

THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

TABLE OF PAROCHIAL FEES

FROM 1 JANUARY 2021

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The main fees that are currently payable by law (excluding 'Extras' (See Note 1)) are set out below. The full table including notes, guidance and FAQs are available from links on the Fees page of the Church of England website.

MARRIAGES	£
Publication of banns	31.00
Certificate of banns, if required	15.00
Marriage service (See Note 1)	464.00
Marriage certificate, at registration, if required (See Note 2)	

BAPTISMS	£
There is no fee for a service of baptism.	
Certificate of baptism, if required	15.00

Notes:

- (1) The fees listed above are the statutory fees payable and do not include charges for heating, the services of a vergier, music (e.g. organist, choir), bells, and flowers, which are fixed by the Parochial Church Council. In the case of a marriage service or a funeral service in church, any costs and expenses incurred in respect of routine administration (including arranging dates and times and the making of entries in registers), making the church available and lighting it are included in the fee prescribed as payable to the Parochial Church Council.
- (2) The fee for a marriage certificate is fixed by the Secretary of State and is issued by the register office and not the church.
- (3) 'Monument', here, is a technical term and includes, for example, a gravestone or headstone.

FUNERALS

Service (in church, cemetery or crematorium, or funeral director's chapel) (See Note 1)	£
Burial in churchyard, preceding or following on from service in church	199.00
Burial in churchyard, on a separate occasion, or without service in church	320.00
Burial in cemetery or cremation immediately preceding or following on from service in church	348.00
Burial certificate, if required	29.00
	15.00

MONUMENTS (See Note 3)

These normally range from £46.00 to £144.00 depending on the type and size of the monument required

SEARCHES IN REGISTERS, ETC.

For the first hour (inclusive of one copy of an entry in certain registers)	£
For each subsequent hour or part of an hour	31.00
Additional copies of entries	15.00

Statutory fees are only prescribed for matters in respect of which parishioners have a legal right. Not all services come into this category, for example funerals where there is a period of more than 48 hours between the funeral service and the cremation and between the cremation and the disposal of ashes. This also applies to special services such as memorial services and services of blessing and dedication following a civil marriage. The Archbishops' Council recommends that, where a memorial service is on a similar scale to a funeral service, or a service of blessing and dedication following a civil marriage or a renewal of marriage vows is on a scale equivalent to a wedding service, the PCC fee should be based on the statutory fee for the service, with the PCC receiving the equivalent of the combined DBF and PCC fee.



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