



Baptism (Christening) Enquiry

Welcome to St Mark's
and St Luke's,
Scarborough



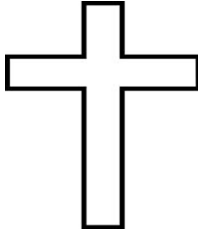
Connection with the Church

- Christening Services (Baptism) are usually held in the Parish (local area) where you live, Sometimes the Baptism is part of an existing service. Making promises on behalf of your child is a beginning of their faith journey and building a faith relationship between your family and the local Church
- A date for the service is usually agreed when you attend a family friendly service at Church so the connection and preparation can be planned. A form will need to be completed to confirm the booking.
- The Family Friendly services are held at 10.00 am at St Mark's Church on the 3rd Sunday of the month and are suitable for all ages. The dates for 2023 are:

19th Feb; 19 Mar; 16 Apr; 21 May; 18 Jun; 16 Jul;
20 Aug; 17 Sept; 15 Oct; 19 Nov; 17 Dec

Contact us at stmarks.scarborough@gmail.com for more information or to make an enquiry

What happens during the service



- Gathering and introduction
- Preparation prayers and promises made on behalf of the child by the parents/carers and the Godparents
- The Priest anoints the child's head with special oil and prays over the water in the Christening font
- The child is then baptized (Christened) with the name chosen by the parents/carers. The child then becomes part of the Church family and receives a Baptism candle and Baptism certificate.

What does the service cost?

- There is no fixed cost for the service
- We do ask people to consider making a gift to the local Church if they are able to. Many people don't know that the Church doesn't receive any money from the Government, all the costs of keeping the Church open depend on donations
- We hope that you might consider how you might support your local Church as many people rely on it being there through life's milestones and in the final faith journey
- There are many ways to support your Church, fresh ideas and volunteering your time—e.g. support with I.T., offering to come and make the refreshments at the end of a Sunday service and sharing your experience on social media platforms all help. Church is as much about the people as the building