

Application for the Reading of Banns



Date of proposed marriage

Church & Parish of proposed marriage

Your telephone number

Banns at St Mary's Swanley are read in the first three Sundays of the month before the wedding. So, for example, for a June wedding, the banns are called on the first three Sundays in May. We do not call banns any earlier than this, for any reason.

To apply for your Banns to be read, you must come along to St Mary's on a Sunday morning. We are usually available from 11.15am-12 noon. You need to pay the fee and hand in this completed form. In order to be married, you will need a Banns Certificate from us, a certificate will not be issued until the fee is paid. You can collect the certificate on the Sunday of the last reading, or it can be posted to you for an additional fee of £2.

Groom

Full name

Date of Birth Have you been married before?

Have you ever been known by any other name? YES / NO If yes, what name(s)?

Rank, profession or occupation Nationality

Address

Since when have you lived here? Which is your parish church?

Church you usually attend Are you on its electoral roll?

Have you been baptized? YES/NO If so, where?

Bride

Full name

Date of Birth Have you been married before?

Have you ever been known by any other name? YES / NO If yes, what name(s)?

Rank, profession or occupation Nationality

Address

Since when have you lived here? Which is your parish church?

Church you usually attend Are you on its electoral roll?

Have you been baptized? YES/NO If so, where?

I hereby certify that to the best of my belief the answers to the above questions are correct.

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Signature Signature Date

In 2026, the charge for the reading of banns is £59 plus £2 if you would like the certificate posted to you. These fees will increase from 1 January each year.