

“This year's project will focus our minds and actions on visiting, which is an area of ministry that we have looked at from time to time, without ever quite doing anything about it before.
So that's a very practical benefit.”



“We are more committed because of what we have been building together.”

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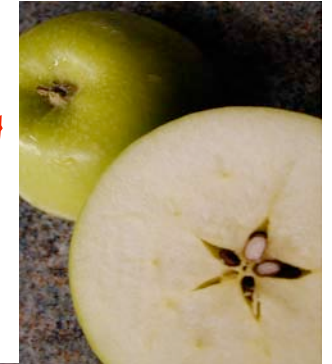
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Wakefield Ministry Scheme

*Rethinking
the
church*



“How encouraging to meet with people from a wide range of parishes, all committed to working and learning together, in order to help their churches grow with God. The Wakefield Ministry Scheme gave us the opportunity to be energetic in building vision, developing ideas and being a catalyst for fresh initiatives.”

WMS offers a flexible framework, beginning over three years, for developing collaborative ministry with opportunities to involve the whole church.

Ninety parishes have been involved in the last ten years. WMS encourages the vocation of the the whole church and provides a framework for Ordained Local Minister training.



“We feel that the main benefits of the WMS so far have been in building fellowship and mutual confidence within the ‘Core Group’. The 'internal' modules we've done have really brought out the best in one person, especially, who has, quite naturally and unconsciously, taken on more of a leadership role within the team, and also become more involved in ministry.”

Topics covered in the programme:

- Praying together
- Working together
- Exploring ministry and vocation
- Worshipping together
- Developing outreach
- Developing pastoral care
- Exploring discipleship
- Developing community awareness
- Approaching ethical questions
- Approaching social issues



FAQs.

1. How does the scheme operate?

A small 'core' group works together, through discussion, prayer, reflection and action, to discover God's leading for their parish. They are encouraged by the diocesan days, study material and the services of a diocesan helper.

2. How many meetings?

Approximately two full days and two half days at diocesan events each year, plus core group meetings to suit your needs.

3. How many people in the core group?

From 3 to 10. The number is up to you but too few may limit creativity, and too many stifle it!

4. What about the PCC?

The 'Core Group' works under the authority of the PCC.

5. What will it cost the parish?

In terms of money, nothing. In terms of faith and effort, a great deal!

