the putting of the question.
- (b) After the President shall have stated the result, in his 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 he had previously 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 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 his 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.

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- (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 chairman.
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 chairman 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.
56. On the Tuesday, following the President's Address 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 Chairman.

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 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.

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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 negated 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 of Chairman

Procedure relative to the appointment of a Chairman 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 act as Chairman for such period during a session as the President may determine; and the person so acting as Chairman shall have, and may exercise, all the powers and functions conferred by Standing Orders on the President.

GENERAL SYNOD OF THE CHURCH OF IRELAND

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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 on the Tuesday, 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 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.

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 Tuesday; 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.

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

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On the Thursday the Report stage is taken. Any amendments which have been lodged with the honorary secretaries before the close of business on the Wednesday will appear on the supplemental agenda paper for Thursday. 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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BILL NO 1

Explanatory Memorandum

This Bill would permit the use in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland*, as set out in the Schedule to this Bill.

In 1998 the General Synod approved, by the required majorities, a resolution granting leave for the introduction of this Bill and accompanying Schedule in 1999.

REV CANON JAB MAYNE
REV CANON RB ROUNTREE

(at the request of the General Synod)

BILL

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to provide for the use in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* as set out in the accompanying Schedule.

WHEREAS a Resolution to provide for the use in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* as set out in the accompanying Schedule was duly passed in full Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 1998 by the required majorities and was duly transmitted to the secretaries of all diocesan synods;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Resolution shall be carried into effect by a Statute;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution leave was given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 1999;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops, and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Dublin, in the year 1999, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* as set out in the Schedule may be used in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland.

BILL NO 2

Explanatory Memorandum

In 1998 the General Synod approved by the required majorities a resolution granting leave for the introduction of this Special Bill in 1999.

This short Bill would enable those provisions of *The Revised Common Lectionary as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* which concern the number of readings from scripture and the order in which such readings are to be read, to apply in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland where that Lectionary is in use at services of Morning Prayer or Evening Prayer and at Holy Communion.

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REV CANON JAB MAYNE
REV CANON RB ROUNTREE

(at the request of the General Synod)

BILL

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to enable those provisions of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* which concern the number of readings from scripture and the order in which such readings are to be read, to apply in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland where the said Lectionary is in use.

WHEREAS it is desirable to enable those provisions of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland*, hereinafter referred to as *The Revised Common Lectionary as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland*, which concern the number of readings from scripture and the order in which such readings are to be read, to apply in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland where that Lectionary is in use at Services of Morning or Evening Prayer, whether according to the Book of Common Prayer or the Alternative Prayer Book, and in the office of Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Resolution shall be carried into effect by a Statute;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution leave was given for the introduction of a Bill in 1999;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops, and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Dublin, in the year 1999, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

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1. In the Book of Common Prayer after the fourth paragraph of the General Directions for Publick Worship there shall be inserted the following paragraph:

When The Revised Common Lectionary as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland is in use:

- (a) at a Service of Morning or Evening Prayer a Lesson taken out of the Old Testament may be read before the Psalm and two further Lessons, both taken out of the New Testament, may be read where the rubrics direct that the First and Second Lessons shall be read;
 - (b) at a Service of Holy Communion a Lesson from the Old Testament may be read followed by a Psalm which may be said or sung, before the reading of the Epistle.
2. In the Alternative Prayer Book in Concerning the Services of the Church, at the end of paragraph 3 the following shall be added:

When The Revised Common Lectionary as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland is in use the Psalm may be sung after the First Reading, the Second Reading may follow the Psalm and precede the Second Canticle and a Third Reading, also from the New Testament, may follow the Second Canticle at Morning or Evening Prayer.

BILL NO 3

Explanatory Memorandum

The Representative Body approved special increases in archiepiscopal stipends operative from 1 January 1998. In pursuance of the policy of ensuring as far as practicable parity between existing and future pensions, increases of the same percentages in the pensions of retired archbishops and widows of archbishops were included in the Statute, Chapter II of 1998.

The Representative Body has approved special increases in episcopal stipends operative from 1 January 1999. In pursuance of the same policy increases of the same percentages in the pensions of retired bishops and widows of bishops are proposed in this Bill.

The cost of funding this proposal is IR£39,350 and £74,800. The Representative Body is recommending to the General Synod the transfer of these amounts to the Pensions Fund. The enactment of this Bill is subject to the adoption by the General Synod of that recommendation.

On 28 February 1999 pensions were in course of payment out of the Northern Ireland Fund to 4 bishops and 3 widows of bishops, and out of the Republic of Ireland Fund to 4 bishops and 2 widows of bishops.

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LADY SHEIL
MR WT MORROW

(at the request of The Church of Ireland Pensions Board)

BILL

To amend section 78AA of Chapter XIV of the Constitution.

WHEREAS it is desirable to improve the pensions currently in course of payment to bishops and widows of bishops;

AND WHEREAS for such purpose it is necessary to amend Section 78AA of Chapter XIV of the Constitution;

AND WHEREAS the Church of Ireland Pensions Board has certified that on the enactment of this Statute (subject to the adoption by the General Synod of the Resolution recommended by the Representative Body authorising an allocation of IR£122,760 to the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Fund) the Fund will 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 Dublin, in the year 1999, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Section 78AA of Chapter XIV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland 1988 is hereby amended by inserting the following sub-section:
 - (7) The rate of every pension payable to a bishop or to the widow of a bishop, payment of which commenced on or before 1 January 1999 and which is in course of payment on 31 May 1999, shall be increased by 9.375% with effect from 1 June 1999.

If a bishop to whom this sub-section refers should die before 1 June 1999 and a pension is in course of payment to his widow on 31 May 1999, such pension shall be increased by 9.375% with effect from 1 June 1999.

BILL NO 4

Explanatory Memorandum

This Bill provides for a measure of flexibility in the deployment of some stipendiary clergy. It seeks to address the situation whereby clergy (if not serving in the auxiliary ministry) are assumed to be in the full-time deployment of the Church of Ireland. The regulations with regard to minimum approved stipend make a similar assumption.

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Since part-time deployment would be a change in the occupation of some clergy the provisions of Canon 34, which relate to the occupation of ministers, would be extended by clause 2 of this Bill to permit deployment on a part-time basis subject to detailed regulations.

The proposed new paragraph (4) of Canon 34 would permit deployment, on a part-time basis, in a post certified by the bishop and the diocesan council as being suitable for such deployment, of a minister who has held ecclesiastical office for not less than three years and who is not in receipt of a pension in respect of his service in the ordained ministry.

Such part-time deployment would be subject to certain regulatory provisions which are set out in sub-paragraphs (a) to (e) of paragraph (4). By virtue of those provisions a minister in part-time deployment would serve under licence from the bishop and would be subject to the direction of the bishop or of his nominee. Such a minister would not be eligible for appointment as an archdeacon nor permitted to act as a member of the Board of Nomination for the parish in which he serves. Similarly, such a minister would not hold ecclesiastical office while in part-time deployment.

The rights of a minister who is to be appointed to a position of part-time deployment would be protected by the provisions of sub-paragraphs (c) and (d) whereby the bishop, before making any such appointment, must ensure that appropriate financial provision is available and whereby the bishop shall provide written terms of deployment including duties and rates of remuneration to any such minister.

Finally sub-paragraph (e) seeks to provide for the review of such deployment after one year by the bishop following his consultation with the other members of the Committee of Patronage of that diocese; such review would thereafter be made every three years.

THE BISHOP OF CASHEL AND OSSORY
LADY SHEIL

(at the request of the Commission on Ministry)

BILL

To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution.

WHEREAS it is desirable, in certain specified circumstances, to make provision for the part-time deployment of clergy;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter IX 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 Dublin, in the year 1999, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

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1. In this Statute Chapter IX means Chapter IX of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland 1988 and Canon 34 means Canon 34 of the Canons of the Church of Ireland as contained in Chapter IX.
2. After Paragraph 3 of Canon 34 there shall be inserted the following paragraph:
 - (4) A minister who, for a period of not less than three years, has held ecclesiastical office or served as a curate assistant, and who is not in receipt of a retirement annuity in respect of service in the ordained ministry, may be deployed on a part-time basis in such post as has been certified by the bishop and the diocesan council as suited to part-time deployment, subject to the following regulations:
 - (a) such minister shall serve under licence from the bishop, and subject to the direction of the bishop or such other person as the bishop shall appoint. All the entitlements of such licence shall apply except that such minister shall neither serve as an archdeacon nor act as a member of the Board of Nomination for the parish in which he serves;
 - (b) such minister shall neither hold office as an incumbent, vicar or licensed curate nor hold any other ecclesiastical office, whilst serving in part-time deployment;
 - (c) the bishop, before appointing a minister to a position of part-time deployment, shall obtain from the diocesan council (or where appropriate the select vestry) a certificate that appropriate financial provision is available;
 - (d) the bishop shall provide in writing to such minister the terms of deployment, including duties and rates of remuneration, subject to such regulations as may be made from time to time by the Representative Body; and
 - (e) the bishop, after consultation with the other members of the Committee of Patronage of the diocese, shall review such deployment after one year and every three years thereafter.

BILL NO 5

Explanatory Memorandum

The register of vestrymen of a parish is composed of those who have signed one of the three forms of declaration contained in the Schedule to Chapter III of the Constitution. The purpose of this Bill is to abolish Form No 1 because this category of membership of the general vestry, viz ownership of property *per se*, is no longer in the best interests of a parish, as it need not entail a personal link therewith and in certain circumstances such membership could be abused.

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Forms Nos 2 and 3, which require either residence within the said parish or accustomed membership of its congregation respectively, would be retained. These latter are the forms in common use at present, and any diocesan synod may require as a further qualification that a general vestryman be a subscriber to church funds.

The Bill is promoted following upon a motion which was brought before Connor Diocesan Synod in 1995 and passed by an overwhelming majority, the purpose of which was to support the proposed legislation to delete the category of ownership of property at a subsequent General Synod.

VERY REV GB MOLLER
MRS L GLEASURE

BILL

To amend Chapter III and Chapter V of the Constitution.

WHEREAS it is desirable that possession of landed or house property of the value of £10 or IR£10 at the least should no longer be a qualification for a member of the Church of Ireland to be included in the register of vestrymen of a parish;

AND WHEREAS for such purpose it is necessary to amend Chapter III and Chapter V of the Constitution 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 Dublin, in the year 1999, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. In the schedule to the said Chapter III, the paragraph commencing: (No 1 – Form of declaration by an owner of property) be deleted.
2. The second paragraph of the aforementioned schedule (No 2 – Form of declaration by a resident) be renumbered as No 1.
3. The third paragraph of the aforementioned schedule (No 3 – Form of declaration by an accustomed member of a congregation) be renumbered as No 2.
4. In Section 6 of Chapter V the following words shall be deleted: “owners of property and”.
5. Nothing in the provisions of Sections 1 to 4 above shall affect the rights of those whose names are included in a register of vestrymen of a parish prior to the commencement of the aforementioned provisions.

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FIRST DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

TUESDAY 18 MAY 1999

On this day, according to the summons of His Grace the Lord Primate, the Synod, having attended the Celebration of the Holy Communion in the Chapel of the Royal Hospital Kilmainham at 9.30 am, assembled in the Great Hall.

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

A portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer was read by the Bishop of Cork.

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

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

Election of Honorary Secretaries

It was proposed by the Very Rev JTF Paterson and seconded by the Ven GCS Linney:

That the Rev Canon RD Harman be elected a Clerical Honorary Secretary of the General Synod.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon CG Hyland and seconded by the Rev Canon RB Rountree:

That the Rev ECJ Woods be elected a Clerical Honorary Secretary of the General Synod.

Following a vote, the Rev Canon RD Harman was elected.

It was proposed by Mr JF Rankin, seconded by Mr JW Young, and passed:

That Lady Sheil be elected a Lay Honorary Secretary of the General Synod.

President's Address

His Grace the Lord Primate delivered the following address:

Your Grace, my lords, members of the General Synod, distinguished guests, ladies and gentlemen:

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I welcome you to our meeting for 1999 and pray that Almighty God will bless and guide our work in the next few days. In particular I welcome our visitors from other Christian traditions and look forward to receiving their greetings. Among our visitors I am delighted to recognise Dr Hutchinson, former Moderator and General Secretary of the Presbyterian Church in Ireland, and the Rev David Kerr, President of the Methodist Church in Ireland.

The General Synod

The agenda for this Synod contains much which has already and undoubtedly will continue to provoke debate within and without our Church. In the next few days we will address issues of great public concern. I hope that once again we will do so in prayerful charity, prayerful understanding of differing perceptions and differing concerns - and above all, in an atmosphere of prayerful openness to the will of God for the Church of Ireland. Such have been the characteristics of the long history of the General Synod. At the end of the day our own individual views must be open to the prompting of the God and Father of us all.

The Balkans

As we meet the clouds of war again hang over Europe. The events in the Balkans so vividly portrayed on television throughout the world have shocked and saddened us all. It is impossible at this distance fully to comprehend the sheer human suffering. It is devastating to realise that as we approach the end of a millennium Europe should once again be confronted with war. The moral dilemmas of what is happening in the Balkans are immense. But they are secondary to the continuous human suffering. While we debate this week matters of supreme importance to the Church of Ireland even those issues pale into insignificance beside the massive human tragedy of Kosovo and the former Yugoslavia. As we pray for a peaceful outcome our minds are numbed by what we are seeing. We welcome the hospitality offered by the United Kingdom and the Republic of Ireland to refugees from the Balkans. But surely we must also urge all the governments involved to seek a full and lasting peace settlement - and to do so without further delay.

