

Wakefield Ministry Scheme
BASIC PARISH PROGRAMME – IN DETAIL
List of courses and resources available

Courses are in study packs for small group use unless otherwise stated. Some units are described as ‘pick and mix’: in these instances, it is not necessary to do all the sessions as a course, but instead individual topics can be chosen according to local needs.

General Resources

These are not courses but provide a range of resource materials that could be used in the context of parish training, e.g. to help the development of CORE Groups.

GR C Vision Building (7 paper resource pack)

1. Mission and vision statements
2. Seven ways of building a vision
 - 2a. Table of gifts
 - 2b. Table of skills
3. Practical tools
4. Implementing a vision
5. Project planning
6. Vision and change
7. Visionary leadership and collaborative ministry

GR D Collaborative Ministry (5 paper help pack for leaders)

1. Leadership styles
2. Enabling people
3. Delegation
4. Patterns of behaviour
5. Stages and structures

GR I Understanding Groups (5 paper resource pack for CORE Groups)

1. Stakeholders in groups
2. Content and process
3. Task, individual and maintenance needs
4. Stages of team development
5. Group Leadership

Exploratory Courses

EC A A Parish Ministry Audit (4 session course)

Introduction

Session 1 leader's notes	This is our Neighbourhood
Session 1 members' notes	
Session 2 leader's notes	This is our Church
Session 2 members' notes	
Session 2 diagram	
Session 3 leader's notes	How we share in Ministry
Session 3 members' notes	
Session 4 leader's notes	The Wakefield Ministry Scheme
Session 4 members' notes	

Session 4 leaflet 1	The Wakefield Ministry Scheme- the Aims
Session 4 leaflet 2	The Wakefield Ministry Scheme- the Diagram
Session 4 leaflet 3	The Wakefield Ministry Scheme- the Programme
Record sheet	

EC B ***A Changing Church*** (4 session course)

Introduction

Session 1 leader's notes	Telling your Church story
Session 1 handout	
Session 2 leader's notes	Change, threat and opportunity
Session 2 handout	
Session 3 leader's notes	<i>Your Church and the Church</i>
Session 3 handout	
Session 4 leader's notes	Redesigning the Church
Session 4 handout	
Record sheet	

EC C ***Finding Your Vision*** (4 session course, uses GR C above)

Introduction

Session 1 leader's notes	Why Vision?
Session 1 handout a	Vision in the Bible
Session 1 handout b	Material for reflection
Session 2 leader's notes	Saying it in a few words
Session 2 handout a	Mission and Vision statements
Session 3 leader's notes	Resources Workshop
Session 3 handout a	Using the Bible
Session 3 handout b	Using Prayer
Session 3 handout c	Dreaming Dreams
Session 3 handout d	Gathering Information
Session 3 handout e	Reflecting on Experience
Session 3 handout f	Identifying Spiritual Gifts
Session 3 handout g	Identifying Skills
Session 3 handout h	'SWOT' Analysis
Session 3 handout i	Surveys and Trends
Session 3 handout j	Stakeholder Analysis
Session 3 handout k	Models of the Church
Session 3 handout l	Functions of the Church
Session 3 handout m	Invent a Motto
Session 3 handout n	Urgent / Important
Session 4 leader's notes	One step at a time
Session 4 handout a	Project planning (a)
Session 4 handout b	Project planning (b)
Record sheet	

Working Together

WKT B ***Thinking About Ministry*** (5 session Bible Study course)

Introduction

Topic 2 handout 1 The Management of Conflict: Questionnaire
 Topic 2 handout 2 The Management of Conflict: Scoring
 Topic 2 handout 3 The Management of Conflict: Interpreting your Style
 Topic 2 handout 3 Interpreting your style (insert)
 Additional material 1 Styles of behaviour
 Additional material 2 Types of Personality
 Additional material 3 Material for personal reflection
 Report sheet

B. Managing Change (2 sessions)

Leader's notes

Session 1 handout 1 Bible texts
 Session 1 handout 2 Bible texts
 Session 1 handout 3 Bible texts
 Session 2 handout 1 Reactions to Change
 Session 2 handout 2 Moving people forward

C. Maintaining Communications (2 sessions)

Session 1 leader's notes
 Session 1 members' notes
 Session 2 leader's notes
 Session 2 members' notes

