

## What to do next

If you would like to talk about any of the services in this leaflet, please contact our Weddings Administrator (tel. 01732 770962 x20) or fill in your details below and post it in the Coach House Posting box, or to the address on this leaflet.

### Your details:

Names of Couple:

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Address:

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Tel. No: .....

Email: .....

Which Service are you interested in?

- Service of Marriage
- Service of Prayer & Dedication
- Service of Thanksgiving for a Marriage



For more details, please visit

[www.tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk](http://www.tonbridgeparishchurch.org.uk)

Or

[www.yourchurchwedding.org](http://www.yourchurchwedding.org)

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## Parish of St Peter and St Paul

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# Weddings

in our Parish

## Welcome

We are delighted that you are thinking of getting married in our Parish, and we will do everything possible to make your application process as straightforward as we can. Please read through the leaflet, and if you still have any questions please do feel free to contact us. For other help in planning your wedding, please check out [www.yourchurchwedding.org](http://www.yourchurchwedding.org)



Marriage has its origins in the creation of man and woman. The Bible's teaching is that the marriage bond is a life long bond between one man and one woman to the exclusion of all others.

Those entering this way of life can expect the help of God to fulfil his purposes in marriage throughout their life together.

In the marriage ceremony, you will make a public declaration of lifelong commitment to love, honour and care for each other, in the presence of witnesses, many of whom will be those most respected and loved by you both, as you make your marriage Vows.

So, there is the commitment you make to each other, the commitment your family and friends make to support you, and God's unending love and commitment to always be there for you.

## Ceremonies

These are the Marriage Ceremonies which can be held at The Parish of St Peter & St Paul.

### A Service of Marriage ~

An authorised service for the marrying of couples, who have never been married before, and who have not been through any type of legal marriage service.

As well as the Service of Marriage we also offer the following services:

### A Service of Prayer & Dedication ~

A simple service designed for couples who have had a Civil Marriage Ceremony in the UK or abroad, and want to have a church service afterwards.

### A Service of Thanksgiving of a Marriage ~

This is a service for those who wish to renew their marriage vows.

### Booking a Wedding

On receiving your enquiry your details will be passed to one of our Ministers and they will contact you to arrange a meeting to go through the legal side of things. Before a marriage ceremony can take place our Minister must be satisfied that you can lawfully marry in our Parish. Your first meeting is also a time for you to ask any questions you may have.

## FAQs

### How do we qualify to get married in your church?

One or both of you must live within our Parish boundary (*if you are unsure of this please ask*).

### OR

One or both of you must have a qualifying connection to our Parish (*if you are unsure of this please ask*).

### Do we have to have been baptised to get married in church?

No. It is not a legal requirement for you to have been baptised, to hold your marriage ceremony here in our Parish.

### Is it possible for us to hold our wedding on any day of the week?

Yes. As long as the church of your choice is free and the Minister agrees, it is possible for this to take place on any day of the week, but please be aware that Saturday is the most popular day to hold a wedding and Sunday times are limited.



### I'm divorced, can I get married in your church?

This is something a Minister from our Parish will need to talk through with you. Please feel free to make an appointment.