



**DIOCESAN SYNOD**  
**ELECTION OF LAY REPRESENTATIVES**

**WHEREAS** the Fifty-Fourth Synod of the Archbishop, the Clergy, and the Laity of the Anglican Church of Australia within the Diocese of Melbourne was dissolved on 9 February 2025.

**AND WHEREAS** it is necessary for the constitution of a new Synod that a General Election of Lay Representatives take place, and that for obtaining that Election the Archbishop, by Mandate under his hand, to invite Electors to elect Lay Representatives and an Alternate Lay Representative in accordance with the *Synod Act 1972*.

**NOW THEREFORE I, RICHARD**, Archbishop of Melbourne, do, in accordance with the provisions of the *Synod Act 1972*, require you, The Venerable Michael Flynn in charge of St John Chrysostom Anglican Church, BRUNSWICK WEST, in my Diocese, to invite the Electors of the Parish to proceed to the election of Two Lay Representatives and one Alternate Lay Representative in the manner specified in the *Synod Act 1972*, on or before 26 April 2026.

**AND** I do hereby further require you to forward to my Registrar, on or before 1 May 2026, certificates and documents referred to in Section 19 of the *Synod Act 1972*.

*Richard*  
Melbourne

ARCHBISHOP OF MELBOURNE

Dated: 3 March 2026

