

THE INTRODUCTION COURSE

2018 11th Sept	Session 1 Christianity	What is Religion? What is Catholicism? Looking at the “Spiritual” aspect of our lives: a sense of ‘otherness’, of beauty, of love. What do we mean by “God”? What is the Holy Trinity? A Faith journey.
18th Sept	Session 2 Jesus Christ	Jesus --- God’s Son given to us Who was he? The historical Jesus. What did he preach? Why do we call him “Christ”? His death and resurrection
25th Sept	Session 3 God’s People	Continuing the sense of “journey”, this time not of an individual but of a people --- the journey of the Jewish people through the Old Testament. The Ten Commandments.
2nd Oct	Session 4 Catholics and the Mass	What do Catholics do at Mass and why? What is Communion? Why is it so important? How can non-Catholics be part of this liturgy? A tour of the Church building.
9th Oct	Session 5 The Word of God	Recording the “Faith Journey” -- the Bible, the Word of God A library of books differing in content and style. How did the Bible come about? Using the Bible to inspire, teach and pray.
16th Oct	Session 6 His Presence Continues	What do we mean by the “Church”? The Church in heaven and on earth -- life after death. Catholics and the Saints. The Church and us - - a sense of Church based upon personal needs.