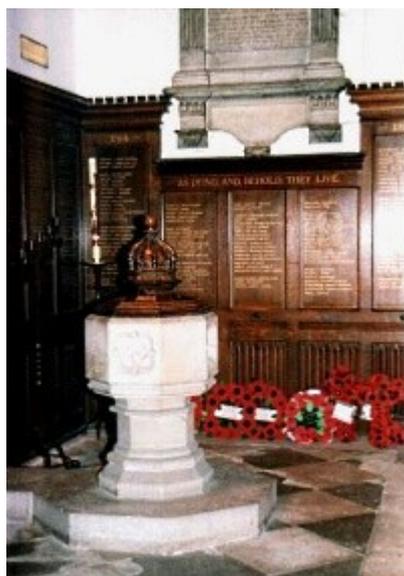


Being baptised at St Mary's Church Merton Park



We welcome your enquiry about Baptism at St Mary's, Merton Park.

Please attend either the **9.30am** Parish Eucharist (10am on 1st Sunday of the month) or **6.30pm** Evensong and hand a completed Baptism application form (available from the parish office - phone 020-8542 1760 or email office@stmarysmerton.org.uk) to a member of the clergy or Churchwarden who will then explain the procedure to you.

Please note that the date of the baptism will be confirmed only after the completed form has been received by the Vicar. Please allow up to a fortnight to hear due to high demand.

If you live outside the parish boundary then we ask that your Parish Priest gives consent for your child to be baptised here at St Mary's.

Baptism Services are normally held at St Mary's on the **1st Sunday** of the month at **10.00am**. However, there are exceptions to this norm when major festivals like Harvest, All Saints and Mothering Sunday fall on the 1st Sunday of the

month, in which case we will arrange with you alternative times or dates. The Vicar, Reverend John Hayward or one of the Pastoral Team will visit you prior to your confirmed date.

There is a small fee of **£12** for the certificate of Baptism and while no charge is made for the Baptism Service held at 10am, St Mary's would welcome please a donation for the upkeep and work of the church. One cheque made payable to '**St Mary's Merton P.C.C.**' would be most acceptable. Thank you.

It is anticipated that the family will be attending Church regularly and be committed to the Church of England faith and ethos. You might like to consider using our creche or children's Sunday Club run in parallel with the Sunday Service each week during term time. Many activities for all generations are held in the parish and you are very welcome to explore these opportunities as you become familiar with the parish. Details can be found elsewhere on the parish web site, in the monthly magazine and on the weekly pew sheet distributed in Church.

If there are any queries please do not hesitate to contact the parish office, Monday-Friday 9:00am-12:00pm.

We look forward to seeing you and celebrating the occasion of your Child's Christening.