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WHAT EXACTLY IS ALPHA?

By Julie Studinski

Alpha is a multi-week course that creates a space where people come to discuss life's big questions. Everyone should have the chance to explore faith, ask questions, and share their story.

Thoughts from ALPHA attendees:

It was a great experience and we encourage all, regardless of where they are on their faith journey, to give it a try."

~ Al & Karen Trzebiatowski

"Alpha is for anyone wanting/seeking something more in their life. It's a personal journey in your faith that will bring you closer to Jesus." ~ MJ

"Alpha is just the beginning. Once guests experience Alpha, they understand who Jesus is and can start to explore their relationship with Him." ~Anonymous



Jesus's first words in his public ministry were "Come and see."

We invite you to bring your friends, family, co-workers or anyone else who wants to explore the meaning of life and the basics of the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment. ALPHA is a series of interactive sessions that will be starting the week of January 24th.

We have several options for you to join.

There are 11 sessions and an optional weekend away March 12-13.

Choose from the following sessions:

Monday evenings at 6 pm (in person) starting January 24 (at Saint Bronislava)

Tuesday evenings at 6:30 pm (in person) starting January 25 (at Holy Spirit Parish)

Friday mornings at 9 am (in person) starting January 28 (at St. Bronislava)

To sign up, visit our website at stbrons.com or email julie@stbrons.com

What exactly is ALPHA? continued....

Is this IT?
Got questions about life?
#TryAlpha
What to expect:





First there is food....

Whether it's a group of friends gathered around a kitchen table, or a quick catch-up over coffee and cake, food has a way of bringing people together. It's no different at Alpha. We start with food, because it's a great way to encourage community and get to know each other.



Then a talk....

The talks are designed to engage and inspire conversation. Generally thirty minutes long, they can be given as a live talk or played as a video. They explore the big issues around faith and unpack the basics of Christianity, addressing questions such as *Who is Jesus?* and *How can we have faith?*



Followed by discussion....

Probably the most important part of any Alpha: the chance to share thoughts and ideas on the topic, and simply discuss it in a small group. There's no obligation to say anything. And there's nothing you can't say. It's an opportunity to hear from others and contribute your own perspective in an honest, friendly and open environment.



There is also a weekend (or day) away.

The Alpha Weekend is all about getting away from the busyness of everyday life so people can connect with each other and connect with God. It's the part of Alpha that many people say was the turning point in their Alpha experience.

We can come up with plenty of excuses not to try something new....why don't you just try it, and bring along some friends! For more information on how to register, go to our website stbrons.com or contact Julie Studinski at Julie@ stbrons.com. Next session begins January 24th.



Thank you so much to everyone who donated money for our beautiful Christmas flowers!

With the flowers, trees and the wonderful talents of our Arts & Environment committee and their helpers, our church looks so beautiful!

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Our Christmas memorial/honor list is continued on next page....



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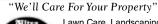






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