

**St Richard's Church
Upper Station Road
Heathfield
East Sussex
TN21 8DS**

GETTING YOUR CHILD BAPTISED (CHRISTENED)

You can have your child baptised at St. Richard's if

You live in the parish; or

You regularly attend worship at St. Richard's.

If you do not live in the parish nor attend St. Richard's you may still be able to have your child baptised here but you will have to obtain the permission of the vicar in whose parish you live, and you will have to say why you want the baptism to take place at St. Richard's and not in your local parish church.

If you are not sure which parish you live in then the website www.achurchnearyou.com will help you find this out.

Booking the Baptism

You will be asked to attend church before we book the date of the baptism, and a member of our baptism team will ask to visit you to discuss the service. Baptism marks someone becoming a member of the Church and so it is appropriate that they and/or their parent(s) have been to church in the weeks leading up to the baptism.

Baptisms usually happen during our main service at 9.45 am on Sundays. However if you have good reasons for wanting another time we will consider this.

Godparents

When considering who to choose as Godparents please remember that they must be baptised themselves.

If you have any questions or concerns please contact the churchwardens.