

Parish Hospitality - A Few Resources
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	General	
Course— using video (DVD) and print materials	<p><i>Everybody Welcome: the course where everybody helps grow their church</i> (London, UK: Church House Publishing, 2009).</p> <p>This 5-session course developed by Bob Jackson and George Fisher in the U.K. encourages and challenges every member of the church to look anew at what it means to be a welcoming, embracing community and gives simple, practical advice on how to grow your church.</p>	<p>DVD - KT DDA 001</p> <p>Leader's Guide KT DDA 002</p> <p>Members' Manual KT DDA 003</p>
Book	<p><i>Welcome! Tools and Techniques for New Member Ministry</i>, by Andrew D. Weeks.</p> <p>This is an excellent action-oriented "how-to" manual for welcoming. It is based on an incremental approach which will help even small groups get started quickly. Weeks has consolidated his widely varied workshop experiences into this toolkit of intentional and compassionate strategies. Some the chapters are: Imaginative Marketing, The Ministry of Greeting, Crafting Welcoming Materials, Tracking and Involving Newcomers, and Structuring Groups for Growth. He also includes 34 pages of template forms, brochures and procedures.</p>	<p>BK MIA 121</p>
Video	<p><i>Welcoming the Newcomer</i> (Episcopal Media Center)</p> <p>Basic instruction for parishes interested in improving their newcomer preparedness. Steve Schuneman, Episcopal priest, talks to people about their experiences of being welcomed into the church, what attracted them, and the different roles clergy and lay people play. (Running time 15 minutes)</p> <p>Note: Video starts with reference to a major advertizing campaign - don't get thrown off by that - the rest of the material is relevant even if you are not involved in advertizing.</p>	<p>DD DDA 001</p> <p>DVD format</p>
	Signage	
Program	<p>The Diocese of Ottawa has a 'Let This Be A Sign Unto You' program enables congregations to apply for grants to assist them in improving their signage.</p>	<p>Communications subcommittee</p>

	Word of Mouth	
Brochure	<p>Many parishioners underestimate their potential to encourage colleagues, neighbours and friends to come to their church.</p> <p><i>Are You Ready to Talk about your Church?</i> The United Church of Christ, a mainline denomination in the United States, has created a fun, short quiz for its members to help them think about what they would say about their church when the topic comes up in real life conversations with neighbours, colleagues, and friends.</p>	<p>Contact: Lisa Chisholm-Smith</p> <p>(613)233-6271 ext 231</p> <p>or</p> <p>lchisholm-smith@ottawa.anglican.ca</p>
	Intro to Christian Faith (Christian Basics)	
	a variety of resources are available	
	Intro to Anglican Church / Anglicanism	
Booklet	<p><i>Meet the Family: Welcome to the Anglican Church</i> Author: Patricia Bays (Anglican Book Centre, 1996).</p> <p>Anglican Book Centre publications can now be ordered through Augsburg Fortress Canada:</p> <p>Tel. 519-748-2200 Toll-Free 1-800-265-6397 • Fax 519-748-9835 Email: info@afcanada.com Website: www.afcanada.com</p>	BK CFA 121
	Resource People	
Andrew Weeks	<p>Andrew Weeks' <i>Magnetic Church</i> conferences have been sponsored by many Episcopalian dioceses and mainline denominations in the USA and a number of Anglican Church of Canada dioceses: Huron, (4); Montréal, (2); The Diocese of Niagara, (2); The Diocese of Toronto: York-Scarborough Episcopal Area, York-Simcoe Episcopal Area, Ministry Resources Department (3).</p> <p><i>The Magnetic Church</i> is designed to help churches and their members learn realistic new member ministry strategies and is intended to complement your existing programs. It amplifies and extends the many tools provided in Andrew Weeks' popular book <i>Welcome! Tools and Techniques for New Member Ministry</i>, published by The Alban Institute. (See book listing above).</p>	<p>magnetic-church.com</p> <p>Note: If there was sufficient interest in the Diocese of Ottawa the possibility of sponsoring a Magnetic Church workshop could be explored.</p>

<p>Fr. Ed Dallow</p>	<p>A number of parishes in the Diocese of Ottawa have had the opportunity to participate in a ‘Greeting, Welcoming and Integrating Newcomers’ workshop led by Fr. Ed Dallow.</p> <p>Ed Dallow, a retired Anglican priest has adopted and adapted principles from Andrew Weeks’ book Welcome! (The Alban Institute, 1992)—see book and resource person listed above—and created a workshop designed to provide ideas, tools and techniques to help congregations with skills of Greeting, Welcoming and Integrating Newcomers into the Body of Christ. The goal is that someone visiting us for the first time will discover something exciting and God-inspired in our worship services and in our community, and be drawn to return and learn more.</p>	<p>Can be contacted through:</p> <p>Institute of Evangelism Wycliffe College 5 Hoskin Ave. Toronto, ON M5S 1H7 institute.wycliffecollege.ca</p> <p>or</p> <p>Diocese of Ontario 90 Johnson Street Kingston ON K7L 1X7</p> <p>Toll Free: 1-866-524-4774 Tel: (613)544-4774 www.ontario.anglican.ca</p>
	<p>Web Sites</p>	
	<p>Welcoming Ministry Diocese of Toronto http://www.toronto.anglican.ca/index.asp?navid=477</p>	