Recently as a response to the suffering the Archbishop of Dublin and I issued an appeal to the Church of Ireland. Donations continue to reach the Bishops' Appeal but I can tell the Synod that the most recent figure from the parishes and individuals has reached £104,000 in mixed currency. We must welcome this response. But so much remains to be done to end the suffering.

Northern Ireland

For many years successive presidential addresses to this Synod have reflected on the violence and divisions of Northern Ireland. During those years we have recognised those families, many of whom are members of the Church of Ireland, who have lost loved ones in tragic circumstances. We have recorded our sympathy and we have spoken of our total rejection of violence. We have also pleaded for political action to build a new future. This morning we speak of a Northern Ireland which has experienced the amazing consequences of political developments few would have imagined possible even a few years ago. The euphoria of the Belfast Agreement has been replaced by the harsh realities of implementation - but it is still the overwhelming desire of a majority of people north and south that we move into a new era of justice and lasting peace.

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I pay tribute to the intensity of effort on the part of governments and political parties during the past year. Obstacles to final agreement remain - but when we become frustrated or despondent we must recognise how far we have in fact come. Memories, hurt, suspicion and a lack of confidence in others must not be allowed to stand in the way of agreement and accommodation which will allow us to build a future of respect and mutual understanding.

The Synod must recognise how hard it is for many within and without the Church of Ireland to come to terms with the price of agreement and peace. But human history has long indicated that there is a price to pay even by the innocent for lasting peace.

The key to that peace is contained in one word - *trust*.

Trust has been the real casualty of the dark years of 'the Troubles'. Without trust at every level all the agreements, all the dialogue, all the legislation will fail. Legislation and debate can produce the framework for reconciliation - but legislation alone cannot produce reconciliation. Trust comes from actions as well as words. Trust comes from genuine listening and the supreme act of placing oneself as close as possible to understanding the fears and uncertainties of others with whom we do not agree. Trust does not come from intransigence: trust does not come from constant reference to the past: trust does not come from a denial to others of the rights we claim for ourselves.

In the process of building trust we all have a part to play. Under God this island must learn to trust. Patiently and with a new confidence in ourselves we must build actual bridges across which the children we so cherish will one day walk in peace and safety. That is the vision I believe we must hold on to at this time. I believe it is a thoroughly Christian vision. I also believe it is possible. Those same children will never forgive our generation if we let the opportunities of this moment fade away.

We cannot - we must not - fall back. We cannot stand still. We have to pay the price of peace and move forward together. Unionist, nationalist and republican, Protestant and Roman Catholic, northerner and southerner must share that vision. Under God - we can and we must achieve it together.

Sectarianism

Few of us can doubt the part of our agenda which reflects so clearly the concerns of our Church and the wider community this year - *Sectarianism*.

The committee headed by the Archdeacon of Connor has worked extremely hard to produce the report which is before this Synod. I express the gratitude of the Church of Ireland to Archdeacon Harper and his colleagues. While there will be different reactions to this report none will deny its importance nor the attention the Synod must give later today to its words. It addresses some of the most divisive issues ever to confront the Church of Ireland.

Sectarianism has been and continues to be the really corrosive ingredient in Ireland, particularly in Northern Ireland. Its roots lie deep in Irish life and its causes stem from far back in our history. For generations it has driven wedges between people, provoked and provided excuses for violence and death - and yet in all those generations there has been a tacit acceptance of its inevitability. The charitable interpretation of history is that past generations failed to read the signs of their times. No such excuse can be allowed to protect

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our generation from facing up to the realities of this time. We must read the signs of our times. Thousands of lives lost, families divided and a new generation already influenced by attitudes they see in their parents. To be brutally frank, below the respectability of a majority of lives prejudice, bigotry and sectarian opinions exist. Violence of a sectarian nature on the part of some may be the most visible manifestation of this disease. Let no one doubt this morning that the problem lies much deeper. Nor can we as a Synod isolate the problem to one jurisdiction of this island alone. History and personal experience has shown how deep sectarianism and intolerance have dictated Irish history. Nor is it acceptable any longer to evaluate sectarianism in purely political terms alone. Party political attitudes reflect other attitudes. Those attitudes have a strong religious basis. I see it in terms of a vicious circle. Historic religious attitudes particularly in Northern Ireland have fostered party political divisions - and party political attitudes have been allowed to dictate the religious agenda. Nor is it acceptable any longer for the Churches when accused of being *a part of the problem* to use the excuse that the problem is really only political. To our shame we have contributed to the problem. Too often a tacit expression of Christianity and Christian attitudes has cloaked actualities on the ground which have encouraged sectarianism to flourish. No Church has been immune from this process. Words, decisions and indifference at times to the cause of community divisions have too frequently reflected Church history.

I have attended many discussions of sectarianism in Ireland where generalities have been the rule. If our debate this afternoon is to push the agenda of the Church of Ireland forward with integrity, we need to move beyond generalities.

It is sectarian when a young man on his way to work is shot dead simply because he is a Roman Catholic. It is sectarian when a mother of two is intimidated out of her home because she married a Protestant. It is sectarian when a member of the Church of Ireland is refused promotion in favour of a member of another tradition who has less qualifications. It is sectarian when members of the Church of Ireland living in Northern Ireland are criticised because of their British-Irish-ness or when members of the Church of Ireland in the Republic are regarded in the North as some sort of different being. It is sectarian when a curate can be told by a parochial nominator that he need not apply for a vacancy in a different jurisdiction because his experience has been only of that part of Ireland. It is naked sectarianism where a so-called loyalist band stops outside a Roman Catholic Church to play tunes of a particular sort. It is sectarian when mixed areas of a northern town are covered with posters demanding the withdrawal of all members of a family belonging to another religious denomination. It is sectarian when a couple of an interchurch marriage on their return from honeymoon are told by a churchwarden they should worship elsewhere. It is sectarian when people are intimidated attending their place of worship because of their religious tradition. More will be said about the Drumcree situation later but for the present can I say that there are two sides involved. There is intransigence on both sides. But when one argument about neighbourhood rights indulges in claims such as that there will never be feet of another tradition on the Garvaghy Road, that is sectarian.

Finally, when a person's worth is estimated not in terms of character or achievements but in terms of the denomination into which he or she has been born - that is sectarian.

But I believe things are changing. Are we finally finding the conviction and the courage to face up to the truth?

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Recently at the Irish Inter-Church meeting in Dundalk one of the papers presented contained these words:

“Sectarianism secures its triumph by inducing in us a sense of despondent helplessness - nothing can change - so even the first step of challenging sectarianism, the mere decision to do so, brings with it a liberating release of energy.”

We have endured generations of helplessness, we have all thought at times nothing can change - now we must seek under God despite any price we will have to pay, the courage to challenge and go on challenging.

It is always painful when individuals or institutions discover the honesty and the courage to question issues which for generations have caused hurt. With you I have felt that pain - perhaps I have felt it more than most. But when people speak to me of the pain they feel in this debate I am yet again reminded of other words - *the cost of discipleship*. Are we now reaching the point where decisions have to be made which will acknowledge the failure of the past and seek the forgiveness of God to face up to the real cost of Christian discipleship as a Church?

The Church of Ireland cannot solve the problem of sectarianism in Ireland on its own. But we can and we must do all in our power to remove from our midst any practice, any procedure and any attitude which mitigates against what we must stand for: the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

Drumcree

There are two special issues for this Synod to address: the association of the Church of Ireland with the Orange Order and in particular the question of Drumcree. In our debates later today we will address the wider issue - for the present I wish to concentrate on the question of Drumcree.

This question once more compels us to focus on an issue of prime importance to the life of the whole Church of Ireland. No issue in recent years has so haunted our Church, no issue has questioned the role of the Church of Ireland to a greater extent and no issue has caused more heart-searching at all levels of our Church.

I commend to you the material which is reproduced by way of statements, comments and the work of the various committees. Your book of reports includes a lot of this material because we wanted people to realise the depth of analysis and study, of heart-searching and prayer, of time and effort already devoted to this topic.

Let me assure the Synod the attention given to this question at central and diocesan level has been resolute and detailed. I have welcomed greatly the way in which the concern of the whole Church of Ireland is now focused on a problem which ranges far beyond the boundaries of an individual parish outside Portadown, far beyond the Diocese of Armagh - and far beyond the Church of Ireland.

Drumcree confronts us, Drumcree searches us, Drumcree tests us - and Drumcree can and does provide the Church of Ireland with a defining moment as we approach a new millennium.

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First let me remind the Synod of words from the theological reflection on Drumcree on page 137 of the reports. This reflection was written by a small group of Standing Committee members:

“Ostracism is clearly unChristian, dissociation probably also. Dissociation would appear to be historically questionable. The links with the Order, whilst not exclusively Church of Ireland, are undeniable; the fact that we feel it so keenly in the Church of Ireland North and South proves also our present association. Further, dissociation is theologically questionable...”

Those words are important - but they tell only part of the story. From 1798 the Church of Ireland has been involved in the development of the Orange Institution. For generations members of the Church of Ireland have been and continue to be members of the Loyal Orders. But that association goes further. As a Church over the centuries we have given tacit approval to their aims, we have hosted services attended by the Orders and any critical comment on the part of the Church of Ireland has been restricted largely to individual instances of disagreement.

Now look at page 171 - an extract from the *Report of the Sub-committee on Sectarianism*:

“It is important to recognise that whereas the Church of Ireland at the end of the twentieth century shares associations with the Orange Order spanning a period of two centuries and whereas many current members of the Order are also members in good standing of the Church of Ireland, the Church has moved from some of the positions which in the past it may have shared with the Orange Order.”

Over the past few years of trauma caused by the events at Drumcree, the entire Church is increasingly aware of the tension highlighted in these two extracts from your book of Synod reports. The material from central and diocesan sources has tried to adopt a fair and balanced approach. For my own part, as well as being Primate I am also a diocesan bishop with pastoral responsibilities for Drumcree parish, for its rector and his wife and for its parishioners. At central, diocesan and personal level the Church of Ireland has sought moral influence, has denounced violence, avoided demonisation of the Order as a whole and tried to encourage moderation among members.

To summarise the position:

- the Church of Ireland cannot deny its links with the Orange Order over the centuries.
- the Church of Ireland has a clear duty to discover new methods of exercising Christian influence.
- the Church of Ireland may indeed have failed over the centuries to express as clearly as it should how the teaching of the Church and the principles enunciated by the Order have diverged.

The Church of Ireland is catholic and reformed. Our teaching and historic formularies have always expressed this dual position. We have played a full part in the development of understanding among the Christian traditions in Ireland. We are a part of the ecumenical scene in the true and Biblical understanding of those words.

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Every effort has been made as a Church, every opportunity taken, every conversation welcomed, every influence exerted and every dialogue encouraged to influence a peaceful outcome to the so-called Drumcree stand-off. Contacts have been made and countless meetings have taken place with individuals and parties involved. Your Standing Committee set up a Sub-committee on Drumcree, which included members from all over Ireland. This Sub-committee was chaired by the Archdeacon of Armagh and held meetings with representatives of the Orange Order and with the Rector and Select Vestry of Drumcree as well as visiting Drumcree and the Garvaghy Road for a meeting with the Garvaghy Road Residents' Coalition.

The Church of Ireland cannot solve Drumcree on its own. We can contribute to a resolution. Both the Prime Minister and the Taoiseach, the two governments, political leaders and experts in mediation have sought a solution, to say nothing of the good offices of other Churches. Much of this is in the public domain. I welcome the recent talks instituted by Mr Trimble. I welcome the current efforts at mediation between the parties. The Synod would not wish to do anything to make those contacts more difficult. But all these efforts have sought to address the public spectacle of unrest and violence caused by the impasse on the hill of Drumcree and on the Garvaghy Road. I am aware of the sensitive stage those contacts have reached. A local accommodation would change the situation completely. That is a matter for the parties, the Portadown lodges and the Garvaghy Road residents. A solution to the public order question lies in their hands.

However the Church of Ireland must focus on its responsibilities in this tragic situation as a Church. We cannot dismiss or avoid the part played in the Drumcree situation by a church service in a parish of our Church. It is that association and that involvement which demands our attention. None of us needs to be reminded that the mission of the Church of Ireland has suffered grievously because of that association.

At the Diocesan Synod of Armagh last October I asked for three pledges from the Portadown Lodges before a Christian welcome could be extended to their future attendance at a service in Drumcree:

1. the avoidance of any action before or after the service which diminishes the sanctity of that worship.
2. obedience to the law of the land before and after the service.
3. respect for the integrity of the Church of Ireland by word and action and the avoidance of the use of all church property or its environs in any civil protest following the service.

Following the diocesan Synod, those words were conveyed to the Portadown lodges with an urgent request for a response. Again in a letter dated 16 February 1999 I repeated my requests to the lodges. Yesterday morning, as I prepared to leave for Dublin, I received a response from the lodge informing me that following lengthy consideration of my request they wished to state:

- “1. the District Lodge would contend that it has at no time encouraged, sanctioned or condoned any action before or after the service which diminishes the sanctity of that worship.
2. the District Lodge has always encouraged their membership and the wider community to obey the law of the land, while at the same time reserving the right to peacefully

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protest at the denial of our fundamental Civil Liberties, Rights and Freedoms which are universally enshrined in Human Rights Charters.

