THE CHURCH OF ENGLAND

TABLE OF PAROCHIAL FEES

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The main fees that are currently payable by law (excluding 'Extras' – see Note 1) are set out below. The full table including notes, guidance and FAQs are available from links on the Fees page of the Church of England website.

MARRIAGES	£	FU1
Publication of banns	36	Servio
Certificate of banns, if required	18	cha Burial
Marriage service (See Note I)	531	Burial Burial follo
BAPTISMS There is no fee for a service of baptism	£	Burial
Certificate of baptism, if required	18	MO

Notes:

- (1) The fees listed above are the statutory fees payable and do not include charges for heating, the services of a verger, music (e.g. organist, choir), bells, and flowers, which are fixed by the Parochial Church Council. In the case of a marriage service or a funeral service in church, any costs and expenses incurred in respect of routine administration (including arranging dates and times and the making of entries in registers), making the church available and lighting it are included in the fee prescribed as payable to the Parochial Church Council.
- (2) 'Monument', here, is a technical term and includes, for example, a gravestone or headstone.

FUNERALS	£
Service (in church, cemetery or crematorium, or funeral director's	
chapel) (See Note I)	228
Burial in churchyard, preceding or following on from service in church	366
Burial in churchyard, on a separate occasion, or without service in church	399
Burial in cemetery or cremation immediately preceding or	
following on from service in church	34
Burial certificate, if required	18

MONUMENTS (See Note 2)

These normally range from £55 to £167 depending on the type and size of the monument required

SEARCHES IN REGISTERS, ETC.	L
For the first hour (inclusive of one copy of an entry in certain registers)	36
For each subsequent hour or part of an hour	36
Additional copies of entries	18

Statutory fees are only prescribed for matters in respect of which parishioners have a legal right. Not all services come into this category, for example funerals where there is a period of more than 48 hours between the funeral service and the cremation and between the cremation and the disposal of ashes. This also applies to special services such as memorial services and services of blessing and dedication following a civil marriage. The Archbishops' Council recommends that, where a memorial service is on a similar scale to a funeral service, or a service of blessing and dedication following a civil marriage or a renewal of marriage vows is on a scale equivalent to a wedding service, the PCC fee should be based on the statutory fee for the service, with the PCC receiving the equivalent of the combined DBF and PCC fee.

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