

CATHEDRAL ORDINANCE 1972-1986 (AMENDING) ORDINANCE 1987.  
No. 4 of 1987

AN ORDINANCE.

To amend the Cathedral Ordinance 1972-86 by providing for the amendment of the name by which the Cathedral is styled, to specify further the role of Canons Residentiary, to remove the provision for the further appointment of Honorary Canons and granting of emeritus titles and to vary the membership of the Cathedral Chapter.

PREAMBLE.

WHEREAS it is desirable that the Cathedral Ordinance be further amended to develop the role of the Cathedral Chapter and to make other provisions

NOW THEREFORE the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Grafton in Synod assembled decree and enact as follows:-

SHORT TITLES

1. (a) This Ordinance may be cited as the "Cathedral Ordinance 1972-1986 (Amending) Ordinance 1987 "
- (b) The Cathedral Ordinance 1972-86 is in this ordinance referred to as the Principal Ordinance.
- (c) The Principal Ordinance as amended by this Ordinance may be cited as the Cathedral Ordinance 1972-1987.

AMENDMENT

2. Section 3 is amended by inserting after the words "known as" the words "'the Cathedral Church of Christ the King' or"
3. Section 6 is amended by deleting the word "Hall" and substituting the words "Parish Centre"
4. Section 11 is amended by inserting after the words "appoint Canons Residentiary" the words " who shall be members of the Cathedral Staff and shall perform such duties as are specified in their licence." and by amending the heading to read "CANONS RESIDENTIARY
5. Sections 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19 and 20 are repealed.
6. The following new Sections are inserted:

## CHAPTER CANONS

12. The Bishop, in consultation with the Dean, shall have the right to appoint licensed clergy of the Diocese of at least five years standing to be Canons of the Cathedral and members of the Cathedral Chapter; and communicant lay members of the Church resident within the Diocese to be Canons of the Cathedral and members of the Cathedral Chapter.

## ADMISSION TO OFFICE

13. The Canons shall be admitted to office according to a form prescribed by the Bishop. They shall be assigned a stall in the Cathedral and shall be installed therein by the Dean.

## TENURE OF CHAPTER CANONS

14. The length of tenure of these canonries will be determined by the Bishop at the time of appointment and may be extended by the Bishop for such period as he sees fit.

Clerical and lay Canons shall cease to hold office if:-

- a) They resign in writing to the Bishop; or
- b) In the case of clerical Canons they cease to be licensed to a distinct official position within the Diocese; or
- c) In the case of lay Canons they cease to be communicant members of the Church; or
- d) They cease to reside within the Diocese; or
- e) They attain the age of 65 years.

## THE CHAPTER

15. There shall be a Chapter of the Cathedral which shall have the following functions:-
- a) To develop and foster the ministry of the Cathedral to the Diocese;
  - b) To be available to the Bishop for consultation and resource;
  - c) To facilitate the Cathedral's role as a workshop and resource centre for the parishes of the Diocese;
  - d) To assist in the Cathedral's ministry especially in the areas of evangelism, education, ecumenical endeavour, media communication, public witness, music and the arts;
  - e) To promote and safeguard the function of the Cathedral as the parish church of the parish of Grafton;

- f) To consult with the Parochial council of Grafton in respect of any alterations to the Cathedral, its ancillary buildings, residences and environs and in respect of the use thereof;
  - g) To advise, in conjunction with the Parochial Council of Grafton, the Bishop-in-Council on the state of the fabric of the Cathedral, its ancillary buildings, residences and environs.
16. The Chapter shall consist of:-  
 The Bishop,  
 The Dean (who shall be Chairman of the Chapter),  
 The Archdeacons,  
 The Registrar,  
 The Canons Residentiary,  
 The clerical Canons,  
 The lay Canons,  
 The Cathedral Wardens.
17. The Chapter shall meet at least twice in each year, all meetings thereof being convened by the Dean, who shall have a deliberative and a casting vote on all questions.

A quorum for any meeting of the Chapter shall be seven members.

#### CHAPTER CLERK

18. The Chapter shall appoint a Chapter Clerk who shall perform the duties of secretary and keep all necessary records of meetings of the Chapter. The Chapter Clerk shall attend meetings of the Chapter and may participate in debate but shall not have a vote unless a member of the Chapter.

#### CATHEDRAL CUSTOMARY

19. There shall be a Customary of Usages and Practices for the Cathedral and the Chapter - devised and reviewed by the Bishop and the Dean jointly, and administered by the Dean.

#### HONORARY CANONS - clerical and lay

7. Those clergy and laity who at the passing of this Ordinance are holding an honorary canonry shall continue to do so until:-
- a) They resign in writing to the Bishop; or
  - b) In the case of clerical Canons they cease to be licensed to a distinct official position within the Diocese; or
  - c) In the case of lay Canons they cease to be communicant members of the Church; or
  - d) They cease to reside within the Diocese; or

- e) The Synod by resolution declares their canonry vacant; or
- f) They attain the age of 65 years.

DATE OF COMMENCEMENT

8. This Ordinance shall come into effect upon receiving the assent of the Bishop.

I hereby certify that the Ordinance as printed is in accordance with the Ordinance as passed.

..... *G. E. Foley* .....  
Chairman of Committees.

I certify that this Ordinance was passed by Synod on 12th day of September 1987.

..... *[Signature]* .....  
Registrar.

I assent to this Ordinance.

..... *+ [Signature]* .....  
Bishop.