

# A CANON TO CREATE THE OFFICES OF ASSISTANT BISHOPS TO THE BISHOP OF NORTH QUEENSLAND

(Assented to and passed 5th May, 1985)

## **Preamble**

BE it enacted by the Bishop, Clergy and Laity in Synod assembled and with the authority of the same as follows:

### **1. Creation of Office**

The Synod may from time to time create by resolution of Synod one or more offices of Assistant Bishops in accordance with and subject to the Assistant Bishops Canon 1966 Assenting Canon of 1985.

2. Upon the creation by Synod of one or more offices of Assistant Bishop the Bishop of North Queensland may with the concurrence of the Diocesan Council appoint an Assistant Bishop or Bishops to the office or offices so created and thereafter upon such office or offices becoming vacant from time to time may with the concurrence of the Diocesan Council make further appointments thereto.

3. Assistant Bishops so appointed shall be under the direction of the Bishop of North Queensland.

### **4. Abolition of Office**

The Synod may from time to time abolish by resolution of Synod one or more of the offices of Assistant Bishop in accordance with and subject to the Assistant Bishops Canon 1966 Assenting Canon of 1985; provided that at the time the office (or offices) is (or are) vacant.

### **5. Emoluments**

The emoluments of an Assistant Bishop shall be as follows

(a) A stipend of such amount as the Diocesan Council shall from time to time determine.

(b) The provision of a suitable residence free of any charge in respect of rent, rates and taxes and electricity and gas charges thereon, the maintenance of the same in good repair and the insurance thereof or in lieu thereof an allowance of such amount as the Diocesan Council shall by resolution determine as being reasonable to compensate for the use of the Assistant Bishop's own residence.

(c) The provision of a suitable vehicle,, including its upkeep repair and insurance thereof or an allowance of such amount as the Diocesan Council shall be resolution determine as being necessary or expedient to be expended for travelling and other expenses incidental to the office of Assistant Bishop.

Provided that should an Assistant Bishop receive any emoluments as the holder of any office in the Diocese including the Rector of a Parish such emoluments shall be regarded as part of the emoluments and not additional to it.

### **6. Cessation of Office**

An Assistant Bishop shall cease to hold office:

(a) If he resigns his office in writing addressed to the Bishop.

(b) If he shall be declared totally and permanently disabled by Diocesan Council within the meaning of total permanent disablement under the Superannuation Canon 1982-1984.

(c) If he shall attain the age of 70 years.

(d) If his Licence as an Assistant Bishop is withdrawn by the Bishop provided such withdrawal shall be with the concurrence of Diocesan Council.

**7. Synod Membership**

An Assistant Bishop shall by virtue of his office be a member of Synod and shall vote as one of the Clergy except where presiding at Synod.

**8. Short Title**

The Short Title of this Canon shall be "The Assistant Bishops in North Queensland Canon of 1985".