


## Holy Baptism and christening at St Mary's Dalton & St Peter's Ireleth and Askam

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### What is Baptism?

*Baptism is a sacred beginning—a welcome into the love and mercy of God.*

Whether for yourself or your child, baptism is a **joyful commitment** to live a life of **faith, prayer, and love**.

 If your child is being baptised, parents and godparents promise to raise them in the Christian faith, regularly attending church and following Jesus' example.

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### How Do We Begin?

#### **Come Along**

Attend Sunday or mid-week Mass for a few weeks—get to know us!

#### **Connect**

Meet the church family, spend time in prayer, and speak with the priest about next steps.

#### **Reflect**

Choose up to 4 godparents—baptised Christians to help guide your child's journey. Or if an adult someone to be your sponsor.


#### **Prepare**

When ready, we'll set a date during one of our special Sunday services.

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## A Journey Together

*We know life is busy and faith may seem unusual in a society which places so much pressure on meeting is approval—but this could be a beautiful new beginning, where you are loved by God no matter and you'll be loved by the church.*

 **God loves you just as you are.** So do we.  
We'd be honoured to walk this path with you.

“Whoever you are, wherever you come from, God loves you.”

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## Upcoming Baptism Services


### **St Mary's Dalton**


 14 Sept 2025 – 9:30am

 19 Oct 2025 – 9:30am


 23 Nov 2025 – 9:30am


### **St Peter's Ireleth**

 21 Sept 2025 – 11:30am

 5 Oct 2025 – 11:30am

 16 Nov 2025 – 11:30am

 *Please note: No baptisms during Advent or Lent (seasons of preparation, fasting and penance).*

 **Emergency Baptism** - If urgent (e.g. for health reasons), please contact the priest immediately.

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## Stay in Touch

Check service times on **Facebook**, notice boards, or our **upcoming website**

Ask us any questions—we're here to help!

 **We can't wait to welcome you!**