

Alpha in St. Hilda's

What is Alpha

- Practical introduction to the Christian faith, designed primarily for non-churchgoers
- Over the 6 session (original 15 session) course, the talks address Jesus' life, his death and resurrection
- An integral part of Alpha is the weekend or day away where the focus is on the person and work of the Holy Spirit
- After the talk, guests are divided into groups of ten to twelve people, hosted by a group leader and two helpers, in which they remain for the duration of the course
- The talks act as a catalyst for open discussion in an environment where each person should feel free to ask or express whatever they wish
- At the end of the course a party is held to celebrate the completion of the course

Key facts about Alpha

- Started in Holy Trinity Brompton (Anglican), UK
- running for over 30 years
- taking place in over 66,000 churches and other locations worldwide
- over 27 million people around the world have tried Alpha

Key values - Love, Learn, and Live:

- Love We care for people and create an atmosphere that we would want to bring our best friends to
- Learn We create an environment where people can ask questions and discuss them freely with others
- Live We try to model what the Christian life is like and give people the opportunity to experience it for themselves



Alpha in SHC - 6-week course on Friday evenings

- 4 Sep Alpha Introductory Dinner
- 11 Sep Lesson 1: Who is Jesus?
- 18 Sep Lesson 2: Why did Jesus die?
- 25 Sep Lesson 3: How can I be sure of my faith?
- 2 Oct Lesson 4: Does God heal today?
- 9 Oct Celebratory Dinner

A Typical Evening

- 7pm Dinner
- 8pm Welcome
- 815pm Worship
- 830pm -Talk
- 915pm -Small Group Discussion
- 10pm End

How You Can Be Involved

- Invite and accompany someone to the course
 - o Pray for God to reveal the person to you in Aug
 - o Invite and register the person for the course
 - o Journey with the person in their search for God
- Be a Volunteer
 - o Ushers, Befrienders, Sound team, Setup and Cleanup Crew, Book Table... and more
 - o Approach the helpers at the Alpha Booth to sign up
- Be an Intercessor
 - o Pray with us at Level 4 every Sunday 945-1015am

