

**Order of Business**

Friday 18 – Sunday 20 October 2013

**First Session of the Forty Second Triennial Synod**159th Annual Session

Synod of the Diocese of Adelaide of the Anglican Church of Australia Inc.

*Please note that the order of the Notice Paper will not be varied by the President without good reason.*

*If a matter is not concluded when the President declares a break, that matter will be resumed after the break.*

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| **FRIDAY,** **18 OCTOBER** | 7:00pm | St Peter’s Cathedral, North AdelaideSynod Service and the President’s Pastoral Address |
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| **SATURDAY,** **19 OCTOBER** |  | St Peter's College, Memorial Hall, Hackney Road, Hackney  |
|  |  8:30am | Registration |
|  |  9:00am | Morning PrayerWelcome and Procedural Motions |
|  |  9:30am | Presentation to Synod: Strategic Plan – “Setting a Vision for the Future” |
|  | 10.00am | Business Session – Motions arising from the President’s Address |
|  | 10.30am | Voting for elections OPENS |
|  | 10.30am | Morning Tea |
|  | 11:00am | Business Session – Finance(Commencing with an Interview exploring specific mission and ministry activity in the life of the Diocese) |
|  | 11.45am | Business Session – Legislation |
|  | 12:45pm | Lunch |
|  |  1:45pm | Business Session – (Commencing with an Interview exploring specific mission and ministry activity in the life of the Diocese) |
|  |  3:30pm | Afternoon Tea |
|  |  4.00pm | Voting for elections CLOSES |
|  |  4:00pm | Anglicare SA Inc Annual General Meeting |
|  |  5:30pm | Business Session – (Commencing with an Interview exploring specific mission and ministry activity in the life of the Diocese) |
|  |  6:00pm | Synod adjourns: Evening Prayer |

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| **SUNDAY,** **20 OCTOBER** |  | St Peter's College, Memorial Hall, Hackney Road, Hackney |
|  | 1:00pm | Synod Hall Opens |
|  | 1:30pm  | Synod Conference: Professional Standards |
|  | 3.00pm | Business Session – Motion 30 and 31 (Commencing with an Interview exploring specific mission and ministry activity in the life of the Diocese) |
|  | 3:30pm | Afternoon Tea |
|  | 4:00pm | Business Session |
|  | 5:30pm | Open Session |
|  | 6:00pm | Synod close: Evening Prayer |

1. Welcome and introductory remarks by the President.
2. **PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**Moved by Keith Stephens (Secretary of Synod)**

**Seconded by**

That this Synod welcomes:

* The Observers from the Diocese of Willochra (Mr Tim Butler, and The Venerable Prue O’Donovan) and the Diocese of The Murray (The Very Rev’d Dirk van Dissel and Mr Jonathan Woore);
* Sudanese Experimental Congregations;
* The Pastor and Observers from the Dinka Sudanese Anglican (Episcopal) Experimental Congregation at Maughan Church;
* The Pastor and Observers from The Lakes Province of Sudan (Episcopal) Experimental Congregation at St Luke’s Whitmore Square;
* The Pastor and Observers from the Sudanese Anglican (Episcopal) Congregation at Church of the Holy Redeemer, Ingle Farm;
* The Observers from MarThoma Church, Adelaide;
* Ministry Unit Members who are not members of Synod;
* Ms Susan Arnold, Diocesan Finance Manager;
* Mrs Vivien Bleby, Bush Church Aid Society
* Mrs Sue Harrington, Professional Standards Committee
* Mr David Williams, Regional Director, Church Missionary Society
* Mr Martin Drevikovsky, Mr Michael Nicholls, Ms Mary Phipps-Ellis from General Synod
* Ordinands.

and accords them a seat on the floor of Synod with the right to speak but not to vote or move or second motions.

1. **PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**Moved by Mr Keith Stephens (Secretary of Synod)**

That so much of Standing Orders be suspended to allow for the timetable of Synod be as outlined on the Notice Paper noting several orders of the day.

