

**Sponsors** (godparents) support the parents in bringing up the child in the Christian faith. They should stay in close touch over the years -- a person your child can admire and follow. Usually there are three godparents: two of the same sex as the child and one of the opposite sex. To have more than three is possible, but quality is better than quantity.

**Godparents must be baptized.** It is good if they are also confirmed but this is not essential. Godparents can belong to any church: Episcopal, Roman Catholic, UCC, Baptist, etc.

1. Full name .....  
Address .....  
Phone ..... Email .....  
Baptized? Yes / No            Confirmed? Yes / No  
Denomination (Episcopal, Methodist, etc) .....
  
2. Full name .....  
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# The Episcopal Church of Saint Andrew

New London, New Hampshire

## HOLY BAPTISM



Please cut along the fold and return the other half to:

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## What's baptism all about?

### Baptism is a sign of God's love for us.

Your baby's birth is a time for celebration and joy. So is your baby's baptism (or christening). When you smile at your baby it brings him or her to life: s/he may start to chuckle and wriggle. God's smile comes in baptism. It is the sign that every sin is forgiven, and that we are precious to our heavenly Father.

### Your faith is important.

Your baby was born with your features and will pick up your mannerisms. As s/he gets older your child will grow up, too, with your faith. Parents can best prepare for their child's baptism by looking at the role of God in their own lives. If you don't come regularly to church, your baby can still be baptized at Saint Andrew's. But I would ask you to pause and think *why* you want your baby baptized, and to consider joining us on Sundays. There is no better thing you can give to children than the opportunity to learn about God and God's love for them.

### Baptism is a birth into the family of God.

Your baby's baptism marks the beginning of his or her Christian journey. When your baby is washed in the waters of baptism, s/he becomes a child of God -- like Jesus Christ himself. St. Andrew's Church welcomes your child into its midst with love and prayers for the future peace and happiness of your family.

### What if I'm unmarried?

Don't worry. You and your baby will be welcomed here.

### How much does baptism cost?

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Nothing. There is no charge for baptism, but no one will stop you from putting an offering on the collection plate!  
Please fill in this form using BLOCK CAPITALS.

**Date of Baptism:** .....

**Time:** 8 or 10 am (or sometimes 12 noon)

**Child's First Names:** .....

**Child's Last Name:** .....

**Child's Date of Birth:** .....

**Place:**.....

**Parent Full Name:** .....

**Baptized? Yes / No**                      **Confirmed? Yes / No**

**Parent Full Name:** .....

**Baptized? Yes / No**                      **Confirmed? Yes / No**

**Address:** .....

**Telephone:** ..... **Email:**.....

**Have you other children? Please give their names and ages**

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