#### Bulletin Announcement Catechist Training: Note change to location!

### **Special Training Session for Catechists and Home School Parents:**

Saturday, October 4<sup>th</sup> from 10:00 am-noon, Immaculate Conception Parish, 3285 Cathedral Avenue, Prince George. Pamela Reins from O.S.V. will be here to help the Diocese implement our new religious formation program/books. This workshop is designed especially for those who could not attend the Diocesan Assembly. It will offer practical help in how to prepare and use the new ALIVE IN CHRIST program (aliveinchrist.osv.com). We are very excited about this very up-to-date program (created in 2014) chosen after much consultation throughout the Diocese. We are in this together, so don't miss out on the presence of this expert trainer. Pre-registration is necessary for this program. If you are coming, please call Teresa Phillippe at the Diocese 250-964-4424 extension 242 or email her at teresa@pgdiocese.bc.ca. The workshop is free. Coffee and snacks will be provided.

### **Bulletin Announcement Diocesan Assembly:**

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We also have the <u>Alive in Christ</u> team (Dr. Jo Ann Paridise and crew) who will be offering in-services on the new religion resources that the entire Diocese will be start using this year. They will present practical and specific workshops (K, 1-3, 4-6, 7-9, Sacramental Prep, Beginning in a Parish, and Implementing in a Parish). On Friday morning, there will be a presentation focusing on 'The Path Ahead' for our Diocese, led by John Connelly and Fr. Jack Michalchuk, together with Bishop Jensen and Chris Dugdale. Bishop Jensen will close the morning with Mass. Cost is \$55/person for the three days. For more information call Teresa Phillippe at 250-964-4424 extension 242 or email her at teresa@pgdiocese.bc.ca or contact your parish office. Hope to see you there!

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# Diocesan Assembly Special Event, Thursday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 7:30 pm

<u>An Encounter with Jesus</u>: Deacon Ralph Poyo, the keynote speaker for the Diocesan Assembly, will host an evening of inspiration and adoration on Thursday, October 2nd at 7:30 pm, at the Diocese of Prince George Pastoral Centre, 6500 Southridge Avenue. The night will feature awesome praise and worship by our young adult community and a talk by Deacon Ralph. The event is free and open to all parishioners, though youth and young adults are especially encouraged to participate. Please come and join in this inspiring session of the Assembly!