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BAPTISM REQUEST FORM

Proposed date	Time	Church
No of Guests		Service type (To be completed by Minister)
Child Name and DOB:		
Fathers Full name		Occupation
Mothers full name		Occupation
Baptised? Confirmed?	Father YES/NO YES/NO	Mother YES/NO YES/NO
Address		Phone email
God Parents (Full names with Mr Mrs or Miss)		Baptised/Confirmed YES/NO
		YES/NO
		YES/NO
Other info		

Signed.....

Date.....



Dear Parents,

It is a great joy to hear of your enquiry about baptism or Christ-ening for your child.

This is a wonderful opportunity for you as parents to involve those you choose as God-parents at the start of your child's journey into the Christian faith. Traditionally for a boy there are two God-fathers and one God-mother and for a girl two God-mothers and one God-father, but this is not a rigid rule. Why not choose God-couples?

As with any beginning, we all hope for and must work hard for the best for our children as they grow up.

In the Baptism Service, God promises to be the God and Father of all who come to him. You and the God-parents promise to help your child grow up to know about God and his love shown through Jesus Christ. You will commit to do this in a variety of ways: perhaps by saying grace before meals, or by goodnight prayers, and by regular attendance at Sunday worship (we have child-friendly areas and Sunday-school for the slightly older children)

Since your child will see more of you in the early years, it is your example that will count for so much in laying foundations for your child's life. Please carefully consider your own commitment to the Christian way of life, so that you can pass it onto your child.

Most families ask if there is a 'charge' for baptism. The short answer is 'NO', although there will be a chance for you and your guests to give a donation to the Church should you feel it appropriate. There is not a 'collection' during the service.

Rather than taking photographs during the Service, which can distract others and sometimes blocks the view of other guests we will willingly stage an 'action replay' after the service to enable photographs to be taken. Video recording is not allowed at all without a special copyright licence.

I hope that we can make the Service in Church a memorable beginning to your family's involvement within the life of the Church.

Please come along to a service where we will make arrangements for you to meet with our baptism team and/or one of the ministers to sort out the best type of Service to meet your needs. We suggest that you do not make firm commitments for party venues etc until we have confirmed the details of the Service with you.