

Aidan's Baptism

Eileen Finch writes:

I thought you might be interested in seeing a copy of Aidan's baptism service. He was baptised in the Catholic church by his grandfather (Derek's father) who is an ordained auxiliary minister in the United Reformed Church. The parish priest was delighted with the idea and very helpful. He had had practice when he helped an Anglican bishop baptise his grandchild in his former parish. We had a super day with two sets of godparents, two married couples, one Catholic and one URC.

Update

We rejoice with Derek and Eileen, and also note that Aidan's baptism requires our baptism centrepiece to be updated. (The 1984 edition was reprinted last year; it is still the centrepiece most in demand.) In 1984 we wrote: "We still know of no case in Britain where an Anglican priest has been recognised as the minister of baptism in a Catholic church (though this has been experienced by AIF members abroad)." In fact this happened a while ago now, and in Aidan's case it was a URC minister, his grandfather, who was the minister of baptism in the Catholic church.