

ST. OWEN'S CHURCH BROMHAM

GUIDELINES FOR FLOWERS IN CHURCH AT WEDDING CEREMONIES

There is a volunteer group of members of the church called the Altar Guild who provide and arrange two flower arrangements on the window ledge behind the altar on a weekly rota. This is the limit of the Altar Guild's responsibility and they do not undertake to provide any additional or special arrangements or colours for weddings.

Special flowers, if required, must be organised by you, the parties involved in the wedding, and you may choose to do them yourselves, with friends and family or employ a professional florist.

There is not much available space in St. Owen's church, so, however you decide to do it, we would ask you to please observe the following points when planning your decorations:-

1. If there are two or more weddings on the same day you will be responsible for liaising with the other couples regarding flowers, colours etc. (check with Office or Vicar)
2. In the Sanctuary, flowers are only allowed on the window ledge behind the altar, not on the altar itself nor in the area behind the altar rail.
3. No pedestals are allowed in the Chancel.
4. Pedestals in the Nave must be positioned so that they do not obstruct any aisles or doorways (for fire regulations).
5. Arrangements may be placed on window ledges.
6. No arches are allowed in the church or churchyard and nothing should be fixed to the stonework at the doorways or elsewhere.

These guidelines are to make sure that there is ease of access and movement in the building for those taking part in the service and to avoid damage to the building and furnishings of the church.

There are wrought iron pedestals available for you to use if required and water is available in the kitchen.

Please contact the leader of the Altar Guild, Veronica McMurdy (01234 823803) now, to inform her of your intentions regarding flowers, so that she can adjust the Altar Guild rota as necessary and arrange for you to gain access to the church which is usually kept locked. Veronica will be happy to advise on any other queries you may have.

Thank you for your co-operation.