



ST PETERS GIRLS



The Chapel of St Peter, Apostle and Martyr



* Welcome

The Chapel is consecrated as an Anglican place of worship and plays a sacred and central role in the life of our School. Founded by the Sisters of the Church, St Peter's Girls' School has a deeply valued tradition of regular chapel worship and the celebration of the Eucharist.

The Chapel shapes our community that is focused on a strong sense of cohesion and loving acceptance of ourselves and each other. It challenges us to look beyond our individual needs and consider those of the wider community and the world.

For over 117 years St Peter's Girls' School has celebrated many milestones and we are proud when Old Scholars wish to come back to their School and prepare for their wedding or child's

Baptism. The School Chapel is an integral part of life at St Peter's Girls' School. We welcome you and your family to meet with us to have a tour of the School when considering your special day.

The Chapel has great significance as a spiritual home for Old Scholars who often return to be married in the Chapel or to have their own children baptised. We take great pleasure in welcoming back members of our community and supporting them through significant life transitions.

For further information please contact Rev'd Natasha Darke (Chaplain) on 8334 2220 or ndarke@stpetersgirls.sa.edu

* Weddings

Your Special Day

Thank you for considering our Chapel as the venue for your wedding ceremony.

Our aim is to accommodate your personal expectations and hopes for your special day within the confines of the legal requirements of the Commonwealth Marriage Act 1961 and the regulations of the Anglican Church of Australia.

You may choose to be married by your own Parish Priest or the School Chaplain. Alternatively, we are happy to assist you in finding a suitable priest. It is a requirement that the minister who administers the wedding vows and signs the marriage certificate is an Anglican Priest who has the authorisation of the Archbishop of Adelaide to do so. A short course of Marriage Preparation should be undertaken by the couple which may be administered by the School Chaplain, Parish Priest or an authorised counsellor.

Weddings are discouraged during Lent and unfortunately, none may be conducted in Holy Week (the week before Easter). The Chapel may be unavailable at particular times due to School use.

* Christian Initiation

Holy Baptism

Baptisms (previously known as Christenings) are celebrated in our Chapel every year both in the context of School worship for current students and as private ceremonies on weekends for Old Scholars, families and the wider community.

Baptism is the primary rite of Christian initiation - a means of welcoming someone into the church community and making a new beginning in life with God. Where young children or infants are baptised, parents and sponsors (Godparents) are asked to make promises to teach the child about the Christian faith and to bring up the child within the life of the Church. The Church-family also makes promises of support and helps to provide for the Christian nurture of children.

Baptism is also an expression of the overwhelming generosity and inclusiveness of God. As such, this service is offered free of charge in the hope that all people might experience the same generosity, welcome and acceptance in their Baptism.

* Guidelines

There are some points of consideration for our Chapel:

- ❖ We ensure only one event in the Chapel on any given day
- ❖ No eating or drinking is permitted in the Chapel.
- ❖ The School grounds are a no smoking area.

Prior to your Event

Please ensure that you have made arrangements to visit the School and also liaise with the Development Office regarding your arrival times.

Booking Confirmation

A non-refundable deposit of \$250 will confirm your booking. Final payment is required at least 2 weeks prior to your event.

Wedding Ceremony

Your booking includes the exclusive use of the grounds at St Peter's Girls' School with only one wedding being held in the grounds on any given day.

It is a requirement of the Anglican Church that at least one person of the couple be baptised in order for you to be married in a church or chapel. The Anglican Church recognises baptisms performed by other denominations. .

Flowers

You may wish to supply flowers and decorations. We ask that you respect the integrity of the Chapel in your choice and placement of decorations. Furnishings may not be moved without permission from the Chaplain.

Flowers may be placed anywhere in the Chapel except the altar. Please refrain from using abrasive or permanent adhesives to secure pew decorations. Elastic and blue tac are acceptable.

Music

The Chapel is equipped with a pipe organ and a piano. Please consult the Chaplain about the use of the instruments. The School may be able to provide you with organists, pianists, choirs or ensembles by arrangement with the Head of Music and the Chaplain.

Photography

Photography and videotaping may take place inside of the Chapel, but those appointed will need to liaise with the Chaplain or Priest. Use of flash during the service is normally not permitted.

Equipment Hire

Should you wish to hire trestles and plastic chairs for your event these are available from the School at an additional cost.

Catering

There are 2 options available - self catering or catering provided by the School.

1 Self Catering

- ❖ You may provide your own waiters and supply of beverages/ice
- ❖ Glasses, trestles, linen and ice tubs are available from the School at a cost of \$150 (includes glass cleaning), (\$7 per glass is required for breakages).

2 School Catering

- ❖ A member of staff can serve beverages at your celebration at a cost of \$300 (includes one staff member for 2 hours per 50 guests, to set up, serve and pack up).
- ❖ You must supply your own beverages/ice.
- ❖ Glasses, trestles, linen and ice tubs are available from the School at a cost of \$150 (includes glass cleaning), (\$7 per glass is required for breakages).

Please Note:

The School is unable to provide food catering, however, you are welcome to use the School's preferred external arrange an external caterer at your own cost in the Food and Hospitality at a facilities hire of \$300.

Cleaning

General cleaning of the Chapel is included in the cost of the event, however, additional cleaning charges may be incurred where a function has created cleaning requirements which are considered to be over and above normal.

Please Note:

No confetti or rice is to be used in the Chapel or the School grounds. (Rose petals may be used on the lawn area only.)

Car Parking

All parking is in the School car park. Please advise the Development Office 2 days prior to your celebration in order to have the Hallett Road gates opened for Bridal Vehicles.

Fees

Weddings

School Chapel Hire	\$500
Verger	\$30
Marriage Preparation Course	\$200

Officiating Minister (by arrangement)

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