

**Key Vocabulary**

<b>Christian</b>	Somebody who follows the religion Christianity.
<b>Bible</b>	The special book for Christians, which contains stories, prayers and teachings for Christians to learn and follow.
<b>Jesus</b>	God's son, who was sent down to Earth to lead Christians and show them how to live good lives.
<b>belonging</b>	A feeling of being a part of something and fitting in together.
<b>community</b>	A group of people who live together in a particular area and who share a particular common interest.
<b>Baptism</b>	A Christian ceremony where an infant or individual are welcomed into the church community.
<b>Christening</b>	When an infant is baptised, the family often celebrates with a Christening.
<b>Holy Communion</b>	A church service where Christians can reaffirm their commitment to being a good Christian by taking some bread and wine.

**Jesus's Baptism**

John the Baptist baptised Jesus in the River Jordan. When Jesus came up from the water, the sun came out and a dove flew down. Jesus heard God's voice say "This is my son. I love him and I am pleased with him." Water is used in baptism and symbolises a person's sins being washed away and the beginning of their journey of faith as a Christian.



Christians are often baptised as a baby, when they are given their name, but they can also be baptised as an older child or an adult. Gifts are often given at baptisms.

**Key Questions**

- What do Christians do to celebrate birth?
- How do Christians show they belong to the church community?
- What does it feel like to belong to a church community?
- How does a church community help others?

**Holy Communion**

Holy Communion is a ceremony where Christians can accept the gift of a piece of bread and a sip of wine. The bread symbolises Jesus's body, and the wine (grape juice) symbolises Jesus's blood, which he shared with his disciples in the Last Supper, before he died.

