

THE BUNBURY DIOCESAN ADMINISTRATION STATUTE 1989-2019

Be it enacted by the Bishop, Clergy and Laity of the Diocese of Bunbury Synod assembled:

1. The Bunbury Diocesan Administration Statute 1939-1987 is hereby repealed and the following substituted in lieu thereof.

2. Administrator of the Diocese

a) The Bishop of the Diocese may appoint one of the Clergy of the Diocese to be the Administrator of the Diocese. This shall be done in writing, sealed and registered at the Church Office.

b) The Administrator shall act:

- i) In the absence of the Bishop from the Diocese,
- ii) During a vacancy in the See, and
- iii) When so requested by the Bishop.

3. Function of the Administrator

a) During the term of the Administrator's administration of the Diocese, the Administrator shall use and exercise all the powers which the Bishop may use under the authority of any current statute of the Diocese, excepting always those powers which may only be used by a person in Episcopal Orders or by the Bishop of the Diocese.

b) During a vacancy in the See the powers of the Administrator shall terminate upon the installation of a new Bishop of the Diocese.

4. No Appointment / Inability / Absence

When no such Administrator has been appointed or when the appointed Administrator is unable or unwilling to act or is absent from the Diocese, then the Office of Administrator of the Diocese shall be exercised by one of the Senior Clergy able and willing to do so. Seniority is determined in the following way:

1. Any Assistant Bishop
2. The Archdeacon/s in order of seniority in office
3. The Dean of the Cathedral
4. The Canons of the Cathedral in order of seniority in office.