

The LORD is my shepherd
I shall not want.

He maketh me to lie down in green pastures:
he leadeth me beside the still waters.

He restoreth my soul:
he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness
for his name's sake.

Yea, though I walk through the valley of the
shadow of death,

I will fear no evil:

for thou art with me;

thy rod and thy staff they comfort me.

Thou preparest a table before me
in the presence of mine enemies:
thou anointest my head with oil;
my cup runneth over.

Surely goodness and mercy
shall follow me all the days of my life:
and I will dwell
in the house of the LORD for ever.

Psalm 23



Contacting Us

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(with St Andrew, St Philip and St Saviour)
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Funerals

in our Parish

Welcome

While we welcome families contacting our Church office for advice, your first point of contact should be through a Funeral Director. (we have given you details of a few of our local Funeral Directors in this leaflet to help you).

The Funeral Director will help you with all the necessary paperwork, be able to give you advice on the type of Funerals available to you, and book the Minister on your behalf.

There are many advantages in having a church service. These include:

- We can accommodate large numbers
- The length of the service is not restricted.
- We are very flexible with regards to the day and time for the service to be held.
- The committal can follow a church service, either at the Cemetery or the Crematorium.

Christian funerals can be an occasion of both sadness and sometimes great joy. While we mourn the loss of a loved one, we can rejoice in the promise the Lord gave us.

"I am the resurrection and the life", says the Lord. "He who believes in me will live, even though he dies; and whoever lives and believes in me will never die."

John 11:25-26.

Funeral Services

Therefore, we attach great importance to conducting funerals within the Parish of St Peter & St Paul.

Should you choose to go ahead with a church service, your details will be passed to us by your Funeral Director. Once received, a member of our Ministry or Lay team will contact you, and an appointment will be made for you to meet with us discuss the service details.

All funeral services held by us will include:

- A meeting with the next-of-kin and family members.
- Planning the Funeral Service.
- Conducting of the Funeral Service.
- Follow-up Pastoral care with a member of our very experienced Pastoral Team, to give you help and support following the funeral.



FAQs

Frequently asked questions answered.

Can a funeral service be held in any of your four churches?

Yes, all four churches in our Parish are Licensed to hold funeral services.

Can we hold a burial in your church yard?

No, our church yard is not open for the burial of coffins or interment of ashes.

Can we scatter ashes in your church yard?

No, I am afraid that this is no longer permitted.

Local Funeral Directors in Tonbridge

Abbey Funeral Services Ltd
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