3. Since its inception, this Lodge has always shown respect for Church property.”

This response dated 14 May represents their current attitude to the pledges I put forward. I have had insufficient time to consider whether the response meets the full criteria of what I considered entirely reasonable requests regarding attendance at the service. The fact remains that in the light of all that has happened many people within and without the Church of Ireland would not wish a ‘*Christian welcome*’ extended to the lodges for a service in July.

In the debate which will take place later today the Church of Ireland through this General Synod will express its collective view. I cannot predict what the outcome of that debate will be. However I am expressing in this Address my personal reaction to the situation.

The real question for members of the Orange Order to address is whether they wish to be regarded as members of a religious or a political movement. For most people viewing events at Drumcree over the past four years there is no doubt as to the answer to that question. In the light of events over the past four years at Drumcree most outside observers would regard the Order as a political rather than a religious movement.

Unless there is a clear alteration in attitude, the Portadown lodges are on a collision course with the Churches because, make no mistake, a Drumcree situation could occur outside any Church of Ireland, Methodist or Presbyterian Church.

But out of the pain of it all let us see hope. I have always recognised that the vast majority of members of the Orange Order are decent, respectable and law-abiding men and women. They have never found a conflict between Church membership and membership of the Order. Many of them hold key positions in their local parishes. There are also many who have told us of their moderation and disgust at the scenes on Drumcree hill. Their responsibility is immense. Have they the courage to speak out and to witness to their moderation? Which is more important to them: the policy of a lodge or the teaching of Jesus Christ? Their choice is clear - is their Order to be a means of enriching the Kingdom of God - or an obstacle? What direction do they want the Order to take?

Without a shadow of reservation I condemn in the name of the Synod and the Church of Ireland the violence, intimidation, injury and deaths which have accompanied or been associated with the protest at Drumcree.

What we have watched on television in the shadow of Drumcree church is unChristian, totally unacceptable in the vicinity of a church, totally at variance with the teaching of the Church of Ireland and totally unacceptable following the worship of Almighty God. As I have frequently stated in the media - I see little of the Christ I believe in on the hill at Drumcree.

If the Portadown lodges cannot adhere in full to the three pledges, or reach a local accommodation, let it be quite plain - it is not a question of the Church of Ireland dissociating itself - that is a wider issue for our debates later - it is that the Portadown lodges will have taken themselves beyond what can reasonably be expected of the Church of Ireland by way of extending to them Christian hospitality or a Christian welcome.

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To put it frankly: The Church cannot accept in any form the association of the worship of Almighty God in a church of the Church of Ireland with the scenes we have witnessed on the hill at Drumcree.

Drumcree is a cameo of the Northern Ireland situation. It represents the depths of uncertainty and fear which are so prevalent in the community. It represents the ever-present danger of protest becoming violent protest. It represents so much of the hatred and divisions which are a part of the history of Northern Ireland. This is the reality of the Drumcree issue.

Many people, often from a safe distance, have criticised the Church of Ireland for its stance over the Drumcree issue.

Many people have suggested their solutions - widely-varying solutions.

Some have suggested a stronger stance, some a gentler stance, some have suggested that the solution to the Drumcree issue is obvious and simple.

Nothing could be further from the truth. There is no single simple answer to Drumcree.

But we must under God keep on searching, working and praying for a solution.

These comments of mine are of course only a prelude to this afternoon's debate when I look forward to considered comment and fresh insights from the Church at large.

As I said at the Armagh Diocesan Synod last October let me say again -

There must be healing at Drumcree

There must be forgiveness at Drumcree

There must be reconciliation at Drumcree.

When I think of my own personal agony and indeed torment over the pain, the suspicion and the deep, deep emotions in many hearts concerning all we associate with the hill of Drumcree and the Garvaghy Road I have prayed constantly for guidance.

Central to that prayer is the question: "*What is the will of Jesus Christ?*"

As I have prayed, I saw another hill in another place and at another time.

I saw the Crucifixion at Calvary.

After Crucifixion comes Resurrection.

After Calvary came the empty tomb.

After Good Friday came Easter morning.

For the Church the implications of Drumcree run deep. It is no exaggeration to say that the Church has suffered agonies over Drumcree. But there must come out of the suffering and dilemmas healing which contains new understandings and new beginnings.

There can be no winners. There can be no victors.

There must be - and there can be a new start for Drumcree, for Portadown, for Northern Ireland.

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Education: Needs of Teachers

In both jurisdictions the Church of Ireland plays an important and concerned role in the education process. The welfare of our schools here in the Republic is a major item on the agenda. In Northern Ireland we take our responsibilities to all aspects of education most seriously. We live in times of rapid and significant change in education. I welcome the Reverend John McCullagh as he commences his work as General Synod Board of Education Secretary.

In the past year much time has been devoted to the implementation of programmes designed to protect children. Those programmes are right and timely. But I want to refer to teachers. Teaching has long been regarded as a noble calling. However I feel we need to emphasise what I call the '*vocation of teaching*.' There is widespread frustration among teachers at present. Increased bureaucracy interferes with teaching. There are ever-increasing strains on teachers due to the responsibility of adhering to constant introduction of new rules and regulations. I fear that collectively such conditions mitigate against that traditional sense of vocation. I appeal to parochial clergy to realise the need for pastoral care and encouragement for teachers. Let us recognise anew the needs of our teachers and show sensitivity for their need of understanding at this time.

Methodist and Church of Ireland Talks

The Report of the Methodist-Church of Ireland Joint Theological Working Party on page 310 gives some encouragement that we might be able to reach the point of stating that there would be no theological difficulty in working towards unity. Methodism and Anglicanism have always had very close familial ties in Ireland and the Synod will be asked this week to encourage the Working Party to 'hasten forward with its work'. In the context of an agreed theological starting-point, and with the publication this year if I may say so - of the more-Anglican than Anglican *The Methodist Worship Book*, this is perhaps a good opportunity to encourage the building up of relationships at grass-roots level in local areas.

The report of the Working Party notes that there are a variety of stages in growth towards union. At this point we recognise each other's common faith and roots in the Christian tradition. We have several joint Methodist/Church of Ireland shared buildings, though sadly with only a minimal amount of shared worship in most cases, and many of our people commonly and comfortably worship in each other's churches and share at each other's Tables. This could be further developed with a formal mutual recognition of both Church's ministries and a covenant to work and witness together where possible allowing interchange of ministries and the ensuing growth of fellowship.

Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross

We pay tribute to the Right Reverend Roy Warke, former Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross, who retired during the year. His faithful ministry and leadership in the deep south where he was particularly admired by the members of other Christian traditions was deeply appreciated. During his episcopate no less than four members of his diocese became bishops of the Church. We extend our warmest good wishes to Bishop Roy and his wife Eileen for a long and happy retirement.

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I welcome his successor, Bishop Paul Colton, to his first General Synod as a bishop. We wish him every blessing as he commences his episcopate in Cork.

The Honorary Secretaries

Since we last met as a Synod Mr EWR Cookman and Archdeacon Linney have retired as Honorary Secretaries of the Synod. We would wish to place on record our sincere gratitude for their work on our behalf and to record our appreciation for the amount of time and energy they have devoted to the business of the Standing Committee and General Synod. I know you would wish also to convey your deep sympathy to Mr Cookman on the recent death of his wife.

Canon JLB Deane

While it is not always appropriate to refer to individual members of the General Synod I feel I want to make an exception on this occasion. I refer to the member from Cork, Cloyne and Ross, Canon JLB Deane. Since 1952 Canon Deane has been a member of the Synod not only as a representative of his diocese but as an Honorary Secretary from 1970 to 1994. Many tributes have been paid to his unique contribution to the life of the Church of Ireland and I have valued his friendship over so many years. As a member of central committees, notably the Pensions Board and more recently the Allocations Committee, he has devoted hours of his time to our work. His ability to deal with the intricacies of facts and figures, his seemingly endless energy and his close knowledge of our affairs have allowed him to make a unique contribution to the life and witness of the Church of Ireland. We have all valued his input to our work over the years and the Church of Ireland owes him a debt of immense gratitude. As he takes his leave as an elected member of the Synod I want him to know how much we have appreciated all he has done for the Church of Ireland. Knowing the huge amount of time he has devoted to our work here in Dublin and elsewhere I also feel a genuine tribute must be paid to Mrs Deane for allowing us to utilise so much of her husband's life over the years. Barry will long remain a prime example of the devoted and dedicated lay servants of the Church of Ireland without whom we would not do our work. We wish Canon and Mrs Deane well in the years to come.

Deaths

Since we last met our Church has been saddened by the passing of two former members of the House of Bishops. In August last that faithful and much loved former Bishop of Cork, Cloyne and Ross, Bishop Perdue died in New Zealand. Then last December the former Archbishop of Dublin, Dr McAadoo, passed away. As a theologian, teacher and writer he made a contribution of great worth to the world Church far beyond Ireland. We will sadly miss his scholarship. We mourn the passing of two much respected and loved servants of God and express our sincere sympathy to their families. May they rest in peace and rise in glory as we thank God for every remembrance of them.

Church of Ireland House, Dublin

Extensive renovation and redesign work has been completed during the past year to Church of Ireland House at Rathmines. The disruption to our work at a central level has involved extra responsibilities on the Chief Officer and his staff. I pay tribute to the manner

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in which they have continued to perform their duties in temporary accommodation and we wish them well in the “new look” Church House. For all involved in central committees and boards it is a great relief to return to our more permanent location. Our gratitude is also due to the Principal and staff of the Church of Ireland Training College and to the Board of the Royal Hospital, Donnybrook.

The Millennium

Next year the General Synod will celebrate the Millennium during its meeting in the Waterfront Hall in Belfast. This will be a magnificent setting for our work during a year which marks such a historic point in the history of our world. I look forward to the welcome I know awaits us from the Church in Belfast.

There has been widespread anticipation and indeed in some quarters apprehension as we approach the Millennium. From a Christian stand-point we have a clear duty to remind society of the religious significance of the year 2000. Amidst all the hype and excitement, amidst all the secular activities let us be unafraid to spell out clearly that it is the Christian dimension to that event which matters most to us. Recently the leaders of the four main churches in Ireland launched a media campaign which will become obvious in Advent as one attempt through the circulation of a poster to place Christianity and the Christian message at the heart of the Millennium. Diocesan and parish events have been planned throughout Ireland. I hope and pray we can all regard the Millennium as a period of prayerful reflection on the Christian experience - but most important of all - a period when we can seek the blessing and guidance of Almighty God for the witness, worship and influence of Christianity for the new Millennium.

The Way Ahead

Members of Synod: I end this year with a brief personal reflection on the way forward for the Church of Ireland as we approach the Millennium.

We face immense challenges and heart-searching. We recognise differing opinions about the nature of our beloved Church. We are divided on certain issues. But the unity of the Church of Ireland has survived many divisive periods on this island. Above and beyond the controversies of this week I see this Church in terms of confidence, integrity and understanding. I see its future in a trinitarian form of love, theological truth and holiness.

Perhaps you would allow me to connect these words in this way:

Love without truth is vague and sentimental.

Truth without love is harsh and exclusive.

Holiness without love is legalistic and unattractive.

As the year 2000 dawns the Church of Ireland needs love; the Church of Ireland needs truth; the Church of Ireland needs holiness.

Let us walk that path together.

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Motions on Procedure

It was proposed by the Very Rev H Cassidy, seconded by Mr SR Harper, and passed:

That, in accordance with Standing Order 56, the time available under Standing Order 3 be allocated as follows:

TUESDAY 18 MAY

- 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
Election of Honorary Secretaries
President's Address
Motion No 1 – Timetable
Motion No 2 (a) – Education Reports
Motion No 2 (b) – Suspending Standing Orders
Formal business and communications
Bills Nos 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5
Report of the Pensions Board (not more than 30 minutes)
Report of the Commission on Ministry (not more than 1 hour)
- 2.00 pm Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)
to Report of the Standing Committee (not more than 2 hours)
- 6.30 pm Motion in the names of the Ven AET Harper and the }
Ven GA McCamley (the report of the Sectarianism } (not more than 1 hour)
Working Group will be taken at this stage }

WEDNESDAY 19 MAY

- 10.00 am Formal business and communications
to Report of the Representative Body (not more than 2 hours)
- 1.00 pm Motion in the name of Lady Sheil and Mr DJ }
Auchmuty (the report of the Synodical Reform } (not more than 45 minutes)
Working Group will be taken at this stage }
- 2.00 pm Presentation by the Committee for Christian Unity (not more than 45 minutes)
to Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)
- 6.30 pm Report of the Committee for Christian Unity (not more than 30 minutes)
Motion in the names of the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory and the
Archbishop of Dublin (not more than 20 minutes)
Motion in the names of the Rev Canon MAJ } (not more than 15 minutes)
Burrows and the Rev Canon RSJH McKelvey }
Report of Select Committee on Theological College Accommodation
(not more than 15 minutes)
Report of Liturgical Advisory Committee } (not more than 2 hours)
Liturgical Resolutions }

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THURSDAY 20 MAY

- 10.00 am Formal business and communications
to Bills: further stages as ordered on Tuesday
- 1.00 pm Report of the Board of Education } (not more than 1 hour
Report of the Secondary Education Committee } 30 minutes)
Report of Church of Ireland Youth Council (not more than 45 minutes)
Report of Hymnal Revision Committee (not more than 20 minutes)
- 2.00 pm Answers to requests for information (if any) (SO 51)
to Report of the Role of the Church Committee (not more than 1 hour)
- 4.30 pm Report of Council for the Church Overseas (not more than 45 minutes)
Report of the Church's Ministry of Healing (not more than 45 minutes)
Report of Commission on Church Buildings (not more than 15 minutes)
Motion in the names of the Very Rev Dr RB MacCarthy and Mr SR Harper
(not more than 15 minutes)
Motion concerning publication of the Journal (not more than 5 minutes)
At 4.25pm any outstanding items will be put from the Chair without debate.

