



HOLY TRINITY B R U S S E L S

Baptism of Ellie-Rose Weemaels
4 September 2021

WELCOME & INTRODUCTION

OPENING PRAYER

FIRST READING – A reading from Psalm 139

(after the readings) This is the word of the Lord.
Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL READING - Matthew 7:24-27

SERMON

PRESENTATION OF THE CANDIDATE

The chaplain addresses the whole congregation

Chaplain Faith is the gift of God to his people. In baptism the Lord is adding to our number those whom he is calling. People of God, will you welcome Ellie-Rose and uphold her in her new life in Christ?

All With the help of God, we will.

The chaplain then says to the parents and godparents

Chaplain Parents and godparents, the Church receives Ellie-Rose with joy. Today we are trusting God for her growth in faith. Will you pray for her, draw her by your example into the community of faith and walk with her in the way of Christ?

Parents & Godparents **With the help of God, we will.**

Chaplain In baptism Ellie-Rose begins her journey in faith. You speak for her today. Will you care for her, and help her to take her place within the life and worship of Christ's Church?

Parents & Godparents **With the help of God, we will.**

DECISION

The chaplain addresses the parents and godparents

Chaplain In baptism, God calls us out of darkness into his marvellous light.
To follow Christ means dying to sin and rising to new life in him.
Therefore I ask:

Do you reject the devil and all rebellion against God?

I reject them.

Do you renounce the deceit and corruption of evil?

I renounce them.

Do you repent of the sins that separate us from God and neighbour?

I repent of them.

Do you turn to Christ as Saviour? ***I turn to Christ.***

Do you submit to Christ as Lord? ***I submit to Christ.***

Do you come to Christ, the way, the truth and the life?

I come to Christ.

THE SIGN OF THE CROSS

The chaplain makes the sign of the cross on the forehead of the candidate, saying,

Chaplain Ellie-Rose, Christ claims you for his own. Receive the sign of his cross.
Do not be ashamed to confess the faith of Christ crucified.

**All Fight valiantly as a disciple of Christ
against sin, the world and the devil,
and remain faithful to Christ to the end of your life.**
May almighty God deliver you from the powers of darkness,
restore in you the image of his glory,
and lead you in the light and obedience of Christ. **Amen.**

PRAYER OVER THE WATER

Chaplain Praise God who made heaven and earth

All who keeps his promise for ever

Chaplain Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

All It is right to give him thanks and praise

Chaplain We thank you, almighty God, for the gift of water to sustain, refresh
and cleanse all life. Over water the Holy Spirit moved in the beginning
of creation. Through water you led the children of Israel from slavery
in Egypt to freedom in the Promised Land. In water your Son Jesus
received the baptism of John and was anointed by the Holy Spirit as the
Messiah, the Christ, to lead us from the death of sin to newness of life.
We thank you, Father, for the water of baptism. In it we are buried
with Christ in his death. By it we share in his resurrection. Through it
we are reborn by the Holy Spirit. Therefore, in joyful obedience to
your Son, we baptize into his fellowship those who come to him in
faith. Now sanctify this water that, by the power of your Holy Spirit,
they may be cleansed from sin and born again.

Renewed in your image, may they walk by the light of faith and continue for ever in the risen life of Jesus Christ our Lord; to whom with you and the Holy Spirit be all honour and glory, now and for ever.
Amen.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

The chaplain addresses the congregation

Chaplain Brothers and sisters, I ask you to profess together with Ellie-Rose the faith of the Church.

Do you believe and trust in God the Father?

All I believe in God, the Father almighty, creator of heaven and earth.

Chaplain Do you believe and trust in his Son Jesus Christ?

All I believe in Jesus Christ, his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended to the dead. On the third day he rose again; he ascended into heaven, he is seated at the right hand of the Father, and will come to judge the living and the dead.

Chaplain Do you believe and trust in the Holy Spirit?

All I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic church, the communion of the saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

THE BAPTISM

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

Chaplain May God, who has received you by baptism into his Church, pour upon you the riches of his grace, that within the company of Christ's pilgrim people you may daily be renewed by his anointing Spirit, and come to the inheritance of the saints in glory. **Amen.**

THE COMMISSION

The Chaplain addresses the congregation, parents and godparents

Chaplain We have brought Ellie-Rose to baptism knowing that Jesus died and rose again for her and trusting in the promise that God hears and answers prayer. We have prayed that in Jesus Christ she will know the forgiveness of her sins and the new life of the Spirit. As she grows up, she will need the help and encouragement of the Christian community, so that she may learn to know God in public worship and private prayer, follow Jesus Christ in the life of faith, serve her neighbour after the example of Christ, and in due course come to confirmation. As part of the Church of Christ, we all have a duty to support her by prayer, example and teaching.

As her parents and godparents, you have the prime responsibility for guiding and helping her in her early years. This is a demanding task for which you will need the help and grace of God. Therefore let us now pray for grace in guiding this child in the way of faith.

PRAYERS

THE LORD'S PRAYER

**Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your
name, your kingdom
come, your will be
done, on earth as in
heaven. Give us today
our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins as
we forgive those who
sin against us. Lead us
not into temptation
but deliver us from
evil. For the kingdom,
the power, and the
glory are yours now
and for ever. Amen.**

**Notre Père, qui es
aux cieux,
Que ton nom soit
sanctifié,
Que ton règne vienne,
Que ta volonté soit
faite
Sur la terre comme
au ciel.
Donne-nous
aujourd'hui notre pain
de ce jour
Pardonne-nous nos
offenses,
Comme nous
pardonnons aussi à
ceux qui nous ont
offensés**

**Et ne nous soumetts
pas à la tentation,
Mais délivre-nous du
mal.
Car c'est à toi
qu'appartiennent le
règne,
la puissance et la
gloire,
pour les siècles des
siècles. Amen.**

THE WELCOME

Chaplain There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism:
Ellie-Rose, by one Spirit we are all baptized into one body.

**All We welcome you in the fellowship of faith;
we are children of the same heavenly Father;
we welcome you.**

THE BLESSING

GIVING OF A LIGHTED CANDLE

Chaplain God has delivered us from the dominion of darkness
and has given us a place with the saints in light.
You have received the light of Christ;
walk in this light all the days of your life.

All Shine as a light in the world to the glory of God the Father.