

FUNERALS

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HIGH WYCOMBE

Welcome

All Saints offers our most heartfelt condolences. Know that we are with you every step of the way and we will remain here for you.

When someone dies, although we can't see the person we love anymore, Christians believe that through the cross and resurrection of Jesus Christ, we will see that person again. It might be in a very different form, in a very different way, but that is the Christian hope, and that is the message everyone will hear when they come to a funeral at All Saints.

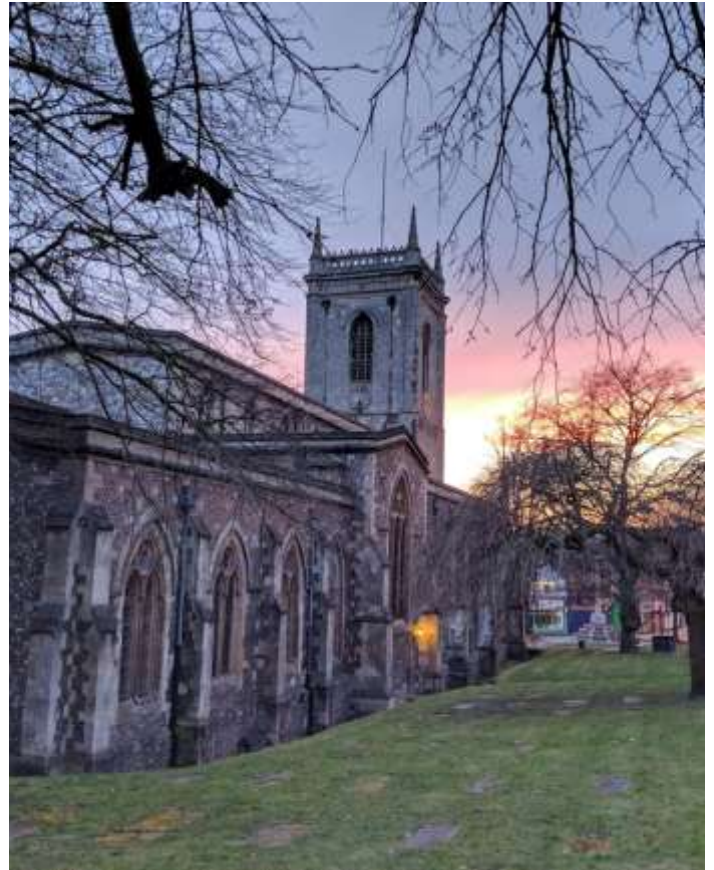
Christians believe that each and every person is uniquely made in the image of God. So a Church of England funeral is a good place to give thanks for all that was special about the person you knew and loved.

The funeral service can include unique details, whether that is what people wear, the music that is played, readings that are chosen or simply a photograph at the front. Talk to us about the person you want to give thanks for and the life you want to celebrate. We will help you work out what is possible.

We also encourage you to visit the website churchofenglandfunerals.org which has a wealth of generic information about Church of England funerals.

If you would like bereavement support we are able to arrange this for you. Please just ask.

