

St Mary Magdalene
Windmill Hill
Enfield

Holy Communion with Baptisms

Stand to *sing the first HYMN, during which the Choir and ministers enter and parents and godparents come to the front of the church.*

The Priest says Grace, mercy and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ be with you

All say **and also with you.**

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 these children and uphold them in their new life in Christ?

All say **With the help of God, we will.**

The Priest says to the parents and godparents:

Parents and godparents, the Church receives your children with joy. Today we are trusting God for their growth in faith. Will you pray for them, draw them by your example into the community of faith and walk with them in the way of Christ?

They say ***With* the *help of God, we will.***

In baptism these children begin *their* journey in faith. You speak for them today. Will you care for them, and help them to take their place within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

They say ***With the help of God, we will.***

Let us pray.

The Priest prays the Collect of the day.

Parents and Godparents return to their places, and all sit.

The Readings

After each reading the reader says

This is the Word of the Lord
All **Thanks be to God.**

Stand to sing a **Hymn.**

Remain standing.

The Gospel

Before *and after the Gospel all sing*

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Sit for the Sermon.

As the baptism party moves to *the Font, we stand to sing a* **HYMN.**

All remain standing and turn towards the Font. The Priest says:

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 parents and Godparents:

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 as 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.**

The Priest makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of each child, saying

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

Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

All **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.**

May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness, restore in you the image of his glory, and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

Prayer over the Water

Praise God who made heaven and earth,

All **who keeps his promise for ever.**

Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All **It is right to give thanks and praise.**

Almighty God, whose Son Jesus Christ was baptized in the river Jordan, we thank you for the gift of water to cleanse us and revive us. Saving God,

All **give us life.**

We thank you that through the waters of the Red Sea you led your people out of slavery to freedom in the Promised Land. Saving God,

All **give us life.**

We thank you that through the deep waters of death you brought your Son, and raised him to life in triumph. Saving God,

All **give us life.**

Bless this water, that your servants who are washed in it may be made one with Christ in his death and in his resurrection, to be cleansed and delivered from all sin. Saving God,

All **give us life.**

Send your Holy Spirit upon them, bring them to new birth in the household of faith and raise them with Christ to full and eternal life; for all might, majesty, authority and power are yours, now and for ever. **Amen.**

Saving God,
All **give us life.**

Let us affirm, together with these who are being baptized,
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?
Ail **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?
All **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?
All **I believe and trust in him.**

This is the faith of the Church.
All **This is our faith.**
We believe and trust in one God,
Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

The Priest baptizes the children.

The Priest says

May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church,
pour upon you the riches of his grace, that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit, and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory. **Amen.**

We have brought these children to baptism knowing that Jesus died and rose again for them and trusting in the promise that God hears and answers prayer. We have prayed that in Jesus Christ they will know the forgiveness of their sins and the new life of the Spirit.

As they grow up, they will need the help and encouragement of the Christian community, so that they may learn to know God in public

worship and private prayer, follow Jesus Christ in the life of faith, serve their neighbour after the example of Christ, and in due course come to confirmation.

As part of the Church of Christ, we all have a duty to support them by prayer, example and teaching. As their parents and godparents, you have the prime responsibility for guiding and helping them in their early years. This is a demanding task for which you will need the help and grace of God. Therefore let us now pray for grace in guiding these children in the way of faith.

God of grace and life, in your love you have given us
a place among your people; keep us faithful to our baptism,
and prepare us for that glorious day when the whole creation will be made perfect in your Son our Saviour Jesus Christ.
Amen.

The Baptism party return to their seats, and all sit or kneel.

Prayers of Intercession

During the prayers the following response is used:

Lord, hear your people,
All say **and answer our prayer.**

At the end *of the prayers, stand as the Priest says*

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

All say **We welcome you into the fellowship of faith;**
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.
God has made us one in Christ. He has set his seal upon us, and as a pledge of what is to come has given us the Spirit to dwell in our hearts.

The peace of the Lord be always with you
All say **and also with you.**

We *sing a* **HYMN.**

During the hymn a collection is taken and the bread and wine are presented the Altar.

With this bread that we bring
All say **we shall remember Jesus.**
With this wine that we bring
we shall remember Jesus.
Bread for his body, wine for his blood,
gifts from God to his table we bring,
we shall remember Jesus.

The Lord be with you
and also with you.
Lift up your hearts.
We lift them to the Lord.
Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
It is right to give thanks and praise.

It is right to praise you, Father, Lord of all creation;
in your love you made us for yourself.
When we turned away
you did not reject us,
but came to meet us in your Son.
You embraced us as your children
and welcomed us to sit and eat with you.

In Christ you shared our life
that we might live in him and he in us.
He opened his arms of love upon the cross
and made for all the perfect sacrifice for sin.

On the night he was betrayed,
at supper with his friends
he took bread, and gave you thanks;
he broke it and gave it to them, saying:
Take, eat; this is my body which is given for you;
do this in remembrance of me.
Father, we do this in remembrance of him:
his body is the bread of life.

At the end of supper, taking the cup of wine,
he gave you thanks, and said:
Drink this, all of you; this is my blood of the new covenant,
which is shed for you for the forgiveness of sins; do this in
remembrance of me.

Father, we do this In remembrance of him:
his blood is shed for all.

As we proclaim his death and celebrate his rising in glory, send
your Holy Spirit that this bread and this wine may be to us the
body and blood of your dear Son.

As we eat and drink these holy gifts
make us one in Christ, our risen Lord.

With your whole Church throughout the world
we offer you this sacrifice of praise
and lift our voice to join the eternal song of heaven:

All sing

Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,
Holy is the Lord God almighty!
Holy, holy, holy is the Lord,
Holy Is the Lord God almighty!
Who was, and is, and is to come!
Holy, holy, holy Is the Lord!

Sit or *kneel*

The Lord's Prayer

As our saviour has taught us, so we pray:

All say **Our Father in heaven, hallowed be your name,**
your kingdom come, your will be done, on earth as
in heaven. Give us today our dally bread. Forgive
us our sins as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation but deliver us from
evil. For the kingdom, the power, and the glory
are yours now and for ever. Amen.

Every time we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim the Lord's death
until he comes.

Jesus is the Lamb of God
who takes away the sin of the world.
Blessed are those who are called to his supper.
Lord, I am not worthy to receive you,
but only say the word, and I shall be healed.

All are invited to come to *receive* communion *or a blessing. During communion we sing a* **COMMUNION HYMN.**

After communion there may be notices or banns of marriage.
Stand as the Priest says the Post-Communion prayer.
The newly-baptized are given a lighted candle.

Receive this light.

God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness and 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.

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

The God of hope fill you with all joy and peace in believing; and the blessing of God almighty, the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit be among you and remain with you always. **Amen.**
Go in the light and peace of Christ
All say **Thanks be to God**

We *sing the final* **Hymn.**

During the hymn the choir and ministers depart

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