THE ANGLICAN CHURCH IN AOTEAROA, NEW ZEALAND & POLYNESIA 66th Session of the General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui 2024
Sunday 19th May 2024

Te Pīhopatanga o Aotearoa in Te Tairawhiti was the host for this meeting of the General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui and the meetings were held in Heretaunga/Hastings.

Welcome / Powhiri and Opening Dinner

Following a Powhiri on Sunday at 4.00pm, members and guests of the 66th Session of the General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui gathered at Omahu Marae, Heretaunga at 5.30pm for the Opening Dinner and were welcomed by Te Pīhopa o Aotearoa and by Rev'd Zhane Tahau-Whelan.

Convening of Synod / Hīnota

The General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui 2024 was convened.

Roll Call

The General Secretary certified to the Primate that a quorum was present.

Apologies

The General Secretary noted the Apologies for all of Synod / Hīnota of members Archbishop Sione Ulu'ilakepa, Bishop Steven Benford, Ms Huia Tahere, Miss Elisiva Sunia, Mis Libby Truman, Ms Caitlin Mockford, Judge Chris Harding, and Ven Susan Wallace, and also Chancellor Bruce Gray KC, Secretary/Registrar Rev'd Sepiuta Hapa'api'api, and Official Observer Ven Dr Lyndon Drake.

For Sunday only, Ven Maui Tangohau, for Sunday and Monday Sir Herewini Parata.

Acknowledgements

Archbishop Don Tamihere welcomed members of the General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui and acknowledged the hosts, the Hukarere School choir group, and the Youth Stewards.

Opening Eucharist and Primatial Address

The General Synod / te Hīnota Whānui gathered after dinner in the Wharenui, Kahukuranui, for Eucharist during which Archbishop Don Tamihere gave the kauhau/address.

Adjournment of Synod / Hīnota for Tikanga Caucusing

Synod / Hīnota adjourned at 9.00pm.

Signed by the President

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Primate and Archbishop