

Baptism Commitment and Promises

The specific promises from the Baptism service speak about our faith and the upbringing of our children.

That commitment means

- **worshipping God together regularly as a family, to give thanks, to pray, to learn more about Jesus Christ and to meet with other Christians.**
- **teaching your children from the Bible and helping them to read it for themselves.**
- **praying with your children and teaching them to pray.**
- **showing your children how to live as Christians taking seriously God`s standards especially for marriage and family.**
- **above all knowing Jesus Christ, living with Him in friendship, trust and obedience and encouraging your children to do the same.**

Parents and godparents, the Church welcomes *these children* with joy. Today we pray to God for *them*, that *they* may grow up to know and to trust Jesus Christ. Will you pray for *them*, draw *them* by your example into the life of faith and walk with *them* in the way of Christ?

With the help of God we will.

Baptism is a sign to mark the beginning of this journey of faith. Will you care for them and help them to grow and take their place within the life and worship of Christ's Church.

With the help of God we will.

Baptism is a sign of forgiveness and new beginnings, a sign that God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light, to follow Christ, dying to sin and rising to new life with him.

Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

I repent of them?

Do you turn to Christ the Saviour?

I turn to Christ.

Do you submit to Christ as Lord?

I submit to Christ.

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

I come to Christ.

Let us affirm our common faith in Jesus Christ.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father,
source of all being and life,
the one for whom we exist?

I believe and trust in him.

Do you believe and trust in God the Son,
who took our human nature,
died for us and rose again?

I believe and trust in him.

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?

I believe and trust in him.

This is the faith of the Church.
This is our faith.

**We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.**