

PLANNING YOUR WEDDING

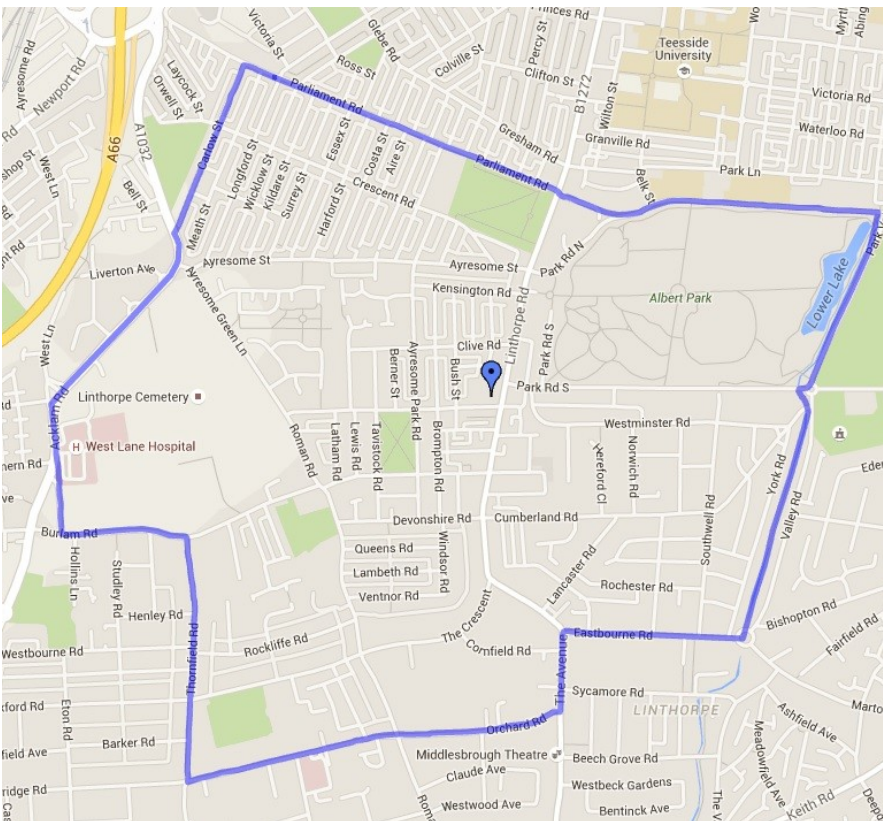


We are delighted that you are considering a wedding at St Barnabas. We advise that you plan well ahead to ensure your wedding ceremony runs smoothly. This document gives an overview of some of the details to be aware of before booking your ceremony.

Eligibility

You are able to marry at St Barnabas if you fill any of the following requirements:

- ◆ One of you lives in the Parish (see image below for our parish boundaries) or has lived in the parish for a period of 6 months
- ◆ One of you has attended worship at St Barnabas for a period of 6 months
- ◆ One of you has been baptized or confirmed at St Barnabas
- ◆ One of your parents lived in the parish for at least 6 months during your lifetime
- ◆ One of your parents has regularly attended public worship at Barnabas for at least 6 months
- ◆ Your parents or grandparents were married at St Barnabas



If you're not sure which Parish you live in, check at www.achurchnearyou.com

If one or both of you have been married before please contact the vicar (01642 817306) in the first instance.

If one of both of you are not British or EU nationals, check that you are eligible to be married at St Barnabas and then contact the Register Office, tel. 01642 729004.

Banns

Banns are read for three Sundays during the three months before your wedding. As well as it being a legal requirement, your banns readings are special public occasions when people in church hear of your intention to marry. You will need to have your banns read in the local church of the parish where each of you live, as well as St Barnabas. Please get in touch with us about reading banns if you are unsure.

Booking the Date

Contact the church office to book your wedding. When you book your wedding we will need to get your details, which will be entered into the marriage registers and also used on the Marriage Certificate, so it is important they are correct.

Meeting with Clergy

Our clergy decide who will conduct the wedding, according to their availability. We will put you in touch with the relevant member of clergy who you will arrange a meeting with to discuss your ceremony.

Marriage Preparation

We offer Marriage Preparation courses from time to time and hope to be able to invite you to one of these before your wedding. The course will deepen your relationship and allow you to build strong foundations for married life. There is no group discussion and privacy is respected. Please speak to us if you would like to attend our Marriage Preparation Course as dates and times vary depending on the time of year.

Order of service

Planning your ceremony can be a little daunting; choosing songs, other music and bible readings can make it seem like a big task. We can help you find hymns or songs, and bible readings.

For some suggestions see www.yourchurchwedding.org/section/planning-your-ceremony/

Wedding Costs

The following fees are payable to St Barnabas in six weeks before your wedding. Cheques should be made payable to Linthorpe St Barnabas PCC.

Publication of banns of marriage at St Barnabas	£ 27
Marriage Service & certificate	£ 415
Organist	£ 57
Verger	£ 40
Total	<u>£539</u>

Extras

Additional Flowers in Church	£ 35
Video	£ 35

If you have any questions please contact the church office

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