"This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh."
I began this week intending to discuss the wonderful impromptu address Pope Francis gave to those gathered for the Festival of Families in Philadelphia. As we begin October—a month dedicated to the gift of life in all its forms—it seemed appropriate to recall the Pope’s joyful optimism and the way he spoke of families, shaped by love, who hold and form the lives of men and women, girls and boys. As Francis noted, when God chose to come into the world, it was not in a palace nor in a city, but in a family. Speaking with tender humor, with passion and compassion, Francis proclaimed, “The family has a divine identity card. . .God gave the family an identity card, so that families could be places in our world where his truth, love, and beauty could continue to take root and grow.”

“Truth, love, and beauty”—that was what I intended to write about this week. Then it was revealed that Kim Davis, the County Clerk from Kentucky who refused to issue marriage licenses to same-sex couples, met with Pope Francis during his visit to Washington, DC, and it seemed impossible to speak of the Pope’s visit without addressing what such a meeting might mean. Both the media and my own e-mail were filled with questions about this encounter: Doesn’t Francis’ willingness to meet with Kim Davis belie all the inclusive and welcoming words he speaks? Isn’t he implicitly affirming Ms. Davis’ stance, and, through his embrace, encouraging her to keep the door closed to gay couples? Isn’t this just what we feared, i.e., that Francis is the same old exclusionary Church, masked by a kindly exterior and a love for the poor?

While I have no inside knowledge of what went on between Francis and Ms. Davis, and rely on media reports (which are rarely entirely accurate) and statements from obviously interested parties (e.g., Ms. Davis’ lawyers), it seems likely to me that this meeting was orchestrated by someone more concerned with a political agenda in the United States than the well-being of Francis. It is unlikely that—among the hundreds of people he saw—the Pope sought out a woman whose approach seems so opposite to his own. We don’t know what he was told prior to the meeting, but I can well imagine him being gracious and encouraging when she entered the room, offering her a rosary (normal for a papal meeting), and giving her the encouragement given to many: “Have courage. Be strong.”

I am, perhaps, naïve in all this; yet, I remain hopeful that others who met with Francis were as warmly greeted as Ms. Davis. I imagine him with people such as Bishop Gene Robinson, the first openly gay Episcopal bishop in the United States, and Sr. Simone Campbell, from Nuns on the Bus, both of whom were present at the White House when Francis arrived. From Fr. James Martin, we know that he met with Sr. Norma Pimentel, an immigrant advo-
cate, and Sr. Mary Scullen, creator of “Mary, Undoer of Knots.” Francis had come to encounter the United States and to hear our many voices. I like to think that such meetings were not always endorsements.

However the meeting with Kim Davis occurred and whatever we think it might mean, our suppositions should not replace the things the Pope actually said. For example when asked by Archbishop Chaput to address the issue of religious freedom, Pope Francis did not allude to the incarceration of Ms. Davis, but spoke of interreligious dialogue. Citing Quaker openness to individual conscience, Francis affirmed the need to keep faith from becoming a subculture, and encouraged its presence in the public square. In a wonderful geometric metaphor, he called for a respectful pluralism, as various types of belief come together in a single nation: “I like to use a geometrical image for this. If globalization is a sphere, where every point is equidistant from the center, it cancels everything out; it is not good. But if globalization is like a polyhedron, where everything is united but each element keeps its own identity, then it is good; it causes a people to grow, it bestows dignity and it grants rights to all.” This image of religious liberty—which suggests not homogenization but unity-in-diversity—seems not at all reactive, not at all defensive; rather, it affirms the kind of openness to others Francis so often personifies.

Later, when returning to Rome, Francis was asked about a hypothetical case similar to that of Ms. Davis. Rather than rising to her defense, Francis rephrases the question around conscientious objection, using an image from the Song of Roland, in which Muslim prisoners are given the choice of baptism or death. “They weren’t permitted conscientious objection,” he says. “It is a right and if we want to make peace we have to respect all rights.” In turning the question, Francis implies that his concern is with the rights of the individual to act or not act according to conscience—whether or not that conscience is well-formed. As one who, only a few years ago, argued for the primacy of conscience for teachers in a Catholic school, I recognize my own fundamental agreement on this matter.

