

- Q. Does the priest keep the wedding fees?
A. No, they have to be sent to the Church of England.

I want to be married in another church. How do I get my banns called in St.Paul's?

Please ring the parish office (☎ 771217, answerphone). We will make an arrangement with you to call your banns (for which the Church of England sets a fee) and let you know when you can collect the certificate to take to the priest who is marrying you.

What area does St. Paul's cover ?

Abbotsbury Road, Adelaide Court, Adelaide Crescent, Alma Road, Aynsley Court, Barclay Road, Bedford Road, Bryn Road, Chickerell Road 176 & 178 and 284-338 even numbers, Clive Terrace, College Heights, Cornwall Close, Corscombe Close, Corporation Road, Cromwell Road, Dennis Road, Devon Road, Dorset Close, Doulton Close, East Wyld Road, Emmadale Close, Emmadale Road, Essex Road, Franklin Close, Franklin Road, Gemma Court, Glenmore Road, Goldcroft Avenue, Goldcroft Road, Goss Place, Granville Road, Grove Terrace, Heathwood Road, Hereford Road, Hereford Crescent, Highland Road, Holland Road, Holly Road, Holyrood Terrace, Ilchester Road, Jenner Court, Kellaway Terrace, Kitchener Road, Knightsdale Road, Links Road, Longcroft Road, Malvem Terrace, Melbourne Street, Melbury Road, Milton Road, Minton Place, Newstead Road *all except 1-11 odds*, Norfolk Road, Old Bridge Court, Old Parish Lane, Oxford Close, Perth Street, Portland Crescent, Pottery Lane, Queensland Road, Quibo Lane, Radipole Lane (*odd numbers from 425-507*), Rutland Road, St. Paul's Court, Salisbury Road, Sedgefield Close, Shirecroft Road, Short Road, Somerset Road, Southview Road, Stavordale Court, Stavordale Road, Sussex Road, Sydney Street, Thornhill Crescent, Wardcliffe Road, Wedgewood Road, Wessex Road, Westhaven, Wiltshire Avenue.

Useful information: www.weddingguide.co.uk/articles/ceremonies/cofe.asp

If you want to go a step further towards making a decision about a church marriage, please contact the parish administrator (the parish office ☎ 771217). If you are going to be married in St.Paul's, please make sure that you confirm the date and time before booking the reception.

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St. Paul's, Westham

Weymouth
[Church of England]



Thank you
for asking about marriage in church

This leaflet attempts to answer questions you may have

Our marriage policy at St. Paul's is:

1. to marry, after preparation, those who wish to be married here if one or both partners live in our parish;
2. to marry, after preparation, those who wish to be married here if one or both partners are regular members of the congregation and are on the electoral roll of St.Paul's;
3. to marry, after preparation, those:
 - a) who were baptised and/or confirmed here
 - b) have lived here for 6 months or more, at any time during their lives
 - c) who have attended worship here for at least 6 months
 - d) whose parents lived or worshipped in this parish (during the child's lifetime)
 - e) whose parents or grandparents were married here.

We are glad you want to know more

Here is a response to common questions.

- Q. What is the parish of St.Paul's?
A. It is the area St.Paul's serves as a parish church. The list of streets on the back cover will help you determine whether you live in the parish or not.
- Q. What is the electoral roll?
A. The electoral roll is the list of those who regularly attend worship in St.Paul's.
- Q. What do I have to do to go on the electoral roll?
A. Names can only be entered on the electoral roll when a person has regularly been a member of the congregation for at least six months.
- Q. Do I have to be baptised to get married?
A. No.
- Q. Can we take photographs? A. Yes (please without flash).

- Q. Do you marry people who are divorced? A. We follow Church of England guidelines, use the CofE application form and look at each application individually.
- Q. One of us is / both of us are divorced. We are going to have Civil Marriage ceremony. Can we come to St.Paul's after for a Service of Prayer? A. Yes, we welcome this.
- Q. How old do I have to be to get married?
A. You have to be 16, and if you are under 18 you must have your parents' consent to marry.
- Q. How much does it cost?
A. There are set fees for marriage, these are on display in the church porch. A deposit of £100 is required when you come to the parish office to book your wedding. In addition you have to pay for an organist if you want one.
- Q. Can we have a video?
A. Yes, but if you have a professional video, the organist can ask you for an extra fee.
- Q. Can we throw confetti? A. Yes, but not inside church
- Q. What does marriage preparation mean?
A. It means talking to the priest who will marry you about your plans, the vows you will make, and also having a wedding rehearsal.
- Q. Can a 'church' wedding take place elsewhere? eg a hotel
A. This is not normally possible.
- Q. What are banns of marriage? A Banns are an announcement of your intention to marry and a chance for anyone to put forward a reason why the marriage may not lawfully take place. Banns have to be read in the parish where each of you lives as well as at the church where you are to be married (if that is another parish).