

HAVERHILL & WITHERSFIELD BENEFICE

Rector & Rural Dean
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Wedding Order of Service



www.yourchurchwedding.org

Entrance of the bride : music.....

Welcome & Introduction

Hymn

Preface

Declarations

Collect

Reading : by

The Vows

Giving of Rings

Proclamation

Blessing of the Marriage

Hymn.....

Prayers

Lord's Prayer : traditional (printed)

Hymn.....

Blessing

Signing of Registers

Music during

Bride and Groom depart: music



The Diocese of
St. Edmundsbury & Ipswich
Rural Deanery of Clare



You can marry in a Church of England church if you can show:-

That one of you:

- has at any time lived in the parish for a period of at least 6 months **or**
- was baptised in the parish concerned **or**
- was prepared for confirmation in the parish **or**
- has at any time regularly gone to normal church services in the parish church for a period of at least 6 months **or**
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That one of your parents, at any time after you were born:

- has lived in the parish for a period of at least 6 months **or**
- has regularly gone to normal church services in the parish church for a period of at least 6 months **or**
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That one of your parents or grandparents:

- was married in the 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. Even if you cannot demonstrate any of the above connections, we want to help you explore whether it may still be possible for you to marry in your special church.

Talk to the Vicar there well in advance to discuss the options open to you.

If you're marrying in a special church that's not where you live, your *local* church would still love to support you as you prepare for the wedding, and afterwards too

