

St Ursula's Church, Berne

Notes for Completing the Electoral Roll Form

There are only two sections for you to complete – section 03 “Name of Chaplaincy” has already been filled in.

04 Applicant's details

This is very straightforward. Some notes:

Title: Please enter this – we need to know whether to call you Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms, Dr etc.

Email: is optional. As explained in the notes (02:1,4), if you provide an email address here it will only be used in connection with matters relating to the Electoral Roll.

05 Declaration

By signing the form, you are declaring that you are baptised, a lay person and over 16. In addition that **one** of the other three statements applies. As these statements are somewhat confusing, the simple rule is:

1. If you are a confirmed Anglican **and** your name is currently on the Electoral Roll, tick the first box,
2. If you are a confirmed Anglican and your name is **not** currently on the Electoral Roll, tick the second box,
3. Everyone else, tick the third box.

Note: that, unless you have just moved from another Anglican parish or chaplaincy, you must have been worshipping at St Ursula's for at least six months.

Further Explanations

For those who want to know more, I have tried to explain some of the things that confuse people:

Church in communion with the Church of England: As stated in the Notes to the form (01:1), the only churches at present in communion with the Church of England are other Anglican Churches and certain foreign Churches. It is hard to find a complete list of these churches, so if you belong to one that you think is in communion with the Church of England, please speak to me and I'll find out. (You could try <https://anglicansonline.org/communion/infull.html>, or https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Anglican_Communion)

Provinces of Canterbury or York: There are two ecclesiastical provinces making up the Church of England, basically northern and southern England. The Diocese in Europe, of which St Ursula's is part, belongs to the Province of Canterbury.

habitually attended: There is no hard and fast definition. But one possibility is "attendance at least once a month". However, it is deliberately left unclear.

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