1. In this, our anniversary,

We praise God’s glorious name

For blessings to our Diocese

Across this rich domain.

Amidst the golden goodness of

God’s past and present care

We look for future days to find

God’s full endowment there.

1. We stand with all First People who

Have walked this land so well,

Custodians of truths divine

Through stories which they tell,

And side by side with all who’ve come

From other lands to be

United with us in our quest

To sing God’s majesty.

1. For laity, whose faithfulness,

Through hardship, toil and tears

Has built foundations for our church

Sure and sound throughout the years

For bishops, priest and deacons who

Have served, in all they do,

The welfare of God’s people here:

The many and the few

1. We gaze into the future, yet

The Future is unknown

And still, we’re sure of one thing: God

Will lead us safely home.

And so we pray for people, called

as ministers of grace,

Who’ll lead our Diocese into

Its future in this place.

1. So may we all be faithful in

The challenge of these days:

In prayer, in mission, as we meet

To offer thanks and praise.

Until we come at last to know

The glory you have won –

The everlasting perfect reign

OfJesus Christ, your Son.

Anniversary Hymn (tune: Kingsfold) – (Amended, approved by the author, Peter Treloar)