If business listed for any period is completed before the hour appointed for adjournment, Reports listed for Thursday afternoon will be taken in reverse order, commencing with the Commission on Church Buildings.

References in this motion to a "Report" shall include any Resolutions accompanying such Report on the Agenda Paper.

It was proposed by the Very Rev H Cassidy, seconded by Mr SR Harper, and passed:

- (a) That the Reports of the Board of Education and the Secondary Education Committee be taken together, that the first part of the debate be confined to matters mainly concerning education in the Republic of Ireland, being introduced by two speeches, one on behalf of the Board of Education and one on behalf of the Secondary Education Committee; that the second part of the debate be confined to matters mainly concerning education in Northern Ireland, being introduced by one speech, on behalf of the Board of Education, and that the time allotted to each part of the debate be at the discretion of the President, but not to exceed a total of one and a half hours.
- (b) That Standing Orders be suspended at 2.00pm until 2.45pm on Wednesday, 19 May to allow a presentation to be made by the Committee for Christian Unity.

Reports of Committees and Boards etc

The following reports were presented:

- Representative Church Body
Church of Ireland Pensions Board
Standing Committee
World Development - Bishops' Appeal Advisory Committee

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Central Communications Board
Sectarianism Working Group
Role of the Church Committee
Board of Education
Youth Council
Secondary Education Committee
Council for the Church Overseas
Council for Mission in Ireland
Committee for Christian Unity
Liturgical Advisory Committee
Commission on Ministry
Marriage Council
Hymnal Revision Committee
Select Committee on the Provision for Married Students at the Theological College
Commission on Church Buildings
Church's Ministry of Healing
Christian Stewardship Committee
Board for Social Responsibility (NI)
Board for Social Responsibility (RI)
Priorities News
ICC Annual Report
Church of Ireland Jubilee Fund: 110th Annual Report
CIYC: Audited Accounts to the Year End 1998
Incorporated Society: Report and Accounts to end July 1998

Diocesan Synods Rules and Regulations

The following Rules and Regulations were laid on the table:

Diocese of Clogher, New Rules and Regulations.

Bills

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

Liturgical Resolutions

A copy of Liturgical Resolutions Nos 1, 2 and 3 and the Schedules to Resolutions Nos 1, 2 and 3 were laid on the table.

Report of the Bills Committee

In accordance with Standing Order 24(b) the Bills Committee met at the Church of Ireland College of Education on 20 April 1999 at 4.00pm.

Present: The Bishop of Cashel and Ossory (Chairman)
Mr MC Davey
Canon JLB Deane

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Rev Canon RD Harman
Ven RG Hoey
Lady Sheil
Ven GCS Linney

Apologies: Rev Canon JAB Mayne
Very Rev GB Moller

1. The Committee considered Bills Nos 1-5 in the attached Bill Pamphlet.

Bill No 1: The Committee made no comments on this Bill.

Bill No 2: The Committee made no comments on this Bill.

Bill No 3: The Committee made no comments on this Bill.

Bill No 4: The Committee made no comments on this Bill.

Bill No 5: The Committee made no comments on this Bill.

2. The Committee considered the Liturgical Resolutions Nos 1-3.

Resolution No 1 The Committee made no comment on this Resolution.

Resolution No 2 The Committee made no comment on this Resolution.

Resolution No 3 The Committee made no comment on this Resolution.

Bill (No 1) to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to provide for the use in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* as set out in the accompanying Schedule.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne, seconded by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, 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.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon WS Baird, seconded by the Rev Canon CG Hyland and passed:

That the canticle “Song of Moses and Miriam” be omitted from the Schedule to Resolution No 1 of the Liturgical Advisory Committee.

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

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The Bill was reported.

Thursday 20 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 2) to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to enable those provisions of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* which concern the number of readings from scripture and the order in which such readings are to be read, to apply in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland where the said Lectionary is in use.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon JAB Mayne, seconded by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, 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.

The Clauses were passed.

The Preamble was passed.

The Bill was reported.

Thursday 20 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 3) to amend section 78AA of Chapter XIV of the Constitution.

It was proposed by Lady Sheil, seconded by Mr WT Morrow, and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 3.

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.

The Bill was reported.

Thursday 20 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 4) to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution.

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory, seconded by Lady Sheil, and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 4.

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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.

The Bill was reported.

Thursday 20 May was fixed for the next stage.

Bill (No 5) to amend Chapter III and Chapter V of the Constitution.

It was proposed by the Very Rev GB Moller, seconded by Mrs L Gleasure, and passed:

That leave be given to introduce Bill No 5.

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.

The Bill was reported.

Thursday 20 May was fixed for the next stage.

Chair

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

Church of Ireland Pensions Board

It was proposed by Canon JLB Deane, seconded by the Bishop of Connor, and passed:

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

Commission on Ministry

It was proposed by the Rev OMR Donohoe, seconded by the Bishop of Kilmore, and passed:

- (a) That the Report of the Commission on Ministry be received and adopted.
- (b) That the terms of reference of the Commission on Ministry be amended as follows:

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- (a) Section 2 line 1 to read “2. The Commission shall consist of 19 members as follows:”
- (b) add the following new sub-section: “(x) the Co-ordinator of Auxiliary Ministry Training shall be an ex officio member of the Commission.”

Adjournment

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

Chair

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the Chair.

Request for information (Standing Order 51)

REV PF PATTERSON

The following replies were given by the O’Morchoe, on behalf of the Stipends Committee.

1. In which years since 1991 has an element of the increase in stipend for Northern Ireland been awarded due to rising motoring costs?

Stipends in Northern Ireland were increased by 4.9% and 4.69% respectively, in 1997 and 1998, taking account of the reduction in locomotory rates and other factors.

2. On what basis has the element of stipend increase in Northern Ireland awarded due to rising motoring costs been calculated?

Stipend differentials were reviewed in 1996 on the ‘take home pay’ model or basis used by the CRAB Committee in 1990. This basis reviews the net remuneration position after tax, national insurance and pension deductions – remuneration in this context includes both stipend and locomotory allowance.

3. What proportion of the cumulative increase in stipend for Northern Ireland since 1991 has been awarded due to rising motoring costs?

No specific proportion of the cumulative increase in the Northern Ireland stipend can be attributed to the rise in motoring costs.

4. Why has the Stipends Committee favoured increasing stipend rather than adjusting the pence per mile rate for Locomotory Expenses Allowance?

Public Service rates have been in use since the CRAB report in 1990. The Committee has reviewed alternative rates such as those used by the AA and the RAC, as well as the rates used by the Presbyterian and the Methodist Churches in Ireland. It considers that the rates used by the Church of Ireland are comparable and fair. The Committee does not favour increasing stipend by a mileage element either as a rule or principle.

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Chair

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

Standing Committee

It was proposed by Mr R Totten, seconded by the Rev Canon MAJ Burrows, and passed:

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

Chair

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the Chair.

Sectarianism Working Group

The following motion was proposed by the Ven AET Harper, seconded by the Ven GA McCamley, and passed:

The General Synod of the Church of Ireland recognises that from time to time confusion and controversy have attended the flying of flags on church buildings or within the grounds of church buildings. This Synod therefore resolves that the only flags specifically authorised to be flown on church buildings or within the church grounds of the Church of Ireland are the cross of St Patrick or, alternatively, the flag of the Anglican Communion bearing the emblem of the Compassrose. Such flags are authorised to be flown only on Holy Days and during the Octaves of Christmas, Easter, the Ascension of Our Lord and Pentecost, and on any other such day as may be recognised locally as the Dedication Day of the particular church building. Any other flag flown at any other time is not specifically authorised by this Church.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes: 123	Noes: 36
	Lay	Ayes: 192	Noes: 80
	Bishops	Ayes: 11	Noes: 0

The following motion was proposed by the Ven AET Harper and seconded by the Ven GA McCamley:

The General Synod of the Church of Ireland adopts the following declaration with regard to its understanding of the historic formularies of the Church of Ireland:

Declaration:

The Church of Ireland is part of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church, worshipping the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds: which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer, the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons and the Declaration prefixed to the Statutes of the Church of Ireland (1870).

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These historic formularies are a definition of the faith as proclaimed by the Church of Ireland, and thus form an important part of the inheritance through which this Church has been formed in its faith and witness to this day. The formularies that have been passed on are part of a living tradition that today must face new challenges and grasp fresh opportunities.

Historic documents often stem from periods of deep separation between Christian Churches. Whilst, in spite of a real degree of convergence, distinct differences remain, negative statements towards other Christians should not be seen as representing the spirit of this Church today.

The Church of Ireland affirms all in its tradition that witnesses to the truth of the Gospel. It regrets that words written in another age and in a different context should be used in a manner hurtful to or antagonistic towards other Christians.

The Church of Ireland seeks the visible unity of the Church. In working towards that goal this Church is committed to reaching out towards other Churches in a spirit of humility and love, that together all Christians may grow towards unity in life and mission to the glory of God.

It was proposed by the Rev N Jardine, seconded by the Rev PF Patterson, and lost:

In the sentence, “Whilst, in spite...” delete everything after ‘remain’ and insert a full stop and what remains of this paragraph becomes the opening sentences of the next paragraph.

Delete the paragraph beginning, “The Church of Ireland seeks the visible unity of...” and replace it with, “The Church of Ireland affirms the obligation to Christian Unity as set out in the scriptures. We are committed to achieving this in a spirit of truth, humility and love, that the world may see we are one and give glory to God.”

The motion was passed.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes: 132	Noes: 32
	Lay	Ayes: 177	Noes: 75
	Bishops	Ayes: 11	Noes: 0

The following motion was proposed by the Ven AET Harper and seconded by the Ven GA McCamley:

This Synod fully endorses the efforts of the Archbishop of Armagh, the Diocese of Armagh and the Standing Committee of the General Synod of the Church of Ireland in their attempts to resolve the crisis at Drumcree. It calls upon the Rector and Select Vestry of Drumcree to endorse the pledges called for by the Archbishop of Armagh in respect of the conduct of those attending the annual parade by lodges of the Orange Order to Drumcree Parish Church. The pledges are as follows:

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- The avoidance of any action before or after the service which diminishes the sanctity of that worship.
- Obedience to the law of the land before and after the service.
- Respect for the integrity of the Church of Ireland by word and action and the avoidance of the use of all church property or its environs in any civil protest following the service.

This Synod further requests that should the Orange Lodges of the Portadown District decline to adhere to the pledges required by the Archbishop of Armagh, the invitation, established by custom, to the Lodges to attend morning service be withdrawn by the Rector and Select Vestry of Drumcree.

It was proposed by Canon JLB Deane, seconded by Mrs JAC Crowther, and passed:

That the following paragraph be added at the end:

“The Synod directs the Honorary Secretaries to forward copies of this resolution to the Incumbent and to the Select Vestry of Drumcree.”

It was proposed by the Rev Canon CJ Kenny, seconded by the Rev DW Oxley, and lost:

One sentence to be added after the existing final words of Motion No 6:

“So serious for the future of the Church of Ireland is the issue at stake, if the Portadown lodges decline to adhere to the pledges and if the Rector and Select Vestry of Drumcree are unable or unwilling to withdraw the invitation, the Synod states unequivocally that the said service in such circumstances is held against the wishes of the Church of Ireland as expressed by the General Synod.”

The motion as amended was passed.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes: 147	Noes: 15
	Lay	Ayes: 205	Noes: 52
	Bishops	Ayes: 11	Noes: 0

The Benediction was pronounced and the Synod adjourned until Wednesday 19 May 1999.

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SECOND DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

WEDNESDAY 19 MAY 1999

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

A portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer was read by the Bishop of Cork.

Communication from the Representative Body

The following communication was received from the Representative Body:

I wish to advise you that at its meeting on 19 May 1999, the Representative Church Body re-elected the following as co-opted members:

TB McCormick
CG Walker
GW Stirling
JH Stanley

Yours faithfully

(Signed) JF Buttimore
Assistant Secretary

19 May 1999

Communication from the Record Committee

The following communication was received from the 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 by the Committee, and signed by his Grace, the Lord Primate.

(Signed) J Gerard Buchanan
Chairman

10 May 1999

Privilege

By leave of the House, the Rt Rev Monsignor Patrick Devine was invited to address the House on behalf of the Roman Catholic Church.

By leave of the House, the Very Rev Dr S Hutchinson was invited to address the House on behalf of the member Churches of the Irish Council of Churches.

By leave of the House, the Very Rev R Furnell was invited to address the House on behalf of the Church of England.

