

THE AUSTRALIAN PRAYER BOOK ORDINANCE 1980

AN ORDINANCE to provide for the continued use of "An Australian Prayer Book"

WHEREAS it is expedient for the Synod to regulate the use of "An Australian Prayer Book" at services in the Diocese NOW THE SYNOD HEREBY DETERMINES:

Title

1. This Ordinance may be cited as "The Australian Prayer Book Ordinance 1980".

Extent of Authorisation

2. Any use of "An Australian Prayer Book" already authorised or authorised pursuant to the provisions of this Ordinance shall continue to have effect for so long as the adoption of The Australian Prayer Book Canon 1977 remains in force in the Diocese.

Use by Congregation

3. A congregation not already authorised to use "An Australian Prayer Book" may use it in its worship in the Diocese if the member of the clergy having the pastoral care of that congregation assents to its use and a majority of those present and voting at a duly convened meeting of the members of the congregation also assents to its use. For the purposes of this Ordinance, a duly convened meeting means one convened by a notice in writing placed in a prominent position at the congregation's usual place of worship and by announcement at every service held by that congregation on the two Sundays before such meeting stating the time and place of such meeting and giving full particulars of the purpose thereof.

Use in Other Places

4. Subject to the provisions of section 2 of this Ordinance "An Australian Prayer Book" shall not be used in a place where there is not a congregation recognised by the Synod until the Bishop authorises its use upon application by the member of the clergy authorised to officiate in that particular place.

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Revisions under the Ordinances Publication Ordinance 2004

- (1) Section 3 – "clergyman" deleted and "member of the clergy" substituted
- (2) Section 4 – "clergyman" deleted and "member of the clergy" substituted