D. Sharing Responsibility and Leadership in the Local Church (3 sessions)

Leader's notes

Exercise 1 Whose church is it anyway?
 Exercise 2 Where is ultimate authority in the local church?
 Exercise 3 Who will preside / govern / superintend?
 Exercise 4 Various models of the vicar's role
 Exercise 5 A question of style
 Exercise 6 Nature or nurture?
 Exercise 7 Taking charge
 Exercise 8 Maintaining morale
 Exercise 9 Making decisions
 Exercise 10 The art of leadership
 Exercise 11 Local and imported leadership
 Exercise 12 Sharing responsibility
 Exercise 13 Avoiding pitfalls

WKT F *Not Angels but Anglicans* (6 session course on the Church of England)

Introduction

Session 1 leader's notes How the Church of England got to be the way it is
 Session 1 members' notes Quiz sheet
 Session 1 handout Potted history of the Church of England
 Session 1 report sheet
 Session 2 leader's notes Would you believe it? (historic formularies of the C of E)
 Session 2 members' notes

Session 2 handout	Revising the Church of England's liturgy: a guide
Session 2 report sheet	
Session 3 leader's notes	But is it legal? Structures and organisation of the C of E
Session 3 members' notes	
Session 3 handout	Structures of Authority
Session 3 report sheet	
Session 4 leader's notes	For better or worse...marriage and the parochial system
Session 4 members' notes	
Session 4 report sheet	
Session 5 leader's notes	Can we have the baby done? Ministry and Folk Religion
Session 5 members' notes	
Session 5 report sheet	
Session 6 leader's notes	So you think you believe in 'Common Prayer'?
Session 6 members' notes	
Session 6 report sheet	

Exploring Ministry and Vocation

EMV A *Introduction to the Ministry of Jesus* (5 session Bible Study course)

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Session 1 leader's notes	The Setting
Session 1 members' notes	
Session 1 handout	
Session 1 text	Bible texts
Session 2 leader's notes	The Kingdom of God is at hand
Session 2 members' notes	
Session 2 handout	
Session 3 leader's notes	Signs of the Kingdom
Session 3 members' notes	
Session 3 handout	
Session 4 leader's notes	Jesus the stumbling block!
Session 4 members' notes	
Session 5 leader's notes	Jesus the Coming One
Session 5 members' notes	
Session 5 handout	

Worshipping Together

WST B *Aspects of Worship: a 'pick and mix' unit:*

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1. *Why is Worship changing?*

Leader's notes

Exercise 1 Where have we come from?

Exercises 2 to 5 What else has changed?

Changes in our attitudes to worship

The experience of worship

Where is it all going?

2. *Worship and Welcome*

Leader's notes

Exercises 1 to 7 Being the host
 Being the stranger
 Strangers in church
 Welcome to worship
 Stranger-friendly worship
 Welcome and change
 Stranger-friendly church

3. *Using Common Worship- Eucharist*

Leader's notes

Exercises 1 and 2 Four orders
 What's the difference?
Exercise 2 handout What's the difference?
Exercise 3 So what *is* common?
Exercise 3 handout 1 Introductions to Confession
Exercise 3 handout 2 Confessions
Exercise 3 handout 3 Absolutions

4. *How about 'Word' services?*

Leader's notes

Handout A Service of the Word
Exercise 1 Introduction
Exercise 2 The Liturgy of the Word
Exercise 3 Preparation
Exercise 4 Prayers
Exercise 5 Conclusion
Exercise 6 Overview

5. *Times and Seasons*

Leader's notes

Exercise 1 When and why?
Exercise 2 The years go round!
Exercise 2 handout Table of the church year
Exercise 3 Planning for the future

6. *Pastoral Services*

Leader's notes

Exercise 1 The Journey of Life
Exercise 2 Marriage
Exercise 3 Thanksgiving for the gift of a child
Exercise 4 Wholeness and healing
Exercise 5 Funerals
Exercise 5 handout Funerals

7. *Baptism and Confirmation*

Leader's notes

Exercise 1 Changing patterns of initiation
Exercise 2 Looking at the *Common Worship* liturgy

Developing Outreach

DO C ***What's the Story? Mission and Culture*** (4 session course drawing on aspects of contemporary popular culture)