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The Representative Church Body

The following resolutions were proposed by Mr G Richards and seconded by the Archbishop of Dublin:

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 from the balance on the General Funds Revenue Account for the year ended 31 December 1998:

	IR£
Group A – Maintenance of the Stipendiary Ministry	758,611
Group B – Retired Clergy and Surviving Spouses	714,888
Group C – Training of Ordinands	513,884
Group D – General Synod Activities	557,352
Group E – Miscellaneous Financing	69,614
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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 2000

- (a) no stipend shall be less than £17,034 per annum in Northern Ireland or IR£17,423 per annum in the Republic of Ireland in the case of an Incumbent or a clergyman 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%	
Third Year	80.0%	
Fourth Year	82.5%	
Fifth and succeeding Years	85.0%	

III. Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Fund

That the Representative Body be authorised to transfer the sum of IR£122,760 from its income surplus at 31 December 1998 to the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Fund for the purpose of financing a shortfall in the funding of pensions of retired bishops and widows of bishops.

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

Chair

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

Working Group on Synodical Structures

It was proposed by Lady Sheil and seconded by Mr DJ Auchmuty:

- (i) That the report of the Standing Committee's Working Group on Synodical Structures be received.
- (ii) That the Working Group on Synodical Structures be requested to continue its work and, in particular, to prepare the necessary legislation to implement its recommendations.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon BJ Courtney, seconded by the Rev PF Patterson, and lost:

That in section (ii) everything after, "...its work and" be deleted and the following substituted, "produce a final report giving full details of its recommendations before it prepares any legislation."

VOTING: Ayes: 146 Noes: 185

It was proposed by Mr JCO Bateman, seconded by the Rev Canon WRD McCreery, and passed:

That the General Synod requests the Standing Committee to add the following names to the list of those being asked to serve on the Working Group (having already given their agreement):

Rev Canon Brian Courtney
Rev Philip Patterson

The motion as amended was passed.

Adjournment

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

Standing Orders

By leave of the House, Standing Orders were suspended at 2.00pm and resumed at 2.45pm to allow a presentation to be made by the Committee for Christian Unity.

Chair

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

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Committee for Christian Unity

It was proposed by the Very Rev LDA Forrest, seconded by the Rt Hon DW Bleakley, 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 Iain Knox
Ms Janet Barcroft	Rev Canon Walter Lewis
Rt Hon David Bleakley	Ven Gregor McCamley
Very Rev Herbert Cassidy	Mrs Roberta McKelvey
Mr George Clarke	Dr Kenneth Milne
Rev Canon David Crooks	Mr Trevor Morrow
Rev Dr Ian Ellis	Mr Daniel Nuzum
Very Rev Leslie Forrest	Rev Gillian Wharton
Very Rev David Godfrey	Rev Trevor Williams
Rev Robert Gray (Honorary Secretary)	Mrs Andrea Wills
Mrs Ruth Heard	
- (c) That the following represent the Church of Ireland on the Irish Council of Churches:

Mrs B Aalen	Ms A Mawhinney
Ms J Barcroft	Rev Canon JCD Mayes
Most Rev Dr WNF Empey	Mr WT Morrow
Rev Dr IM Ellis	Mr JTN McGaffin
Very Rev DSG Godfrey	Mrs R McKelvey
Rev RJ Gray	Rt Rev JRW Neill
Rt Rev BDA Hannon	Mrs J Peters
Rev AJ Houston	Rev Canon WD Sinnamon
Rev Canon Dr M Kennedy	Prof M Wheeler
Rev IJE Knox	Rev TR Williams
- (d) That the Church of Ireland endorse the measure of agreement reached by the Joint Theological Working Party, and encourages it to hasten forward with its work.
- (e) That the Report of the Inter-Church Consultative Committee be received and the Committee re-appointed.

Conference of Churches in Ireland

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory, seconded by the Archbishop of Dublin, and passed:

The General Synod of the Church of Ireland approves the application of the Church of Ireland to be a member of the Conference of Churches in Ireland, approves the proposed Constitution and makes the following affirmations:

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1. The Church of Ireland affirms its commitment to the International and Regional structures of the Ecumenical Movement of which it is a part, with the clear doctrinal understanding and ecumenical commitment involved.
2. The Church of Ireland affirms its regret that the proposed constitution for the Conference of Churches in Ireland does not reflect the doctrinal basis, nor the ecumenical commitment, normally required for participation in the ecumenical movement.
3. The Church of Ireland affirms its continued commitment to working with other Irish Churches in the search for Christian Unity on the basis of confessing together the Apostolic Faith, and will seek for a radical review of the constitution of the Conference of Churches in Ireland to this end within the next five years.

Confirmation

It was proposed by the Rev Canon MAJ Burrows, seconded by the Canon RSJH McKelvey, and passed:

That this House respectfully requests the House of Bishops to consider confirmation and its relationship to Holy Communion and to present theological and pastoral reflections and, if deemed appropriate, recommendations for the future for consideration by the General Synod as soon as possible.

Select Committee on Theological College Accommodation

It was proposed by Mr VG Carson, seconded by Mrs S Bedlow, and passed:

That the Report of the Select Committee on Theological College Accommodation be received.

Liturgical Advisory Committee

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by Mr DB O’Callaghan, and passed:

That the Report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee be received.

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by Mr DB O’Callaghan, and passed:

That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000 to amend those parts of the Book of Common Prayer entitled respectively “The Order for Morning Prayer, daily throughout the year”; “The Order for Evening Prayer, daily throughout the year”; “The Litany” and “The Appendix containing alternative forms of Evening Prayer (MXMXXXIII)”; by substituting, for the above-mentioned said parts of the Book of Common Prayer, “The Order of Morning Prayer, daily throughout the year”; “The Order of Evening Prayer, daily throughout the year”; “The Litany” and “An Order for Compline” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

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VOTING: Clerical Ayes: 94 Noes: 1
Lay Ayes: 128 Noes: 0

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by Mr DB O’Callaghan, and passed:

That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000 to amend the Book of Common Prayer by including therein, “An Order for Morning and Evening Prayer, daily throughout the year”, “The Litany in contemporary language”, “A Late Evening Office” and “Weekday Intercessions and Thanksgivings” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

VOTING: Clerical Ayes: 94 Noes: 0
Lay Ayes: 126 Noes: 0

It was proposed by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, seconded by Mr DB O’Callaghan, and passed:

That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000 to amend the Book of Common Prayer by including therein the basic structure with notes known as “A Service of The Word – The Structure of the Service” for occasional use with the approval of the Ordinary as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

VOTING: Clerical Ayes: 96 Noes: 0
Lay Ayes: 121 Noes: 0

Commission on Church Buildings

It was proposed by the Very Rev Dr RB MacCarthy, seconded by Mr SR Harper, and passed:

That the Commission on Church Buildings be requested to take steps to widen its terms of reference to enable it to recommend grants (within its existing budget and when recommended by a Diocesan Council) to make safe ruined or redundant church buildings which are either of historic importance or of visual significance in a local landscape.

It was proposed by Mr JT Stephens, seconded by the Bishop of Limerick and Killaloe, and passed:

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

The Benediction was pronounced and the Synod adjourned until Thursday 20 May 1999.

THIRD DAY'S PROCEEDINGS

THURSDAY 20 MAY 1999

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

A portion of Holy Scripture and Prayer was read by the Bishop of Cork.

Bill (No 1) to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to provide for the use in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* 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 JAB Mayne, seconded by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, and passed:

That the Bill to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to provide for the use in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* as set out in the accompanying Schedule be read a third time and passed.

VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes: 113	Noes: 2
	Lay	Ayes: 145	Noes: 0

Bill (No 2) to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to enable those provisions of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* which concern the number of readings from scripture and the order in which such readings are to be read, to apply in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland where the said Lectionary is in use.

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 JAB Mayne, seconded by the Rev Canon RB Rountree, and passed:

That the Bill to carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to enable those provisions of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* which concern the number of readings from scripture and the order in which such readings are to be read, to apply in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland where the said Lectionary is in use be read a third time and passed.

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VOTING:	Clerical	Ayes: 114	Noes: 1
	Lay	Ayes: 150	Noes: 0

Bill (No 3) to amend section 78AA of Chapter XIV 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 Lady Sheil, seconded by Mr WT Morrow, and passed:

That the Bill to amend section 78AA of Chapter XIV of the Constitution be read a third time and passed.

Bill (No 4) to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution.

As ordered Bill No 4 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory, seconded by Lady Sheil, and passed:

In clause 2 for the figure “(1)” there shall be substituted the figure “(4)”.

It was proposed by the Bishop of Cashel and Ossory, seconded by Lady Sheil, and passed:

That the Bill to amend Chapter IX of the Constitution be read a third time and passed.

Bill (No 5) to amend Chapter III and Chapter V of the Constitution.

As ordered Bill No 5 was received for final consideration.

It was agreed that the next stage be taken.

It was proposed by the Very Rev GB Moller, seconded by Mrs L Gleasure, and passed:

That the Bill to amend Chapter III and Chapter V of the Constitution be read a third time and passed.

Chair

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

Board of Education

The following resolution was proposed by the Ven EJ Swann:

That the Report of the Board of Education be received and adopted.

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Chair

The Archbishop of Armagh resumed the Chair.

Secondary Education Committee

The following resolution was proposed by the Ven EJ Swann:

That the Report of the Secondary Education Committee be received and adopted.

Board of Education

The resolution was seconded by Rev Canon RSJH McKelvey and passed.

Secondary Education Committee

The resolution was seconded by the Rev J Merrick and passed.

Chair

The Archbishop of Dublin took the Chair.

Church of Ireland Youth Council

It was proposed by the Rev CJ McCollum, seconded by the Rev OMR Donohoe, and passed:

That the Report of the Church of Ireland Youth Council be received and adopted.

It was proposed by the Rev CJ McCollum and seconded by the Rev OMR Donohoe:

That the General Synod approves the establishment of a body entitled “CHURCH OF IRELAND YOUTH DEPARTMENT”, which shall be responsible for the development and co-ordination of Church of Ireland youth services.

1. STRUCTURE AND FUNCTION

The Church of Ireland Youth Department shall be composed of:

Central Board, which shall meet twice yearly and 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.

2. COMPOSITION

The *Central Board* shall be composed of 26 (twenty-six) 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 annual election for Chairman.
- (b) *General Synod Standing Committee*: 2 (two) of its members, one each from Northern Ireland and the Republic of Ireland respectively.
- (c) The Archbishops of Armagh and Dublin, and the four other bishops in Northern Ireland, shall each nominate one cleric and one lay person from his diocese. The six bishops in the Republic of Ireland shall each nominate one person, either cleric or lay, from his diocese.
- (d) *Co-options*: 4 (four) co-opted on the basis of specialised interests, eg School/University Chaplains, specific programmes, worship development etc.
- (e) Youth Officer is *ex officio*.

3. TERMS OF APPOINTMENT

- (a) Members of the *Central Board* who shall be members of the Church of Ireland, shall be appointed for three years and no members shall serve more than two three-year terms.
- (b) *The Central Board* shall hold a triennial election for the positions of Chairman, Honorary Secretary, Honorary Treasurer and any other officer positions which the *Central Board* may determine from time to time. No person shall be eligible to hold the same office for more than three years.

4. REPORTING

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

5. EXECUTIVE

The Board shall elect an executive committee to oversee the implementation of decisions made by the Board. The executive committee shall consist of the Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and two representatives from Northern Ireland and two from the Republic of Ireland and the Youth Officer. The executive will meet at least six times a year.

6. ADVISORY CONFERENCES

A Northern Representative Conference and a Southern Representative Conference shall be established which shall act in an advisory capacity in the on-going development of youth services and programmes. Each shall meet at least once a year, with facility to invite advisors and specialists to be in attendance. Responsibility for ensuring that each conference will meet shall rest with the *Central Board*. Each shall report to *Central Board* with its recommendations.

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Note – Composition to include: the bishops respective to each region or their nominees, 4 (four) young adults from each diocese aged between 14 and 25, 2 (two) representatives from each area/diocesan youth council, all fieldwork officers, youth department staff, parish workers.

7. ESTABLISHMENT

The Church of Ireland Youth Department shall be established on 1 September 1999 and shall take over the responsibility of the existing Church of Ireland Youth Council on 1 January 2000.

Notes:

- i. The *Central Board* may appoint sub committees as the need arises.
- ii. Regional programmes will be developed by young adults and skilled individuals who will form a working group to plan, deliver and develop the work, by appointment of the *Central Board*. Appropriate resourcing will be agreed with the *Central Board* on a yearly basis. Every working group will have a member of the *Central Board* who will liaise, report and, when appropriate, chair meetings.
- iii. Any casual vacancies occurring in any of the organisations of the Youth Department shall be filled as soon as practicable by the electing body.

It was proposed by Mr H Kingston, seconded by the Bishop of Cork, and passed:

1. Replace the full stop in 3(a) with a comma and add “with the exception of officers who shall be allowed to serve a further 3 year term.”
2. Replace the full stop in the final sentence of 3(b) with a comma and add “or hold more than two officer positions.”

The motion as amended was passed.

Hymnal Revision

It was proposed by the Bishop of Down and Dromore, seconded by the Rev JW McKegney, and passed:

That the Report of the Hymnal Revision Committee be received.

