

THE PARISH OF SWAYTHLING

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St Mary's, South Stoneham

THE GARDEN OF REMEMBRANCE

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REGULATIONS FOR THE BURIAL OF CREMATED REMAINS

1. Interment of cremated remains (sometimes referred to as 'scattering of ashes') may take place in the Garden of Remembrance adjacent to St Mary's. This facility is available for all who lived in the Parish of Swaythling, or who were on the Electoral Roll of the Parish. Other requests, on the ground of a former connection with South Stoneham, may be granted at the discretion of the Incumbent (i.e., the Vicar) and Churchwardens.

2. The ashes only are to be buried in the soil: i.e. **not** in a casket or similar receptacle, whether or not the container is biodegradable. A fee, currently £162, is payable.

3. Arrangements for the interment of ashes are to be made with the Incumbent. The ceremony may take place during or after a regular Church service, or at another time agreed with the Incumbent. Where possible, ashes may be interred with a family member already buried in the Garden of Remembrance.

This is dependent on the space available in the previous grave, and the request should be discussed with the Incumbent.

4. On the Church wall at the east end of the Garden is a memorial tablet, on which the name of any whose ashes are interred in the Garden may be inscribed if the family concerned so wishes. Only one Christian name plus surname is permitted for each entry, and a charge is made to cover the cost of engraving.

Arrangements for this are to be made with the Incumbent, by completing the attached form, and paying a fee, currently £75.

5. No other memorials are permitted in the Garden. Potted plants and vases are also not permitted. Cut flowers may be laid on the ground at the time of the interment only; when they are considered unsightly because they have wilted or faded they may be removed from the Garden by a Church official at any time.

6. Under the memorial tablet is a trough in which flowers may be arranged and left. We wish to encourage the use of this trough to enhance the appearance of the Garden, and so that people can walk freely through it.

**Swaythling PCC
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