

# Weddings 2024



## **Marriage**

While anyone can be married at St Andrew's, at least one of the bride or groom must be a baptised Christian, and that can be arranged for either or both of you. You do not have to be an Anglican or a practicing member of any church. If either or both parties are divorced, our clergy will seek the prior consent of our bishop, which is unlikely to be withheld. Whilst some denominations do not permit divorced persons to remarry, that is not the case at St Andrew's.

## **Booking the date**

You should contact our Parish Office on 03 9553 8934 or our Parish Administrator on [office@standrewsbrighton.org.au](mailto:office@standrewsbrighton.org.au) to confirm availability. The booking will be confirmed on receipt of a non-refundable deposit of \$250, which can be paid as suggested below. You will be sent a form to gather the relevant information for the formal documentation.

## **Order of Service**

Normally all weddings are conducted in accordance with the rites of the Anglican Church of Australia by one of our priests, or by another Anglican minister. Ministers from other Christian denominations may participate in your wedding with the prior agreement of our Vicar. The priest will plan your wedding with you at future meetings. The Order of Service is then prepared and printed by the Parish Administrator. If you wish to supply your own paper, or use an external printer, please discuss this with them to avoid confusion as your wedding approaches.

## **Notice**

The *Marriage Act 1961(Cth)* requires a 'notice of intention to marry' to be signed and provided to the priest at least one month before the wedding. We will gather the necessary information from you to complete this legal requirement.

## **Marriage preparation**

We recommend that couples undertake a recognised marriage preparation course, and suggest the relationship program offered by [Relationship Matters](#) (formerly known as Lifeworks), but this is not compulsory.

## **Privacy**

Unless you advise us that you do not wish your names or the date to be published either in print (Parish pew sheet) or verbally (mentioned in the prayers in church) we will assume that you consent to these details being publicised.

## Music

We will provide you with a separate leaflet with suggested music, and an organist is included in our fee. You may contact the Director of Music via the office if you wish to discuss music selections. You may choose to have recorded music, you must provide someone to operate your laptop through our sound system.

## Photographs & Video

Photographs and videos are permitted, unless you wish otherwise. Please speak to the priest about where photographers may stand.

## Rehearsal

This normally takes place during the week prior to your service. As many of your wedding party as possible should be present for this, and close family members are also welcome.

## Fees

<b>Wedding Fee – 2024</b>	<b>\$2,700.00</b>
Includes Clergy fee, a vergers to open and close the church, use of Church and grounds for a period of 1 hour following the service, Organist, and the preparation of Church (including flowers).	
<b>less Booking Deposit (non-refundable)</b>	<u><b>\$250.00</b></u>
<b>Final Payment</b>	<b>\$2,450.00</b>

The final payment is to be paid to the Parish Office at least one month before the wedding.

## Options for Payment

- By cheque made payable to 'St Andrew's Anglican Church Brighton',
- Cash, or
- EFT to bank account.

St Andrew's Anglican Church Brighton  
ANZ BANK – Middle Brighton  
BSB: 013 355    Account Number: 007085668  
Reference: your family name & wedding date

## Flower arrangements

On your special day, we will have two large floral arrangements at the front of the Church. Arrangements are traditionally white but may incorporate colour **by prior arrangement** with our florist.

Should you require additional flowers outside of those provided contact the Parish Office for details of our florist. Please note any additional charges are to be paid directly to the florist prior to your wedding day.

You may also use your own florist – please ask them to contact the Parish Office in advance to arrange a suitable time to come into the church.

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Parish Office hours — Mon, Wed, Fri  
10am–3pm (closed for lunch)

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