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NOTES ON SYNOD PROCEDURES

The following notes are provided for the guidance of members of the Synod:

- When any member rises to speak, she/he shall address the President only, and not the Synod, or any member thereof.
- When a member is speaking, no other member may rise to speak, nor may interrupt him/her, except through the President.
- No member should rise to speak unless he/she intends to move, support or oppose a resolution - save for the purpose of making an explanation or asking a question, and then only by the leave of Synod.
- Whenever a member enters or leaves the Synod, or crosses from one side of the House to the other, it is customary to acknowledge the Chair.
- An attendance slip is to be signed by all clerical and lay representatives at each session of the Synod and handed to the Synod Secretaries.
- When giving notice of motions, questions or moving motions or amendments, members must give copies in duplicate to the assistant secretaries.

Copies of Standing Orders of the Synod of the Diocese of Gippsland are available on the Diocesan website at www.gippsanglican.org.au

DIOCESE OF GIPPSLAND
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SYNOD PROGRAM 2021

Friday 14 May 2021

7.30 pm Synod Eucharist – St Paul’s Cathedral, Sale

Preacher: Bishop Richard Treloar

Archdeacons, Regional Deans and Clerical Canons - Copes
Clergy please robe – white stole
Lay Readers also please robe

Saturday 15 May 2021

8.30 am Morning Prayer in Lorna Sparrow Hall, Junior School,
Gippsland Grammar, led by the Bishop’s Chaplain

9.00 am Synod sitting.
Commences with Prayers by the Bishop’s Chaplain
Formal proceedings
Presidential Address
Synod Business

11.00 am Morning Tea

11.30 am Resume - Continuation of Synod Business

1.00 pm Lunch Recess

Lunch will be in the vicinity of the Synod Hall

2.00 pm Order of the Day
- Responses to Vision Renewal Process

2.30 pm Continuation of Synod Business

3.30 pm Afternoon Tea

4.00 pm Resume - Continuation of Synod Business (Reports)

5.30 pm Sitting concludes

6.15pm Evening Prayer – St Paul’s Cathedral

7.00pm Synod Dinner and Fellowship Time

Sunday 16 May 2021

8 - 9.00 am Eucharist – St Paul’s Cathedral, Sale

Ministry team only to robe.

9.30am Morning Tea

10.00 am Synod sitting commences with Prayers by the Chaplain

12.30 pm Synod adjourns (no lunch will be provided)

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DIOCESE OF GIPPSLAND

THIRTY-NINTH SYNOD – THIRD SESSION 2021

Last Name	Title, First Name, Initials & Qualifications	Parish/Ministry
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THE BISHOP

TRELOAR	The Right Rev'd Dr Richard S. B.Theol., TheolM., PhD	BISHOP OF GIPPSLAND
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THE REGISTRAR

CONNELLY	Mr. Richard P LLB GradDipLP	REGISTRAR
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THE CLERGY

ANDY	The Rev'd Phyllis L	ABORIGINAL MINISTRY – LAKE TYERS
ANTHONY	The Reverend Samuel S C (Sathi) BD, MTh	MOE/NEWBOROUGH
ASHLEY	The Rev'd Edie M BSc BTh MPhil MMgt	THE ABBEY
BENTON	The Rev'd Judith A (Priest-in-Charge) B App Theol Dip Pastoral Leadership PG Cert Health Science	CROAJINGOLONG
BLASKOW	The Rev'd Nikolai David BA (Syd) DipEd (UNE) LTh (MCD)	ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN – GIPPS GS
BURNEY 1	The Ven. Brenda BTh Dip Ang Ords DipTh(EC)	BAIRNSDALE
CAMPBELL	The Rev'd Kathleen H	SALE
DALTON	The Rev'd Kathleen D A	ABORIGINAL MINISTRY – MORWELL
DRIVER	The Right Rev'd Dr Jeffrey W PhD MTh Th.Schol ThL	PAYNESVILLE
FLETCHER	The Rev'd Tim F B ThDip BMin	CORNER INLET
GRIMES	The Rev'd Dr Frances A MBBS, GradDipTheol, ADCM&T	KORUMBURRA
JACKA	The Ven. Sue M MEd BEd BTh DipAngOrders	TRAFALGAR
KNOTT	The Ven. Graham K BA	LEONGATHA
LAKE	The Rev'd Judith A Dip Soc Sc ThA Adv Dip Min	HEYFIELD
LAUERSEN 1	The Rev'd Tracy DipTraining&Dev't DipEd Dip Divinity&Mission BTh	WARRAGUL
LIESRCH	The Rev'd Graeme J DipEvang BTh DipAngOrds	WONTHAGGI / INVERLOCH
LOWE	The Rev'd Daniel A BA DipTh DipEd	CHAPLAIN – StPAGS
MCALEER	The Rev'd Chris T ThDip, DipMin BArch Grad DipEd	EAST PAKENHAM & NAR NAR GOON
MUSTON	The Rev'd Phillip B BA MA DipTh	LAKES ENTRANCE/METUNG

