

APPLICATION FOR A WEDDING AT ST MARY'S BARNES



The Parish of St Mary Barnes

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Please note that fees are subject to revision in January of each year

DATE OF WEDDING: _____ OFFICIANT _____ ORGANIST _____ BANNIS DATES (when known) _____

TIME OF WEDDING: _____

Ceremony usually between 12 to 4pm

GROOM

BRIDE

All Names: _____

Address: _____

Tel Home: _____

Tel Work: _____

Email: _____

Own Parish: _____

Status: _____ Bachelor/Widower/Divorcee

Spinster/Widow/Divorcee

Please state your connection with St Mary's, Barnes (* please see eligibility conditions on the next page)

Occupation: _____

Date of Birth: _____

Age at time of wedding: _____

Married before? **yes/no**

yes/no

British? If not,

which nationality? **yes/no**

yes/no

Full name of your Father: _____

Is he living or deceased? _____

Occupation of Father:

(whether living/retired/deceased) _____

Full name of your Mother: _____

Is she living or deceased? _____

Occupation of Mother:

(whether living/retired/deceased) _____

* please see guidance notes on next page regarding occupations of groom, bride, father & mother

Further options (These may need to be discussed please complete what you can)

Choir:* **yes/no**

Organist:* **yes/no**

Expected no. of guests

Bells: **yes/no**

Video recording **yes/no**

*A cancellation charge is levied if a choir booking is cancelled less than 2 months before the wedding (fees of the choir and organist are doubled if a video recording is taken)

Date: _____

Signed: _____ Groom

_____ Bride

ELIGIBILITY CONDITIONS FOR MARRYING AT ST MARY'S BARNES

You may be married in St. Mary's when either the bride or bridegroom (or both) live in the Parish of Barnes which is most of SW13. You may also be married at St. Mary's if you satisfy any of the following qualifying connections:

- if this is the parish where you were baptised and/or confirmed
(please let us know baptism and/or confirmation dates)
- if you have lived in this parish for 6 months or more, at any time during your lives
(please give your current or previous address in Barnes)
- if you have attended worship in this parish for at least 6 months
- if this is the parish where your parents have lived or worshipped (during your lifetime)
(please give their current or previous address in Barnes)
- if your parents or grandparents were married in this parish (please give their marriage date)

If either (or both) of you have been married before and divorced this is not a barrier to being married in the Anglican Church but it is something that needs to be discussed with the priest who is going to marry you. Weddings can be arranged on most days Monday – Saturday but before making any arrangements it is very important that you check to see if your preferred date is possible for us at St. Mary's. After you have filled out the marriage application form and sent it to us, we will be able to check the form and confirm your booking.

GUIDANCE NOTES REGARDING PROOF OF IDENTITY AND NATIONALITY

There have been two recent changes in Marriage Law, please see details below :

The first set of changes, which took effect from 4th May 2021, are in the way marriages are registered. So, if you have had banns read beforehand, at your wedding we will no longer have the "Signing of the Register" but instead it will be the "Signing of the Marriage Document". The marriage document differs from the old register in naming mothers and fathers equally. We need to know the same information for your mothers as you have already provided for fathers, i.e., full names, whether living or deceased, and occupation. You also have the option not to name either or both parents if you prefer. There is also an option to name stepparents as well if you wish. For those couples who are not having banns read, but instead have applied through the local Register Office, they will be issued with a "Marriage Schedule" by the Register Office. The schedule will contain the same information as the marriage document and the other changes affect marriage documents and schedules equally. Another part of this change is that we will no longer issue your marriage certificate in church. Instead, we will deliver the marriage document to the Civil Register office for the London Borough of Richmond after the service, and they will create a digitised record and the marriage certificate. It will be our responsibility to deliver the document to the register office, and then your responsibility to request the certificate from them:

Richmond Register Office, York House, Richmond Road, Twickenham TW1 3AA

Tel: 020 8891 7188 Email: registrationservices@richmondandwandsworth.gov.uk

www.richmond.gov.uk/services/registration_services/contact_registration_services

The church will provide you with a keepsake on your wedding day to confirm your marriage, and this may be of practical help before your certificate is issued, but it will not represent formal legal proof of your marriage.

The second set of changes, taking effect from 1st July 2021 are about the way in which you first apply to get married in church. These are changing because of the end of freedom of movement rights for EU citizens following Brexit. In future, only British and Irish citizens will have the automatic right to marry by banns, proving their citizenship using their passport or similar identity document. EU citizens who have 'settled' or 'pre-settled' status will be able to marry by banns but as well as showing their passport they will also have to provide the church with a code which enable us to check their status on the government website.

GUIDANCE NOTES REGARDING OCCUPATION OF BRIDE, GROOM AND FATHER

The Registrar of Marriages has issued the following guidelines for the completion of 'Occupation' in the Marriage Register. Please try and give a specific description of the occupation of the Groom, Bride and Father.

Terms such as engineer, surgeon, company director or doctor mean very little on their own.

Further classification is required, for example, mechanical engineer, tree surgeon, company director (furnishings), doctor of medicine.

Names of companies, such as BT, should not be used.

Members of Public Service should give their title, who they work for and their service number, for example, Police Constable – London Metropolitan Police,

Chief Technician – Royal Air Force, Service No. 25232301

The reason for the collection of this information is for census data analysis.

If you have queries regarding this guidance, please ring the Church Office on 0208 741 5422.

St Mary's Barnes is a community and as such we would like to share all the exciting things happening here, but we need your permission. It is our promise that we will use your data securely and with respect, and we will never share this with third parties (unless legally required to do so). Remember you can opt out at any time. Please tick if you are happy for us to keep your details and add them to our database. We are GDPR compliant.