

THE USE OF THE SURPLICE CANON 1977 ADOPTING

ORDINANCE 1978

AN ORDINANCE

TO adopt The Use of the Surplice Canon 1977.

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS it is desirable that the Use of the Surplice Canon 1977 of General Synod of the Church of England in Australia should be adopted by the Diocese of Grafton.

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

SHORT TITLE

1. This ordinance may be cited as "The Use of the Surplice Canon 1977 Adopting Ordinance 1978".

ADOPTION

2. The Use of the Surplice Canon 1977 set out in the Schedule hereto is hereby adopted and shall apply within the Diocese of Grafton as an Ordinance of the Synod of the Diocese of Grafton.

THE SCHEDULE

No. 3, 1977

A CANON TO PROVIDE RELIEF FOR MINISTERS

FROM THE USE OF THE SURPLICE IN CERTAIN CASES

WHEREAS by resolution No. 42 of 1973 the synod of the Diocese of Sydney resolved that "this synod considers the time has come when for the conduct of services not held in licensed buildings or at public services surplices be no longer mandatory provided the minister acts with discretion and sensitivity: this applies amongst other things to private communions in homes and hospitals" AND WHEREAS it is desirable that relief should be provided in the cases and to the extent decided in each diocese by the synod of such diocese NOW the general synod prescribes as follows:

1. A minister of the Church of England in Australia may be relieved of his obligation to use a surplice during his ministrations in such cases as aforesaid as and to the extent to which such obligation is dispensed with by an ordinance of the synod of the diocese in which he is licensed to minister.
2. This canon may be cited as "The Use of the Surplice Canon 1977".

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



Chairman of Committees

We certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Grafton on the *sixteenth* day of September, 1978.

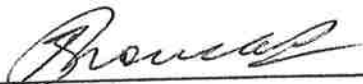


Clerical Secretary



Lay Secretary

I assent to this Ordinance:



Administrator