WEDDING FEES & DISBURSEMENTS

PROPOSALS FOR 2020

FEES

The parochial fees for 2020 go up from £489 to £505:

DBF Marriage Service [!] £211

PCC Publication of Banns £31

Marriage Service [#] £252

Certified copy of marriage register [*] £11 £294

Total: £505

NOTES

[!] This fee is disbursed differently according to whether the Minister is Methodist, Baptist of CofE.

[#] This fee is reduced for Free Church weddings by the cost of Superintendent Registrar's Certificate in order to keep the overall fees for couples the same as for CofE weddings.

[*] This may be increased from 1st April 2020.

DISBURSEMENTS

Verger

This increased in 2018 from £40 to £45 (St Andrew's £60 for 2 vergers)

Organist

This increased in 2018 from £100 to £110 (organist: £70; organ fund: £40)

(for video recording the fee is doubled to cover legally applicable extra fees)

Bell-ringers

In 2018 it was agreed to vary this according to the church:

St Andrews & Cross & Stable £160 (to be confirmed)

St Lawrence £180

St Mary Magdalene £30 [*]

(For funerals, the same rates apply, though usually without the added 'Organ fund' element).

[*] St Mary Magdalene had been £30 for a number of years as there are only 3 bells which can only be chimed, not rung by proper bell-ringers.

Further notes

The SEC Standing Committee proposes that the overall fees for weddings in 2020 be calculated as follows:

Church fee: £505

Disbursements: £155 for verger and organ + the local fee for bell ringing.

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