

***An Idea from the Search Committee for
Forums or Adult Education Sessions in Your Parish***

THINKING ABOUT YOUR LISTENING EVENT DATA...

Looking at the data:

- ❖ *What do you like?*
- ❖ *What concerns you?*
- ❖ *What surprises you?*
- ❖ *What do you find disturbing?*
- ❖ *What do you find hopeful?*

(Write each response down—in the speaker’s own words—on newsprint that everyone can see)

Discussion Topic

PREPARING OURSELVES FOR OUR NEXT BISHOP:

- *Look at your list and then have each person in the group prioritize one main concern and one main like/hope*
- *Looking at the priorities your group come up with, talk about how you and your parish can actively strengthen/change your attitudes, approaches, or responses, preparing now to be in partnership with the new bishop.*
- *Have you come up with any ideas you can act on, now? How will you start?*

- *If you have time, ask the same question about yourselves as a parish working with others in the diocese.*
- *Wouldn't it be interesting for our whole diocese to be prepared to work in partnership with the new bishop? How might we do that?*