OAKLEY	The Rev'd Colin J BMin BTheol	WESTERNPORT
PAIN	The Very Rev'd Susanna L BSc BSocW GradDipPastSup BTh	SALE
PARKER	The Rev'd Kenneth (Ken) W BA ThL	BUNYIP
PERRYMAN	The Rev'd David J R BTh AdvDipCM&T	AVON
PHILLIPS	The Rev'd Lyndon M DipMin BTh DipAngOrds	ROSEDALE
SEABROOK	The Rev'd Belinda K Dip Min&Theol AdvDip Min & Theol Dip Health & Science	LEONGATHA
SPALDING	The Rev'd Dr Dean K PhD GradDipTheol Grad.DipEd BTh BSc	ASSOCIATE CHAPLAIN St PAGES
TURNBULL	The Rev'd Catherine (Cathy) BTh UD	MISSIONAL DEACON, EASTERN REGION
WALLIS	The Rev'd Janet MTh BEd DipTh BTh	MAFFRA
WHITE	The Rev'd Jo S GradDipMusEd DipTPrim BTh DipMin	BASS-PHILLIP ISLAND
WICKING	The Rev'd Jennifer A BA MDivD	YARRAM
WICKING	The Rev'd Antony R DTchg DTh DipMin	YARRAM
WILLIAMS	The Rev'd Lyn F BTh BMin	SALE

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LAY MEMBERS (Parish, Ex-Officio and Youth Members)

Mr. R Blythman RFD LLB

Chancellor

(as at 17 April 2021 and based on parish returns for 2019-20)

Parish	Lay Members	Supplementary Lay Members
AVON	May Kyne Gail Wager Denise Vranek	Jan Cropley
BAIRNSDALE	Peggie Arthur Gordon Goetz	Sue Lester
BASS/PHILLIP ISLAND	Ann Prideaux Michaela Wright Sandy Ridge	Les Ridge Lillian Heflingers Margaret Hancock
BUNYIP	Raelene Carroll Jaan Enden	
CHURCHILL/BOOLARRA/ YINNAR	Beverley Littlejohn Anne Lyne	Ian Combridge Glenda Combridge
CORNER INLET	Liz Hall Meg Knight 1 Rob Knight 1	
CROAJINGOLONG	Lynette Kim Millard	
DROUIN	Alacia (Lacy) Biggs Kay Huggins Ian Maxfield	Peter Hanham
HEYFIELD	Margaret Beckett David Chambers Debra Chambers	Jannette Stevens Joan Hall
KORUMBURRA & POOWONG	Janet Staben Annie Brown	
LAKES ENTRANCE & METUNG	Kath Grandy Wendy Nickson	
LEONGATHA	Heather Scott Maryann Ashton Marion Dewar	

MAFFRA		Heather Baker	Joy Morley
		Lynette Teese	
		Debbie Darnell	
MIRBOO NORTH		Rhondda Milner	Neil McCarthy
		Christine White	
		Jill Campbell	
MOE/NEWBOROUGH		Jan Misiurka	Helen Davis
		Gwyneth Jones	
		Beryl Brien	
MORWELL		Sandra Wagner	Sandy Johnson
		Felicity Knight	
		Andrew Hawken	
NAR NAR GOON		Karen McAleer	
		David Young	
NEERIM SOUTH		The Hon John Delzoppo, OAM	
		Elizabeth Delzoppo, OAM	
		Murray Hannah	
OME0		Kate Commins	
		Brett Lee	
ORBOST		Barbara Lunson	
PAYNESVILLE		The Hon Robert Fordham, AM	
		Tim Gibson 1	
		June Treadwell, OAM	
ROSEDALE		Alan Dunkley	Lorna Foster
		Susan de Cann	
		Sandra Dunkley	
SALE		Arthur McPherson	
		Cynthia Grove	
		Nicholas Nagy	
TAMBO		Ryan Pavel	
		Philip Harvey	
		Kerrie Schmidt	
TRAFALGAR		Deirdre Crawley	Sue Pye
		Geoff Savige	
		Sue Newcombe	

TRARALGON		David Gittins	
		Mark Woods 1	
		Glenda Edebohls	
WARRAGUL		Sheryl Hastings	
		Alison Butle	
		John Broadbent	
WESTERNPORT			
WONTHAGGI/INVERLOCH		Ross Smith	Val Jones
		Wendy McBurnie	
		Ian McBurnie	
YARRAM		David Miller	

Notes:

