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**At St Thomas of Canterbury, Brentwood**

**Explore life, faith and Jesus together with others.**

Our next group begins with a taster evening on Thursday 11th September at 19.00, all are welcome, please do come along. This new group will run through until the end of November, and we will agree on the full schedule when we meet.

Each session begins with a drink and a few snacks, followed by a video that prompts questions and discussion.

Each week has a theme as outlined below, and I am careful to stick to time, so we plan to be finished within the hour

Week 1 – Thursday 11th September

Introduction Week – Is there more to life than this?

Week 2 – Thursday 18th September

Who is Jesus?

Week 3 – Thursday 25th September

Why did Jesus die?

Week 4– Thursday 2nd October

How can I have faith?

Week 5 – Thursday 9th October

Why and how should I pray?

Week 6 – Thursday 16th October

Why and how should I read the Bible?

Holy Spirit Day

Takes place on a Saturday around this time in the schedule, date to be agreed. During the day, we will consider.

How does God guide us?

Who is the Holy Spirit?

What does the Holy Spirit do?

How can I be filled with the Holy Spirit?

Week 7 – Thursday 23rd October

How can I make the most of the rest of my life?

Week 8 – Thursday 6th November

How can I resist evil?

Week 9– Thursday 13th November

Why and how should I tell others?

Week 10 – Thursday 20th November

Does God heal today?

Week 11 – Thursday 27th November

What about the church?

Alpha is a great resource to tap into for all sorts of people at different stages in their Christian life.

It provides an introduction to faith and Christianity for those beginning to explore their response to God.

It provides information about Christianity for those thinking about sending their child to a Church of England school and provides resources for those supporting a newly baptised child as a parent or godparent.

It provides a space to ask questions and discuss various topics for those who may have been coming to church for a while and are looking to deepen and grow their knowledge of the faith.

In that mix of knowledge, experience and inexperience, good conversations flow and friendships are formed that can prove life-changing and life-enhancing.

To register your interest in joining this course, please email [brentwood.st.thomas.martyr@gmail,.com](mailto:brentwood.st.thomas.martyr@gmail,.com) or for further details about this course and future dates, visit the Alpha page on our website [www.st-thomas.org.uk](http://www.st-thomas.org.uk)

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Can’t make this course? Don’t worry, Alpha runs throughout the year here at St Thomas’, and the next cycle will begin after Christmas