



**Identity and Community:** People feel belonging to communities, their identity can be expressed through traditions, rituals and symbols.

## Vocabulary

**Trinity:** the Christian belief that God is 3 parts, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

**Messiah:** a saviour from God

**Believer's baptism:** when a person chooses for themselves to be baptised

## What is the Trinity and why is it important for Christians?

At the time of Jesus many people were waiting for someone to come from God who would save them and to heal the rift between them and God and they called this person the Messiah.

Jesus' cousin was a man called John the Baptist. He told the people about the coming Messiah and baptised them, so they were ready for the Messiah's arrival. This is why he is called John the Baptist. The water symbolised the washing away of sin.



Art created to represent the baptism of Jesus shows John the Baptist baptising Jesus.



## So how does it all work?

The Trinity

God, the Father

God, the Son

God, the Holy Spirit

Jesus' Baptism by John the Baptist



Being welcomed into the Christian Church



Believer's Baptism



Infant Baptism