## **SOLEMNISATION OF MARRIAGE ACT 1989**

BE IT ENACTED by the Bishop, the Clergy and the Laity of the Anglican Church of Australia within the Diocese of Bendigo duly met in Synod according to Law as follows:-

- 1. This Act may be cited as the "Solemnisation of Marriage Act 1989".
- 2. The Solemnisation of Marriage Act 1971 is hereby repealed except as to every operation already affected by, or any act done, or as to any right, title obligation or liability already acquired or accrued under any such enactment.
- 3. Every clerk before solemnisation of any marriage shall be satisfied that all necessary documents have been completed as required by law.
- 4. Banns may be published in accordance with the rubric of the Book of Common Prayer.
- 5. Every clerk before solemnisation of any marriage shall be satisfied that the current teaching, ethics and customs of the Anglican Church of Australia within the Diocese of Bendigo have been observed.
- 6. No clerk shall solemnise a marriage within a parish of the Diocese elsewhere than in a Church except with the permission of the Bishop.
- 7. The Bishop shall make application to the Registrar of Ministers of Religion for the State of Victoria to register a minister for celebrating marriages and shall empower the Registrar of the Diocese to advise such Registrar of Ministers of Religion when the minister has ceased to exercise the functions of an officiating minister within the Diocese.