



WEDDINGS

at St Bede's Drummoyne



Congratulations on your engagement! What an exciting time this will be for both of you.

Thank you for considering St Bede's as the venue for your wedding ceremony.

Contained within this wedding pack is everything you need to know about your wedding at St Bede's. Please do not hesitate to contact us for more information.

First and foremost, please note that couples who marry at St Bede's must fit certain criteria:

- If you have been married before, we will need to interview you first. This is so we can establish that the reasons for the breakdown of the previous marriage have been worked through and resolved as best as possible, and that all legal requirements have been met. We will also need to sight paperwork giving evidence of the termination of the previous marriage (e.g. Divorce Certificate).
- You must be able to attend our marriage education course (unless your own minister is counseling you). This is a two – three week course, which is run by one of our ministers. This course is designed to prepare a strong foundation for your marriage.
- You must be able to declare that you have every intention of keeping your marriage vows and be able to say your vows with integrity.

If you are able to fulfill the above criteria, please see the enclosed forms.

We like couples to come along to church one Sunday (our service is at 10:00am) so we can introduce ourselves and I can then let you know how to proceed.

I look forward to meeting you soon.

God bless,

Emily Stedman
St Bede's Drummoynes



Within this document you will find:

1. THE APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE FORM

This is our form that will allow us to have your contact and wedding details. Please select if you would like any of the additional services (flowers or an organist)

2. GOVERNMENT FORMS

<https://www.ag.gov.au/marriageforms>

3. A SAMPLE ORDER OF SERVICE

You will need to create an order of service yourself for the day of the wedding. A sample order of service is attached.

4. WEDDING FEE SCHEDULE

To be filled in and returned to the St Bede's office.

In Review:

- Make sure you fit the marriage criteria listed above
- Fill out the Application of Marriage and Notice of Intent to Marry forms
- Remember to bring in your birth certificate or passport
- Pay your \$200 deposit via online transfer
 - BSB: 012227 & Account: 8681242
 - Name: St Bede's Anglican Church
 - Reference: your last names and the word "wedding"

If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact our office:

Call the office on 02 9181 1653 or email office@stbedes.com.au



WEDDING FEE SCHEDULE

ST BEDE'S MINISTER OFFICIATING

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| Use of the Church Building | \$1050 |
| Administration | \$150 |
| Minister (including church service, interviews and preparation course) | \$500 |
| Cleaner | \$100 |
| Total | \$1800 |

Other Information

- All couples are required to meet with the minister over three consecutive weeks to talk through the basics of marriage from a Christian perspective and to arrange the service.
- All couples are required take the Prepare Course Survey (Prepare-enrich.com)
 - The Prepare Course is taken online and costs \$42 per couple
 - The results will be discussed at one of the three meetings with the minister
- You are free to arrange flowers (at your own expense) to be delivered on the same day as the wedding. The church can provide stands for the flowers.
- Our hall is available for use for post-wedding drinks or morning/afternoon tea. An additional \$100 cleaning fee is charged.
- Our church is fully equipped with modern AV equipment. Our keyboard and drum kit are available for use at no extra charge.
- The church will be available for 1 hour before the scheduled start time of your wedding and should be vacated 1 hour after the ceremony.
- Please note that confetti, rice, petals or bubbles are not to be used on the premises
- The Notice of Intended Marriage form and payment should be given to the office 6 weeks prior to the wedding day.

Wedding Rehearsal

We encourage all couples to hold a wedding rehearsal during the week leading up to their wedding. The church will be available for 1.5 hours for this and you can book in a time that suits you with the wedding coordinator. Please note that we do not allow wedding bands to rehearse during this time, however, the musicians are more than welcome to come to the rehearsal, especially if they are playing during the processional.



WEDDING FEE SCHEDULE

VISITING MINISTER OFFICIATING

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| Use of the Church Building | \$1050 |
| Administration | \$150 |
| Cleaner | \$100 |
| Total | \$1300 |

Other Information

- Your own pastor should meet with you to talk over Christian marriage and provide pre-marriage counseling.
- You are free to arrange flowers (at your own expense) to be delivered on the same day as the wedding. The church can provide stands for the flowers.
- Our hall is available for use for post-wedding drinks or morning/afternoon tea. An additional \$100 cleaning fee is charged.
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WEDDING SERVICE TEMPLATE

These words are the minimum requirement for weddings conducted by a St Bede's minister. Other items such as congregational songs and bible readings can be included in discussion with the minister.

Processional

We have come together in the sight of God for the joining in marriage of this man, and this woman.