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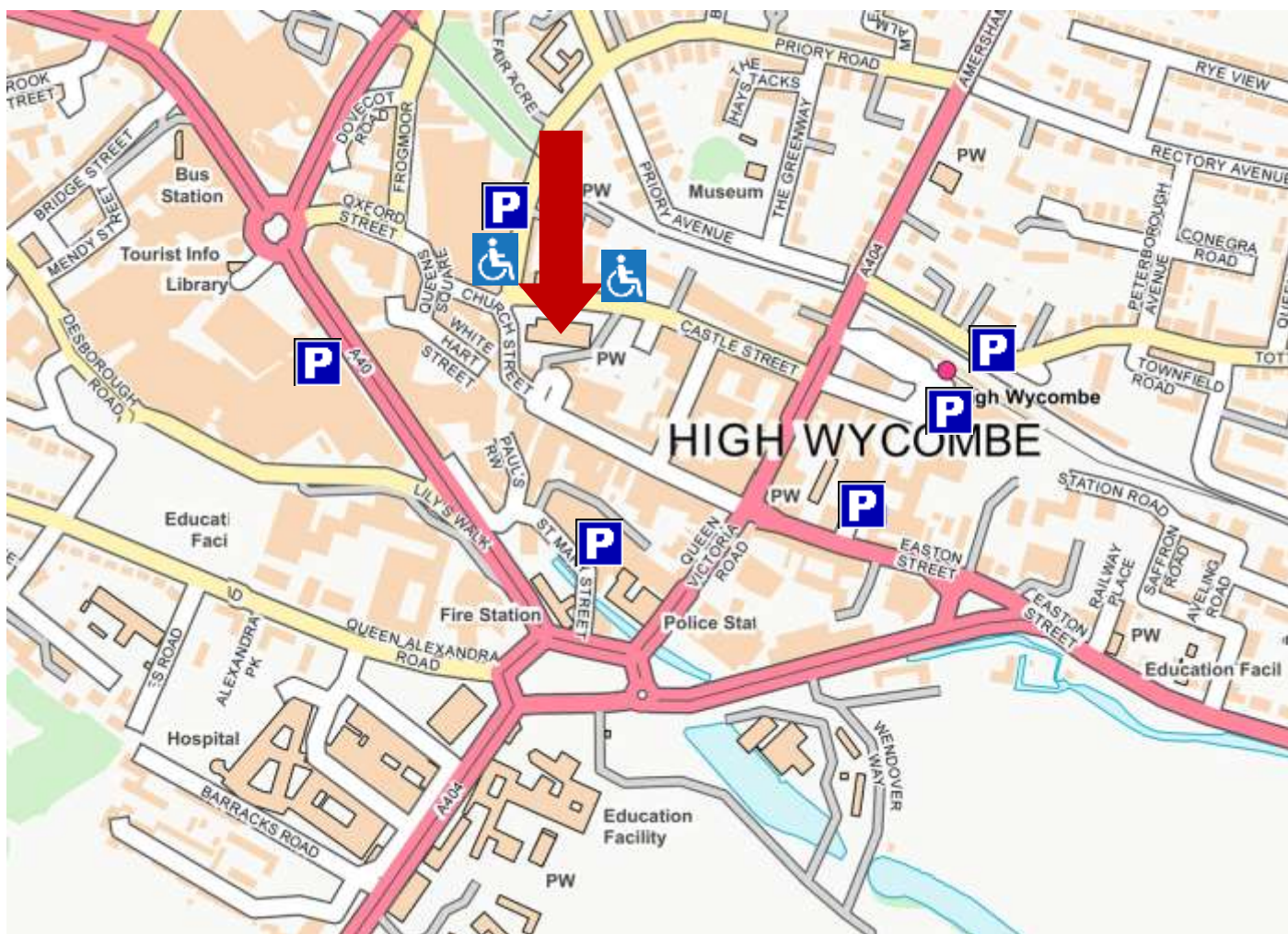
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Location



We are located at the very heart of High Wycombe which has excellent bus and rail links. High Wycombe also operates a park and ride service from M40 Junction 4.

We unfortunately only have limited disabled parking at the church although there is additional disabled parking and 'pay and display' parking outside the church on Priory Road.

Within 5 minutes walking of the church is the Swan Car Park which is off St Mary Street and the Easton Street Car Park. Alternatively there are two train station car parks and the Eden Centre Car Park which is approximately 8-10 minutes walk away.

*We are with you
every step of the way*



A service for everyone

From the moment you are in touch with us, throughout the funeral service and for as long as you need us afterwards, we're here for you. Anyone can have a Church of England funeral, whether you are a churchgoer or not.

When someone dies, we understand how difficult this can be. There's so much to think about, but we can help you say your final goodbye in a way that really helps.

- We will celebrate and give thanks to God for the unique life of the person you knew and loved.
- We can support you and your family and friends before, during and after the funeral with friendship and prayer, understanding your sadness and loss.
- We have experienced ministers who at this difficult time can share a real message of hope and comfort.



Your choice

A Church of England funeral can take place in any of these locations:

- At the crematorium
- At an outdoor woodland
- At a green burial site
- In a church
- In a cemetery

Someone from the church will speak to you to learn more about the person you knew, and will go through all the details of the funeral service itself.

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Music

Music is a key part of a funeral service. Hymns in particular are a traditional part of the service and there are many to choose from. Alternatively you may prefer something more contemporary.

You can use pre-recorded music, the musicians available at the church or you could bring in your own musicians. The choice is yours.