Leader's introduction
Session 1 leader's notes Definitely Maybe. Keyword: Belonging
Session 1 handout
Session 2 leader's notes Urban Hymns. Keyword: Believing
Session 2 handout
Session 3 leader's notes Performance and Cocktails. Keyword: Behaving
Session 3 handout
Session 4 leader's notes This is my Truth: tell me yours. Keyword: Proclaiming
Session 4 handout
Record sheet

DO D ***Honest Doubts: Tackling Barriers to Believing: a 'pick and mix' unit:***

Introduction
1. *Evidence for God*
 Leader's notes
 Members' notes
 Resource sheet
2. *Objections to Religion*
 Leader's notes
 Members' notes
 Resource sheet
3. *Evil and a God of Love*
 Leader's notes
 Members' notes
 Resource sheet
4. *Religion and Science*
 Leader's notes
 Members' notes
 Resource sheet
5. *Believing in the Bible*
 Leader's notes
 Members' notes
 Resource sheet
6. *Religion and Morality*
 Leader's notes
 Members' notes
 Resource sheet

Developing Pastoral Care

DPC A ***Introduction to Pastoral Visiting*** (4 session course suitable for people training to be part of a parish Visiting Team)

Introduction

Session 1 leader's notes	Being aware of each other
Session 1 handout a	
Session 1 handout b	
Session 1 handout c	
Session 1 handout d	
Session 2 leader's notes	Communicating with each other
Session 2 handout a	
Session 2 handout b	
Session 2 handout c	
Session 2 handout d	
Session 2 handout e	
Session 3 leader's notes	Responding to each other
Session 3 handout a	
Session 2 handout b	
Session 2 handout c	
Session 3 handout d	
Session 4 leader's notes	Helping each other
Session 4 handout a	
Session 4 handout b	
Session 4 handout c	
Session 4 handout d	

Exploring Discipleship

ED A The Challenge of Following Jesus (6 session Bible study course or one parish meeting)
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Discussion notes 1	Joining Jesus' team
Discussion notes 2	The cost of discipleship
Discussion notes 3	A purpose to follow
Discussion notes 4	A generous spirit
Discussion notes 5	Children of God
Discussion notes 6	Conflict and persecution

ED B Discipleship in Daily Life (4 session course)

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Session 1 leader's notes	Discipleship in the Home
Session 1 members' notes	
Session 1 record sheet	
Session 2 leader's notes	Discipleship at Work
Session 2 members' notes	
Session 2 case studies	
Session 2 report sheet	
Session 3 leader's notes	Discipleship and Leisure
Session 3 members' notes	
Session 3 bible texts	
Session 3 report sheet	
Session 4 leader's notes	Discipleship in Society
Session 4 members' notes	
Session 4 report sheet	

ED C Discipleship in Daily Life

(version for use with sermon series)

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Sermon ideas- general

Sermon ideas- specific

Session 1 leader's notes Discipleship in the Home

Session 1 members' notes

Session 1 report sheet

Session 2 leader's notes Discipleship at Work

Session 2 members' notes

Session 2 case studies

Session 2 report sheet

Session 3 leader's notes Discipleship and Leisure

Session 3 members' notes

Session 3 bible texts

Session 3 report sheet

Session 4 leader's notes Discipleship in Society

Session 4 members' notes

Session 4 report sheet

ED D Aspects of Discipleship: a 'pick and mix' set of discussion papers:

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Ideas for sermons on discipleship themes

1.Home and Family

2.The World of Work

3.Church and Leisure

4.The Christian in Society

ED E Living Faith

(6 session course on the relationship between the Creed and Christian living)

Leader's introduction

Session 1 leader's notes We believe in God

Session 1 members' notes

Session 1 handout Bible passages

Session 2 leader's notes We believe in Jesus Christ

Session 2 members' notes

Session 2 handout Samples of the teaching of Jesus

Session 3 leader's notes We believe in the Holy Spirit

Session 3 members' notes

Session 4 leader's notes We believe in One Holy Catholic and Apostolic Church

Session 4 members' notes

Session 4 handout Quiz sheet

Session 5 leader's notes We believe in the forgiveness of sins

Session 5 members' notes

Session 6 leader's notes We believe in the resurrection of the body and the life everlasting

Session 6 members' notes

Theological resources

ED F Seven Whole Days (2 or 3 sessions on relating Christian faith to working life)

