



# Eight Saints Cluster of Churches

## Application for Christening

*We look forward to welcoming your child into the church family. A Christening is a wonderful occasion and a spiritual birthday; the beginning of life lived as a follower of Jesus Christ.*

*Please carefully read the notes overleaf on the christening service and on data protection before completing this form. We would like to keep you updated with what is happening in our churches by occasional emails. If you are happy to receive these emails please tick here*

<b>Date and Time of Christening</b>	<b>Date</b>		<b>Time</b>	
<b>Church</b>				
<b>Priest (Leave blank for office use)</b>				
<b>Child's Name</b>	<b>Christian Name(s)</b>		<b>Surname</b>	
<b>Date of Child's Birth and gender</b>	/ /		<b>Gender</b>	
<b>Father's name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Christian Name</b>	<b>Surname</b>	
<b>Father's Occupation</b>				
<b>Mother's Name</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Christian Name</b>	<b>Surname</b>	
<b>Mother's Occupation</b>				
<b>Address including Postcode</b>				
<b>Telephone number</b>				
<b>Email address</b>				
<b>Approximate number attending service</b>				
<b>Godparents Details</b>			<b>Christened Yes / No</b>	
<b>1.</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Christian Name</b>	<b>Surname</b>	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Christian Name</b>	<b>Surname</b>	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Christian Name</b>	<b>Surname</b>	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Title</b>	<b>Christian Name</b>	<b>Surname</b>	

At the Christening your child will be baptised into the Christian faith. The following is said by the priest:

*“The church receives these children with joy and we are trusting God for their growth in faith. Parents and godparents, you have brought these children to baptism and speak for them today.*

*As we trust God for their growth in faith, will you promise to care for them, pray for them, and help them to follow Christ?”*

To this question both you and the Godparents respond: **“We will.”**

The priest will say:

*“We all wander away from God and lose our way. Christ comes to find us and welcomes us home. In baptism we respond to his call.”* And then ask the following questions:

- Do you turn away from sin?
- Do you reject evil?
- Do you turn to Christ as saviour?
- Do you trust in him as Lord?

To each of these questions, both you and the Godparents respond: **“I do”**.

You will all also be required to profess the Christian faith together with the whole congregation answering the following questions:

- Do you believe in God the Father, source of all being and life, the one for whom we exist?
- Do you believe and trust in God the Son, who took our human nature, died for us and rose again?
- Do you believe and trust in God the Holy Spirit, who gives life to the people of God and makes Christ known in the world?

Together with the whole congregation, you will answer **“I believe and trust in him”**.

You will appreciate that these words, spoken on behalf of the child, in the presence of witnesses and God, involve an important undertaking on your part. You will want to think about this very carefully if you are to speak with integrity.

**YOUR DATA:** In order to process your information your details are entered into an online Church of England database called "The Pastoral Services Diary". Their privacy policy is available at <https://www.pastoralservicesdiary.org/account/privacy>. We only pass your details to those who need to be informed in order for the actual service to take place.

In addition, we would love to send you an email about once a month with information of special services and events going on in our churches. This is totally optional and you would be able to unsubscribe at any time. If you are happy to receive these mailings, please tick the box overleaf. We won't share your details with anyone else.

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