1. **PROCEDURAL MOTION**

**Moved by Mr Keith Stephens (Secretary of Synod)**

That this Synod suspend so much of Standing Orders as is necessary to:

1. Allow for a five minute interview to take place at the commencement of the Business Sessions as listed in the Notice Paper;

2. Allow for the use of electronic voting, in accordance to the memorandum circulated to members of Synod, at this Session of Synod as and when the President shall determine; and

3. To set aside no more than fifteen minutes now to allow for a brief workshop on how to use the issued electronic voting devices

1. The President announces the appointment of the Synod Minutes Secretaries and Scrutineers.
2. The President tables the register of members of the Synod, announces the procedure for recording attendance, and welcomes members new to this session.
3. The President tables the names of those members whom he has excused from attendance and tables the register of alternate lay members of Synod.
4. The Secretary of Synod explains matters of procedure and personal comfort.
5. The President tables the parochial statistics and “Reports and Accounts for Synod 2013”, containing the following Annual and Special Reports and Accounts, previously distributed.

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| **Members of Synod** | Clergy Representatives |
|  | Lay Representatives |
| **Diocesan Reports** | Diocesan Council Report to Synod |
|  | Diocesan Administration and Resources Executive  |
|  | Mission and Evangelism Ministry Unit |
|  | Education and Formation Ministry Unit |
|  | Church in Society Ministry Unit |
|  | The Guardian |
|  | Professional Standards |
|  | Financial Operations |
|  | AnglicanFunds – South Australia |
|  | St Barnabas’ College |
| **Parish Ministry** | St Peter’s Cathedral |
|  | Adelaide Area Deanery |
|  | Eastern Area Deanery |
|  | South Eastern Area Deanery |
|  | South Western Area Deanery |
|  | Western Suburbs Area Deanery |
|  | Gawler Area Deanery |
| **Anglican Societies** | Anglican Cursillo Movement |
|  | Girls’ Friendly Society in SA Inc |
|  | Evangelical Fellowship in the Anglican Communion SA |
|  | Mother’s Union Australia – Diocese of Adelaide |
| **Anglican Entities** | Anglicare SA Inc |
|  | Anglicare-SA Housing Association |
|  | Laura & Alfred West Cottage Homes Inc |
|  | North Road Cemetery |
|  | Leigh Trust |
| **Anglican Schools** | Schools Liaison Officer |
|  | Schools’ Chaplaincy |
|  | Pedare Christian College |
|  | Pulteney Grammar School |
|  | St Andrew’s School |
|  | St Columba College  |
|  | Walford Anglican School for Girls |
| **Partner Organisations** | Anglican Board of Mission |
|  | Bush Church Aid Society |
|  | Fly In Fly Out (FIFO) Ministry |
|  | Church Missionary Society |
|  | SparkLit |
|  | Australian Fellowship of Evangelical Students |
|  | Schools Ministry Group |
|  | Converge International |
|  | South Australian Council Of Churches Inc |
|  | City Bible Forum |

1. Petitions may be presented.
2. **APPOINTMENT TO CHAIR OF COMMITTEES**

**Moved by Mr Keith Stephens**

That Dr Baden Teague be appointed Chair of Committees for this session of Synod.

1. **VOTE OF THANKS to the Archbishop for his Presidential Address**

**Moved by The Venerable Elizabeth Dyke**

That a Vote of Thanks be accorded to the Archbishop for his Presidential Address to the Synod.

1. Motions arising from Presidential Address.
2. The President calls over the Notice Paper.

Any members of Synod (except the member in whose name the motion stands) may call “Object” if he or she wishes the matter to be debated. In the absence of any such objection, the motion will be regarded as formal and will be put forthwith without amendment or debate.

**FINANCE**

1. **BUDGET**

A presentation by Mr Keith Stephens, Registrar and Secretary of Synod & Ms Susan Arnold, Finance Manager

(Leave will be sought from Synod for Ms Susan Arnold to present.)

* 1. **Moved by Mr Keith Stephens**

**Seconded by Mr Alastair Lea**

That Synod receives the Financial Statement for the 12 months ended 30 June 2013 and the Synod Operations Report 2013 as dispatched with the Notice Paper.

* 1. **Moved by Mr Keith Stephens**

**Seconded by Mr Alastair Lea**

That Synod budget for the Year 1 July 2013 to 30 June 2014 and the indicative budget for the Year 1 July 2014 to 30 June 2015 as dispatched with the Notice Paper be adopted.

ASSESSMENT

* 1. **Moved by Mr Keith Stephens**

**Seconded by Mr Alastair Lea**

That Synod adopts the estimate of Diocesan Expenses for the year 2014 and the rate of assessment of 16.75% of assessable income for the year 2014.

**LEGISLATION**

1. ORDINANCES

16.1 CATHEDRAL ORDINANCE

**Moved by The Rev’d Stuart Langshaw**

**Seconded by The Very Rev’d Frank Nelson**

That this Synod agrees in principle to a Measure for an Ordinance with respect to the Cathedral Church of St Peter and matters incidental thereto.

