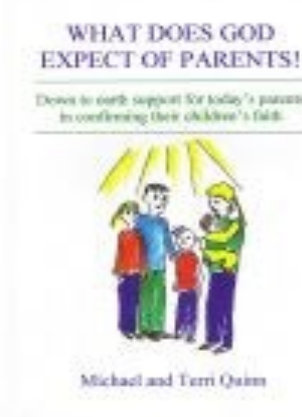


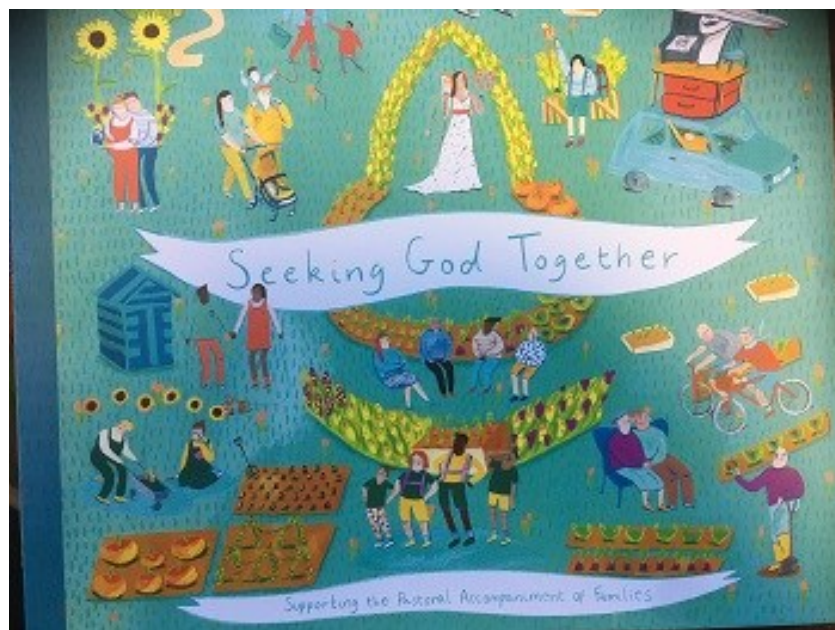
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Some resources for families, for
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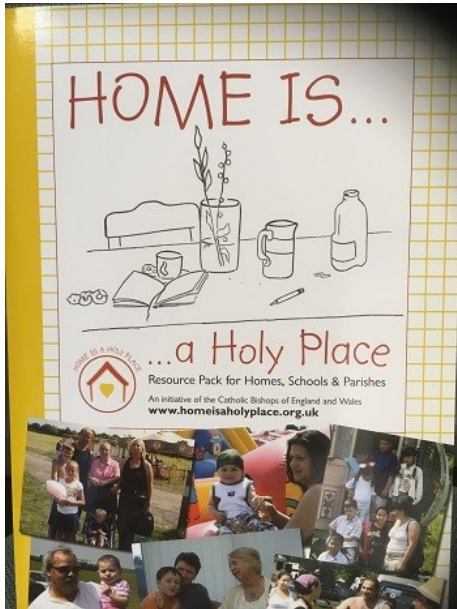
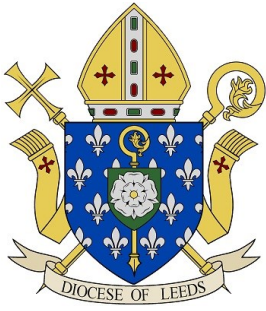
What Does God Expect of Parents: this little booklet has four chapters (so 4 sessions): three on family spirituality—helping families to discover God already present in our family lives—and one specifically on the Sacrament of Confirmation. This complements any catechesis, including for baptism, first communion and reconciliation as well as family catechesis, but you do not need to be a catechist to use this resource. Contact: breda.theakston@dioceseofleeds.org.uk



Seeking God Together: this new publication from the Catholic Bishops' Conference, is a rich resource for all families and those who work with families through parishes, schools and chaplaincies. Grounded in the Church's vision for marriage and family life, and sensitive to the complex realities of family life today, this companion reveals moments of opportunity for celebration, support and accompaniment in all the seasons of family life.

