

After the baptism

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified. Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ against sin, the world and the devil, and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life. **Amen.**

A Candle is presented

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and has given us a place with the saints in light. You have received the light of Christ; walk in this light all the days of your life.

Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.

The Welcome

(A Bible is also given at a Family Service)

There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, by one Spirit we are all baptised into one body.

**We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name,
thy kingdom come,
thy will be done,
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread,
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them
that trespass against us,
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Blessing

The God of all grace, who called you to his eternal glory in Christ Jesus, establish, strengthen and settle you in the faith; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, be upon you and remain with you always. **Amen.**



Welcome to the
Parish of St Clement

Service of Baptism

You are welcome to video the service but please wait until the end of the service to take flash photography.

Summary

- We say sorry and are assured of forgiveness by God through Jesus dying for us on the cross
- We declare together the Christian faith in the Trinity: God the Father, Son and Holy Spirit
- As the Church, the Parents and Godparents, we promise to bring the child up to understand the Christian faith, live it out in our lives and bring the child to worship
- We baptise the child with water which is a symbol of forgiveness and spiritual life
- We give the child a candle as a symbol of the light of Christ coming into the world and sending us out as lights
- We give the child a Bible

Introduction

We have come together as the Family of God to offer our worship and to celebrate the sacrament of Baptism.

First let us confess to God the times we have failed him:

**Almighty God, our heavenly Father,
we have sinned against you
and against our neighbour
in thought and word and deed,
through negligence, through
weakness,
through our own deliberate fault.
We are truly sorry
and repent of all our sins.**

**For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
who died for us,
forgive us all that is past
and grant that we may serve you
in newness of life
to the glory of your name. Amen.**

Almighty God,
who forgives all who truly repent,
have mercy upon you,
pardon and deliver you from all your sins,
confirm and strengthen you in all
goodness,
and keep you in life eternal;
through Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

**Profession of faith
by all the congregation**

Do you believe and trust in God the
Father?

**I believe in God, the Father almighty,
creator of heaven and earth.**

Do you believe and trust in his Son
Jesus Christ?

**I believe In Jesus Christ,
his only Son, our Lord,
who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,
born of the Virgin Mary,
suffered under Pontius Pilate,
was crucified, died, and was buried;
he descended to the dead.**

**On the third day he rose again;
he ascended into heaven,
he is seated at the right hand
of the Father,
and he will come to judge
the living and the dead.**

Do you believe and trust in
the Holy Spirit?

**All I believe in the Holy Spirit,
the holy Catholic Church,
the communion of saints,
the forgiveness of sins,
the resurrection of the body,
and the life everlasting. Amen.**

Bible Reading

(please sit)

Ending: This is the Word of the Lord

Thanks be to God

Talk

(The baptism party comes to the font)

Our Lord Jesus Christ has told us
that to enter the kingdom of heaven
we must be born again of water
and the Spirit,
and has given us baptism as the sign
and seal of this new birth.

Faith is the gift of God to his people.
In baptism the Lord is adding to our
number those whom he is calling.
People of God, will you welcome this
child, and uphold him / her
in their new life in Christ?

With the help of God, we will.

Parents and godparents,
the Church receives this child with joy.
Today we are trusting God
for their growth in faith.
Will you pray for him / her,
walk with him / her in the way of Christ
and draw him / her by your example
into the life and worship of Christ's
Church?

With the help of God, we will.

In baptism, God calls us out of darkness
into his marvellous light.
To follow Christ means dying to sin
and rising to new life with him.
Therefore I ask you
the parents and godparents:
do you turn to Christ?

I turn to Christ

Do you repent of your sins?

I repent of my sins.

Do you renounce evil?

I renounce evil.

Prayer over the Water

Heavenly Father now sanctify this water,
that by the power of your Holy Spirit
this child may be cleansed from sin
and born again.

Renewed in your image,
may he / she walk by the light of faith
and continue for ever in the risen life
of Jesus Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

Baptism

N, I baptise you in the name of
the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.**

Signing with the Cross

Christ claims you for his own.
Receive the sign of his cross.