



IMMACULATE  
CONCEPTION

# #TryAlpha

**Join us for a 10-week course where we are invited to gather to search for answers and encounter Jesus together.**

## **What is Alpha?**

Alpha is an opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a friendly, relaxed, open environment. It is open to all adults who are interested in encountering Jesus in a new and personal way and exists to reinvigorate active Catholics and encourage dialogue with others who may not know - or have fallen away from - Christ. Alpha consists of 10 weekly sessions featuring food, a short video and small group discussion. There is no pressure. *EVER.*

## **Who is Alpha for?**

Alpha is for anyone, at any stage of faith. It is for those who attend church regularly and for those who have not been to church in years. *ALL ADULTS ARE WELCOME.*

## **What Should You Expect?**

Each Alpha session begins with food, followed by a short DVD presentation by Nicky Gumbel, an Anglican priest. After the video, small group discussions are facilitated by Hosts and Helpers.

## **The Details**

Sessions are Tuesdays from 6:30-8:30 p.m. in Marian Hall. Please plan to participate in all 10 weekly sessions and the retreat.

*Childcare is available!*

<b>Session 1:</b> Sept. 12	Is There More to Life Than This?
<b>Session 2:</b> Sept. 19	Who is Jesus?
<b>Session 3:</b> Sept. 26	Why Did Jesus Die?
<b>Session 4:</b> Oct. 3	How Can I Have Faith?
<b>Session 5:</b> Oct. 10	Why and How do I Pray?
<b>RETREAT:</b> Oct. 14	RETREAT — 9 a.m.-3 p.m.
<b>Session 6:</b> Oct. 17	Why and How Should I Read the Bible?
<b>Session 7:</b> Oct. 24	How Does God Guide Us?
<b>Session 8:</b> Oct. 31	How Can I Resist Evil?
<b>Session 9:</b> Nov. 7	How Can I Make the Most of the Rest of My Life?
<b>Session 10:</b> Nov. 21	Why and How Should I tell Others? What About the Church?

Register NOW at  
<http://bit.ly/ICAlphaRegistration>

For more information or questions, contact the Parish office or visit [www.iccols.org](http://www.iccols.org).



**Immaculate Conception Parish**  
**Alpha Registration**  
Tuesday Evenings  
6:30 p.m.  
Marian Hall

We are excited to have you join us for Alpha at Immaculate Conception. In order to secure your registration for our fall 2017 program, please complete the form below and return to the parish office as soon as possible. Our inaugural Alpha session filled quickly, and we anticipate the same will be true for this one. You may also register online at <http://bit.ly/ICAlphaRegistration>.

**I am registering as:**

- Guest**
- Host** - A facilitator; looks for opinions, not answers, and fosters open discussion.
- Helper** - Greets and welcomes guests; supports the group and prays for the guest with minimal participation in the discussion.

**Participant Info:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address (required): \_\_\_\_\_  
Church Affiliation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Is Childcare Needed? \_\_\_\_\_ Names/Ages of Children: \_\_\_\_\_

**Registering additional household members with the same contact info? Enter their name(s) below:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Name: \_\_\_\_\_

*Immaculate Conception requests a one-time offering of \$35 per person to help defray the costs of food and supplies. No free-will donation will be expected at the individual sessions and no one will be turned away from the program for the inability to pay. Checks may be made payable to Immaculate Conception Church, noting "Alpha" on the memo line.*

Please return registration form NO LATER THAN Friday, September 1 to:

Immaculate Conception Parish  
414 E. North Broadway  
Columbus, OH 43214

Registration also may be dropped at the Rectory or School Offices or in the weekly offertory collection. Please direct any questions regarding registration to Joe Urquhart at [jurquhart@oh-ins.com](mailto:jurquhart@oh-ins.com).