

The Alpha Course

We are excited to announce that we are planning to run the Alpha program, “Alpha in a Catholic Context” at Infant Jesus parish. We hope to commence at the end of August. To do this, we need a strong team of dedicated people who are able to commit to attending one night a week for 11 weeks.

Within the Alpha team, there are many varied roles, so no matter what your particular gifts, there may be a place for you in the team. Please read the information below and ask God if he wants you to be part of this amazing program.



What is Alpha?

Alpha is an easy-to-use tool for evangelization which has been used by thousands of Catholic parishes around the world. It is designed to present the Christian faith in a welcoming and friendly way which appeals to millennials and seeks to address their questions and concerns. It involves inviting people to share a meal, listen to a short talk and then to explore their questions and ideas about what they have heard.

Who can be part of the Alpha team?

YOU—if your motivation is love for others; if you love people, love food and conversation; if you have a passion for bringing people to God!

We also need people who love to provide a welcoming environment for guests and serving them with good food and drink—the helping hands that make sure an evening together goes smoothly. Preparing the physical space is integral to the program and so hands on, practical help is also important.

Lastly, but equally importantly, we need prayer! If you can not help in any other way, please start praying now; that we get the good people we need on the team; that we are able to launch the program this year; that when we invite people, they will come and find the God who loves each one of us with a deep, personal love.



Alpha Training Day

SATURDAY 14 APRIL 9AM - 4PM

This is your opportunity to hear Lorraine McCarthy, the national co-ordinator of *Alpha in a Catholic Context*, explain where Alpha fits in the faith formation process in a parish and how Alpha can become an integral part of a parish pastoral plan to evangelize and form missionary disciples.

On this training day, you will be able to experience how an Alpha evening works and what is required of the team. So, if you are not sure if Alpha is for you, come and see!

Meanwhile, check our Alpha in a Catholic Context online: alpha.org/catholic-context or check out Fr. James Mallon: Divine Renovation on YouTube.