Adjournment

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

Peace in Kosovo

It was proposed by the Rev Canon WA Lewis and seconded by Mrs A Wills:

Mindful of our history of inter-communal and political violence, hostility and mistrust in Ireland,

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- and of its tragic, destructive and lasting divisive consequences,
- and affirming the effectiveness of resolving conflict by democratic, peaceful methods, in solidarity with the Churches of Yugoslavia,
- we call for an immediate end to the Nato bombing of Yugoslavia;
- and to the killing, inter-ethnic violence and forced exodus of people in Kosovo,
- and the intensification of diplomatic negotiations, involving the Churches and religious bodies in Yugoslavia,
- to open up a humanitarian corridor into Kosovo immediately,
- and to establish peace and security in Kosovo so that all displaced persons may return to their homes.

It was proposed by the O'Morchoe, seconded by Mr W Harvey-Kelly, and passed:

That in lines 6 and 7 the words "to the Nato bombing of Yugoslavia: and" be deleted.

That in lines 10 and 11 the words "to open up a humanitarian corridor into Kosovo immediately, and" be deleted.

That in the last line the following words be added "and live free from fear."

VOTING: Ayes: 123 Noes: 54

It was proposed by the Rev JW McKegney and seconded by the Very Rev NN Lynas:

That in line 6 the following words be deleted: "we call for an immediate end to"; and the following substituted: "we deeply regret the suffering caused by".

That in line 7 the word "to" be deleted.

That in line 8 the word "and" be replaced with "we call for".

The amendment was withdrawn with the consent of the General Synod.

It was proposed by the Rev CL Hall-Thompson, seconded by the Rev D Oxley, and lost:

That lines 7 and 8 be deleted and the following substituted:

- to call on NATO for an immediate end to the bombing
- and we call on the Yugoslavian Government for an immediate end to the killing and forced exodus of people from Kosovo
- and on the Yugoslavian Government and Kosovo Liberation Army for an end to the inter-ethnic violence in Kosovo"

VOTING: Ayes: 57 Noes: 114

The motion as amended was passed.

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Council for Mission in Ireland

It was proposed by the Bishop of Clogher, seconded by Capt WCD Stewart, and passed:

That the following members of the General Synod be elected members of the Council for Mission in Ireland:

Venerable Kenneth Good
Rev Stephen Lowry
Rev David Moynan
Mr William Frizell

Role of the Church Committee

It was proposed by the Rev Canon WA Lewis, seconded by Dr K Milne, and passed:

That the Report of the Role of the Church Committee be received.

Council for the Church Overseas

It was proposed by the Rev Canon P Towers, seconded by Mrs R Moore, and passed:

That the Report of the Council for the Church Overseas be received and adopted.

Church's Ministry of Healing

It was proposed by the Very Rev RK Townley, seconded by Mr G Clarke, and passed:

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

Journal of the General Synod

It was proposed by the Very Rev H Cassidy, seconded by Mr SR Harper, and passed:

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

Attendance of Members

	Clerical	Lay	Total
Tuesday 18 May 1999	192	314	506
Wednesday 19 May 1999	180	274	454
Thursday 20 May 1999	152	202	354

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

RESOLUTIONS

ADOPTED BY THE GENERAL SYNOD SESSION 1999

Bills

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to provide for the use in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* as set out in the accompanying Schedule:

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to enable those provisions of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* which concern the number of readings from scripture and the order in which such readings are to be read, to apply in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland where the said Lectionary is in use:

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To amend section 78AA of Chapter XIV of the Constitution:

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution:

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

To amend Chapter III and Chapter V of the Constitution:

Second reading passed.

Third reading passed.

Board of Education

That the Report of the Board of Education be received and adopted.

Church of Ireland Pensions Board

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

Church of Ireland Youth Council

(a) That the Report of the Church of Ireland Youth Council be received and adopted.

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- (b) That the General Synod approves the establishment of a body entitled “CHURCH OF IRELAND YOUTH DEPARTMENT”, which shall be responsible for the development and co-ordination of Church of Ireland youth services.

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4. REPORTING

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

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- iii. Any casual vacancies occurring in any of the organisations of the Youth Department shall be filled as soon as practicable by the electing body.

Church's Ministry of Healing

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

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Commission on Church Buildings

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

Commission on Ministry

- (a) That the Report of the Commission on Ministry be received and adopted.
- (b) That the terms of reference of the Commission on Ministry be amended as follows:
 - (a) Section 2 line 1 to read “2. The Commission shall consist of 19 members as follows:”
 - (b) add the following new sub-section: “(x) the Co-ordinator of Auxiliary Ministry Training shall be an ex officio member of the Commission.”

Committee for Christian Unity

- (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	Mrs Ruth Heard
Ms Janet Barcroft	Rev Iain Knox
Rt Hon David Bleakley	Rev Canon Walter Lewis
Very Rev Herbert Cassidy	Ven Gregor McCamley
Mr George Clarke	Mrs Roberta McKelvey
Rev Canon David Crooks	Dr Kenneth Milne
Rev Dr Ian Ellis	Mr Trevor Morrow
Very Rev Leslie Forrest	Mr Daniel Nuzum
Very Rev David Godfrey	Rev Gillian Wharton
Rev Robert Gray (Honorary Secretary)	Rev Trevor Williams
	Mrs Andrea Wills
- (c) That the following represent the Church of Ireland on the Irish Council of Churches:

Mrs B Aalen	Ms A Mawhinney
Ms J Barcroft	Rev Canon JCD Mayes
Most Rev Dr WNF Empey	Mr WT Morrow
Rev Dr IM Ellis	Mr JTN McGaffin
Very Rev DSG Godfrey	Mrs R McKelvey
Rev RJ Gray	Rt Rev JRW Neill
Rt Rev BDA Hannon	Mrs J Peters
Rev AJ Houston	Rev Canon WD Sinnamon
Rev Canon Dr M Kennedy	Prof M Wheeler
Rev IJE Knox	Rev TR Williams
- (d) That the Church of Ireland endorse the measure of agreement reached by the Joint Theological Working Party, and encourages it to hasten forward with its work.

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- (e) That the Report of the Inter-Church Consultative Committee be received and the Committee re-appointed.

Conference of Churches in Ireland

The General Synod of the Church of Ireland approves the application of the Church of Ireland to be a member of the Conference of Churches in Ireland, approves the proposed Constitution and makes the following affirmations:

1. The Church of Ireland affirms its commitment to the International and Regional structures of the Ecumenical Movement of which it is a part, with the clear doctrinal understanding and ecumenical commitment involved.
2. The Church of Ireland affirms its regret that the proposed constitution for the Conference of Churches in Ireland does not reflect the doctrinal basis, nor the ecumenical commitment, normally required for participation in the ecumenical movement.
3. The Church of Ireland affirms its continued commitment to working with other Irish Churches in the search for Christian Unity on the basis of confessing together the Apostolic Faith, and will seek for a radical review of the constitution of the Conference of Churches in Ireland to this end within the next five years.

Proposed Constitution of the Conference of Churches in Ireland

1. Name

The name shall be “The Conference of Churches in Ireland”.

2. Aims

The Conference of Churches in Ireland (hereinafter referred to as CCI) is constituted by Christian Churches in Ireland with aims which are hereby declared to be exclusively charitable and are as follows:

- (i) to be a forum where the member churches meet, discuss and consult together;
- (ii) to assist the member churches to grow in their understanding of each other, in accordance with the will of Christ;
- (iii) to assist the member churches to cooperate and act together as appropriate;
- (iv) to assist and facilitate inter-church initiatives at local level;
- (v) to liaise and cooperate with relevant secular agencies and authorities and other Christian bodies and to make known to the churches and community what is happening at all levels in the area of inter-church activity;
- (vi) to take forward the work carried out under the name of the Irish Inter-Church Meeting;

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(vii) to take forward work hitherto carried out under the auspices of the Irish Council of Churches, if so agreed with the said Irish Council of Churches.

CCI shall not be a forum for church union negotiations.

3. Membership

3.1 Membership of CCI shall be open to all those Christian Churches or associations of local churches within one Christian tradition in Ireland willing to join in united efforts to promote the Aims.

It is anticipated that the founder member Christian Churches (hereinafter called Founder Member Churches) shall be:

The Church of Ireland
The Moravian Church, Irish District
The Coptic Church of Ireland
The Non-Subscribing Presbyterian Church of Ireland
The Greek Orthodox Church in Britain and Ireland
The Presbyterian Church in Ireland
LifeLink Network of Churches
The Religious Society of Friends
The Lutheran Church in Ireland
The Roman Catholic Church in Ireland
The Methodist Church in Ireland
The Salvation Army, Ireland Division

3.2 Following the inauguration of CCI applications for membership shall be considered and determined by the Standing Committee.

4. Structures

4.1 General Principles

4.1.1 The structures of CCI are designed (i) to maintain the authority of the member churches, (ii) to be directly answerable to them, and (iii) to enable them to act together to further the Aims.

4.1.2 Consideration shall be given by the member churches to the balance of gender and age in their representation on the various bodies.

4.1.3 The composition of the various bodies of CCI shall always be in the proportion: fifty percent Roman Catholic Church, fifty percent other member Christian Churches, and the numbers on the various bodies shall be adjusted by agreement of the member churches to preserve this proportion when a Christian Church hitherto not a member is admitted to membership, or a member church ceases to be a member.

4.2 CCI will operate through the following bodies:

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4.2.1 The Standing Committee

(a) The Standing Committee shall be the primary body through which CCI enables the member churches to share, consult and co-operate together to further the Aims. It shall be responsible for determining the work of CCI. The Standing Committee shall receive reports from the Steering Committee, Departments, committees, working groups, etc. It shall approve the budget annually, receive the accounts, and shall, on the nomination of the Steering Committee, appoint the auditors. The Standing Committee, on the nomination of the Steering Committee, shall appoint the General Secretary and the Treasurer.

(b) The Standing Committee shall be composed of representatives appointed annually by the member churches and shall have the following composition:

Roman Catholic Church	18
Church of Ireland	4
Methodist Church in Ireland	2
Presbyterian Church in Ireland	4
Other Member Churches	1 each

The member churches shall be able to appoint alternates. Names of alternates must be given in advance to the General Secretary.

The General Secretary, Treasurer, Moderators of Departments and representatives of such committees and working parties as agreed from time to time by the Standing Committee shall attend as non-voting members.

(c) The Standing Committee shall normally meet twice a year.

4.2.2 Steering Committee

4.2.2.1 The Steering Committee shall be responsible for:

- (i) the implementation of policies agreed by the Standing Committee;
- (ii) continuing the work of CCI between meetings of the Standing Committee;
- (iii) the overall management of staff and resources;
- (iv) supervision of Departments, committees and working groups.

The Steering Committee shall report back to the Standing Committee.

4.2.2.2 The Steering Committee shall be composed of members of the Standing Committee and have the following composition:

Roman Catholic Church	7
Church of Ireland	2
Methodist Church in Ireland	1
Presbyterian Church in Ireland	2
Other Member Churches	2

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The Roman Catholic Church, Church of Ireland, Methodist Church in Ireland and Presbyterian Church in Ireland representatives shall be appointed annually by these Churches. The other Founder Member Churches shall devise an appropriate system of rotation for the other two places at a meeting specially called for that purpose. Alternates shall be able to be appointed. Names of alternates must be given in advance to the General Secretary.

The General Secretary, Treasurer and Moderators of Departments, shall attend as non-voting members.

4.2.3 Departments, Committees, Working Groups

The Standing Committee may appoint or cause its Steering Committee to appoint and supervise such Departments, committees, working groups of its own members and other persons from its member churches as it may from time to time decide as necessary for the carrying out of the work of CCI, each of which shall report back to the Standing Committee.

4.2.4 The Irish Churches Gathering

4.2.4.1 The Irish Churches Gathering shall normally meet once every two years and its role shall be to:

- (i) provide an opportunity for deepening the relationships between the member churches;
- (ii) discuss and deliberate on issues of importance to the member churches;
- (iii) help to establish the direction and priorities of the CCI.

4.2.4.2 It shall have the following composition:

Roman Catholic Church	46
Church of Ireland	12
Methodist Church in Ireland	6
Presbyterian Church in Ireland	12
Other Member Churches	2 each

Ex-officio: Treasurer, General Secretary, Moderators of Departments.

Other persons may be invited as observers and guests with a right to speak, but not to vote.

5. Officers

5.1 Presidents

The Standing Committee shall appoint two Presidents from the membership of the Steering Committee for a two year period; one being nominated by the Irish Episcopal Conference of the Roman Catholic Church; and the other being nominated by another member church under a system of rotation. The Presidents will as appropriate, chair meetings of the Standing Committee, the Steering

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Committee and the Irish Churches Gathering and, as occasion demands, represent CCI on public occasions, and make statements on its behalf.

5.2 General Secretary

The Standing Committee, on the nomination of the Steering Committee, shall appoint the General Secretary. The appointment shall be governed by the terms and conditions set down by the Standing Committee, on the recommendation of the Steering Committee.

5.3 Treasurer

The Standing Committee, on the nomination of the Steering Committee, shall appoint the Treasurer and shall determine the term of office.

6. Finance

6.1 CCI's work shall be maintained by annual grants from the member churches. The churches' contributions shall be based on the principles and methods of assessment as agreed from time to time by CCI.

6.2 CCI will also have authority to receive individual, congregational, corporate and government financial contributions, endowments and bequests for the benefit of its general funds and for any special funds established by it, or for other special purposes.

6.3 CCI has the power to lend and advance money to any persons, churches, charitable bodies, firms or companies on such terms as CCI deems expedient.