Our Lord Jesus Christ said of marriage that 'From the beginning of creation, God made them male and female. "For this reason a man shall leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two shall become one." So they are no longer two but one. What therefore God has joined together, let no-one separate'.

Marriage is the symbol of God's unending love for His people, and of the union between Christ and His Church. So the apostle Paul teaches that the husband must love his wife as Christ loved the Church, and that the wife must give due honour to her husband.

Marriage should be honoured by all, and is not to be entered into lightly or carelessly, but with reverent and serious respect for those purposes for which it was instituted by God.

Marriage is a gift from God, for the well-being of mankind, and for the proper expression of natural instincts, and affections with which He has endowed us.

It is a life-long union, in which a man and a woman are called so to give themselves in body, mind, and spirit, and so to respond, that from their union will grow a deepening knowledge and love of each other. In the joys and sorrows of life, in prosperity and adversity, they share their companionship, faithfulness, and strength.

In marriage a new family is established in accordance with God's purpose, so that children may be born and nurtured in secure and loving care, for their well-being and instruction, and for the good order of society, to the glory of God.

Name and **Name** have now come here to be joined in this holy union to which God has led them. They seek His blessing on their life together, that they may fulfil His purpose for them; and they ask us to support them in prayer. If any person here can show why they may not lawfully be joined in marriage they should speak now, or hereafter remain in silence.

Who brings this woman to be married to this man?

I charge you both, as you will answer before God, that if either of you know any reason why you may not lawfully be joined together in matrimony, you now confess it. For be assured that those who marry otherwise than God's word allows are not joined together by God, neither is their matrimony lawful in His sight.



The Consent

Name will you take **Name** to be your wife, to live together according to God's law? Will you give her the honour due to her as your wife and, forsaking all others, love and protect her, as long as you both shall live? (**I will.**)

Name will you take **Name** to be your husband, to live together according to God's law? Will you give him the honour due to him as your husband and, forsaking all others, love and protect him, as long as you both shall live? (**I will.**)

God our Father, in Your great love for mankind You have given us the gift of marriage; so bless X and Y as they pledge their lives to each other, that their love may evermore grow to be the true reflection of Your love for us all; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Exchange of Vows - The Marriage

I, **Name**, in the presence of God,

take you, **Name**, to be my wife;

to have and to hold from this day
forward,

for better for worse,

for richer for poorer,

in sickness and in health,

to love and to cherish,

as long as we both shall live.

This is my solemn vow and promise.

I, **Name**, in the presence of God

take you, **Name**, to be my husband;

to have and to hold from this day
forward,

for better for worse,

for richer for poorer,

in sickness and in health,

to love and to cherish,

as long as we both shall live.

This is my solemn vow and promise.



Exchange of Rings

Grant, Lord, that these rings may be a token and constant sign of the pledge of love and faithfulness which these two persons make to each other, through Jesus Christ our Lord

Name, with this ring I wed you;
with all that I am and all that I have I honour you;
in the name of God. Amen

Name, I receive this ring in token of our marriage.
May God enable us to grow in love together.

Name, with this ring I wed you;
with all that I am and all that I have I honour you;
in the name of God. Amen

The man responds

Name, I receive this ring in token of our marriage. May God enable us to grow in love together.

Those whom God has joined together let no-one separate.

The Declaration of the marriage

Before God and in the presence of us all,
by solemn consent and promise,
by the giving and receiving of rings,
and by the joining of hands, **Name** and **Name** have now accepted each other in marriage.

In the name of God, I declare them to be husband and wife.



God the Father enrich you with His grace,
God the Son make you holy in His love,
God the Holy Spirit strengthen you with His joy.
The Lord bless you and keep you in eternal life. **Amen.**

Hymn

Prayers

Signing of Register

Recessional



APPLICATION FOR MARRIAGE

Wedding Date:

Wedding Time:

Wedding No:

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| Name | |
| Address | |
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| | State P/Code |
| Home Phone | |
| Mobile | |
| Email | |

BRIDE

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| Name | |
| Address | |
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| | State P/Code |
| Home Phone | |
| Mobile | |
| Email | |

WEDDING FEES FOR 2018

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| St Bede's Minister | \$1800 |
| Own Minister | \$1300 |
| Use of Hall (cleaning fee) | \$100 |
| Total | \$ |

OFFICE USE ONLY

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|------------------------------------|--|
| \$200 deposit paid | |
| NOIM received (St Bede's Min only) | |
| Final Payment | |

Signed on behalf of St Bede's Church

Date

Signed on behalf of Bride or Groom

Date