16.2 CLERGY PARENTING LEAVE ORDINANCE

**Moved by Mr Keith Stephens**

**Seconded by The Venerable Elizabeth Dyke**

That the Synod agrees in principle to a Measure to amend the Clergy Parenting Leave Ordinance 2003.

**MOTIONS**

17. PROFESSIONAL STANDARDS PROCESSES

**Moved by The Hon David Bleby, QC**

**Seconded by Mr Keith Stephens**

That the Synod considers in conference for a period to be determined by the President the proposed aspects of the Professional Standards process; Pre–Board option; the Post–Board review and the Grievance Process which have been circulated to members of the Synod.

1. ASSESSMENT REDUCTION

**Moved by The Rev’d Michael Russell**

**Seconded by Mr Allan Perryman**

This Synod encourages Diocesan Council in its forthcoming budget processes to plan to reduce the assessment to 15% or below within three years.

1. PERSONAL GIVING INCENTIVE

**Moved by The Rev’d Michael Russell**

**Seconded by Mr Allan Perryman**

This Synod encourages Diocesan Council to

* investigate an assessment model where individual parishioner giving is assessed at a considerably lower rate than parish investment and other income
* bring its findings and resulting proposals to the next session of Synod
1. DEAN AND CHAPTER

**Moved by Canon Andrew Cheesman**

**Seconded by Dr Baden Teague**

That Synod acknowledges the work of the Dean and Chapter Inc over 165 years and recognises that any former roles and those still current will be carried on under the auspices of the Synod.

1. REFUGEES

**Moved by The Rev’d David Covington-Groth**

**Seconded by Mr Eric Smith**

That this Synod calls on the Federal Government to:

• recognise its roles and responsibilities as signatures to the UN Refugee Convention

• recognise that once refugees have touched Australian territory they come under Australian jurisdiction and should have their claims processed within Australian national territory at locations where they have access to a full range of support services

• seek to decrease the delays in procedures for processing, particularly security checks undertaken by ASIO

• maintain Inverbrackie detention centre as an alternative place of detention.

1. ST BARNABAS’ COLLEGE BUILDING

**Moved by The Rev’d Dr Matthew Anstey**

**Seconded by The Rev’d Dr Theo McCall**

That Synod acknowledges and celebrates the blessing of the Foundation Stone for a new St Barnabas’ College building and commends the fund raising efforts for this project.

1. PRISON CHAPLAINCY

**Moved by Mr Shaun McGrath**

**Seconded by The Venerable Paul Mitchell**

That Synod encourages Diocesan Council and Anglicare SA to consider supporting a sustainable prison chaplaincy ministry in South Australia.

1. NEW MINISTRY ACTIVITY

**Moved by The Rev’d Martyn Woodsford**

**Seconded by The Rev’d Stephen Daughtry**

This Synod resolves to affirm, and to regularly and attentively pray for, the broad range of new and emerging models of congregational ministry and missional activity currently being enacted within the diocese.

In particular we recognise:

1. That all new ministry models are complementary to established models and are jointly part of God’s Kingdom activity in this diocese. We are seeking to embrace a ‘mixed economy’ approach appropriate to our changing cultural context.

2. That models of ‘cluster’ and ‘corridor’ ministry, especially those in the Playford, Salisbury and Western-Port corridor areas, are genuine, adventurous and necessary new expressions of Anglican ministry designed to re-engage whole communities with Anglican Christianity.

3. That flexible ‘pioneering’ ministry to niche communities or sub-cultures, not necessarily based in distinct geographical areas, is a legitimate missional approach to establishing church beyond traditional parish models.

We encourage all those in leadership of these new ministry areas to regularly communicate their plans and prayer requests through the diocesan network so as to facilitate targeted and informed prayer support.

1. DIOCESE OF THE MURRAY

**Moved by Mr Keith Stephens**

**Seconded by Mr Allan Perryman**

That this Synod welcomes the election of The Right Rev’d John Ford as the fourth Bishop of The Diocese of The Murray and encourages that with this appointment the Province may strive to better work together for the future of the Church in South Australia.

1. STEWARDSHIP OF DIOCESAN RESOURCES

**Moved by The Venerable Paul Mitchell**

**Seconded by Mrs Helen Carrig**

That this Synod recognises and affirms the work of the Parish Review Task Force as established following Synod 2012 and encourages Diocesan Council to continue this important work maximising the mission and ministry opportunities in this Diocese through the prudent use of and good stewardship of our resources.

