

# Banns of Marriage Application

(for those intending to be married at St John's Community Church)

Please complete and return to:  
**St John's Community Church Office,**  
**High Street, Chase Terrace, Burntwood, WS7 1LR**  
**Telephone: 01543 670078**

2 Full Name (block capitals)	3 Age at proposed date of wedding	4 Condition (strike out what does not apply)	5 Rank, Profession or Occupation	6 Address at time of publishing banns (and phone number)	7 Father's full name (if deceased, add deceased)	8 Father's rank, profession or occupation
(Man)		Single Widower Divorcee				
(Woman)		Single Widower Divorcee				

9 Nationality	10 Date of Birth	11 Have you been previously married or in a civil partnership?	12 If so, was the previous marriage terminated by death?	13 Have you been baptised? If so, where?	14 Since when have you lived at the address in 6 above?	15 Which is your parish church?
(Man)		Yes/No	Yes/No			
(Woman)		Yes/No	Yes/No			

16 Are you related, or connected by marriage? If so, how?	17 At what church do you wish to be married?	18 On what date?	19 At what time?	20 Criteria	I hereby certify that to the best of my belief the answers to the above questions are correct.	
				(Man)	Signature	Date
				(Woman)	Signature	Date

## Notes to the Banns of Marriage Application

Please note that at least seven days notice is required before the first reading of Banns.

### Item 3

If either of you will not be 18 years old by the proposed date of the wedding, the consent of your parents or guardians will need to be obtained.

### Items 4, 11, 12

The Church's official rules do not permit the marriage in church of anyone who has been divorced from a husband or wife who is still alive, without the consent of the Diocesan Bishop. If you are in this position, you should consult your local clergy person as soon as possible to discuss your options and, where possible, to begin the process with the Bishop.

### Item 6

Please make sure that you include the name of the town, the county and the postcode in your address.

### Item 15

This means the Church of England parish in which you live. If you are unsure which parish you live in, you can use the website [www.achurchnearyou.com](http://www.achurchnearyou.com) to look up your postcode and check.

If either of you (or both of you) lives in a different parish from that in which the marriage is to take place, you have to arrange for the Banns of Marriage to be read and obtain a Banns certificate from that parish as well.

### Item 20

To get married in the Church, you must have a qualifying connection. The list opposite states all the possibilities by which you may qualify. In the box write either 'Live in Parish' if you live here, 'Electoral Roll' if you are on the Electoral Roll for the church, or 'Connection' if one of the other qualifications apply.

## Qualifying connections

You can get married here if one of you...

- ◇ will be living in this parish when the wedding takes place or
- ◇ is on the Electoral Roll of this church or
- ◇ has at any time lived in this parish for a period of at least 6 months or
- ◇ was baptised in this parish or
- ◇ was prepared for confirmation in this parish or
- ◇ has at any time regularly gone to normal church services in this parish church for a period of at least 6 months or

Alternatively, if one of your parents, at any time after you were born:

- ◇ have lived in this parish for a period of at least 6 months or
- ◇ have regularly gone to normal church services in the parish church for a period of at least 6 months or

Alternatively, if your parents or grandparents:

- ◇ were married in this parish

In all cases involving church services - i.e. going to normal church services, baptism, confirmation or marriage - this applies only to Church of England services.