

APPLICATION for BAPTISM

Due notice, normally of at least a week, shall be given before a child/candidate is brought to the church to be baptized.

Date of birth of child/candidate _____

When would you like the baptism to take place? _____

Christian name(s) and surname of child/candidate _____

Address and telephone no _____

Christian name(s) and surname(s) of parent(s) _____

Have you been baptized? _____ confirmed? _____

Address(es) and telephone no(s) (if different from above) _____

Occupation(s) of parent(s) _____

Names and addresses of godparents/sponsors (one Christian name in full, Mr, Mrs, Miss, Ms)

1 _____
baptized confirmed

2 _____
baptized confirmed

3 _____
baptized confirmed

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 also by your example and your prayers?
Will you encourage the child in due time to come to Confirmation and Communion?
It is not essential under Church law for parents to be baptized and confirmed unless they are to be godparents.
- 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 if there are problems finding three godparents.
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, who like godparents should normally be baptized and confirmed, may take the place of godparents.
- 4 A child should normally be baptized at his or her parish church or the church the parents normally attend.