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**ECCLESIASTICAL DISTRICT OF ST. LUKE WITH ST. JAMES
(JERSEY) LAW 1993**

A LAW creating a new ecclesiastical district of St. Luke with St. James from the existing ecclesiastical districts of St. Luke and St. James, Jersey, in the Diocese of Winchester, and for connected purposes, sanctioned by Order of Her Majesty in Council of the

16th day of NOVEMBER 1993

(Registered on the 19th day of November 1993)

STATES OF JERSEY

The 16th day of March 1993

WHEREAS the Ecclesiastical District of St. Luke, (hereinafter referred to as “the District of St. Luke”) comprising parts of the Parishes of St. Helier, St. Saviour and St. Clement, Jersey, in the Diocese of Winchester (hereinafter referred to as “the Diocese”) was constituted by Order in Council of the 6th day of April 1846;¹

WHEREAS the District Chapelry of St. James (hereinafter referred to as “the District of St. James”) comprising a part of the Parish of St. Helier, Jersey, as aforesaid, was assigned as a district chapelry by Order in Council of the 7th day of March 1904² (in this Law referred to together with the Order of the 6th day of April 1846 as “the Orders in Council”);

¹ Tomes I–III, page 174.

² Tomes IV–VI, page 221.

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WHEREAS on the 24th day of May 1988 the Deanery Synod of the Church of England in Jersey resolved that the Districts of St. Luke and St. James should be merged into one Ecclesiastical District and Benefice to be known as “The Ecclesiastical District and Benefice of St. Luke with St. James, Jersey”;

WHEREAS the Bishop of the Diocese has approved the proposed merger of the Districts of St. Luke and St. James to form a new ecclesiastical district;

AND WHEREAS the States by their Petition addressed this day to Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council pray for the revocation of the Orders in Council;

NOW THEREFORE, THE STATES, subject to the sanction of Her Most Excellent Majesty in Council, have adopted the following Law –

ARTICLE 1

Constitution of new ecclesiastical district

Immediately upon the revocation of the Orders in Council there shall be constituted a new ecclesiastical district to be known as “the Ecclesiastical District of St. Luke with St. James, Jersey” (hereinafter referred to as “the Ecclesiastical District”) which shall comprise the territory which formerly comprised the District of St. Luke and the District of St. James.

ARTICLE 2

District church of ecclesiastical district

The District Church of the Ecclesiastical District shall be the Church of St. Luke.

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ARTICLE 3

First incumbent of ecclesiastical district

If, immediately before the commencement of this Law the Reverend David Vernon Wastie is the incumbent of the District of St. Luke and the district of St. James, he shall be the first incumbent of the benefice and of the Ecclesiastical District and no further formality shall be required for his admission to the said benefice and no fee shall be payable in respect thereof.

ARTICLE 4

Right of presentation of subsequent incumbents

Subject to Article 3 of this Law, the right of presentation to the benefice of the Ecclesiastical District shall be exercised alternately by the Bishop of the Diocese and the Crown, the Bishop of the Diocese having the first turn.

ARTICLE 5

Vesting of land and other property

All such property, whether tangible or intangible, movable or immovable, as remained vested immediately before the commencement of this Law, in the Vicar, or the Vicar and Churchwardens, of either the District of St. Luke or the District of St. James, by virtue of their office, shall vest upon the same terms in the Vicar or the Vicar and Churchwardens for the time being of the Ecclesiastical District.

ARTICLE 6

Redundancy and sale of St. James's Church

(1) The Church of St. James is hereby declared redundant and the legal effect of the consecration of the redundant building and the land annexed or belonging thereto shall be removed hereby and the

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jurisdiction of the Jersey Ecclesiastical Court shall cease to extend thereto.

(2) The Vicar of the Ecclesiastical District is hereby empowered to sell the redundant building and the land annexed or belonging thereto to the public of the Island, free of all conditions to which the vendor is subject by virtue of a contract passed before the Royal Court on the twenty-second day of March 1902, or otherwise and the net proceeds of the sale shall be used for general ecclesiastical purposes within the Ecclesiastical District.

(3) On the registration of this Law in the Royal Court, a copy of this Law shall also be registered in the Public Registry of Contracts.

(4) No fee shall be payable under the Departments of the Judiciary and the Legislature (Jersey) Law 1965,³ as amended,⁴ in relation to the registration of a copy of this Law as required by paragraph (3) of this Article.

(5) The contents of the redundant building shall be disposed of as the Jersey Ecclesiastical Court shall direct.

ARTICLE 7

Application of proceeds of sale of parsonage house

The net proceeds of the sale or lease of the parsonage house of the former district of St. James shall be applied to the purchase of a parsonage house for the Ecclesiastical District.

³ Volume 1963–1965, page 551.

⁴ Volume 1970–1972, page 227, Volume 1973–1974, pages 123, 205 and 206, and Volume 1984–1985, page 1.

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ARTICLE 8

Citation and commencement

(1) This Law may be cited as the Ecclesiastical District of St. Luke with St. James (Jersey) Law 1993.

(2) This Law shall come into force on such day, not before the day on which the revocation of the Orders in Council becomes effective, as the States may by Act appoint.

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