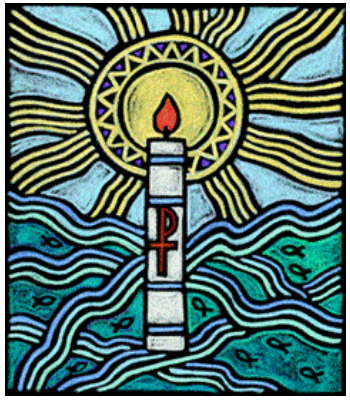
BAPTISM OR THANKSGIVING?

The decision as to whether your child is baptised or has a service of Thanksgiving is yours.

The difference is that for baptism you make promises to bring your child up within the family of the Church and to nurture your child as they grow in their own journey of faith.

To give you the necessary information for this decision our Rector Jane will meet with you to view a ten minute DVD about baptism and to answer your questions and to explore what baptism is all about .



WHAT IS THE NEXT STEP?

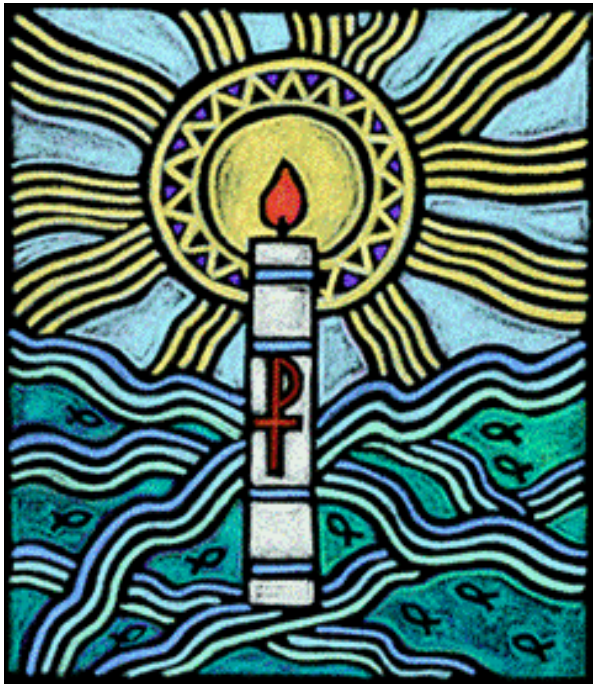
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THE PARISH OF CORFE MULLEN

ST HUBERT AND ST NICHOLAS



BAPTISM

(CHRISTENING)

Through Baptism we recognise and give thanks for God's gift of life. We ask for protection for those being baptized and ask for the Church to give their support. When we are baptized we are welcomed to the local and worldwide Christian family.

WHO IS ELIGIBLE FOR BAPTISM?

We gladly baptise all those we can. The following groups of people can have their children baptised at St Nicholas or St Hubert (or may be baptised themselves):

Those who live in the parish, or have attended regularly at St Nicholas or St Hubert for six months or more

Those who don't live in the parish but have strong pastoral links with the parish. For example the child's parents were married here, or the child's grandparents live in the parish. (Provided the vicar of the parish the child lives in has no objection).

Talk to us if you are unsure whether or not you may be eligible.



WHEN ARE THE SERVICES HELD?



Baptisms can take place at St Nicholas church as part of part of the 10am All Age Family Service on the fourth Sunday of the month or at a 10am Holy Communion service on other Sundays or by arrangement at St Hubert on a Sunday afternoon.

HOW ABOUT GODPARENTS?

It is usual to have three or four Godparents, including at least one Godmother and one Godfather. Godparents should be baptised and be people who will help with the spiritual welfare as well as the general well -being of the child.

WHAT DOES THE SERVICE COST?

Baptism services are free.

WHAT HAPPENS AFTER THE BAPTISM?

We hope that you and your child want to be involved in further church life and activities afterwards. We are a church that values children and young people. The Family Service on the fourth Sunday of each month at 10am is an obvious option for children and their parents. Children are however welcome at all our services and a children's group is provided each Sunday at St Nicholas at 10am.