A person should have the right to believe even repugnant ideas, and also have the right to refuse to act when an action violates his or her conscience: this is what the Pope affirms, and what I sense many of us believe. For example, if a person cannot, in conscience, kill another person, laws should exist which allow that person to be free from conscription into the Army—perhaps requiring some other work instead (as in the case of the future John XXIII, who drove an ambulance in World War I). Or, as another example, if a person believes that medicine is sinful, as in the case of a devout Christian Scientist, that person should not be forced to be medicated, though the state might intervene in the case of the person’s minor children. These are classic examples of the right to conscientious objection, and Francis affirms that a just system allows room for such a right. Yet, he does not say—or has any system ever said—that the moral objection of one member of society should keep others from exercising their rights, as defined by that society. Thus, while George Wallace might be free to oppose integration and even to withdraw his children from integrated schools as a matter of conscience, nothing Francis says seems to suggest that Wallace, therefore, has the right to prevent black people from exercising their right to integrated education. Likewise, although Ms. Davis should be protected in her conscientious opposition to same-sex marriage, Francis says nothing that suggests that she, therefore, has the right to block others from following their consciences through marriage. Conscientious objection is a right resident in individual persons—it is a human right—but it is not, in that, a license to deny others their civil rights.

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Prelude

Instrumental

Entrance Songs

Joyful, Joyful (5, 9 & 11)  VanDyke/Beethoven/Hodges

1. Joyful, joyful, we adore you, God of glory, Lord of love;
2. All your works with joy surround you, Earth and heav’n reflect your rays,
3. Always giving and forgiving, Ever blessing, ever blest,
4. Mortals join the mighty chorus, Which the morning stars began;

Hearts unfold like flowers before you, Opening to the sun above.
Stars and angels sing around you, Center of unbroken praise;
Well spring of the joy of living, Ocean depth of happy rest!
God’s own love is reigning o’er us, Joining people hand in hand.

Melt the clouds of sin and sadness; Drive the dark of doubt away;
Field and forest, vale and mountain, Flow’ry meadow, flash’ing sea,
Loving Father, Christ our brother, Let your light upon us shine;
Ever singing, march we onward, Victors in the midst of strife;

Giver of immortal gladness, Fill us with the light of day!
Chanting bird and flowing fountain, Praising you eternally!
Teach us how to love each other, Lift us to the joy di- vine.
Joyful music leads us sunward In the triumph song of life.
The heavens are telling the glory of God, and all creation is shouting for joy. Come, dance in the forest, come, play in the field, and sing, sing to the glory of the Lord.

Verses

1. Praise for the sun, the bringer of day, He carries the light of the Lord in his rays; The moon and the stars who blow where they will, they light up the way Un-to your throne.
2. Praise for the wind that blows through the trees, The seas might-y storms, the gentlest breeze; They blow where they will, they blow where they please To please the Lord.
5. Praise for the earth who makes life to grow, The creatures you made to let your life show; The flowers and trees that help us to know The heart of love.

Make Me An Instrument of Your Peace (5:30) Bridge

Make me an instrument of your peace.

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First Reading  

The LORD God said: "It is not good for the man to be alone. I will make a suitable partner for him." So the LORD God formed out of the ground various wild animals and various birds of the air and he brought them to the man to see what he would call them; whatever the man called each of them would be its name. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of the air, and all wild animals; but none proved to be the suitable partner for the man.

So the LORD God cast a deep sleep on the man, and while he was asleep, he took out one of his ribs and closed up its place with flesh. The LORD God then built up into a woman the rib that he had taken from the man. When he brought her to the man, the man said: "This one, at last, is bone of my bones and flesh of my flesh; this one shall be called 'woman,' for out of 'her man' this one has been taken." That is why a man leaves his father and mother and clings to his wife, and the two of them become one flesh.

