



What is the Church?

Children's Worksheet: Unit 1

We are the People of God



I belong to a family...

My family name is _____

The day I was born was a very special day.

My birthday is _____

Other members of my family are:

Here I am!

When I was born...

I was welcomed into my family and into the world

My Family at Home

Some of the people who
welcomed me were:

I belong to another family...

The name of this family is the C_____ C_____



I became a member of that family when I was baptised.

That was also a very special day.

I was baptised on _____

At _____ Church



My Christian name is _____

My Godparents were _____

and _____



When I was baptised...

I was welcomed into the Church - the People of God

Some of the people who welcomed me were:

The Priest said:

_____, the Christian community welcomes you with great joy. In its name I claim you for Christ our Saviour by the sign of the cross. I now trace the cross on your forehead, and invite your parents (and godparents) to do the same.

The sign of the cross is an important sign for members of the People of God.

We use that sign each time we begin to pray.

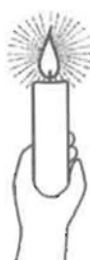


At my Baptism...

I was baptised
with water and
the Holy Spirit
as God gave
me a new
kind of life
in Jesus



I was given
a lighted
candle
to show that
Christ was now
present in
my life



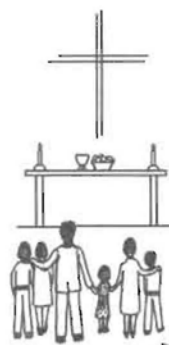
I was anointed
with the
oil of chrism
so that God's
power would
make me strong
to be like Him

**My parents and the Church community
are now helping me prepare
to celebrate Confirmation and Communion**



When I am confirmed
I will receive the fulness
of God's Spirit...

When I receive Holy
Communion I will
share fully in the Mass



At Mass...

We begin our prayers with the Sign of the Cross - In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

The priest welcomes us to the celebration.

We are welcome to be there because we are part of God's family.

At home...

Colour in the picture and read the story of Jesus welcoming the little children.



People often brought children to Jesus and he always welcomed them and gave them his blessing.

One day, he saw his disciples sending the children away. Jesus was not pleased with them. He said: 'Don't send the children away like that. Let them come to me.'

Then he put his arms round the children and blessed them.

Remember that Jesus first welcomed you when you were baptised. On that day you began to be a very special friend of Jesus. Through your Confirmation and Holy Communion, you will deepen and strengthen that friendship. Jesus wants you to be part of his special family - the People of God - for the rest of your life.