

### 3 General Information

#### A Banns

Your Banns of Marriage will be published at the 10.30am morning services at an agreed time during the three months before your wedding. You and your family are always welcome at our services but it is a particularly good idea to come to these services as this will help you see and experience the life of the church in whose building you will be married, and to meet some of the people you will see on the day.

*NB. Your Banns have to be called at the Parish Church of the parishes in which you both live. You must obtain a certificate from the vicar of the other parish (if applicable). We cannot marry you until we receive this certificate!*

#### B Marriage Preparation

Although it may be hard to believe it at the moment with all that you are having to do, there is more to marriage than weddings! All couples who are married at St. Swithun's are asked to attend our Marriage Preparation Day where you have the chance to talk together about different aspects of the marriage relationship. You will work together as a couple and there will be no group work but there will be opportunity to meet other couples and we hope it will be a very enjoyable day. This normally takes place on a Saturday and we will let you know the date for this.

#### C Rehearsal

Your wedding rehearsal will take place during the week before your wedding. The rehearsal will last about 50 minutes and it would be helpful if your best man, bridesmaids, ushers and parents could attend. We will agree the date together.

#### D Fees

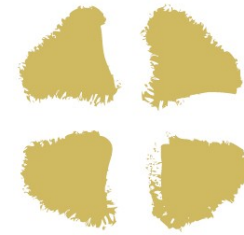
Fees are to be paid at the rehearsal by cash or cheque (made payable to St Swithun's Bathford PCC')

Banns	£ 28.00	Wedding service	£ 424.00
Certificate of Banns	£ 13.00	Organ	£ 17.00
Organist	£ 80.00	Choir *	£ 60.00
Bells Ringers *	£ 66.00	Verger	£ 30.00
Bells	£ 15.00	Heating (winter only)	£ 50.00
Permission to video***	Same £ as	Marriage Certificate	£ 4.00
	Organist	Subsequent Copies	£ 10.00

\* We would be grateful if you would bring cash for the choir and the bell ringers.

\*\* If we do not have enough bell ringers, the bells can be rung by one person in a modified way (obviously!). The cost is £25.

\*\*\* Please note: video recording requires a special agreement. Please ask for details.



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## Wedding Preparation

Many congratulations on your forthcoming wedding. We are delighted that you have chosen to get married at St. Swithun's and look forward to getting to know you in the months ahead.

This leaflet is designed to help you as you prepare for your wedding. It consists of three sections:

- 1 Things you will need to decide upon for your wedding
- 2 Suggestions to help you in putting together the Order of Service
- 3 General information you will need to know

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**1 The following are some things you will need to consider and decide upon for your wedding:**

- a Music For the entrance of the bride  
During signing of the register  
Final wedding procession
- b Hymns How many ? (2 or 3 is normal)  
See next page for a selection
- c Rings 1 /2
- d Bible reading - See next page for suggestions
- e Choir
- f Bells
- g Video of the service
- h Printed Order of Service  
See next page for suggested layout
- i Flowers

Flowers are the responsibility of the wedding family.  
*Mrs Brenda Field* (tel: 01225 859320) is happy to advise you.

Please don't hesitate to get in touch with me if I can be of help with any of these things or if you have any questions.

**2 Suggestions to help you put together your Order of Service**

**a Suggested hymns**

Now thank we all our God	O praise ye the Lord
O Jesus I have promised	Morning has broken
Praise, my soul, the King of heaven	Immortal, invisible
Holy, Holy, Holy, Lord God Almighty	Love divine
And did those feet in ancient times	Lead us, heavenly Father
Praise to the Lord, the Almighty	Come down, O Love Divine
The King of love my Shepherd is	Praise to the holiest in the height
The Lord's my Shepherd	All things bright and beautiful
May the mind of Christ my Saviour	Father, hear the prayer we offer
Great is your faithfulness	Lord of all hopefulness
Make me a channel of your peace	Be thou my vision

**b Suggested Bible passages**

Genesis chapter 2, verses 18-24	(Genesis 2:18-24)
Ecclesiastes 43:1-8	John2:1-11
Ecclesiastes 4:9-12	John 15:9-13
1 Corinthians 13	Ephesians 5:21-33
Philippians 2:1-11	1 John 4:7-19

**c Layout of Order of Service**

Bridal March (specify name)	Composer
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The Welcome  
Hymn (printed in full)  
The Wedding  
Hymn (printed in full)  
The Reading  
*eg. John chapter 15, verses 9-13*  
The Address  
The prayers  
Hymn (printed in full)  
The Blessing

During the signing of the Register (specify)	Composer
Wedding March (specify name)	Composer