6.4 CCI has the power in promoting the Aims

- (i) to purchase, take on lease or in exchange, hire or otherwise acquire any real and personal estate which may be deemed necessary or convenient for any of the purposes of CCI;
- (ii) to construct, maintain, and alter any houses, buildings, or works necessary convenient for any of the purposes of CCI;
- (iii) to take any gift of property, whether subject to any special trust or not, for any one or more of the objects of CCI;
- (iv) to sell, manage, lease, mortgage, dispose of or otherwise deal with all or any part of the property of CCI;
- (v) to raise funds (but not by means of taxable trading); to borrow money and give security for loans.

7. Rules

7.1 The rules and procedures of meetings shall be determined by the Standing Committee. Decisions at the Irish Churches Gathering, the Standing Committee and the Steering Committee shall not normally be made by voting, but by

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reaching a broad consensus through a process of deliberation, reflection and consultation. If a vote is decided upon decisions shall require the approval of ninety percent of those present and voting.

- 7.2 Public statements made by CCI shall express a broad consensus of the member churches. The Standing Committee shall make public statements on behalf of CCI but it may in its discretion delegate this responsibility to the Steering Committee or the Presidents.

8. Amendments to the Constitution

All changes in the Constitution must allow CCI to remain a charity in law and must be approved by ninety percent of those present and voting at two successive Standing Committee Meetings. In addition, no amendments of Articles Two, Three, Four and Eight of the Constitution shall be valid unless approved by the governing bodies (or equivalent) of the member churches.

9. Dissolution

That in the event of the winding-up or dissolution of CCI there remains, after the satisfaction of all its debts and liabilities, any property whatsoever, its disposable assets (excluding any real or chattel real property) shall be allocated to its member churches in proportion to their several ordinary grants made to CCI in the financial year preceding such dissolution. Any real or chattel real property shall be given or transferred to some other charitable institution or institutions, having objects similar to the objects of CCI, or to a charitable institution which will use the property for ecumenical purposes, such institution or institutions to be determined by the Standing Committee at or before the time of dissolution, and if and so far as effect cannot be given to such provision then to some charitable object.

Confirmation

That this House respectfully requests the House of Bishops to consider confirmation and its relationship to Holy Communion and to present theological and pastoral reflections and, if deemed appropriate, recommendations for the future for consideration by the General Synod as soon as possible.

Council for the Church Overseas

That the Report of the Council for the Church Overseas be received and adopted.

Hymnal Revision Committee

That the Report of the Hymnal Revision Committee be received.

Liturgical Advisory Committee

- (a) That the Report of the Liturgical Advisory Committee be received.

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- (b) That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000 to amend those parts of the Book of Common Prayer entitled respectively “The Order for Morning Prayer, daily throughout the year”; “The Order for Evening Prayer, daily throughout the year”; “The Litany” and “The Appendix containing alternative forms of Evening Prayer (MXMXXXIII)”; by substituting, for the above-mentioned said parts of the Book of Common Prayer, “The Order of Morning Prayer, daily throughout the year”; “The Order of Evening Prayer, daily throughout the year”; “The Litany” and “An Order for Compline” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.
- (c) That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000 to amend the Book of Common Prayer by including therein, “An Order for Morning and Evening Prayer, daily throughout the year”, “The Litany in contemporary language”, “A Late Evening Office” and “Weekday Intercessions and Thanksgivings” as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.
- (d) That, in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution, leave be given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 2000 to amend the Book of Common Prayer by including therein the basic structure with notes known as “A Service of The Word – the Structure of the Service” for occasional use with the approval of the Ordinary as set out in the Schedule to this Resolution.

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 from the balance on the General Funds Revenue Account for the year ended 31 December 1998:

	IR£
Group A – Maintenance of the Stipendiary Ministry	758,611
Group B – Retired Clergy and Surviving Spouses	714,888
Group C – Training of Ordinands	513,884
Group D – General Synod Activities	557,352
Group E – Miscellaneous Financing	69,614
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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 2000

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- (a) no stipend shall be less than £17,034 per annum in Northern Ireland or IR£17,423 per annum in the Republic of Ireland in the case of an Incumbent or a clergyman 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%	✍
Third Year	80.0%	✍
Fourth Year	82.5%	✍
Fifth and succeeding Years	85.0%	✍

III. Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Fund

That the Representative Body be authorised to transfer the sum of IR£122,760 from its income surplus at 31 December 1998 to the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Fund for the purpose of financing a shortfall in the funding of pensions of retired bishops and widows of bishops.

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

Role of the Church Committee

That the Report of the Role of the Church Committee be received.

Secondary Education Committee

That the Report of the Secondary Education Committee be received and adopted.

Sectarianism

- (a) The General Synod of the Church of Ireland recognises that from time to time confusion and controversy have attended the flying of flags on church buildings or within the grounds of church buildings. This Synod therefore resolves that the only flags specifically authorised to be flown on church buildings or within the church grounds of the Church of Ireland are the cross of St Patrick or, alternatively, the flag of the Anglican Communion bearing the emblem of the Compassrose. Such flags are authorised to be flown only on Holy Days and during the Octaves of Christmas, Easter, the Ascension of Our Lord and Pentecost, and on any other such day as may be recognised locally as the Dedication Day of the particular church building. Any other flag flown at any other time is not specifically authorised by this Church.

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- (b) The General Synod of the Church of Ireland adopts the following declaration with regard to its understanding of the historic formularies of the Church of Ireland:

Declaration:

The Church of Ireland is part of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church, worshipping the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds: which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer, the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons and the Declaration prefixed to the Statutes of the Church of Ireland (1870).

These historic formularies are a definition of the faith as proclaimed by the Church of Ireland, and thus form an important part of the inheritance through which this Church has been formed in its faith and witness to this day. The formularies that have been passed on are part of a living tradition that today must face new challenges and grasp fresh opportunities.

Historic documents often stem from periods of deep separation between Christian Churches. Whilst, in spite of a real degree of convergence, distinct differences remain, negative statements towards other Christians should not be seen as representing the spirit of this Church today.

The Church of Ireland affirms all in its tradition that witnesses to the truth of the Gospel. It regrets that words written in another age and in a different context should be used in a manner hurtful to or antagonistic towards other Christians.

The Church of Ireland seeks the visible unity of the Church. In working towards that goal this Church is committed to reaching out towards other Churches in a spirit of humility and love, that together all Christians may grow towards unity in life and mission to the glory of God.

- (c) This Synod fully endorses the efforts of the Archbishop of Armagh, the Diocese of Armagh and the Standing Committee of the General Synod of the Church of Ireland in their attempts to resolve the crisis at Drumcree. It calls upon the Rector and Select Vestry of Drumcree to endorse the pledges called for by the Archbishop of Armagh in respect of the conduct of those attending the annual parade by lodges of the Orange Order to Drumcree Parish Church. The pledges are as follows:

- The avoidance of any action before or after the service which diminishes the sanctity of that worship.
- Obedience to the law of the land before and after the service.

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- Respect for the integrity of the Church of Ireland by word and action and the avoidance of the use of all church property or its environs in any civil protest following the service.

This Synod further requests that should the Orange Lodges of the Portadown District decline to adhere to the pledges required by the Archbishop of Armagh, the invitation, established by custom, to the Lodges to attend morning service be withdrawn by the Rector and Select Vestry of Drumcree.

The Synod directs the Honorary Secretaries to forward copies of this resolution to the Incumbent and to the Select Vestry of Drumcree.

Select Committee on Theological College Accommodation

That the Report of the Select Committee on Theological College Accommodation be received.

Standing Committee

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

Synodical Structures

- (i) That the report of the Standing Committee's Working Group on Synodical Structures be received.
- (ii) That the Working Group on Synodical Structures be requested to continue its work and, in particular, to prepare the necessary legislation to implement its recommendations.
- (iii) That the General Synod requests the Standing Committee to add the following names to the list of those being asked to serve on the Working Group (having already given their agreement):

Rev Canon Brian Courtney
Rev Philip Patterson

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CHAPTER I

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to provide for the use in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* as set out in the accompanying Schedule.

WHEREAS a Resolution to provide for the use in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* as set out in the accompanying Schedule was duly passed in full Synod assembled in Dublin in the year 1998 by the required majorities and was duly transmitted to the secretaries of all diocesan synods;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Resolution shall be carried into effect by a Statute;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution leave was given for the introduction of a Bill in the General Synod of 1999;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops, and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Dublin, in the year 1999, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* as set out in the Schedule may be used in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland.

CHAPTER II

To carry into effect a Resolution of the General Synod of 1998 to enable those provisions of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* which concern the number of readings from scripture and the order in which such readings are to be read, to apply in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland where the said Lectionary is in use.

WHEREAS it is desirable to enable those provisions of *The Revised Common Lectionary with Introduction and additional Canticles and Calendar as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland*, hereinafter referred to as *The Revised Common Lectionary as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland*, which concern the number of readings from scripture and the order in which such readings are to be read, to apply in Churches and Chapels of the Church of Ireland where that Lectionary is in use at Services of Morning or Evening Prayer, whether according to the Book of Common Prayer or the Alternative Prayer Book, and in the office of Holy Communion according to the Book of Common Prayer;

AND WHEREAS it is expedient that the said Resolution shall be carried into effect by a Statute;

AND WHEREAS in accordance with the provisions of Section 26(1) of Chapter I of the Constitution leave was given for the introduction of a Bill in 1999;

BE IT ENACTED by the Archbishops and Bishops, and the Clergy and Laity of the Church of Ireland, in General Synod assembled in Dublin, in the year 1999, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. In the Book of Common Prayer after the fourth paragraph of the General Directions for Publick Worship there shall be inserted the following paragraph:

When *The Revised Common Lectionary as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* is in use:

- (a) at a Service of Morning or Evening Prayer a Lesson taken out of the Old Testament may be read before the Psalm and two further Lessons, both taken out of the New Testament, may be read where the rubrics direct that the First and Second Lessons shall be read;
- (b) at a Service of Holy Communion a Lesson from the Old Testament may be read followed by a Psalm which may be said or sung, before the reading of the Epistle.

2. In the Alternative Prayer Book in Concerning the Services of the Church, at the end of paragraph 3 the following shall be added:

When *The Revised Common Lectionary as adapted for use in the Church of Ireland* is in use the Psalm may be sung after the First Reading, the Second Reading may follow the Psalm and precede the Second Canticle and a Third Reading, also from the New Testament, may follow the Second Canticle at Morning or Evening Prayer.

CHAPTER III

To amend section 78AA of Chapter XIV of the Constitution.

WHEREAS it is desirable to improve the pensions currently in course of payment to bishops and widows of bishops;

AND WHEREAS for such purpose it is necessary to amend Section 78AA of Chapter XIV of the Constitution;

AND WHEREAS the Church of Ireland Pensions Board has certified that on the enactment of this Statute (subject to the adoption by the General Synod of the Resolution recommended by the Representative Body authorising an allocation of IR£122,760 to the Church of Ireland Clergy Pensions Fund) the Fund will 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 Dublin, in the year 1999, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. Section 78AA of Chapter XIV of the Constitution of the Church of Ireland 1988 is hereby amended by inserting the following sub-section:

- (7) The rate of every pension payable to a bishop or to the widow of a bishop, payment of which commenced on or before 1 January 1999 and which is in course of payment on 31 May 1999, shall be increased by 9.375% with effect from 1 June 1999.

If a bishop to whom this sub-section refers should die before 1 June 1999 and a pension is in course of payment to his widow on 31 May 1999, such pension shall be increased by 9.375% with effect from 1 June 1999.

CHAPTER IV

To amend Chapter IX of the Constitution.

WHEREAS it is desirable, in certain specified circumstances, to make provision for the part-time deployment of clergy;

AND WHEREAS for such purposes it is necessary to amend Chapter IX 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 Dublin, in the year 1999, 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 1988 and Canon 34 means Canon 34 of the Canons of the Church of Ireland as contained in Chapter IX.
2. After Paragraph 3 of Canon 34 there shall be inserted the following paragraph:
 - (4) A minister who, for a period of not less than three years, has held ecclesiastical office or served as a curate assistant, and who is not in receipt of a retirement annuity in respect of service in the ordained ministry, may be deployed on a part-time basis in such post as has been certified by the bishop and the diocesan council as suited to part-time deployment, subject to the following regulations:
 - (a) such minister shall serve under licence from the bishop, and subject to the direction of the bishop or such other person as the bishop shall appoint. All the entitlements of such licence shall apply except that such minister shall neither serve as an archdeacon nor act as a member of the Board of Nomination for the parish in which he serves;
 - (b) such minister shall neither hold office as an incumbent, vicar or licensed curate nor hold any other ecclesiastical office, whilst serving in part-time deployment;
 - (c) the bishop, before appointing a minister to a position of part-time deployment, shall obtain from the diocesan council (or where appropriate the select vestry) a certificate that appropriate financial provision is available;
 - (d) the bishop shall provide in writing to such minister the terms of deployment, including duties and rates of remuneration, subject to such regulations as may be made from time to time by the Representative Body; and
 - (e) the bishop, after consultation with the other members of the Committee of Patronage of the diocese, shall review such deployment after one year and every three years thereafter.

CHAPTER V

To amend Chapter III and Chapter V of the Constitution.

