

Marriage Application



Marriage Application for _____

and _____.

Details of the person making this application:

Name	
Contact address	
Contact 'phone number	
Contact e-mail address	

Thank you for enquiring about getting married in one of the churches in the Parish of Louth. We look forward to helping you mark the special occasion, and this significant moment in your relationship. In order to help us make sure that all aspects of the service are prepared as smoothly as possible we ask you to complete the following pages as completely as possible. You may well find that the Church of England wedding website is useful as you complete this form and prepare for your wedding: www.yourchurchwedding.org

If you need more information please contact the Deanery Office on 01507 610247.

ABOUT THE WEDDING DAY

Which church do you hope to marry in? _____

Which date do you hope to marry on? _____ / _____ / _____

At what time would you like the service to begin? _____

ABOUT YOUR QUALIFICATIONS TO MARRY

Are you both British nationals?	YES/NO	<i>If 'No', then please contact us so that we can advise you on the best way to make sure you are qualified to marry in England.</i>
Does one of you live in the Parish of Louth?	YES/NO	<i>If 'No', then you need to establish that you have a qualifying connection in order to marry in the Parish of Louth. Please visit https://www.yourchurchwedding.org/article/finding-a-church/ for more information. Please contact us if you need advice on what this means. If you are marrying by qualifying connection please describe it here:</i>
Do either of you live elsewhere?	YES/NO	<i>If 'Yes', then you need to make sure that you apply for 'banns' to be read in the Parish in which you live in order to be able to marry in the Parish of Louth. On or before the day of your wedding, the minister taking your wedding service will need to see a certificate to prove banns have been read.</i>
Have either of you been married before, and the previous partner is still living?	YES/NO	<i>If 'Yes', you need to arrange to meet with the Rector to check that you qualify to get married.</i>
Are you related by blood, marriage or adoption?	YES/NO	<i>If 'Yes', please contact us for advice on whether you are able to marry.</i>

PERSONAL DETAILS FOR THE REGISTRATION OF THE MARRIAGE

Full name	Date of Birth	Status	Rank, profession or occupation	Address at the time of publication of banns	Parents full names (add if deceased)	Parents rank, profession or occupation (add if retired)
(Groom)		<i>Single Widower Divorced</i>				
(Bride)		<i>Single Widower Divorced</i>				

IMPORTANT NOTES WHEN FILLING IN THIS PART OF THE FORM:

- (i) Please provide full legal names
- (ii) If one (or both) of the people intending to get married are divorced there is an extra stage required before the application can be approved. Please contact the Rector to arrange for this to take place. For this you will need to provide details of the previous marriage, a copy of the decree absolute and speak about the current relationship.
- (iii) Banns are normally published 4-8 weeks before the marriage. If you do not know the address at this time please leave blank. However, we will need to know the address before calling banns. If your address will change between calling banns and getting married please contact us as soon as possible so that we can make sure that the necessary legal preliminaries are completed.

**ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT THE SERVICE (If you are not able to answer all the questions in this section
please leave blank)**

In the information sent with this form you will find a list of the fees charged at each of the churches. In addition to the 'standard' fees there are some optional things that you may wish to include as part of your wedding. There is normally an additional charge for each of these additional elements of the day.

Would you like members of the choir to sing during the service? YES/NO (Only at St James, and subject to availability. Please enquire for more information)

Would you like bells rung at the end of the service? YES/NO (Only at St James, South Elkington or Welton le Wold)

ONCE YOU HAVE COMPLETED THIS FORM

1. We will check the date, time and church and confirm that they are available. We will then write to confirm these details. **Please note that until you have received this confirmation there is no firm booking** – some of our churches are busy and used for a wide range of services and events. If we cannot meet your requested date, time or church we will do our best to find a convenient alternative.
2. At the beginning of the year in which you are getting married you will be invited to meet with other couples and then attend a Preparation Day. These events will enable us to provide you with all the information necessary to ensure that you are prepared and that everything is in place for both the legal and spiritual aspects of the wedding. Normally the first event is held on a Friday evening at the end of January, and the Preparation Day on the first Saturday in February.
3. At the Preparation Day you normally will meet the Minister taking your wedding service and can arrange to meet them individually to plan your service.
4. You will meet with the Minister taking your wedding to plan the service. If you have not been able to attend the Preparation Day the Minister will help you explore what marriage means to you in this session.
5. Normally 'banns' will be called on three Sundays in the month before you get married. You are encouraged to join us on these occasions if possible, when we will pray for you and the other couples preparing to get married. If you live outside the Parish of Louth, banns will also need calling in the parish(es) in which you live.
6. We will arrange a suitable time for the wedding rehearsal – wherever possible this will take place on the afternoon or evening before the wedding.

PLEASE LEAVE THIS FOR USE BY THE OFFICIATING MINISTER

Nationality:

British national
 EU/EEA national
 Other national _____

Right to marry:

Residence
 Qualifying connection

Marital status:

Both parties single or widowed
 One or more parties divorced. Seen by Rector and application approved: Date / / . Initials _____.

Preliminaries:

Banns in Louth Common Licence
 Banns elsewhere

Service details:

Music in _____
Hymn 1 _____
Reading(s) _____
Hymn 2 _____
Hymn 3 _____
Music out _____

Date and time of rehearsal:

Date / /
Time : _____

The Parish of Louth

Contact via Loutheresk Deanery Office:

The Rectory
Peppin Lane
Fotherby
Louth
LN11 0UW



Tel: 01507 610247 / Loutheresk@lincoln.anglican.org

Fees for Weddings in The Parish of Louth 2026

This chart shows how the charge for your wedding is made up. It includes all the statutory fees that are set in law and those that are charged by the parish for the services it normally provides. The fees are likely to change each year – we will let you know as soon as possible. If you have any queries, please contact the Deanery Office on 01507 610247.

Fees payable for a wedding at the Parish Church of St. Michael and All Angels, Louth

'Standard' package:	Publication of banns*	£39
	Marriage Service*	£566
	Organist	£79 (£158 if videoed)
	Verger	£63
	TOTAL	£747 (£826 if videoed)
Additional charges:	Contribution towards Flowers	£114
	Heating (October to April)	£114

Mileage is charged at 0.45p per mile

Notes

* - these fees are those required for the minimum legal ceremony

The charge for a marriage certificate is payable directly to the registry office from 4th May 2021

<https://www.lincolnshire.gov.uk/births/order-birth-death-ceremony-certificate>

Please indicate the options you would like for your service:

'Standard' package:		
Basic fees (includes Verger & Organist)	£747	Yes/No
Additional charge (for Organist) if video/sound recording is made	£79	Yes/No
Additional options:		
Contribution towards Flowers	£114	Yes/No
Heating (between October and April)	£114	Yes/No
BANNS of marriage in another parish (within Loutheresk Deanery)	£39	Yes/No
Certificate of Banns of marriage from another parish	£20	Yes/No

Please complete and return to: **The Deanery Office, The Rectory Peppin Lane Fotherby LN11 0UW**
Loutheresk@lincoln.anglican.org

Nearer the date of your wedding, the deanery office will prepare and send you an invoice and inform you as to the dates that your banns will be called, if you are marrying by banns.

Please note these **fees are for 2026** only and will change for future weddings. Should you wish to set up a standing order to spread the cost of your wedding, please contact the Deanery Office for the bank details.