



The Maghull & Melling
Team Ministry

St Peter, Maghull

 THE CHURCH
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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. These take place during our regular 11.15 am services.

We will need to discuss with you what baptism is all about, and ask if you would prefer a Thanksgiving service. Either the vicar will visit you at home, or you will be invited to attend a short evening session at the church.

2010 dates for Thanksgivings/Baptisms:

August 29

September 19

October 17

November 21

There is a possibility that some of these dates are already booked up – please discuss this with the vicar.

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. 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.

If you wish to see the words of the services in advance you can download them from the Church of England website:

<http://www.cofe.anglican.org/worship/downloads/pdf/mvinitiation336-373.pdf> (pages 3 & 9)

Copies of the words you need will be given out at the service or beforehand if possible.

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BAPTISM & THANKSGIVING SERVICE APPLICATION

Date preferred

Thanksgiving/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