WHEREAS it is desirable that possession of landed or house property of the value of £10 or IR£10 at the least should no longer be a qualification for a member of the Church of Ireland to be included in the register of vestrymen of a parish;

AND WHEREAS for such purpose it is necessary to amend Chapter III and Chapter V of the Constitution 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 Dublin, in the year 1999, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. In the schedule to the said Chapter III, the paragraph commencing: (No 1 – Form of declaration by an owner of property) be deleted.
2. The second paragraph of the aforementioned schedule (No 2 – Form of declaration by a resident) be renumbered as No 1.
3. The third paragraph of the aforementioned schedule (No 3 – Form of declaration by an accustomed member of a congregation) be renumbered as No 2.
4. In Section 6 of Chapter V the following words shall be deleted: “owners of property and”.
5. Nothing in the provisions of Sections 1 to 4 above shall affect the rights of those whose names are included in a register of vestrymen of a parish prior to the commencement of the aforementioned provisions.

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Lismore Diocese: Transfer of Parishes - 1872, C.viii.
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Meath Diocese: Transfer of Parishes - 1872, C.viii; 1878, C.iii; 1919, C.iv.
Meath Diocese: Union with Kilmore and Ardagh - 1973, C.ii.
New English Bible - 1962, C.i.
Newry and Mourne, Exempt Jurisdiction of - 1873, C.ii.
Ossory Diocese: Transfer of Parishes - 1782, C.viii; 1900, C.iii.
Ossory Diocese: Union with Leighlin - 1975, C.vii.
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Ross Diocese: Transfer of Parishes - 1872, C.viii.
Sparsely Populated Areas Commission - 1956, C.iii; 1957, C.iv; 1960, C.iii; 1962, C.iv;
1964, C.ix; 1965, C.v.
Trim Cathedral - 1954, C.iv; 1998, C.iii.
Tuam Cathedral - 1891, C.iii; (See Resoluion 1925).
Tuam Diocese: Transfer of Parishes - 1872, C.viii.
Tuam Diocese: Union with Elphin - 1973, C.ii.
Tuam Diocese: Union with Killala and Achonry - 1961, C.viii.
Union of Parishes Commission - 1920 (Special Session), C.iii; 1925, C.iii.
Waterford Cathedral - 1872, C.ii; 1890, C.ii; 1922, C.xi; 1981, C.v.

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THE GENERAL CONVENTION, 1870
and of
THE GENERAL SYNOD, 1871 – 1999

Year and Chapter	Subject	Repeal etc.
1870	Preamble and Declaration.	-
Cap. i.	General Synod, Diocesan Synods, Parishes and Parochial Organisation.	Repealed by 1879, C.i. (Certain sections repealed by earlier statutes.)
"	ii. Representative Body.	Repealed by 1878, C.i.
"	iii. Election of Bishops. Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1879, C.i. (except ss. 35-37, which were spent) (Certain sections repealed by earlier statutes.)
"	iv. Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. Ecclesiastical Offences.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
1871		
Cap. i.	Election to See of Armagh.	All except s.i repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	ii. Modification or Alteration of Articles, etc.	All except s.i repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	iii. Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	iv. Canons.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. Declaration of Lay Synodsmen.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vi. Disputed Elections.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	vii. Appointment to Cures.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	viii. Diocesan Councils. Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	ix. Unions of Benefices.	s.3 amended by 1878, C.ix. All repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	x. Cathedrals.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	xi. Roll of Subscription.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
1872		
Cap. i.	Form of Consecrating Archbishop or Bishops.	-

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1872 continued		
Cap. ii.	Cathedrals. Waterford Cathedral.	All except s.23 (Waterford Cathedral) repealed by 1879, C.i.s.23 repealed by 1981, C.v.
" iii.	Armagh Cathedral.	Repealed by 1972, C.xi.
" iv.	Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	s.1 repealed by 1974, C.ii. ss. 5, 12-14 repealed by 1874, C.i. ss. 3, 7-9 and 11 repealed by 1879, C.ii. Remainder (except s.1) repealed by 1886, C.vii.
" v.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
" vi.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	s.3 amended by 1958, C.ii. s.5 amended by 1900, C.ii. s.7 amended by 1883, C.iii, 1922, C.ix and 1985, C.ii. s.9 repealed by 1985, C.ii.
" vii.	Appointments to Cures.	All except s.1 repealed by 1879, C.i.
" viii.	Diocesan and Parochial Boundaries.	Portion repealed by 1879, C.i. Portions of schedule repealed by 1876, C.iii, and 1880, C.iii.
" ix.	Boulter Fund.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
" x.	Diocesan Synods.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
1873		
Cap. i.	Modification of Alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
" ii.	Exempt Jurisdiction of Newry and Mourne.	-
" iii.	Declarations of Parochial Nominators.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
" iv.	General Synod.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
" v.	St. Patrick's Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
" vi.	Churchwardens.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
" vii.	Table of Lessons. Shortening the Services.	Schedule amended by 1875, C. vi, and 1876, v.i.
" viii.	Preservation and Authentication of Records of General Convention and General Synod.	All except ss.4 and 5 repealed by 1879, C.i.
" ix.	Burying Grounds.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
" x.	Faculties.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
" xi.	Unions of Benefices.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
" xii.	Consideration of Report of Revision Committee by Synod of 1874.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.

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1874 Cap.	i. Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	s.2 repealed by 1879, C.ii. Remainder repealed by 1866 C.vii.
"	ii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
1875 Cap.	i. Creed of St. Athanasius.	Repealed by 1877, C.i.
"	ii. Creed of St. Athanasius.	Repealed by 1877, C.i.
"	iii. Ecclesiastical Tribunals.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	iv. Diocesan Synod. Parochial Organisation.	ss. 2-18 and 2nd Schedule repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. Title Page, etc. of Prayer Book.	-
"	vi. Calendar, etc.	-
"	vii. Morning and Evening Prayer.	s.14 amended by 1877, C.v.
"	viii. Litany, Prayers and Thanksgivings.	s.8 repealed by 1877, C.ii.
"	ix. Collects, Epistles and Gospels.	-
"	x. Holy Communion.	-
"	xi. Holy Communion.	-
"	xii. Baptism.	-
"	xiii. Baptism.	-
"	xiv. Catechism and Confirmation.	-
"	xv. Catechism.	-
"	xvi. Confirmation.	-
"	xvii. Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	xviii. Visitation of the Sick.	-
"	xix. Communion of the Sick.	-
"	xx. Churching of Women.	-
"	xxi. Commination.	-
"	xxii. Prayer to be used at Sea.	-
"	xxiii. Ordinal.	-
"	xxiv. Accession Day Visitation of Prisoners.	-
"	xxv. First Sunday after Institution. Thanksgiving for Harvest. Consecration of Church. Consecration of Churchyard.	-
1876 Cap.	i. Table of Lessons.	-
"	ii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iv. Widows and Orphans.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. Burial of the Dead.	-
"	vi. Burial of the Dead.	-
"	vii. Burial of the Dead.	-

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1877		
Cap.	i. Creed of St. Athanasius.	-
"	ii. Prayers and Thanksgiving.	-
"	iii. Order of New Services.	-
"	iv. Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1879, C.i.
"	v. Morning and Evening Prayer.	-
"	vi. Holy Communion.	-
"	vii. Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
"	viii. Preface.	-
"	ix. Preface.	-
"	x. Preface.	-
"	xi. Preface.	-
"	xii. Preface.	-
"	xiii. Preface.	-
"	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.

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1879 continued		
Cap. 1880	ii. Christ Church Cathedral, Dublin.	Repealed by 1886, C.vii.
Cap. 1880	i. Cashel Cathedral.	Repealed by 1974, C.ii.
"	ii. Killaloe Cathedral.	-
"	iii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iv. Parish of Drumcar.	-
1881		
Cap. 1881	i. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	ii. Diocesan Boundaries.	-
"	iii. Parochial Records.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	iv. Armagh and Clogher Dioceses.	-
1882		
Cap. 1882	i. Glebes.	Repealed by 1889, C.i.
"	ii. Armagh and Clogher Dioceses.	-
1883		
Cap. 1883	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. 1884	i. Glebes.	All except schedules repealed by 1889, C.i.
1885		
Cap. 1885	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. 1886	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. 1887	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.

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1896		
No Statutes.		
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.	Repealed by 1944, C.v.
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.

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1906 continued		
Cap. 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.		
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.

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1915 continued		
Cap. 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.	-
" 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.	-
" 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.

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1920 continued		
Cap. 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.
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.	-

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1923 continued		
Cap. 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.	-
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.

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1934 continued		
Cap. vi.	Alternative Forms of Evening Prayer.	-
" vii.	Appointments to Cures.	Repealed by 1946, C.i.
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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1956 continued		
Cap. iii.	Sparsely Populated Areas Commission.	ss.4 and 6 amended by 1957, C.iv. s.11 amended by 1960, C.iii, 1962, C.iv and 1964, C.ix.
" 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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1960 continued		
Cap. 1961	viii. Augmentation of Widows' Annuities Fund.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
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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1964 continued		
Cap. xi.	Canon 36.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
1965		
Cap. i.	Revised Standard Version.	-
" 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.	Archdeaconries in Diocese of Connor.	Repealed by 1984, C.vii.
1966		
Cap. i.	Canon 1.	Repealed by 1971, C.ii.
" 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		
Cap. i.	Modification or alteration of Articles, etc.	Repealed by 1969, C.ii.
" 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		
Cap. i.	Burial Grounds.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.

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1971 continued		
Cap. ii.	Dioceses and Diocesan Organisation. Parishes and Parochial Organisation. Appointment to and Tenure of Cures. Canons.	Repealed by 1972, C.i.
" 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.	-

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1974		
Cap.	i. Canons.	Repealed by 1978, C.i.
"	ii. Repeal of Statues.	-
"	iii. Commission on Episcopal Needs.	-
"	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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1979 continued		
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		
Cap. i.	Morning and Evening Prayer.	-
" ii.	Sentences of Scripture.	-
" iii.	Canticles.	-
" iv.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
" v.	Cashel, Waterford & Lismore Cathedrals.	-
" vi.	Hildersheim Dish.	-
" vii.	Diocesan Reorganisation.	-
" viii.	Stipends.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
1982		
Cap. i.	Holy Communion.	-
" 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		
Cap. i.	Financing of the Episcopacy.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
" ii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
" iii.	Belfast Cathedral.	-
1984		
Cap. i.	Ordination of Women as Deacons.	s.1 and Schedule (Pt.V) repealed by 1988, C.iii.
" 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.	-
" ix.	Alternative Prayer Book.	-
" x.	Preface.	-
" xi.	Canon 38.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.

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1984 continued		
Cap. 1985 xii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
Cap. 1985 i.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
" 1985 ii.	Downpatrick Cathedral.	-
Cap. 1986 i.	Commission on Churches.	s.6 amended by 1993, C.ii. and 1994, C.iii.
" 1986 ii.	Church Fabric Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
" 1986 iii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
Cap. 1987 i.	Confirmation.	-
" 1987 ii.	Solemnization of Matrimony.	-
" 1987 iii.	Burial of the Dead.	-
" 1987 iv.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
" 1987 v.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
" 1987 vi.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
" 1987 vii.	Clergy Pensions Fund.	Repealed by 1988, C.iii.
" 1987 viii.	Limerick, Killaloe and Clonfert Cathedrals.	-
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- Reported in Journal, 1919, p. 366.
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30. 1935 Christie and others v. Colquhoun.
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- Reported in Journal 1992, p.368.
31. 1939 Caithness and others v. Colquhoun and others.
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NUMBER OF REPRESENTATIVES IN ATTENDANCE 1999

Date	Clerical	Lay	Total
May 18	192	314	506
May 19	180	274	454
May 20	152	202	354

Total number of Signatures: 1,314; average: 438.

Clerical	524	Average	175
Lay	790	Average	263

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The ordinary Session commenced on May 18 and terminated on May 20, having lasted three days.

The House of Bishops did not sit separately but all were present at the meeting of the full Synod.

The greatest number of Representatives known to be present on any day was 506. The average attendance was 438 of whom 175 were Clerical and 263 Lay Representatives.

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- (b) The General Synod of the Church of Ireland adopts the following declaration with regard to its understanding of the historic formularies of the Church of Ireland:

Declaration:

The Church of Ireland is part of the one, holy, catholic, and apostolic Church, worshipping the one true God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit. It professes the faith uniquely revealed in the Holy Scriptures and set forth in the catholic creeds: which faith the Church is called upon to proclaim afresh in each generation. Led by the Holy Spirit, it has borne witness to Christian truth in its historic formularies, the Thirty-nine Articles of Religion, the Book of Common Prayer, the Ordering of Bishops, Priests and Deacons and the Declaration prefixed to the Statutes of the Church of Ireland (1870).

These historic formularies are a definition of the faith as proclaimed by the Church of Ireland, and thus form an important part of the inheritance through which this Church has been formed in its faith and witness to this day. The formularies that have been passed on are part of a living tradition that today must face new challenges and grasp fresh opportunities.

Historic documents often stem from periods of deep separation between Christian Churches. Whilst, in spite of a real degree of convergence, distinct differences remain, negative statements towards other Christians should not be seen as representing the spirit of this Church today.

The Church of Ireland affirms all in its tradition that witnesses to the truth of the Gospel. It regrets that words written in another age and in a different context should be used in a manner hurtful to or antagonistic towards other Christians.

The Church of Ireland seeks the visible unity of the Church. In working towards that goal this Church is committed to reaching out towards other Churches in a spirit of humility and love, that together all Christians may grow towards unity in life and mission to the glory of God.