1. Seeking leave of Absence for this Session of Synod
2. Supplementary Members attending this session of Synod

NON-PARISH REPRESENTATION

Members of Bishop-in-Council
not otherwise members of Synod

Mr Philip Davis
Mrs Val Jones 1

Youth Representative

Ms Alisha Moyle

**PERSONS TO BE ACCORDED SEATS IN THE HOUSE
WITH PERMISSION TO SPEAK**

Blythman, Mr Roger
Braham, Mr Viv
Connelly, The Rev'd Dr James 1
Charles, The Rev'd Bruce
Langshaw, The Rev'd Thelma
Lloyd, The Rev'd George 1
Lunson, The Rev'd Bevil
Muston, Mrs Cathrine
Norris, The Rev'd Brian
Obersby, The Rev'd Marilyn
Toms, The Rev'd Heather

Chancellor
Diocesan Solicitor
Locum Priest at Neerim South
Anglican Locum Ministry at Churchill
Locum Priest at Omeo
Locum Priest at Drouin
Locum Priest at Omeo
Anglicare (Parish Partnerships)
Locum Priest at Tambo
Locum Priest at Traralgon
Associate Priest at Sale

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SATURDAY 14 MAY 2021 - SUNDAY 16 MAY 2021

- BUSINESS PAPER -

1. Prayers by the Bishop's Chaplain, the Rev'd David Perryman.
2. The President will announce the appointment of the two assistant Secretaries, one clerical and one lay person (The Rev'd Heather Toms and Mrs Marion Dewar).
3. The President will call for nominations for the election of a Chairman of Committees and a Deputy Chairman of Committees to continue in office until the end of this Synod (The Registrar will move that the Rev'd Brian Norris be appointed Chair of Committees and Ian Maxfield be appointed Deputy Chair of Committees for this session).
4. The President will announce the appointment of one clerical and one lay person to peruse the minutes of the Synod and certify to the President within 30 days after the end of the Session whether the minutes are a true record of proceedings (The Rev'd Lyndon Phillips and Ms Cynthia Grove).
5. The President will call for nominations and the election of a Timekeeper. The Registrar will move that The Revd Jo White be appointed.
6. The Assistant Secretary (Lay) will move "the suspension of so much of Standing Orders as will allow the business of the House to proceed in the order and at the times indicated in the Synod program circulated to Members and the time of sitting".
7. The President will advise that members will indicate their attendance at Synod by completing an attendance slip and handing it to the Synod Secretaries. The Secretaries will also call over the names of Synod members on Saturday only.
8. The President will announce the Elections that are required to take place during the Session, his own appointments (if made already) and the results of any uncontested elections.
9. The Assistant Secretary (Lay) to inform the house that the elections, if necessary, will be held from 11.00 a.m. to 2.00 p.m. today. (Standing Order 20)
10. The appointment of scrutineers. The Registrar will move that

11. The Assistant Secretary (Lay) to move "that the following persons be accorded seats in the House and that they be permitted to speak but not to vote:

Blythman, Mr Roger	Chancellor
Braham, Mr Viv	Diocesan Solicitor
Charles, The Rev'd Bruce	Anglican Locum Ministry at Churchill
Connelly, The Rev'd James	Locum Priest at Neerim South
Langshaw, The Rev'd Thelma	Locum Priest at Omeo
George, The Revd Lloyd	Locum Priest at Drouin
Lunson, The Rev'd Bevil	Locum Priest at Oorbost
Muston, Mrs Cathrine	Anglicare (Parish Partnerships)
Norris, The Rev'd Brian	Locum Priest at Tambo
Obersby, The Rev'd Marilyn	Locum Priest at Traralgon
Toms, The Rev'd Heather	Associate Priest at Sale

12. The President will deliver his address to the Synod.

13. Bishop's Presidential Address – Response (TO BE TAKEN AFTER THE LUNCH BREAK ON SATURDAY AFTERNOON)

Lacy Biggs will move that the Bishop be thanked for his Presidential Address to Synod.

14. The Registrar will table

The Minute Book of the Bishop-in-Council and a report of the Parish and Diocesan Trusts.

15. The Registrar will table

The names of those who have been appointed to various offices of the Diocese since the last Ordinary Session of the Synod.

16. The President will ask for -

- a) Petitions
- b) The Assistant Secretaries will advise the Synod of those nominated for election to positions.
- c) Notices of Questions
- d) Notices of Motions
- e) Answers to Questions (Questions submitted on Saturday will be answered during the course of Synod)

(Two copies of Questions and Motions are to be handed to the Secretaries as soon as they have been read. A form is provided for this purpose)

17. Formal Motions – Standing Order 14

Before the Orders of the day or Motions are proceeded with, the President at each sitting shall read over the Motions on the Business Paper and any Motion may be taken as a Formal Motion, unless objection be taken by the word "Object" being called by a person other than the mover or the seconder and such motion on being determined formal shall forthwith be put without debate.

