



Congratulations

We are delighted that you plan to be married and that you want a Christian ceremony for your wedding. Our prayer is that you will grow in your relationship with one another and with God, who has given you the love you have for each other.

We want to help prepare you for marriage and not just the wedding day, so please be aware of the following points.

1. Before the wedding, you will need to attend a number of interviews with the Minister who will be taking the service, plus a wedding rehearsal.
2. We recommend you attend *Growing Together*, a marriage preparation course run by Anglicare www.anglicare.org.au/education/relationships. We also have information available on request.
3. We require that you attend at least three church services before the wedding. As you are getting married in a church and making promises before God, we would like you to come and experience what church is like. We suggest our Sunday 9.30am or 6pm service at St Stephen's Mittagong, or 4pm CVCC service at Colo Vale Public School. If this is too difficult, we ask that you obtain a letter from your local minister saying you have attended church three times recently.
4. The wedding date will be confirmed when you give a \$100 deposit to the minister. This is refundable if you change your arrangements and is charged because some couples have changed their minds about the date, venue or even getting married and neglected to let the church know.
5. You are welcome to attend INTRODUCING GOD classes once a week over a 6-8 week period where what it means to enter into a Christian marriage will be explained.

WEDDING FEES

A number of people are involved in a church wedding. Details of our fees are set out below.

Deposit/Booking fee	\$100
Church Venue and minister	\$300
Verger	\$100
Organist/Sound Operator	\$100
	Total \$600

Wedding fees are due at the time of the rehearsal by cash or cheque payable to St Stephen's Mittagong.

We are willing to prepare an order of service for your wedding. However if you want Wedding Covers, these will need to be purchased separately and the booklets assembled by you.

Organist - The organist will play suitable music before the service, as the bride enters, during the signing of the register and as the wedding party departs. They will also play hymns if you wish to have them as part of your service.

No Confetti or Rice, but bubbles are acceptable. We ask that confetti and rice not be used in the church or church grounds as it is difficult to clean up. Bubbles however, are acceptable.

Photographer and Video. We are happy to have photos and videos taken during the service. Many couples have found the outside of the church building, the front gardens of the church grounds and the park across the lane provide good backdrops for photos. Please ask the person or people doing the photography/video to be inconspicuous, and have them speak to the minister before the service regarding their movements during the service.



YOUR COMMITMENT

The vows you make on your wedding day will be some of the most important words you will declare publicly in your life. The promises made to one another in marriage are solemn promises of commitment and love. Marriage, as God intended it, is for life. It is an exclusive union of a man and a woman, built upon a life long commitment to love one another.

We, and the Australian government, encourage people to do some marriage preparation in view of the sad fact that so many marriages fail today. We therefore, encourage all couples who desire to be married at Mittagong Anglican Church to consider the following commitments:

1. to meet with the minister for a number of interviews and a wedding rehearsal;
2. to actively participate in an Anglicare preparation course;
3. to attend at least three church services before the wedding;
4. to attach the \$100 deposit to book your wedding;
5. to consider attending INTRODUCING GOD classes once a week over a 6-8 week period.

We agree to make commitments in preparation for our wedding.

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(Signature of Groom)

Date

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(Signature of Bride)

Date



APPLICATION FORM
for a wedding at
Mittagong Anglican Church

GROOM

Name.....

Address.....

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Phone: H..... Mob

Email

Date of Birth

BRIDE

Name.....

Address.....

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Phone: H..... Mob

Email

Date of Birth

Date, time and minister requested for wedding

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Please complete this form and return it to the church office (PO Box 633, Mittagong 2575) or to a Ministry staff member at one of the Sunday services.

**MITTAGONG
ANGLICAN
CHURCH**

PO Box 633, Mittagong 2575



one church
three centres
six services

St Stephen's Mittagong

Cnr Main St and Station St, Mittagong 2575

8am a traditional Anglican Holy Communion service

9.30am a family service with a children's segment

11am a traditional Anglican service

6pm a contemporary service with a youth focus

Colo Vale Community Church (CVCC)

Colo Vale Public School, Wattle St, Colo Vale 2575

4pm a family focused, informal service

Please feel free to contact the minister who will be officiating at your marriage to discuss any issues about the wedding in the time leading up to the big day. We aim to provide a meaningful and significant church service that will make your wedding day special.

For more information about Mittagong Anglican Church and the programs available, please contact one of the ministry staff or the church office.

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**wedding
application**

A wedding in the Southern Highlands

**Mittagong
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Church**



information and request form