

Baptism

The Gospel story on Sunday Jesus describes what happened when Jesus was baptised in the River Jordan by his cousin John the Baptist. Do you know what happened at your baptism? When your family brought **you** to be baptised they were saying 'yes' to Jesus' invitation to 'come and see' and to have you join God's Family, to become a much loved child of God, a brother or sister of Jesus and part of the Christian community.



Have you got photos of your baptism? Can you ask your mum or dad to tell you where you were baptised, when it was and what happened that day?

- One of the things that happened at your baptism is that the priest poured water on your head just as you can see happened in the photo above. As he did that he said 'I baptise you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.' Sometimes babies don't like this bit and they cry a little bit or they wake up in surprise! I wonder what you did.

- Another thing that happened at your baptism was that you were anointed with some very special oils. These oils are used to show how important you are to God.



- Your baptismal candle was lit and your parents and Godparents made promises to tell you all about God and to help you to live as a follower of Jesus.

- You had a special white christening robe or shawl wrapped around you. This white robe says: God is wrapping you in His love ❤️

In the Catholic Church we call Baptism a Sacrament. We have **7 Sacraments** or 7 special meeting points with God where he blesses us and leads us deeper into

friendship with him.