



MISSION STATEMENT OF THE ANGLICANORUM COETIBUS SOCIETY



The mission of the *Anglicanorum Coetibus Society* is:

- to offer independent and loyal support to the Personal Ordinariates established under the Apostolic Constitution *Anglicanorum coetibus*
- to foster relations between the members of the Ordinariates worldwide and encourage synergies
- to promote and where possible to provide an environment where thinking, pondering, discussing, informing, educating, creating, writing and publishing can take place with regard to the entire span of the received Anglican patrimony – liturgical, intellectual, pastoral, spiritual, theological, literary, artistic, musical, social – which the Ordinariates are called to bring into the Catholic Church as a treasure to be shared
- to encourage full participation of lay members of the Ordinariates
- to embody the ecumenical spirit of the Ordinariates by reaching out to other Christians who are also custodians of the Anglican patrimony, encouraging them to participate fully in our activities and possibly to become associates

In order to fulfil this mission, the *Anglicanorum Coetibus Society* will try to achieve the following specific goals:

- The ACS will encourage and facilitate research to study and identify and suggest ways of implementing the Anglican patrimony, working together with academia.
- The ACS will organise an annual conference (with parallel conferences/meetings in other nations or regions where possible) where theologians, historians, liturgists, etc. can share their expertise with the Ordinariates and where constructive exchange can be fostered.
- The ACS will publish the papers presented at the conferences and other books or individual tracts.
- The ACS will publish a quarterly journal, *Shared Treasure*, available online but with a limited number of print copies, for serious writing on the Anglican patrimony and other Ordinariate issues.
- The ACS will encourage the composition or adaptation of music for the *Divine Worship* liturgy. Similarly artists, poets, spiritual writers will be encouraged and perhaps sponsored where possible.
- The ACS will, where requested, support the Ordinariates in the development of the formation of Ordinariate priests in Anglican patrimony. Additionally, the ACS will take on a fund-raising role to support the formation of future Ordinariate clergy, particularly in the Ordinariate of the Chair of St Peter.

- The ACS will invite open-minded and willing friends from the Anglican churches to cooperate in its activities, to attend and speak at conferences, to write in the journal, etc.
- The ACS will continue and expand on its traditional communications role, informing about the Ordinariates and the remaining Pastoral Provision communities.
- The ACS will maintain close ties with the Ordinariates, informing and consulting them on all important matters, and offering support where possible, whilst safeguarding a healthy independence.

The following concrete targets or projects will form the basis of the work of the *Anglicanorum Coetibus Society* in the near future:

- A conference will be planned for Summer/Autumn 2017 at a location in the USA which can be easily reached. The main topic of the conference will be the Anglican Patrimony, particularly the new *Divine Worship* liturgy.
- The feasibility of organising a parallel conference or meeting in the United Kingdom and maybe Australia, which can be linked electronically to the main conference, will be examined.
- The revision of the Anglican Use Gradual in line with the new *Divine Worship* Missal will be undertaken by C. David Burt as soon as possible.
- The Ordinarate Expats news blog and the Anglican Use of the Roman Rite blog will be merged and additional authors will be sought.
- A first edition of *Shared Treasure* is planned to be published in late 2016, to be edited by the previous editor of *Anglican Embers* or the Secretary
- The Anglicanorum Coetibus Society website will be updated and probably redesigned.
- An editor or editors for *Shared Treasure* and a new webmaster for the ACS website are currently being sought.
- The recruitment of new members shall be one of the ACS's main priorities.

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