

ACT THREE

Act on Diocesan Bylaws

- 1** The Bishop is hereby authorised to issue Diocesan Bylaws in the interests of the efficient administration of the Diocese.

- 2** Such Bylaws must –
 - (a) be consistent with the Canons and Constitution of the Anglican Church of Southern Africa and with the Acts of the Diocese;
 - (b) be issued only over the signature of the Bishop;
 - (c) be issued with an annual serial number, and have numbered paragraphs;
 - (d) state clearly to which provision of the Canons and Constitution and/or the Diocesan Acts, they refer ; and
 - (e) be tabled for ratification by Synod, or, in a year in which Synod does not sit, the Diocesan Council.

- 3** Such Diocesan Bylaws may –
 - (a) be amended and repealed by the Bishop, provided that such repeal or amendment shall not invalidate any action taken under the Bylaw prior to its repeal or amendment;
 - (b) only be retro-active, and so also any repeal or amendment, when and if such retroactivity shall not prejudice any clergy person, parishioner, parish, or any Diocesan institution;
 - (c) be ratified, repealed or amended by Synod, or, in a year in which Synod does not sit, the Diocesan Council, provided that such repeal or amendment shall not invalidate any action taken under the Bylaw prior to its repeal or amendment.