

## **Christening Checklist**

### **8 - 12 weeks before**

- Make an appointment with vicar
- Find out about what the church requires (shawls, colour: white/ivory)
- Choose and approach godparents
- Book the date with church and godparents
- Plan out the event: what time to arrive, start, what next, finish time, etc...

### **6 - 8 weeks before**

- Book entertainers, photographers and caterers
- Create guest list
- Search for babies christening outfit
- Search for all outfits for husband/wife/sibling
- Search for gifts for godparents

### **4 - 6 weeks before**

- Buy the babies christening outfit (and try it on)
- Buy all outfits for husband/wife/sibling
- Buy gifts for godparents
- Post invitation to guest with RSVP

### **2 - 4 weeks before**

- Finalise food and drinks menu with caterers
- Confirm arrangement with church, godparents, photographers, and caterers
- Get accessories such as shoes, socks, bibs, clothes to change into after

### **1 - 2 weeks before**

- Finalise all outfits
- Design seating plan
- Ask a friend to take photographs on the day also
- Ask for extra help on the day if needed

### **1 week before**

- Check that enough plates, glasses, cutlery are available
- Check cameras and batteries
- Check transport (or your cars)
- Buy flowers and balloons
- Check you have correct documents
- Prepare a donation for the church