

CONTACTS

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Priest **Ph. (03) 5984 2027**
The Reverend Lynda McMinn

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Norman Pilkington

Flowers (St. John's) **Ph. (03) 5984 2627**
Mrs Heather Johnson.

Flowers (St Andrew's) **Ph. (03) 5985 5767**
Mrs Prue Found.

Please notify the Wedding Secretary or Mrs. Johnson in advance if you wish to engage an outside florist to arrange extra flowers for your wedding

MARRIAGE EDUCATION PROGRAM

All couples who plan to be married at St John's or St Andrew's are asked to attend a Preparation Session **on a Sunday afternoon from 1.30pm until 5pm.** A date suitable for you to attend before your wedding will be given to you well in advance.

Afternoon tea is provided.

John and Shirley Goldsworthy conduct this Session. They are experienced Couple Relationship Educators. Shirley has had 27 years as a Counselling Psychologist and her Workbook for Couples, "I, You and Us, creating a loving, lasting marriage" will be given to you beforehand to read through and discuss the couple questions.

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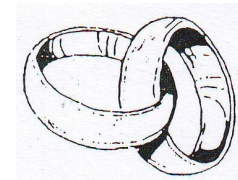
- ❖ Communication: Effective listening and Problem Solving Skills.
- ❖ Staying connected and strengthening your intimate love.
- ❖ Balancing Togetherness and Separateness
- ❖ Exploring Values, Roles and Expectations.
- ❖ Keeping fun, romance and passion alive.

The Preparation Session also provides opportunity for you to talk about further details relating to your Wedding Service and the preparation of printing your Order of Service.

ANGLICAN PARISH OF SORRENTO AND RYE

*Incorporating the two Churches of
St. John in Sorrento and St. Andrew in Rye*

WEDDING INFORMATION



Priest: The Reverend Lynda McMinn

WEDDING COSTS

We are delighted that you are considering being married in St. John's Church, Sorrento or St. Andrew's Church, Rye.

The Wedding Fee of \$1200 is a fixed fee for St John's and \$800 fixed for St Andrew's.

This fee covers the following:

***A Priest of the Parish**, who assists you with documentation, details of your wedding service, your rehearsal and officiating at your ceremony. (If, after consultation with our Vicar, you invite another priest/minister to be involved, please ensure that they receive separate recompense.)

***Marriage Education Program:**

You receive a Couple Workbook at your 1st Interview and will be asked to attend the Preparation Session (see reverse side).

***Church Organist:** Music Information Brochure will be made available.

***Church Flowers:** Traditional classic arrangements of white and cream with greenery are provided. White or cream bows are placed on pews. The ambience of the stained glass windows highlights the beauty of this historic church.

***The Verger:** Prepares the Church and is in attendance during the service.

***Your donation to the Church** and a small fee to the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne.

Following your initial interview with our Priest please forward a **non-refundable deposit of \$200, within 14 days, to confirm your booking.** The balance of your Wedding Fee is required one month before your wedding on receipt of our invoice.

WEDDING DOCUMENTS

Requirements of the Marriage Act (1961) – Commonwealth of Australia:

1. Notice of Intended Marriage

This form needs to be completed by the couple and the officiating priest not more than 18 months and not less than one month prior to the intended date of the marriage.

2. Birth Certificates

The officiating priest must see the bride's and groom's Birth Certificate or Extract of Birth. (**Note:** A photocopy is not acceptable.)

3. Re-Marriage

The officiating priest is also required to see documentary evidence of the death of a spouse or of divorce.

OTHER REQUIREMENTS

Baptism or Confirmation

Certificate of Baptism or Confirmation of at least one party is desirable if you choose to be married in the Anglican Church.

Couples who attend another Church

If you are involved in another Church we ask that, out of courtesy, you notify your Priest or Minister of your intention to be married in our Church.

Appointments and contact with your officiating Priest: Your first appointment is to meet and complete documents, with follow up Emails about any special requests and the drafting of your Order of Service. **A rehearsal appointment** is required to finalise documentation and to personalise your ceremony for your special day.

WEDDING SERVICE

Ushers

Please arrange for two people to come early to welcome your guests, hand out your Order of Service or books and show guests to their seats.

Photography

We appreciate that you will want to have a special record of your wedding. However, we want to avoid the taking of photos distracting from the significance of the ceremony. Several opportunities are given during the service for photographs to be taken. Floodlights are not permitted. Please ask your photographer(s) to speak to your officiating priest before the service.

Order of Service

If you choose to print your Order of Service, please note, when words of hymns, songs, prayers etc. are reproduced, their source must be acknowledged.

Music

To arrange your music requirements please consult with the organist. (See reverse side for contact details).

Readings

Members of your family or friends are welcome to read these. Readings are chosen in consultation with your officiating priest. At least one reading is required from the Bible.

Rose Petals and Bubbles are permitted but no Confetti or Rice

Please respect that no confetti or rice is to be thrown in the Church or in the grounds.

Contact the Parish Office for any information about the preparation of the Church.
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