Responsorial Psalm  

Blest Are Those Who Love You  

Haugen
Homily Father Glen Butterworth, S.J.

The Nicene Creed

I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.

God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.

For us (men) and for our salvation he came down from heaven, at the words that follow, up to and including ‘and became man’, all bow.

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.

He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father.

He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.

I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.
Prayer over the Offerings

Priest: Pray, brothers and sisters, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

Assembly: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

Preface Dialogue

Priest: The Lord be with you.

Assembly: And with your spirit.

Priest: Lift up your hearts.

Assembly: We lift them up to the Lord.

Priest: Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

Assembly: It is right and just.
Priest: Behold the Lamb of God...

Assembly: Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

All Are Invited To Come Forward

During communion, we invite all to come forward. If you do not ordinarily receive Eucharist, or choose not to, come for a blessing, indicating your desire by putting your hand on your heart.

If you have a gluten allergy, & need a gluten free host, please come to the presider & indicate this.
One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of bless-ing which we bless.

And we, though man-y, through-out the earth,
we are one bod-y in this one Lord.

1. Gen-tile or Jew, ser vant or free,
2. Man-y the gifts, man-y the works,
3. Grain for the fields, scat-tered and grown,

wom-an or man no more.
one in the Lord of all.

gath-ered to one for all.

Love one an-o ther, for love is of God.

Love one an-o ther, for God is love.

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Chepponis
1. All praise to you, O Lord of all creation, You made the world.
2. With wondrous grace you clothed the earth in splendor; With teeming life you filled the sea and land.

The planet earth you spun in its lovation. Amid the stars adorning heaven's dome wonder. When we behold the bounty of your hand.

We lease the earth but for a life's duration. Then, when we hear the voice of bird or thunder.

Yet for this life it is our cherished home. We hear the voice our faith can understand.

Recessional

Instrumental

THIS WEEK AT ST. JOSEPH

Sunday
9:00 AM Mass - Childcare Available
10:00 AM Pancake Breakfast
11:00 AM Mass
12:15 PM Neighborhood Blessing of Animals
5:30 PM Mass

Monday
7:00 AM Mass
7:00 AM Yoga - Body In Prayer
7:00 PM Sacred Silence Prayer
7:00 PM Rosary Prayer Goup

Tuesday
7:00 AM Mass
7:00 PM St. Vincent de Paul Information Session

Wednesday
7:00 AM Mass
7:00 AM Yoga - Body In Prayer
6:00 PM Pathfinders
7:00 PM The VOICE Youth Group

Thursday
7:00 AM Mass
7:00 PM Gospel of Luke Series

Friday
7:00 AM Mass

Saturday
3:30 PM Weekly Reconciliation
5:00 PM Vigil Mass
Faith Formation

Children’s Faith Formation
Kick Off Schedule
CFF classes begin Sun, October 11

SAVE THE DATE: CFF2 Parent & Child First Reconciliation Workshop, Sat, October 24 from 9-11:30 am in the Church

Confirmation

Confirmation Preparation Classes begin Sunday, October 11th in the Mother Theresa Room of the Parish Center from 12:15 - 2 pm (lunch is included). All class materials including books, food, and the retreat supplies will be provided. The fee for classes is $135. Confirmation Mass will be in late January or early February*. To register please visit the main page of our website stjo-sephparish.org and click on the dark blue “Children’s Faith Formation 2015-2016” tile.

*Confirmation Mass is not assigned until mid October by the Seattle Archdiocese.

2015-16 Catholic Heritage Lectures: Care for the Earth, Care for the Poor
October 15, 2015, 7 pm, Pigott Auditorium, SU

“Are We at Home in the Cosmos? Challenges and New Directions”, Keynote Speaker: Ilia Delio, OSF

We will explore some of the challenges of Laudato Si’ and highlight the relationship between integral ecology and evolution, using the insights of Teilhard de Chardin.

