How to Become a Member of St. Mary’s Church

We hope that in your experiences of worship, service, and fellowship at St. Mary’s you’ll hear God’s voice leading you to join us here. There are several ways that you can become a member of St. Mary’s.

**If you’ve** never been baptized into the Christian faith, then baptism is the place to begin. Baptism is the sacrament in which we accept God’s loving invitation to be adopted as daughters and sons in God’s family, to renounce sin and evil, and to turn instead to Christ as our Lord and Savior. In baptism, we become full members of Christ’s Body in the world, the Church. If you or a member of your family is interested in receiving the sacrament of baptism, please contact Mother Cindy.

**If you’re a baptized Christian** who hasn’t been part of an Episcopal congregation before, then you can become a member of St. Mary’s simply by letting us know that you want to be. All we need is information about when and where you were baptized. Once you’re a member, we hope that you’ll take the next step and present yourself for [confirmation or reception into the Episcopal Church](http://standrewkc.org/index.php?option=com_content&view=article&id=171:confirmation&catid=101:episcopal-resources&Itemid=113). This is an opportunity for you to learn more about what the Episcopal Church believes; make a public, mature commitment to live as a disciple of Jesus Christ; and be commissioned for ministry by our bishop. If you would like to explore membership in St. Mary’s Church, please contact Mother Cindy.

**If you’re an Episcopalian** and would like to transfer your membership to St. Mary’s from another congregation, Mother Cindy would be pleased to contact your previous parish and request a Letter of Transfer. If you haven’t yet been confirmed, we hope you’ll take this step as well. It’s important to make your own mature, public declaration of your faith in Christ and be commissioned for your ministry in the world.