



We're delighted that you would like to have your child baptised. Everyone has the right to have their child baptised in the parish church where they live. St Helen's is your parish church if you live in Wheathampstead or Gustard Wood.

The promises and undertakings made by parents and Godparents at Baptism imply that you take your child's Christian faith seriously. It is important, therefore, to feel part of the local Christian community into which your child is being baptised. So, we encourage you to consider carefully the benefits of having your child baptised in your own parish church.

If you live outside Wheathampstead, it may still be possible to have your children baptised here – especially if you regularly worship at St Helen's or St Peter's church, or have other connections with the church or village. However, **you must first seek the goodwill of the priest in the parish where you live.** If they are happy for your child's baptism to take place at St Helen's, please ask them to complete the form below and then you should return it to our Church Office.

Whatever you decide, please be assured of our best wishes as your child begins their journey of Christian faith.

Richard Banham  
Rector

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To: The Ministerial Team  
c/o St Helen's Church Office, High Street, Wheathampstead, AL4 8AA.

I hereby grant permission for \_\_\_\_\_ (*name of child*) to be baptised in St Helen's Church, Wheathampstead.

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Position Held \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Parish \_\_\_\_\_

