WEDDINGS

ST. ANDREW'S PARISH CHURCH
Totteridge, N20 8PR

Congratulations on your engagement!

Marrying in church is personal, meaningful, spiritual and beautiful, and we are here to support you as you plan your special day.

If you would like to get married here at St. Andrew's, this leaflet will help with the first steps.

Once you have looked through the following information, your first step will be to contact the Parish Office:

admin@totteridgechurch.org.uk
Tel: 020 8446 1417

CAN I GET MARRIED AT ST. ANDREW'S?

If you live within the parish you can certainly marry at St. Andrew's Church. If you're not sure whether you within the parish boundaries, you can check this at:

A Church Near You

This may also help you if you need to arrange to have your banns called in another parish.

There are other qualifications for marrying in a parish church, you can check the details on the Church of England website:

Finding a church for your wedding | The Church of England

CAN I GET MARRIED AT ST. ANDREW'S AFTER DIVORCE?

If you have previously been married you should arrange to speak to the Vicar, Rev'd Cate, who will advise you.

FLOWERS

We have a team of experienced and talented flower arrangers, who know the church well and can produce beautiful displays for a competitive cost.

SERVICE BOOKS

These can be produced in-house, but you are also welcome to use external printing companies. The Vicar will require sight of the document before it goes to print.

MUSIC

We have a regular organist who is extremely versatile and experienced. We can also usually assemble a choir, as long as we have enough notice.

REHEARSALS

Rehearsals will normally be on a Monday, Tuesday or Wednesday before you wedding, but may also be after church on a Sunday. The Vicar will discuss this with you.

Useful Information

You'll find some further guidance on aspects of planning your wedding below. Each heading is clickable and will take you to a relevant page on the Church of England website, or click the logo to the right to be taken to the main *weddings* page.

Legal Requirements	There are certain things that must happen in a church wedding to ensure the marriage complies with both UK civil and church law, and the CofE website contains more information on this. Also, all couples will need to show the vicar their passport as proof of nationality. If you don't have a passport, there are other documents which would be acceptable, so ask your vicar about this. If either or both of you are divorced, you will need to bring your decree absolute for the vicar to see. You may also be asked to provide evidence of your connection to the church, such as utility bills which show you live or have lived in the parish, or your parents' marriage certificate if they were married there, for example. Your vicar will guide you on acceptable documents for your particular connection.
Dates	If you have a specific date in mind we will try to accommodate you, do get in touch to enquire about possible dates. If the date you would like is more than a year in advance, we will only be able to pencil this in initially, for firm confirmation nearer the time.
Reading of Banns	Most Church of England marriages require banns to be read out in church before the wedding can take place. Although a legal requirement, banns can be a special occasion too. You can arrange the dates of the reading of banns with the Vicar, to ensure that you can be present for at least one of the services where this is to take place. Don't forget, if either of you live outside of the Parish you will need to arrange to have you banns called there too.
More than a Wedding Venue	Wherever you go in the years ahead, a local church will always be there for you with friendship and prayer. Churches can offer so much more than simply a venue for your wedding ceremony. Whether you are familiar with church or whether it is new to you, after your wedding, you can go along to the church where you were married, or the church wherever you live, or even visit a church when you are travelling away from home.