



Motion : Fee for the Baptism

To the Chairman of the AGM 2021

1 Background

The members of the Church Committee of the Greek Orthodox Church Margate have set up some fees for the holy sacraments, like Saint Days, Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals, Memorials. Currently the fee for the Baptism is £175.00. To Register the Baptism and to produce the Certificate has a cost which is £40.00. Our Church order and pay the fee for each certificate to Archdiocese. The rest of the fee (£135.00) is for the cover of the Cleaning, Disinfection, Heating, Electricity and Wear and Tear.

2 My thoughts

- A Our Community/Church has a need of more members. Our Greek Orthodox faith need more members
- B Our Church is open for everyone to come and learn our faith. We have to be happy for every new member who wants to join our community and for every new person is joining our faith.
- C Like the lost son when he came back, his father was happy and celebrated
- D Like John the Baptist he spent his life to Baptise in the name of God for everyone who believed, and he did it for free.

3 My suggestion

- A Only an administration Charge Fee of £40.00 to cover the cost from Archdiocese.
- B Donations can be accepted with receipt and Gift Aid record.

4 Consequences

- A Loosing income - £135.00 / Baptism.
- B We can attract more people to our faith.
- C Some of the new Greek Christian Orthodox members can be active community members

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