



St. Michael the Archangel Smarden All Saints, Biddenden

Guidance photographing in Biddenden and Smarden churches

We very much want couples the opportunity of photographs of their wedding, reminding them of a ceremony which will have a lasting significance.

We greatly encourage photographers to join us at the wedding rehearsal. This gives you the opportunity to view the church, and see how the service will unfold.

Equipment

- No flash during service. Flash can, however, be used with the signing of registers and the entry and final processions.
- Ensure you switch cameras to silent mode.
- Consider using a camera without a mirror? The mechanical operation of mirrors can be a significant distraction.

Location

- Please be as discrete as possible.
- Only to move around during singing of hymns
- Come forward no further than the cross aisle
- Do not come in across the front of the pews.
- Do come down the side aisles
- In All Saints Biddenden, there is an opportunity to take photos from behind pillars either side. Please ask about this.

Shooting

- Please be sensitive to the noise cameras can make. Modern cameras have all sorts of bleeps and warning noises which can be switched to silent.
- Cameras with mirrors, ie DSLR's, the noise from mirrors can be a distraction.
- No photo's during readings, sermon, and prayers.
- The taking of photographs during the actual signing of the registers is permitted.