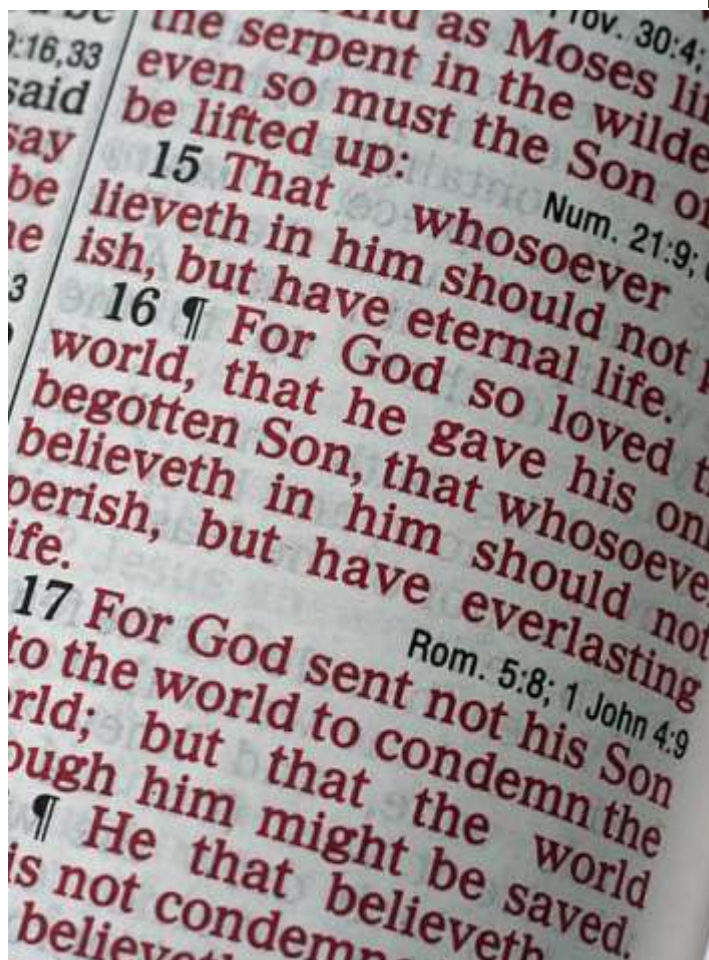
(All music whether live or recorded has a fee payable)



Readings

You choose the bible reading for the service and this is one of the ways a funeral can be made really personal. We can help with choosing from bible readings for your service.

You can also customise the service further by adding things such as poetry readings to the service. If you wanted to do this then tell us what you would like and we can talk this through with you further.



Prayers

Your service will certainly include prayers. We will be very happy to help you develop some prayers that have special and personal meaning for you. It is possible for one of your guests to read prayers during the service and if this is something you would like to happen, talk to us about how it could be incorporated.

In supporting you at this time the church will pray for you before, during and after the funeral.



Flowers

You can choose how many flowers you would like and where. Do contact us, or ask your florist to contact us, about any ideas you have regarding flower arrangements. We are open to all kinds of ideas on what you would like to achieve, whether modest, extravagant or anything in-between.

We are able to arrange a modest display of flowers for a fee in the church using our own team. If this is something you would like then contact the office and someone from our team will discuss your requirements.

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Order of Service

A ceremony typically usually lasts about 30 minutes depending on the choice of music and readings. If a service is held in a crematorium we are limited by time however a service held in the Church allows a greater flexibility in time allowed.

In preparation for the funeral we will talk through with you the order of service and the options you have to personalise the service.

Arrival

When everyone has arrived the coffin will be carried by the pall-bearers to the place where the funeral is taking place. Sometimes music will accompany this and sometimes some words. The priest will then say a few words of welcome to all present at the service.

Remembering a unique life

There is then time to listen to the story of the person you knew and love. You, another friend, or relative, or the church minister can do this. It may include readings and/or music which reflect the character or interests of the person who has died.

A message of hope

You can choose the Bible reading for the service if you would like to. The minister will speak about God's promises—of the hope that death is not the end. Whatever your beliefs hearing these words can bring a sense of hope and comfort, even at this very difficult time.

Reflecting and remembering

In a time of reflection music can be played, or silence may be kept. Prayers will be said too. You may also have another way you wish to reflect and remember. Talk to us about any ideas you might have.

Saying Goodbye

It will then be time for the farewell. The minister will pray; asking God to keep your loved one in his care. The minister will say a blessing and music may be played as the service comes to an end.

There's so much to think about when organising a funeral, but God is with you and we will help you every step of the way.

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*“...turn the darkness
of death into the
dawn of new life”*

Contact us

Our Parish Office is located in the Oakley Hall in Castle Street and is usually open Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday and Friday from 9am until 2.30pm. The address is:

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You can also phone: or email us as follows:

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You can also click on the 'contact us' button below to fill out a web form.



To enquire about holding your Church Funeral please complete the Life Events Enquiry Form.



Please also visit the Church of England website for further information on Church Funerals.



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