

ALM Pastoral Care Summer 2025

Date & Time	Session Plan
3/06/25	Defining Pastoral Care and its Distinction within Christianity
7.30 – 9.15pm	 Discuss goals and contexts of pastoral ministry.
Venue: TBC	Discover assumptions made about pastoral care.
	 Establish the theological foundations for pastoral ministry.
10/06/25	Understanding God's Call
7.30 – 9.15pm	Why are you here?
Venue: TBC	 Understanding ourselves and developing self-awareness.
	Exploring the changing role within the community and church family.
17/06/25	Understanding Human Needs
7.30 – 9.15pm	Exploring communication skills.
Venue: TBC	How do we know there is a need?
	Developing listening skills, wisdom and discernment.
21/06/25	Encountering Human Need and Our Response
10am – 2.30pm	 Understanding and increasing awareness of need resulting from
Venue: TBC	bereavement, mental health issues, relationship issues, and financial
	issues.
	Building confidence in prayer.
24/06/25	Putting Pastoral Ministry into Practice
7.30 – 9.15pm	 Understanding human relationships.
Venue: TBC	Where do I fit in?
	 Exploring what our ministry might look like in context.
	Pitfalls we may encounter.
1/07/25	Working as a Team in the Parish
7.30 – 9.15pm	 Understanding relationships in a team.
Venue: TBC	 Developing our own bespoke toolkit to aid our role and context.
	 Explore the benefits of working agreements, boundaries, signposting
	to other agencies, and support from further afield (the roles of
	mentor, spiritual director, incumbent and Diocese).
	 Feedback on course learning and personal growth.
8/07/25	Going Forward with God
7.30 – 9.15pm	Your spiritual health and needs.
Venue: TBC	The role of a Spiritual Director.