The lectures are free and open to the public. No prior registration for Catholic Heritage Lectures necessary.

There is a follow up presentation on October 17th, sponsored by IPJC. Registration required for follow up. Visit www.ipjc.org to register by October 9th!

Copies of Fr. John D. Whitney’s, collection of columns, “A Reading Of Laudato Si’, “ in addition to the Papal Encyclical, are available in the Parish Center.

ISC - Laudato Si’ Series
An exciting series on the Pope’s new encyclical letter Laudato Si’--4 Thursdays from 7:00-8:30 pm, October 29, November 5, 12 and 19, 2015, at St. Joseph Parish Center

In Laudato Si’, Pope Francis urges all of us to purposefully look at what is perhaps the greatest challenge humanity has ever faced: our dependence on an economic system which has both created vast inequities and seriously degraded ecological systems, causing massive species extinction and climate change.

PREPARATION: Please read as much of Laudato Si’ as possible before the first gathering on October 29.

COST: Early Bird—$40* | After October 15—$45
* Partial Work Scholarships available

INFO: Contact Andrea Fontana, Program Coordinator, andrea@ignatiancenter.org or 206-329-4824.

Jesuit Puget Sound
Pathfinders Youth Group Needs Your Help!

Would you like to be more involved with youth programming at St. Joseph? We are currently seeking adult volunteers to help with the Pathfinders (middle school) youth group. We meet on Wednesday nights during the school year from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm in the Parish Center. Help one or two nights a month or come help at all the meetings. Our program involves helping youth with service projects, crafting, reflections, holiday celebrations, teamwork activities, etc. If you are interested or would like more information please email Erin at pathfinders@stjosephparish.org or call (206)324-2522 x111.

Adult Faith Formation

The St. Joseph Faith Formation Commission invites you to join us for the inaugural year of our Adult Faith Formation program. The foundation of this year’s program will be Bible Study on the Gospel of Luke. We have included a full listing of our Bible Study programs below. All programs will be presented in the Parish Center.

Finding the Gospel of Mercy, Bible Study with Fr. John, October 8 and 22, 7-9 pm.

Small Group Bible Study Daytime (Luke 1-11) * Following the Threshold Bible Series ($20 charge for the book and material – scholarships available) – Jesus the Compassionate Savior * Facilitated by Sue Grady * 6 Sessions * Beginning 10/28 * 9-10:30 am * Brebeuf Room

Small Group Bible Study Evening (Luke 1-11) * Following the Threshold Bible Series ($20 charge for the book and material – scholarships available) – Jesus the Compassionate Savior * Facilitated by Sr. Mary Annette Dworschak * 6 Sessions * Beginning 10/29 * 7-9:30 pm * Brebeuf Room


For more information on these Bible Study programs and others offered by the Parish contact Dottie Farewell at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1653.

Pathfinders 2015

Calling all St. Joseph 6th, 7th and 8th Graders,

Are you looking for an adventure, a chance to help others, a community?

Join Pathfinders Middle School Youth Group!

We meet on Wednesday nights in the Parish Center from 6:00 to 7:30 pm. Our first meeting will be on October 7th.

For more information contact Erin Tobin at cff@stjosephparish.org or (206)324-2522 x111

Register at http://www.stjosephparish.org “Pathfinders”
**Neighborhood**

**Blessing Of The Animals**

Please join us on **Sunday, October 4th at 12:15 pm** (right after the 11 am Mass), on the Feast of St. Francis of Assisi for a blessing of the animals on the front lawn of the church.

**Liturgical Ministries**

“OPEN ENROLLMENT” for new Liturgical Ministers is now through Oct. 15th. If you are interested in serving as a lector, eucharistic minister or usher please visit the liturgy section of the parish website for more information and to sign up or contact one of the ministry captains for consultation. You can always contact Pastoral Assistant for Liturgy Robert McCaffery-Lent as well at rmclent@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1649.

