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Membership Fee
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Terms and conditions apply
Only one voucher per couple
No monetary equivalent



Voucher



Congratulations on your forthcoming marriage

For some people, a church simply seems like the proper place to get married as you seek God's blessing on your love and life together.

The Church of England wants to help and support you, whatever stage you're at with your planning.

Just starting? If you're looking for a church, there are now more churches to choose from for your special day. If you wish to marry in a church that's not where you or your parents have lived, you may still have a legally recognised qualifying connection.

Guidance is available on www.yourchurchwedding.org or approach the church directly.

Alternatively, you may have already chosen the church for your wedding.

There are some things about marrying in a church that are unique and special.

It's your wedding, and the Church of England will work with you to make in personal, meaningful, spiritual and beautiful.

Planning your wedding

The perfect day needn't cost a fortune, but inevitably there will be some expenses. Paying hundreds of pounds in interest for a wedding paid for on credit can severely impact on your finances as you begin married life. Save yourself that stress with these simple tips.

Step 1. Work out the cost of your wedding together and set a budget

Church fees are one expense amongst many. Whether you opt for a wedding package or put together your own special day, the costs of a wedding can add up. So set a budget and write it down. Then stick to it to keep costs under control.

Step 2. Work out how much you need to save each month.

Be realistic about how much you can afford. For example for every £1,000 you plan to spend on a wedding in a year's time, you'll need to save £80 a month. But if you start saving two years before you'll only need to save £40 each month.

Step 3. Get started.

Set up a regular payment to transfer a set amount into a savings account every month. Opening a separate Credit Union account will keep your savings safe and separate from your current account so you're less likely to 'dip in'! Any friends and family wishing to make donations can pay directly into the account, and you will have easy access to your account whenever you need them. Credit Unions are regulated by the Prudential Regulation Authority and all savings are protected under the Financial Services Compensation Scheme. Contact for your local credit union are on the back of this leaflet, or visit www.findyourcreditunion.co.uk



Saving up for your wedding cuts the cost and the stress.

Every day savings can help towards the cost of your big day

Small sacrifices can boost your wedding cash. If your special day is a year away cut out something today that you buy every day. For example if you save the £2 a day you spend on crisps and a soft drink you'd have 365 x £2 = £730 more in your wedding fund.

Should you ever borrow to pay for the wedding?

If you really can't afford to pay for your wedding without a loan at least make sure you borrow at the cheapest rate possible and avoid dangerous high cost credit including payday loans. If you've been saving regularly with the Credit Union then you will be able to apply for an affordable low cost loan to spread the costs of your wedding. And once you've been saving regularly, if you need a loan at a later date, your record will help show that you can afford repayments, improving your access to affordable finance.

When the day arrives - enjoy it - and your future life together!

We're here for you

Whatever and whenever you choose to get married, you make a public declaration of life-long commitment to love each other faithfully and take on a new legal status as husband and wife.

The Church of England thoroughly believes in marriage for the well being of individuals and society. If you have found 'the one', and you are committed to each other in every respect, there is so much more adventure ahead. We would be delighted to be part of that adventure too.