



Chaplaincy and
Spiritual Care Services

The Leeds Teaching Hospitals



NHS Trust

Emergency Baptism

The Church of England

In an emergency, a lay person may be the minister of baptism, and should subsequently inform those who have the pastoral responsibility for the person so baptized.

The following form is sufficient.

The minister pours water on the person to be baptized, saying

*N, I baptize you in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. **Amen.***

These additional prayers are optional

The minister may then say the Lord's Prayer and the Grace.

If it is appropriate, some of the following may also be used.

Before the Baptism

The Lord is near to the brokenhearted
and will save those who are crushed in spirit.

(Psalm 34.18)

Heavenly Father,
grant that by your Holy Spirit
this child may be born again
and know your love in the new creation
given us in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

At the Signing with the Cross

N, may Christ protect and defend you.
Receive the sign of his cross.

Prayer over the Water

Heavenly Father,
bless this water,
that whoever is washed in it
may be made one with Christ
in the fellowship of your Church,
and be brought through every tribulation
to share the risen life
that is ours in Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen.

After the Baptism

The Lord's Prayer

**Our Father, who art in heaven,
hallowed be thy name;
thy kingdom come;
thy will be done;
on earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread.
And forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive those who trespass against us.
And lead us not into temptation;
but deliver us from evil.
For thine is the kingdom,
the power and the glory,
for ever and ever. Amen.**

The Grace

The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ,
and the love of God,
and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit
be with us all evermore. **Amen.**

or

The Blessing

May God almighty,
the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit,
bless and keep you this day and for evermore. **Amen.**