**Liturgy & Worship Commission**

St. Joseph's Liturgy and Worship Commission is seeking new members. The Liturgy and Worship Commission promotes and deepens the communal prayer of the St. Joseph community by:

- sustaining the living traditions and practices of the Church;
- developing and supporting other forms of prayer and spiritual enlightenment;
- evaluating and discerning the on-going worship of the People of God

We meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:00 to 9:00 pm in the Parish Center. Meeting dates are: December 16, January 20, March 16 and May 18. If interested please contact Pastoral Assistant for Liturgy and Music Robert McCaffery-Lent at rmclent@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1649. We are looking for 2-4 new members who can commit to either a 1, 2 or 3 year term.

**Sacred Silence**

*A time for silent prayer and peace*

The Sacred Silence prayer group gathers on Monday nights at 7 pm in the Church for an hour of silent prayer. Newcomers always welcome. Open to all types of prayer practice. People are encouraged to use whatever silent prayer practice works best for them whether it is centering prayer, Ignatian imagination or another prayer. Time is spent both sitting and walking in silence.

For information on Sacred Silence and silent prayer contact Jim Hoover at sacredsilence@stjosephparish.org or 206-286-0313.

**Prayer Tree**

St. Joseph Community extends its prayers and hopes for the following intentions: Safe journey for Fr. Glen and his travelling companions to Italy this month . . . For Jim’s health . . . For those who are facing the challenge of cancer . . . For those who are in recovery from the serious accident on the Aurora Bridge . . . For the survivors of the recent shootings at Umpqua Community College . . . Gratitude for the Vicar of Christ being in America and being seen and heard by millions -- God bless Pope Francis and let us pray for him.

“Mercy, Peace and Love be yours in abundance.”

*Jude 1:2*

If you have petitions you would like included in the prayer tree, including birth announcements, illnesses and deaths, please call the Parish Office at 206-324-2522 ext 100 or email rleet@stjosephparish.org
**Parish Life**

**Seniors On The Go**

**Tuesday, October 13th** - at 11:30 am Senior Planning Meeting. Bring your lunch and ideas for future outings and new plans with a lively group. Keep up with future plans in the bulletin.

**Tuesday, October 13th** - at 1 pm please join us for the movie “The Boy Who Came Back from Heaven.”

**Wednesday, October 21st** - at 10 am meet at the Parish Center for a trip to MOHAI (Museum of History and Industry). Cost is $10, no host lunch. Transportation provided. Sign up with Renee.

**Friday, November 6th** - Healing Mass at 11:30 am followed by Seniors Luncheon in the Parish Center.

**Young Adult Ministry**

Young adults ages 21 – 35, are you looking for a way to grow your faith and deepen your connection to the St. Joseph community? Look no further! St. Joseph Young Adult (YA) ministry is hosting a GoodNewsPeople group that will meet weekly starting on **Monday Oct 19th**. GoodNewsPeople is a faith formation program built around the small-group process of prayer, reflection, and action. The group will meet in Wallingford from 7:30-9:30 pm on Monday nights for 14 sessions (7 sessions, break over the holidays, 7 sessions). Each session includes prayer, lectio divina, dialogue, and sharing Good News Stories. The cost for participants is $25 for the 14-week program booklet/materials. Please email youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org with questions and/or to sign up. Please sign up by Sunday Oct 5th so we can order the right number of books!

**Young Adult Service Project**

On Saturday, October 17, join the St. Joseph Young Adults for Fall fun and service as we help the Jubilee Women’s Center rake leaves and prep their garden for winter. Our group will be meeting at Jubilee for a 10 am start and will finish by 4 pm-- come for some or all of the shift. We'll provide pizza and beer for lunch, and Jubilee will provide gardening supplies, but bring your favorite gardening gloves if you have them! A sign-up sheet will be posted at the back of the church, or RSVP to youngadultcommunity@stjosephparish.org.

