



# THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ENGLISH MARTYRS AND ST AUGUSTINE OF CANTERBURY



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**PARISH PRIEST FATHER GERRY WALSH**

St Augustine's Presbytery, 256 Painswick Road, Matson, Gloucester GL4 4B



## APPLICATION FOR BAPTISM

Surname of Child \_\_\_\_\_ Forename(s) \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth \_\_\_\_\_ Place \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Father \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Mother \_\_\_\_\_ Religion \_\_\_\_\_

Mother's maiden surname \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Tel. No \_\_\_\_\_

Full Names of Godparent (1) \_\_\_\_\_ Denomination \_\_\_\_\_

Full Names of Godparent (2) \_\_\_\_\_ Denomination \_\_\_\_\_

Full Names of Godparent (3) \_\_\_\_\_ Denomination \_\_\_\_\_

Full Names of Godparent (4) \_\_\_\_\_ Denomination \_\_\_\_\_

***NB: A Godfather or Godmother must be a practising Catholic others must be Christian. If there is more than one Godparent they should be of both sexes. No more than 4 Godparents for the register.***

**PLACE OF BAPTISM:** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE & TIME OF BAPTISM\*** \_\_\_\_\_

\*Please discuss the date and time with Fr Gerry to ensure he or a minister is available to carry out the baptism before inviting friends and family and arranging a party if you are having one.

## What is Baptism and Parents Declaration

When your child receives the Sacrament of Baptism they:

- (a) become a Child of God
- (b) become a Member of the Church of Christ in the Catholic Community
- (c) share in the Death and Resurrection of Christ
- (d) become a Temple of the Holy Spirit

This involves the serious undertaking to lead a life of attachment to Our Lord Jesus Christ which whilst they are children they learn from their parents.

Hence, the parents of the child are asked to answer the following questions:

1. Do you realise that in asking to have your child baptised, you accept the duty of raising him/her in the faith of the Catholic Church, so that by observing the commandments, he/she will love God and neighbour as Christ taught us?

Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Will you fulfil this duty by word and example? Answer: \_\_\_\_\_

3. We/I declare that we/I understand the meaning, the privileges and the duties of baptism. We/I undertake the serious obligation to bring our child to Mass and give him/her a Catholic education.

We/I have answered the questions truthfully before God.

Signatures \_\_\_\_\_ [Father]\*

\_\_\_\_\_ [Mother]\*

\*In the case of a "mixed" marriage the partner who belongs to another Christian Community may wish to give the same undertaking. If not, he/she is asked to make the following declaration:

I willingly allow my child to be baptised according to the rite and teaching of the Catholic Church.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

If the child's parents reside outside of the parish boundaries, the Parish Priest of the parish where they reside must give his permission unless they live within Gloucester where there is a local agreement between the Parishes:

I, Parish Priest of \_\_\_\_\_,  
hereby give permission for the child to be baptised in the parish of English Martyrs, Tuffley/St Augustine's, Matson.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

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