



The Ontario Provincial Synod

A Motion to Enact Provincial Canon VII

A Canon for provide for the establishment of the Moosonee Mission Area

Moved by Chancellor Christopher Riggs

Seconded by Executive Officer Harry Huskins

Whereas on March 14, 2012, the Synod of the Diocese of Moosonee enacted Canon 3 of the Diocese entitled “A Canon to Provide for the Administration of the Diocese of Moosonee as a Mission Area of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario”; and

Whereas it is expedient for the Provincial Synod to enact a Canon to provide for the establishment of the Diocese as a mission area and to provide for the authority of the Metropolitan with respect to the Diocese of Moosonee;

NOW therefore, the Provincial Synod enacts as follows:

1. In this Canon,
 - “Diocese” means the Diocese of Moosonee;
 - “Metropolitan” means the Metropolitan or Acting Metropolitan of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario;
 - “Synod” means the Synod of the Diocese;
 - “Provincial Synod” means the Provincial Synod of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario.
2. The Diocese is a Mission Area of the Ecclesiastical Province of Ontario while this Canon is in force.
- 3.1 Notwithstanding anything in any Canon of the Synod the Metropolitan shall be the Bishop of the Diocese from the date this Canon comes into force until the date it expires.
- 3.2 The Metropolitan shall exercise all spiritual, temporal, disciplinary and judicial authority of the Bishop of the Diocese.
- 3.3 The Metropolitan may authorize other bishops to perform episcopal liturgical functions in the Diocese including the ordination of deacons and priests, confirmation, the consecration of churches, chapels and church-yards and the blessing of oil.

- 3.4 The Metropolitan may appoint one or more Administrators for the Diocese or for areas of the Diocese and authorize them to act as deputies for the Metropolitan in temporal matters and to carry out duties and responsibilities in such matters. The Metropolitan may vary from time to time the terms of the powers delegated to the Administrator or Administrators.
- 3.5 Administrators are responsible to, and shall report to, the Metropolitan. Administrators serve at the pleasure of the Metropolitan.
- 4.1 This Canon comes into force on the date the Right Reverend Thomas A. Corston ceases to hold the office of Bishop of the Diocese.
- 4.2 When the Metropolitan and the Executive Council of the Synod jointly determine that the Diocese should cease to be a Mission Area and be restored to its former status the Metropolitan shall call such meetings of the Executive Council and of the Synod, as are required by Canon 13, to elect a diocesan bishop in accordance with that Canon.
- 4.3 This Canon expires on the date the person elected by the Synod is installed as Bishop of the Diocese.