**St. Joseph Men’s Retreat**

“Christmas Is Everyday”
Living Our Faith as Gift and Presence
October 23-25, 2015

Friday evening through Sunday morning at beautiful Camp Casey on Whidbey Island

RETREAT ANIMATORS: Dick Ellis, Jim Hoover, Gary Keister, Stuart Rowe, Chris Eagan, Fr. Pat O’Leary. Retreat begins Friday evening at 8:00 pm and ends 11 am on Sunday. (Cost: $150 single room; $125 per person double occupancy) Accommodations are simple and rustic! Partial scholarships available. Cost does not include transportation. We will help organize carpooling.

Join us for a weekend away on the shores of Puget Sound, where we hope to provide time to relax, feel rejuvenated and inspired, get connected with ourselves and other men from our parish as well as eat, pray and play! We need a minimum of 25 and a maximum of 35 participants so sign-up is on a first come, first pay basis. For questions or to register, contact Steve at stevew@stjosephparish.org or 206-965-1646.

**CYO Basketball!**

Winter will be here soon and so will another year of Jaguars Hoops. Basketball is open to all 4th through 8th graders.

Registrations are due by October 12th. Late registrations will be handled on a case by case basis and do not guarantee a spot on a team.

The cost is $75 dollars and you can register using the SportsPilot link on the St. Joseph CYO Basketball page.
St. Vincent de Paul at St. Joseph

St. Vincent de Paul is a Global Organization with Strength in Neighborhoods
The St. Vincent de Paul Society has been in existence for over 180 years. I think in some ways we may be seen as a hidden ministry though we are active in more than 149 countries worldwide.

St. Joseph’s Conference of St. Vincent de Paul
Here at St. Joseph, the SVdP conference has been active in our neighborhood since the 1930’s visiting the needy in their homes. Home visits are the cornerstone of our ministry. There is a very small group here at St. Joseph who has been dedicated for a number of years making home visits offering assistance with rent, utilities, food and providing a compassionate presence.

Many parishioners contribute money by check monthly through the green envelope or monthly when members of the St. Vincent Society can be seen collecting donations at the back of the church after masses to support the ministry.

SVdP is a Solid Donation Investment
At St. Joseph close to 100 percent of all monetary donations made to the SVdP Conference goes to help needy neighbors. St. Vincent de Paul of King County supports St. Joseph volunteers with professional staff and support including: the Georgetown Food Bank, Case Management, Veterans Support, Thrift Stores and a centralized telephone call center. St. Joseph’s school children of all ages and their parents have volunteered in the Georgetown Food Bank. Last spring our school parents stuffed the St. Vinnie’s Red Truck with gently used items for resale in our thrift stores. SVdP of Seattle King County has received the Charity Navigator Four Star Award two years in a row—a honor achieved by only 18% of all agencies evaluated.

Please Consider Volunteering with Us …
We need new faces, new hands, and new hearts to respond and live out the appeal of Pope Francis to help the poor with us.

The group meets twice a month on Monday evenings from 7-8 PM to discuss business and spend time in spiritual reflection, but the home visits are done on your schedule—weekdays, evenings, or weekends.

On Tuesday October 6th we’ll host an information session from 6:30-7:00 PM in the Parish Center. You can sign-up for an actual home visit, so that you can experience our ministry in action-helping our neighbors in need!

St. Joseph Parish link to SVdP: www.stjosephparish.org/146/st-vincent-de-paul.html

For more information, contact Conference Volunteer Coordinators Dennis West at west_dennis@comcast.net or (206) 465-3318, or Donna Whitford at donnaw@svdpseattle.org or (206)-819-0071.

To learn more about the St. Vincent de Paul of Seattle/King County, please visit www.svdpseattle.org

Faith Justice

During the month of October, we are highlighting a different Outreach Ministry each week that focuses on sustaining life. This weekend we focus on St. Vincent de Paul…
On three Thursday nights in October, Fr. John will open up the Gospel of Luke, the central text of the coming Year of Mercy’s cycle of readings. Come to the St. Joseph Parish Center, from 7:00 - 9:00 pm, for one or all of the series. Please bring a Bible.