

CANON CONCERNING CONFIRMATION 1992
ADOPTING ORDINANCE 1998
NO 14 of 1998

AN ORDINANCE

To adopt the "Canon Concerning Confirmation 1992" being a General Synod Canon to regulate the practice of Confirmation within a Diocese.

PREAMBLE

WHEREAS it is desirable that the Canon Concerning Confirmation 1992 of the General Synod of the Anglican Church of 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 "Canon Concerning Confirmation 1992, Adopting Ordinance 1998."

ASSENT

2. The Canon Concerning Confirmation 1992 as set out in the Schedule hereto is hereby adopted.

THE SCHEDULE

Canon No 14, 1998

A canon concerning Confirmation.

The General Synod prescribes as follows:

1. This canon may be cited as "Canon concerning Confirmation 1992".
2. The bishop of a diocese must personally or by a bishop authorized by him confirm throughout his diocese as often and in as many places as convenient, laying his hands upon those who have been baptised and instructed in the Christian faith and life as set forth in the Scriptures and in the Catechism and praying over them.
3. Every minister who has a cure of souls shall encourage those baptized as infants to affirm the Christian faith for themselves and to present for confirmation.
4. Every minister who has a cure of souls must instruct or cause to be instructed all who wish to be confirmed in the Christian faith as set forth in the Scriptures and in the Catechism.
5. A minister normally must present to the bishop only those who have come to years of discretion and who are ready to make public affirmation of their commitment to our Lord Jesus Christ and who can render an appropriate account of the faith and life expected of a Christian.

6. The canons numbered 60 and 61 of the Canons of 1603, in so far as the same may have any force, have no operation or effect in a diocese which adopts this canon.
7. The provisions of this canon affect the order and good government of this Church within a diocese and shall not come into force in a diocese unless and until the diocese adopts this canon by ordinance of the synod of the diocese.


I certify that the bill as printed is in accordance with the bill as reported.

D.J. BLEBY
Chairman


We certify that this bill was passed by the General Synod of The Anglican Church of Australia this nineteenth day of February 1998.

ANN SKAMP
B.J. GREAVES
Secretaries of Synod

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


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Chairman of Committees

I certify that this Ordinance was passed by the Synod on the 16th day of May, 1998.


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Registrar

I assent to this Ordinance.


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Bishop