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DIOCESAN FUNDS (PAROCHIAL SURVEY)

ORDINANCE 1957

AN ORDINANCE

To increase Diocesan funds by authorising an appeal to Parishes, through a Diocesan conducted survey, to make substantial and generous contributions for Diocesan purposes and particularly to augment the Bishopric Endowment Fund and the Ordination Candidates Fund, to amend the Diocesan Funds (Consolidated) Ordinance 1931, the Bishop-in-Council Ordinance 1934, the Status of Parishes Regulation Ordinance 1933 and for other matters incidental thereto.

✓ The Bishop, the Clergy and the Laity of the Diocese of Grafton in Synod assembled declare, ordain and enact as follows:

SHORT TITLE

1. This Ordinance may be cited and known as "Diocesan Funds (Parochial Survey) Ordinance 1957."

AMENDMENT

2. The Diocesan Funds (Consolidated) Ordinance 1931 is amended as follows:

(a) Subsection (b) of Section 43 is omitted and the following subsections substituted:

43.(b) It may at such time or times as in its discretion it shall think fit, arrange through a Diocesan conducted survey for an appeal to Parishes to make substantial and generous contributions for Diocesan purposes and may utilise such available Diocesan funds as it shall determine in order to finance the same. Any contributions so made by any Parish, provided they are not less than the amount of its classification as determined in accordance with the next succeeding subsection, may be accepted in satisfaction of its quota for

the financial year in which such contributions are made.

- (c) From the reports and statements of income and expenditure of the Parishes furnished by the Parochial Councils in accordance with the provisions of the next succeeding Section hereto to compile on an equitable basis a financial classification of the Parishes and endeavour to obtain the assent of each Parish thereto prior to the submission of the said classification for adoption. In the case of any Parish the Parochial Council of which shall fail to furnish the reports and statements hereinbefore mentioned the Bishop-in-Council shall from available information determine the classification of such Parish and the classification so made shall be deemed to have been fixed with the consent of the Parochial Council concerned.

- (b) Section 46 is omitted and the following Sections substituted:

46. It shall be the duty of the Rector, Churchwardens and Parochial Council of every Parish to arrange for the collection of the Parochial quota of the Diocesan Budget and to forward to the Registrar at the close of each month or quarter the proportionate amount of the annual quota as fixed by Synod; provided that if the Churchwardens or Parochial Council in any Parish fail to arrange for such collection it shall be lawful for the Bishop-in-Council to appoint an organiser to visit such Parish and to arrange for the collection of such quota.

46A. The moneys so received shall be allocated by the Bishop-in-Council amongst the various Diocesan funds pursuant to the budget adopted by Synod and

particularly to augment the Bishopric Endowment Fund and the Ordination Candidates Fund.

(c) Section 47 is omitted and the following Section substituted:

47. The Bishop-in-Council shall for each financial year determine what respective proportions of the quotas shall be paid to the Church Management Fund and the Diocesan Property Fund, the total of which shall be and is hereby declared to be the essential charge on the revenue of each and every Parish within the Diocese and shall be deemed to be included in the provisions of the Parochial Ordinance, 1936, and the Status of Parishes Regulation Ordinance, 1933, relating to the requirements of Parishes and of Parochial Districts or of any other Ordinance of Synod relating to the requirements of Parishes and Parochial Districts.

3. Section 18 of the Bishop-in-Council Ordinance 1934 is amended by inserting the following subsection between sub-sections (d) and (e):

(dd) At such time or times as in its discretion it shall think fit, to arrange through a Diocesan conducted survey for an appeal to Parishes to make substantial and generous contributions for Diocesan purposes in accordance with the provisions of Section 43 (b) of the Diocesan Funds (Consolidated) Ordinance 1931.

4. The Status of Parishes Regulation Ordinance 1933 is amended as follows:

(a) Subsection (b) of Section 3 is omitted and the following sub-section substituted:

3.(b) Paid to the Diocesan Treasurer the essential charge for the Church Management Fund and the Diocesan Property Fund in accordance with the

next succeeding section.

(b) Section 4 is omitted and the following section substituted:

(c) 4. Essential Charge

Payment of the essential charge shall be made in accordance with the provisions of Sections 46 and 47 of the Diocesan Funds (Consolidated) Ordinance 1931.

(d) Section 5 is amended by substituting the word "charge" for the word "Quota."

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

Ray Ganges
.....Chairman of Committees.

We certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod of the Diocese of Grafton on the *eighth* day of September, 1957.

J. W. Smith
.....Clerical Secretary.
J. A. Shack
.....Lay Secretary.

I assent to this Ordinance.

Leuch Grafton
.....Bishop.