

Home Mission Area Ordinance, 1931

PREAMBLE.

WHEREAS by an Ordinance intituled, "The Brotherhood Ordinance, 1915," the Synod of the Diocese of Grafton did confirm the action of the Bishop in founding a Brotherhood within the Diocese of Grafton and did determine, inter alia, that the Brotherhood should be named "The Brotherhood of Our Saviour" (hereinafter called the Brotherhood) and Whereas by a subsequent Ordinance bearing date the third day of October, 1923, the said Brotherhood was continued and Whereas during the operations of the said Brotherhood certain moneys have been bequeathed or otherwise acquired to be held upon trust for the benefit and purposes of the Brotherhood in its work of ministering to the people in the more thinly populated parts of the Diocese and further by a Trust Deed dated the twenty-ninth day of February One thousand nine hundred and sixteen a fund known as "The Bundoock Bursaries Trust Fund" was founded for the purpose of establishing bursaries to be known as "The Bundoock Bursaries," and the Brotherhood Council was appointed to award the said Bursaries from time to time and Whereas by reason of development and other causes it is deemed expedient to discontinue the Brotherhood system and to make other provision for the ministerial work in the parts hereinbefore mentioned and to provide for the due administration of the Trusts associated with the name of the Brotherhood.

Now therefore the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Grafton in Synod assembled in pursuance of the powers in that behalf conferred upon it by the "Church of England Trust Property Act, 1917," and in pursuance of the powers vested in the same Synod by the Constitutions for the management and good government of the Church of England within the State of New South Wales ordains, declares and rules as follows:—

REPEAL.

(1) The Brotherhood Ordinance 1923 and amendments thereto are repealed except as to any operation already effected by or act done under any enactment therein comprised or as to any right, title obligation or liability already acquired or accrued under any such enactments, but this Ordinance shall not be held to revive any Ordinance repealed by this Ordinance.

(2) The association of clergymen and laymen constituting the Brotherhood and also the Brotherhood Council are hereby disbanded and dissolved.

(3) All those the parts of the Diocese hitherto comprising the Brotherhood Area shall continue under the substituted name of the Home Mission Area and the Brotherhood districts shall continue under the substituted name of the Home Mission Districts.

(4) Any deed of trust, bequest, grant or other for the benefit of the area, hitherto known as the Brotherhood Area or the workers under the Brotherhood system the name Home Mission shall be substituted therefor and all obligations arising out of any trust acquired or to be acquired in the name of the Brotherhood shall be acquired and discharged by the Bishop-in-Council for the same benefit and purpose as though no change of name had been effected.

(5) All Capital Funds acquired or to be acquired and held in the name of and for the purposes of the Brotherhood shall continue to be so held and applied under the substituted name of the "Home Mission Fund Capital Account" excepting only the fund known as "The Brotherhood Headquarters Sale Fund" which shall be applied or so much of the fund as may be required to the liquidation of existing debts on lands or buildings the possession of the Diocese within the hitherto known Brotherhood Area and the remainder if any of the said Fund shall be held under the name of "The Home Mission Area Building Fund" and used in assisting future building within the area.

(6) All Funds at Current Account and all Equipment acquired or to be acquired in the name of and for the purpose of the Brotherhood shall so continue to be held and applied under the substituted name of "The Home Mission Fund Current Account" and all liabilities incurred or to be incurred in the name of the Brotherhood shall be discharged out of the funds so held.

(7) The Bishop-in-Council may from time to time vary the boundaries of the Home Mission Area and the districts therein.

(8) Each Mission district shall be represented in Synod by one lay representative.

(9) A Mission district may by a majority vote of its Communicant members petition the Bishop-in-Council to be raised to the status of a Parochial District or Parish.

(10) Each Mission district shall submit to the Bishop-in-Council a financial report quarterly and duly audited statements of accounts on or before the 21st day of August in each year.

SHORT TITLE.

(11) This Ordinance may be cited as the "Home Mission Area Ordinance, 1931."

Philip F. TULLHMAN, Clerical Secretary
IRVING C. DIGHT, Lay Secretary.

I assent to this Ordinance,
John William Grafton.

September 16, 1931.