

Notes

- 1 As a parent or godparent you should ask yourself:
Are you prepared to the best of your ability to give the child a Christian upbringing within the family of Christ's Church?
Will you help the child to be regular in public worship and in prayer, not only by your teaching but by your example and by your prayers?
Will you encourage the child in due time to come to Confirmation and Communion?
- 2 It is usual to have three godparents, two of the same sex as the child and one of the opposite sex, but to have one godfather and one godmother is sufficient.
Parents may be godparents to their own children, provided that the child has at least one other godparent.
Sponsors in addition to godparents are permitted.
Church law requires that godparents should be baptized and confirmed, but the requirement of confirmation can be relaxed in certain cases.
- 3 If the candidate is no longer a child, sponsors may take the place of godparents.
- 4 A candidate should normally be baptized at his or her parish church or the church the parents normally attend.
- 5 Baptisms should normally take place within the main service of worship in the Church
- 6 Please return this form to ...

Application for Baptism

Baptism is a ceremony of the Church in which a person (child or adult) is made a member of the Church. It is one of the sacraments of the Church. A sacrament is a type of service in which we believe God comes to meet with us in a special way. It is thus a deeply significant service for the whole Church as well as for the families and, most especially of course, for the candidates.

Through the particular words used in the service, led by an authorised minister, in the intentions of those taking part in the service, and in the use of a sacramental sign (in baptism this sign is the use of water and special words) we trust that the presence of God touches those who are being baptized. It is the beginning of a new chapter in their lives. We celebrate their joining the people God has chosen to adopt into his family, and look forward to their continuing journey within the Christian community in following the way of Christ.

Child / Candidate

Date of birth of child/candidate

Christian name(s) and surname of child/candidate

Your preferred date(s) for the baptism

Parents

Father's Christian name(s) and surname

Have you been baptized?

Have you been confirmed?

Father's occupation

Mother's Christian name(s) and surname

Have you been baptized?

Have you been confirmed?

Mother's occupation

Address

Telephone number

Email

Godparents and Sponsors

Names and addresses of Godparents/Sponsors
(Christian name and surname; Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms)

1 Name

Address

Baptized?

Confirmed?

2 Name

Address

Baptized?

Confirmed?

3 Name

Address

Baptized?

Confirmed?
