



Notes for Teachers

Overview

Our belonging to our family of origin and our Parish family are expressions of our belonging to God; our belonging in God.

Learning outcomes

- 1 Name the significant people who are glad that the child is here.
- 2 Experience the positive feelings that come with belonging.
- 3 Link the experience of belonging in the family with the experience of belonging in the Parish family.
- 4 Recognise Baptism as the ritual that makes this belonging visible.

Children's experience

- Who's glad that you're here at home?
- Who's glad that you're here at school?
- Where else are people glad that you're there?
- What sort of things do you do and say to show that you are glad?
- Pray a 'God bless Mum' prayer, naming the people who are special to the child.
- Using the picture of the Baptism write a welcoming prayer

Who's there?

Where does it happen?

The sorts of things we do at a Baptism:

- crosses
- scripture
- water
- oil
- · white clothing
- candle
- · godparents
- name