27. USE OF CHURCH PROPERTY

**Moved by The Right Rev’d Dr Tim Harris**

**Seconded by The Rev’d Martyn Woodsford**

That this Synod, mindful of the review of church sites and buildings, endorses a strategy of missional redevelopment of strategic properties beyond the provision of dedicated liturgical space, including encouraging greater flexibility in meeting space, the development of facilities for ease of hospitality and (where appropriate) providing contexts for effective introduction and support of fresh expressions of church.

That this Synod furthermore encourages Archbishop and Diocesan Council to identify all possible avenues of funding and resources to prioritise the redevelopment of ministry sites around new paradigms of mission and ministry addressing our changing contexts and environments, with infrastructure and facility development to most effectively support such initiatives.

28. DIOCESAN YOUTH MINISTRY

**Moved by The Rev'd Sam Bleby**

**Seconded by The Rev'd Ben Woodd**

That this Synod notes with joy the growth of the Diocesan Youth Service, 'Thrive', the excellent attendance at Redefinition youth camp and the increase in the numbers of those training as youth leaders within the diocese, and commits to prayerful support of the diocesan youth leadership as they seek, under God, both to bring the message of Jesus Christ to the young people of Adelaide, and to establish, build them up and nurture them in the faith.

29. CONTINUING EDUCATION IN THE DIOCESE

**Moved by The Right Rev’d Dr Tim Harris**

**Seconded by The Rev’d Dr Matthew Anstey**

Recognising that leaders are called to serve God in positions of trust and responsibility, this Synod commits to the goal that all leaders and aspiring leaders participate in the Diocesan Ministry Education Program, and commends the newly introduced Bible 360 course as one of the option’s available among others which takes into account each person's

1. previous learning and life experience;
2. current ministry context; and
3. future aspirations and missional possibilities.

30. ANGLICARE SA INC

**Moved by Mr Keith Stephens**

**Seconded by The Venerable Peter Chilver**

That this Synod confirms the amendments made to the constitution of Anglicare SA Incorporated made at its Annual General Meeting held on 19 October 2013, namely:

1. That Clause 19.1 (e) be amended to delete the words “, one of whom may be the Chief Executive” so as to then read: “three (3) persons elected by the Board

2. That Clause 19.2 be deleted,

3. That Clause 19.3 and the schedule to the constitution be deleted (transitional provisions from previous amendments)

4. That Clause 21.9 be amended to delete the words “Save as expressly provided for in the Constitution” so as to then read: “No employee of Anglicare SA shall be eligible for election to the Board.”

5. That Clause 21.10 (i) be amended to delete “except as otherwise provided for in the constitution)” so as to then read: “If the member becomes an employee of Anglicare SA.”

6. That a new clause 25.5 be inserted:

“Subject to a resolution to exclude the Chief Executive from a meeting or from consideration of a particular item, the Chief Executive is expected to attend all Board and Committee meetings.”; and

7. That Clause 26.4 be deleted.

31. ANGLICARE SA INC

**Moved by Mr Keith Stephens**

**Seconded by The Venerable Peter Chilver**

That this Synod gives in principle support for Anglicare SA incorporated undertaking a process to become a company limited by guarantee under the Corporations Act 2001 noting that this matter will need further consideration at a subsequent session of Synod.

32. LEIGH TRUST

**Moved by Mr Keith Stephens**

**Seconded by Mr Allan Perryman**

That Synod notes the vacancy on the Leigh Trust and appoints Mr Michael Ford as a representative of the Willochra Diocese to the Leigh Trust subject to his undertaking in writing, to retire from office under the conditions approved by the First Session of the Thirty Fifth Triennial Synod.

33. GENERAL SYNOD 2014

**Moved by The Hon David Bleby, QC**

**Seconded by Mrs Lynn King**

That this Synod welcomes the decision of the Standing Committee of General Synod to hold the 16th ordinary session of the General Synod in Adelaide from 29 June to 4 July 2014. It encourages all members of the Church in this diocese to pray for the General Synod, its Commissions, Task Forces, Committees, Networks and staff in the preparation for the session of General Synod, and requests all parishes and organisations to encourage groups to consider offering as volunteers in the preparation for and running of the 2014 General Synod.

34. **VOTE OF THANKS for Synod Arrangements**

**Moved by The Venerable Peter Chilver**

35. **CLOSING WORSHIP**