

# ANGLICAN PARISH OF CLEVEDON

*"A Christ - Centred Community of Extravagant Welcome and Radical Hospitality"*

Thank you for your enquiry about a wedding in the Clevedon Parish.

We take your enquiry to be for a Christian Wedding in the Anglican Tradition. Thus, an Anglican Priest needs to be the person officiating and one member of the couple needs to have been baptized. We are happy to work with ministers of other denominations.

We believe marriage is a sacrament of the church and a public commitment of love made, before God, with the support of friends and family. It is a time of celebration and commitment. We take marriage seriously and therefore we expect that couples will undertake some form of marriage preparation. We recommend Prepare/Enrich, an online questionnaire facilitated by the priest. This tool gives a snapshot of relationship, which leads to conversations about where they concur and where they differ, deepening understanding of their shared relationship. More information about that can be found at <https://prepare-enrich.co.nz/>.

As you begin thinking about the service, there are some things for you to take into account. The service must include a reading from the New Testament, and some prayers, including Lord's Prayer. The Vicar can help you to choose a reading which suits you both.

When the Vicar meets with you she will give you a copy of the marriage services used in the Anglican Church in New Zealand. There are four to choose from, and there is flexibility in how they may be used. We encourage you to sit down together, read through the services and choose what best suits you both.

All Souls Clevedon seats a maximum of 86. The area at the front of the church is small, which should be considered when choosing how many you will have in your wedding party.

We need a licence in order to marry you! This can be sourced from Births, Deaths and Marriages within three months of the date of your marriage.

We hope this gives you enough information to get planning! Please fill out the attached form and return it to the office on the email address below, so that we can confirm your booking.

If you have any queries please don't hesitate to be in touch. We wish you every blessing as you prepare for this important event in your lives.

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## WEDDING CONFIRMATION FORM

**Full name of Bride** \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST

MIDDLE

SURNAME

Are you baptized? Yes/No

**Full name of Groom** \_\_\_\_\_

FIRST

MIDDLE

SURNAME

Are you baptized? Yes/No

**Phone Numbers** B \_\_\_\_\_ G \_\_\_\_\_

**Email Addresses** B \_\_\_\_\_ G \_\_\_\_\_

**Church**      All Souls Clevedon      Christ Church Alfriston      St James Ardmore

**Date of Wedding** \_\_\_\_\_ **Time of Wedding** \_\_\_\_\_

**Priest Officiating** \_\_\_\_\_ Do you wish to have an **Organist?** Yes/No

The costs associated with weddings are as follows. All include GST.

Marriage Preparation	\$50	paid to Prepare-Enrich
Church	\$550	
Priest	\$350	
Organist (approximate, the fee varies)	\$250	paid to organist
Flowers*	\$175	
Hall	\$300	

*\*Other than during Lent (the six weeks prior to Easter) there is always an arrangement of fresh flowers in the sanctuary. This cost applies only if you want specific flowers, or a colour themed arrangement, or more flowers than are already in the church.*

*It is possible to bring your own vases from a florist. Plans will need to be made for installing and removing them.*