

Bell ringing for Funerals, Celebrations of Life or other Memorial Services at All Saints Church, Staplehurst

Bells have been ringing at All Saints Church, Staplehurst for many centuries and is a traditional way to honour or celebrate special people, occasions and Church services. The sound of church bells is truly evocative, particularly if half-muffled, and will enhance the significance of any occasion.

The Bell Ringers, if you choose to have bells, will contribute their time and expertise to ensure the bells are rung exactly to your wishes. This page gives you an outline of the ringing they can offer, but are happy to negotiate any bespoke requirements you may have.

For Funerals, Celebrations of Life or other Memorial Services, the fees are shown below. The bells are normally available as follows:-

1. To ring open (loud) bells for 20 minutes prior to OR after the service, £120.
2. To ring muffled bells for 20 minutes prior to OR after the service, £150.
3. To toll one bell for up to 20 minutes at a specified time, either before or after the service, or during procession to graveside. The bell can be either open or half-muffled, £30.
4. Bespoke ringing and additional fee by negotiation with the Tower Secretary at <http://allsaintsstaplehurst.co.uk/about-us/bell-ringing/>

Please note that:-

- The ringing will not always be continuous and short breaks may occur.
- Unless a single tolling bell is required, 6 bells will be rung, open (loud) or half-muffled, as requested. Up to a total of 10 bells can be rung, subject to prior negotiation, additional fee and availability of ringers.
- If due to unforeseen circumstances the bells cannot be rung for your service, a full explanation and refund will be given as soon as possible.

To make a booking and make payment for the bells, please contact the Rector or Church Office Administrator who will liaise with the bell ringers.