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Home is a Holy Place DVD Resource is for use in families, schools and small parish groups. Comprising 5 short DVD 'conversation starters' it helps families gently to discover God already alive and at work in their family lives, as well as offering opportunities for families to increase, to celebrate and to share that awareness.

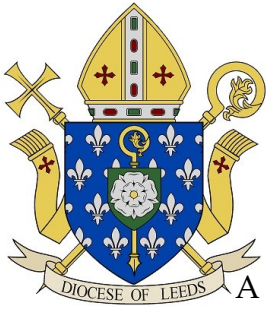
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Counting Our Blessings is a Scripture Resource Exploring Real Questions in Family Life. Pope Francis tells us: 'there is no stereotype of the ideal family....rather a challenging mosaic made up of many different realities...' so each session invites us to consider a real family life question in ordinary everyday language: what is it like to fall in love? To care for someone suffering? To be lonely? To grieve?

Use as part of sacramental preparation or at other times of pastoral need or opportunity. From the Dept. for Christian Responsibility and Citizenship at the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales. www.catholicfamily.org.uk

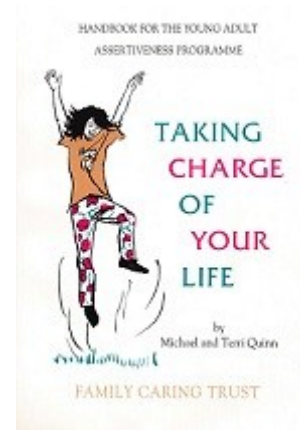
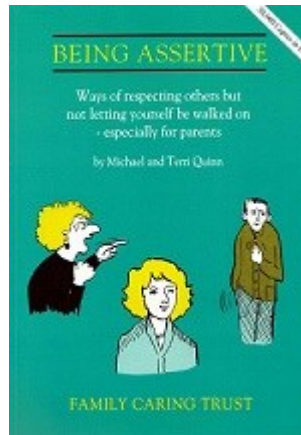
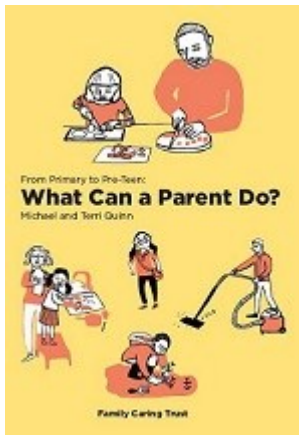


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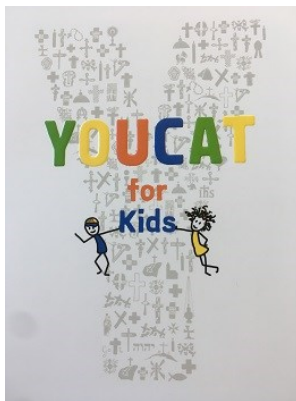


A few of the community based relationship education programmes for parents, young people, couples and parishioners; designed for use in short, small group sessions over several weeks, these are ideal for engaging parents during the school term and also to accompany or complement any and all catechesis with and for parents.

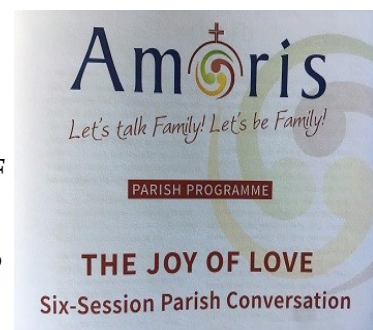
**To get a team trained to facilitate courses
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YouCat for Kids, published this year, comes with this recommendation from Pope Francis: *Dear Parents, take this wonderful little catechism and take your time—a lot of time, to study it with your children and talk about it. Read! Ask! Discuss! Talk about your faith! Tell stories! Do not remain silent when your children besiege you with questions!*



Amoris: Let's talk family! Let's be Family! Six conversation starters for families, friends, parish and school groups. Produced for WMOF 2018 and based on Pope Francis' *Amoris Laetitia*. Contact Breda or go to <https://www.worldmeeting2018.ie/en/Resources/Amoris-Programme>



Other Resources: See the full range of resources for family life ministry in England and Wales at the [Catholic Family](http://www.catholicfamily.org.uk) website, part of the Catholic Bishops' Conference of England and Wales

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