



The Maghull & Melling
Team Ministry

St Peter, Maghull

 THE CHURCH
OF ENGLAND



Diocese of Liverpool

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BAPTISM & THANKSGIVING SERVICES FOR 2010

Congratulations on the birth of your child! We hope that we can help to celebrate the occasion with Thanksgiving and Baptism Services in church.

At St Peter's we have both Thanksgiving and Baptism (Christening) services. We would like to welcome you and your child first of all for a Thanksgiving service. This takes place during one of our regular 11.00 am services. There is a simple, short, informal section of the service where parents and child(ren) are invited to the front, to give thanks to God for your child. Following this service, if you feel it's right to also have your child baptized, then this takes place at a later date – on the first or third Sunday of the month. You will also be invited to attend a short evening session at the church, where we will discuss what baptism is all about.

2010 dates for Baptisms:

January 3, 17

February 7

April 25

May 2

June 20

There is a possibility that some of these dates are already booked up – please discuss this with the vicar. Thanksgiving services may take place on any Sunday, by arrangement.

The difference between Baptism and Thanksgiving really depends on the level of commitment you are prepared to make. In the Baptism Service parents and godparents make a public commitment to follow Christ and promise to bring their children up in the family of the Church. In the Thanksgiving Service, the parents and godparents simply thank God for the safe arrival of the new baby. In the Maghull team of churches (St Andrew, St James, St Peter) we have a policy of inviting everyone to come for a thanksgiving service first. If you feel comfortable with the vows that you will make in the baptism service, you will then be able to have your child baptized.

Your whole family together with your friends are welcome to attend the service. We ask that you don't take photographs or video during the service (for reasons of child protection and because of copyright restrictions), although there is plenty of photo-opportunity afterwards.

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BAPTISM & THANKSGIVING SERVICE APPLICATION

Date preferred (thanksgiving)

Date preferred (baptism)

Child's full name

Date of birth

Father's full name

Occupation

Mother's full name

Occupation

Address

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Phone numbers

email address

Names of Godparents:
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Normally two godfathers and one godmother for a boy;
two godmothers and one godfather for a girl.
Parents may also be godparents; *all godparents must themselves have been baptized.*

Please return this form to 1 St Peter's Row, Moorhey Road, Maghull L315LU