

Come and See

Whether you're exploring baptism for yourself or your child, we welcome you with open arms.

St Jude's Church is a community of grace, love, and belonging—and baptism is your invitation to take part.

You are welcome to join us at our regular Sunday worship with services of Holy Communion at 8am and 9.30am (with Sunday School during term time). We also hold a weekday Holy Communion service on Friday's at 10.30am followed by our free Community Lunch. Or if you have young children meet us at Junior Jude's playgroup, Wednesdays term time 10-11.30am.



Prayer for the Children

Loving God, your Son told his disciples to become like little children. Lead us to work for the welfare and protection of all young people. May we respect their dignity that they may flourish in life, following the example of the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

prayer:

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The Sacrament of Baptism

*An Invitation to Begin
a Journey of Faith*



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What is Baptism?

Baptism is the sacrament of new life in Christ. It marks the beginning of a person's journey as a follower of Jesus and a member of the Church. Through water and the Holy Spirit, we are cleansed from sin, reborn, and welcomed into the body of Christ.

In the Anglican tradition, baptism is:

- A gift from God, not earned but freely given.
- A public declaration of faith and trust in Jesus Christ.
- An initiation into the Christian community.

Baptism can be received at any age. For infants and young children, parents and godparents make promises on their behalf. Adults and older children speak for themselves.

What Happens During Baptism?

- The Naming – The person is named and presented.
- The Promises – Parents, godparents, or the candidate declare their faith and renounce evil.
- The Water – The priest pours water over the candidate's head, saying: "I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit."
- The Anointing – The sign of the cross is made with holy oil or water, marking the person as Christ's own.
- The Welcome – The congregation greets the newly baptised as a member of the church family.

Baptism usually takes place during a Sunday service, as it is a celebration for the whole parish.

How Do I Arrange a Baptism?

We're delighted you're considering baptism!
Here's what to do...

Contact the Parish Office

Let us know you're interested. We'll arrange a conversation with our Priest to arrange a suitable date and time.

Preparation

This is a chance to learn more about what baptism means, go over the service, and ask any questions.

Choose Sponsors

Sponsors, or Godparents, support the baptised during the service and in life with prayer and encouragement in faith. Godparents must be baptised Christians, committed to offering their support.

Be Part of the Worshipping Community

Baptism is a community event and the beginning of a journey. We encourage regular connection with the parish before and after baptism.