



QUEEN'S CROSS CHURCH

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Wedding Booking Package



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YOUR MARRIAGE AT QUEEN'S CROSS CHURCH

Your wedding is one of the key moments in your life. Couples that choose to be married at Queen's Cross Church can be assured of the interest and concern of the congregation and the church staff. The church wants to help you plan and carry through a wedding service that fulfils your highest expectations.

The church sanctuary is available for weddings and can hold up to 400 guests comfortably. Weddings at Queen's Cross cannot be booked on Sundays or on the following dates: Christmas Eve, Christmas, New Year's Day and Maundy Thursday through Easter Monday. The rehearsal is ordinarily held two days preceding the wedding and should be scheduled when you book your wedding.

OFFICIATING MINISTER AND SERVICE PREPARATION

Queen's Cross's Minister is available for weddings, but if for any reason the minister is unavailable to officiate the ceremony, Queen's Cross Church will supply a Church of Scotland minister to conduct your wedding. A marriage service becomes part of the public witness of the congregation, therefore the content of the service is subject to the approval of the officiating minister. All couples planning marriage are required to meet with the officiating minister in order to plan the service and attend to other necessary details.

PRE-MARRIAGE COUNSELLING

The minister will be glad to meet with you as you prepare for your wedding day. If you would also like to discuss with the minister any questions about marriage or would like to receive pre-marriage counselling, the minister will be glad to assist. It is expected that all couples marrying at Queen's Cross will make an effort to attend worship on a regular basis.

THE SERVICE

Music

The Christian wedding ceremony is a service of worship and suitable music is helpful in providing an appropriate setting. We are happy to help you with music selections.

The services of Queen's Cross Director of Music, Geoffrey Atkinson, are utilised at all weddings requiring organ or piano music, unless otherwise agreed upon. Once your booking is confirmed, contact the Director of Music to schedule a time to discuss your music with him. Geoffrey Atkinson can be reached by e-mail at g.atkinson@fagus-music.com

Other organists or pianists may be involved only with the permission of Queen's Cross Minister, however please note that the Queen's Cross Director of Music is still due payment for his services whether or not his services are engaged. A Church wedding is conducted in the house and the presence of God. The selection of music must be appropriate to a service of worship. Queen's Cross Parish Church observes all applicable copyright laws. Detailed information on matters pertaining to the use of copyrighted material is available from the church office.

Please plan to select at least two hymns, entrance and exit music, and any special requests. Please see the attached Musical Arrangements form for further guidance on your musical selections.

Readings

In addition to a Bible reading, which should be selected in collaboration with the minister, you may wish to select a reading from another source, such as poetry or prose. If you need help selecting any readings, please speak with the minister.

Photographs and Videos

Since the taking of pictures severely detracts from the dignity of the marriage service, we ask that you consider using only a professional photographer during the ceremony itself. It is the choice of the marrying couple as to the photographer used. A video camera may be used for the entire service, but please note that there will be a rise in certain fees if the service is videotaped.

Additionally, we would like to seek consent from the marrying couple to post picture(s) of your choosing to our social media pages through the signing of the attached Church of Scotland Photo Release Form.

Flowers and Decor

The Sanctuary at Queen's Cross provides a beautiful atmosphere for a wedding. The use of additional decoration is left to the Bride and Groom to choose, however we do ask that you seek prior permission and use care in using additional decor. Please note that the use of biodegradable confetti only is permitted for use out with the Sanctuary.

Queen's Cross does not provide flowers for the service, but welcomes them for your wedding. The choice of florists is of course yours. Most local florists are well acquainted with the Queen's Cross Sanctuary and will be able to advise on suitable arrangements. Please also inform the minister if you'd like to leave your flowers as a donation to the church.

WEDDING FEES

Item	Fee	Notes
Church (non-members)	£300	
Church (members)	£200	
Church Officer	£40	
Hire of AV technician	£50	
Hire of organist	£100	
Hire of organist (if videoed)	£180	
Hire of organ for personal use		Must be approved by the minister.
Hire of piano for personal use		Must be approved by the minister.
Hire of church choir		Must be approved by the minister.

Couples will make a £100 non-refundable deposit to confirm the wedding. Once the deposit is received, couples may be assured that the above advertised fees will remain. The balance must be paid at least one month prior to the wedding date. Payment can be made by cheques payable to Queen's Cross Parish Church or by cash or money order. Please remember that no wedding is confirmed booked without our receipt of the forms, a meeting with the minister, and the paid deposit.

SIGNATURES

We accept the Terms and Conditions of this Wedding policy as noted above for Queen's Cross Parish Church.

Signed: _____
Spouse Spouse Minister

Date: _____

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