Leader's introduction Being a Christian in daily life
Session 1 members' notes
Session 2 members' notes
Handout Material for reflection
Record sheet

Approaching Ethical Questions and Social Issues

AEQ A The Moral Maze: Finding a Christian way of life
(5 session course on Christian Ethical Thinking)

Introduction
Session 1 Values and Vision: the Sources of Moral Ideas
Handout 1 Knowing Right from Wrong
Session 2 'But I say to you...' – the Ethics of Jesus
Session 3 Commitment and Choice: Making a Moral Decision
Handout 2 A Route through the Moral Maze
Session 4 The Imitation of Christ- Living towards the Kingdom of God
Session 5 True Repentance- Experiencing Moral Change
Record sheet

AEQ B The Bible and Life's Questions (a series of related Bible Study courses) (*The first two sessions and the last one in each course are the same and are generally about the use of the Bible in ethics; the other sessions focus on the specific topic*)

1. *Sexuality and Marriage* (5 sessions)

Introduction
Session 1 leader's notes The Bible: an alien land?
Session 1 members' notes
Session 1 texts
Resource sheet 1 Handling the Scriptures
Session 2 leader's notes The Bible: a moral guide?
Session 2 members' notes
Session 2 texts
Resource sheet 2 Getting moral teaching from the Bible
Session 3 leader's notes What does the bible say about sexuality?
Session 3 members' notes
Session 3 texts
Session 4 leader's notes The Bible and marriage: tackling the texts
Session 4 members' notes
Session 4 texts
Resource sheet 3 History of marriage
Session 5 leader's notes Hearing the Scriptures speak
Session 5 members' notes
Session 5 texts

2. *Remarriage and Divorce* (5 sessions)

Introduction
 Session 1 leader's notes The Bible: an alien land?
 Session 1 members' notes
 Session 1 texts
 Resource sheet 1 Handling the Scriptures
 Session 2 leader's notes The Bible: a moral guide?
 Session 2 members' notes
 Session 2 texts
 Resource sheet 2 Getting moral teaching from the Bible
 Session 3 leader's notes What does the bible say about sexuality?
 Session 3 members' notes
 Session 3 texts
 Session 4 leader's notes The Bible and divorce: tackling the texts
 Session 4 members' notes
 Session 4 texts
 Resource sheet 3 Marriage in church after divorce
 Session 5 leader's notes Hearing the Scriptures speak
 Session 5 members' notes
 Session 5 texts

3. *'Aliens and Strangers'* (4 sessions)

Introduction
 Session 1 leader's notes The Bible: an alien land?
 Session 1 members' notes
 Session 1 texts
 Resource sheet 1 Handling the Scriptures
 Session 2 leader's notes The Bible: a moral guide?
 Session 2 members' notes
 Session 2 texts
 Resource sheet 2 Getting moral teaching from the Bible
 Session 3 leader's notes Some key texts
 Session 3 members' notes
 Session 3 texts
 Session 4 leader's notes Hearing the Scriptures speak
 Session 4 members' notes
 Session 4 texts

AEQ C ***Introduction to the Old Testament Prophets*** (5 session Bible Study course)

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 Session 1 leader's notes God and the World- with the prophet Amos
 Session 1 members' notes
 Session 1 handout ...so who was Amos?
 Session 2 leader's notes Moving on- with the prophet Hosea
 Session 2 members' notes
 Session 2 handout ...so what had happened to Hosea?
 Session 3 leader's notes Religion and Politics- with the prophet Isaiah
 Session 3 members' notes
 Session 3 handout ...so who was Isaiah?

Session 4 leader's notes How do we know what's right?- with the prophet Micah
Session 4 members' notes
Session 4 handout ...what happened to the Assyrians?
Session 5 leader's notes What is God like?- with Nahum and Jonah
Session 5 members' notes

ASIB *Family Life Today* (Pick and mix set of discussion topics)

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Leader's notes

1. *Why marriage?*

Members' notes

Handout I

Handout II

Handout III

Handout IV Bible passages

2. *Family Relationships*

Members' notes

Handout I

Handout II

Handout III Bible passages

3. *Causes of tension*

Members' notes

Handout I

Handout II Bible passages

4. *Difficult times*

Members' notes

Handout I

5. *Divorce*

Members' notes

Handout I Bible passages

6. *Later years*

Members' notes

Handout I Bible passages