

Exploring Baptism?

We are glad to explore Baptism (also known as Christening) with you!

Contact the Cathedral's Canon Pastor, Matthew Vernon, or our Licensed Children's and Families' Minister, Fiona Knapp. Email: fionaknapp@stedscathedral.org
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All Age Eucharist

If you are thinking about baptism, then you might like to join us on Sunday morning at 9.00 am for an engaging and informal 35-minute All Age Eucharist Service for the young and the young at heart, the old and the not yet old! Those with young families are especially welcome.



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What is Young Families?



Young Families is a group for parents, grandparents/carers and toddlers to play, relax, enjoy a safe space, encourage one another and meet new people. It is free of charge and open to all faiths and none. Refreshments are also free.

When?

We meet every Friday from 10.00 am. We usually start putting away toys about 11.30 am.

Where?

We meet in St Edmundsbury Cathedral's Edmund Room. Follow the signs upstairs when you are at the Cathedral. There is a lift for those with buggies and prams, or stairs for those who can manage them.

What happens?

There are lots of toys for the children to play with. Young babies can play on the mats and older children can move around the room freely. Adults usually play with their children and chat with other parents. We always have a supply of biscuits and juice for the children. Tea/coffee are available for adults – please take care with hot drinks and ensure they are placed so they cannot be reached by a child.

A request that you do not share your own snack /drink with other families in case of allergies.

Once a month at 10.15 am there will be a Pram service in the Cathedral lasting ten minutes, including a story and song, for those who wish to attend.

NOTE: You are welcome to take photos of your own child/children but taking photos of other children is not permitted. Toilets are available upstairs - there are changing facilities in the toilet block downstairs.

Safeguarding & More Information



Is my child safe?

Yes, we ensure that all our Cathedral volunteers are appropriately vetted and have received safeguarding training. We ask you to sign in and out at each session and to complete a contact details form when you first attend. We do our best to ensure the room is secure and safe.

Can I leave my child with you?

No. We ask that adults stay in the room with their child for the duration of the session. Please also be aware that you are responsible for your own property during each session; keep personal items with you at all times.

Who goes to Young Families?

Young Families is made up of a range of people who bring their children to the group. Children are usually aged from 0 to 5 (pre-school), but during half term weeks and on other occasions we welcome older children too.

What if I don't know anyone?

Don't worry! We have lots of new families popping in. Someone will be there to look out for you, and we can introduce you to other families.

Do I have to be a Christian to come?

No. We are made up of Christian families and those of other faiths or of no faith. We welcome all!

What if my child is unwell?

Please do not attend a session if your child is unwell. If your child develops an infectious illness after having been at a session, telephone the Cathedral Office on (01284) 748720 to let us know.