



Forty-First Session of Synod 2020 - 2022

ELECTION OF LAY REPRESENTATIVES

WHEREAS the Fortieth Synod of the Bishop, the Clergy and the Laity of the Anglican Church within the Diocese of Bendigo has been dissolved as from a date immediately prior to the next general election.

AND WHEREAS it is necessary for the constitution of a Forty-First Synod that a general election of lay representatives take place and that for obtaining such a general election, the Bishop by Mandate under his hand shall require each parish to proceed to the election of two lay representatives and two supplementary lay representatives thereof in the manner set forth in the Synod Act 1997, and within the period specified in the Parish Administration Act.

NOW THEREFORE, I, **MATTHEW, BISHOP OF BENDIGO**, do in compliance of the said Act, require Parishes and Associated Congregations in my Diocese, to proceed to the election of two lay representatives and two supplementary representatives at your Annual Meeting for 2020 as specified in the said Act.

AND, I do hereby further require you to forward to my Registrar, immediately after the said Annual Meeting, the Parish Information Sheet containing the names of the persons elected.

Given under my hand and Episcopal Seal of the Diocese of Bendigo this Seventeenth Day of December in the year of our Lord, Two Thousand and Nineteen and in the Fifth Year of my Consecration.

The Rt Rev'd Dr Matt Brain
Bishop of Bendigo