18. Motions recommended by Bishop-in-Council under Standing Order 11(10)

18.1 Motion on Procedure

The Registrar will move that this Synod agrees to suspend so much of standing orders as would prevent members of Synod responding to the presentation of the Vision Renewal (at the Synod Eucharist) after the lunch break on Saturday at 2pm.

18.2 Bishop-in-Council Motions

BIC/1 Bishop-in-Council Report

(See Section 2)

That this Synod receives the report of the Bishop-in-Council covering the work of the Council since the last ordinary session of Synod.

Moved: The Registrar

BIC/2 2019/20 Annual Accounts of the Diocese

(See Section 2 (BIC Report) and Section 4)

That this Synod adopts the audited Diocesan Accounts for 2019/20.

Moved: Mr David Gittins
Chair, Finance Committee

BIC/3 April 2020-September 2020 and 2021/2022 Diocesan Budget

(See Section 2)

That this Synod:

- a) Confirms the budget for April 2020 – September 2020 adopted by Bishop-in-Council on 3 May 2021; and
- b) Confirms the Diocesan Budget for 2021/22 adopted by Bishop in Council on 3 May 2021 and authorises Bishop-in-Council to make such adjustments as it considers necessary consistent with the five-year budget objective.

Moved: Mr David Gittins
Chair, Finance Committee

BIC/4 Faithfulness in Service

Please refer to the explanatory paper in Section 2

1 In accordance with Section 7 of the Professional Standards Act 2017 and subject to the qualification that: -

Clauses 7.2 and 7.4 of *Faithfulness in Service* are to be understood and applied in the context that a member of the clergy or church worker who is in a committed and monogamous relationship with another person is not to be regarded as being in breach of Clauses 7.2 and 7.4 only because that relationship does not have the status of a marriage solemnised according to an Anglican marriage rite;

Faithfulness in Service (November 2016 version) is otherwise affirmed and adopted as the Code of Conduct for observance by Clergy and Church workers in the Diocese.

2 The registrar shall amend the version of *Faithfulness in Service* published on the Diocesan website by inserting the qualification below the heading “Preamble” to section 7 of *Faithfulness in Service* and include the following note: -

(Faithfulness in Service was qualified by this paragraph when adopted by the Diocese of Gippsland as the Code of Conduct for observance by Clergy and Church workers in the Diocese.)

Moved: Mr Richard Connelly
Registrar, and Secretary to ADG Admin Ltd

19 Bills for consideration

19.1 Holy Orders (Removal from Exercise of Ministry) Bill 2021

The Registrar will move that a Bill adopting the Holy Orders (Removal from Exercise of Ministry) Canon 2017 of General Synod and for other purposes be approved in principle. Moved: The Registrar

19.2 Professional Standards Bill 2021

The Registrar will move that a Bill for amendments to the composition of the Professional Standards Board and for other purposes be approved in principle. Moved: The Registrar

20. Reports

(See Section 3 of the Synod papers)

The persons shown against each report will table the report and move that it be received:

a) Aboriginal Ministry (verbal report)	The Rev'd Phyllis Andy
b) Anam Cara Community Gippsland	The Rev'd Kate Campbell
c) Anglicare Gippsland	Mrs Cathrine Muston
d) Bushfire Response and Recovery Report	The Revd Cathy Turnbull
e) Cathedral	The Very Revd Susanna Pain
f) Gippsland Anglican Retirement Villages	Mr David Gittins
g) Mothers Union	Ms Maryann Ashton
h) Gippsland Grammar	Mrs Leisa Harper
i) Safe Ministry Authority	The Rev'd Jenny Wicking
j) St Paul's Anglican Grammar School	The Rev'd David Lowe
k) The Abbey	The Rev'd Edie Ashley
l) Youth and Young Adults	Ms Alisha Moyle

Each person listed, if they are a Synod member, will move that the report be received. If they are not a Synod member then a Synod member will move the motion on their behalf.

22. Motions Submitted by Members of Synod

NM/1 Policy regarding ending of incumbency

This Synod requests Bishop in Council review the Parish Administration Act and all other relevant Acts and Circulars, with a view to developing policy regarding the conditions relating to the end of a period of incumbency, including:

- The use of the rectory during an interregnum, and its lease to clergy and / or other tenants;
- The payment of accrued leave provisions; and
- All other matters relating to a parish during a period of interregnum.

Mover: Mrs Kaye Huggins

Seconder: Mr Ian Maxfield

22. Motions of Appreciation

Future Synods

40th Synod

13-15 May 2022, Sale (Pentecost – 5 June)