

The Parish Churches

All Saints Church

94 Shenley Road, Borehamwood, WD6 1EB

Revd Steven Young, Team Rector,

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Churchwarden, Mrs Pam Kubica pkubica@btinternet.com

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7534/>

Holy Cross Church

Balmoral Drive, Borehamwood, WD6 2QU

Revd Louise Collins 07759 283337 / louise.collins59@hotmail.com

Churchwarden, Mrs Anne Smith

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7535/>

St Nicholas Church

Elstree High Street, Elstree, WD6 3SW

Revd Steven Young, Team Rector

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Churchwarden, Melita Lee 0208 207 3647 / charlesterence@aol.com

<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7542/>

St Michael & All Angels Church

Brook Road, Borehamwood, WD6 5EQ

Revd Louise Collins 07759 283337 / louise.collins59@hotmail.com

Churchwarden, Mrs Pat Clarke 02083865469 /

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<https://www.achurchnearyou.com/church/7536/>

The Parish of Elstree and Borehamwood All Saints – Holy Cross – St Michael and All Angels – St Nicholas



Your Baptism (Christening) in Church

The Parish of Elstree and Borehamwood opens its doors to all comers. Anyone living in the Parish can ask for a Baptism at any of our four churches:

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What is Baptism?

Baptism (also known as ‘Christening’) is a public act of worship in which we decide to follow Jesus Christ.

It is a fresh start and a turning point in our lives, the beginning of a journey. Baptism is a gift and sign of God’s love and acceptance. A welcome into the local and worldwide church, the family of God.

Words are spoken, prayers are said, promises are made. Water, oil and light are used as powerful symbols that speak to us of God’s cleansing, soothing, protecting and inclusive love. It is a chance for everyone to renew their own faith. The whole atmosphere is full of love, joy, warmth, peace and acceptance.

Baptism is for anyone of any age; it is never too early or too late to be baptised! Infants and young children will need three or four Godparents who are themselves Baptised to speak for them.

1. I would like to know more. What do I do next?

Come to church any Sunday and ask for Revd Steven Young, Team Rector or Revd Louise Collins, Team Vicar or contact us direct via our details on the back of this leaflet.

2. When do Baptisms take place?

Baptisms take place on Sundays, usually in the main morning service or just after.

3. How much does a Baptism cost?

There is no charge for Baptism, it is a free gift from God. During the service there is a chance to give towards the work of the church.

4. How long does it take to organise a Baptism?

A Baptism can usually be arranged within a few weeks, after a Baptism visit and instruction and rehearsal if appropriate.

5. If I don’t live in the Parish, can I still be baptised here?

Yes, with the goodwill of your local minister it may be possible for you to be baptised here.

6. How do I choose my Godparents and what do they have to do?

Help and advice will be given during your Baptism instruction about choosing Godparents. Godparents must be Baptised Christians themselves.

7. What is the difference between a Baptism and a Christening?

None, they are the same thing! See also:

<https://www.churchofengland.org/life-events/christenings>