Through faith you are all children of God in Christ Jesus. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free person, there is not male and female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s descendant, heirs according to the promise.
I Prayed Today for the Shooter

Jesus said to his disciples: “You have heard that it was said, You shall love your neighbor and hate your enemy. But I say to you, love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you, that you may be children of your heavenly Father, for he makes his sun rise on the bad and the good, and causes rain to fall on the just and the unjust. So be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect.”

-Matthew 5:43-45, 48-

I prayed today for Omar Mateen. Prayed that somehow, in the mercy of God, he might come to healing of the terrible evil he has done; that he might stand before the living God, in whose arms were embraced the 49 lives he had taken, and understand their loss and the suffering of their loved ones. I prayed that he would weep, surrendering at last to the pain he sought to exercise from his own heart by inflicting it on others. I prayed he might go through this purification, this purgatory, because I want to love him in the way God has loved me: a sinner, yet redeemed by love. I cannot fathom how deep was his despair, how horribly the “intrinsic disorder” of hate that grew in him and led him into the hands of death. Yet, I believe that he is, still, a child of God: my poor, angry, and hurtful brother. It isn’t an easy prayer, but as I pray for his victims—for Antonio Brown and Corry Connell, for Leroy Fernandez and Brenda McCool, for Enrique Rios, and Xavier Rosado, for all the women and men killed or wounded, and for the families and friends who mourn—I know I have to pray for him, as well. “Be perfect, just as your heavenly Father is perfect,” i.e., be complete in your love, as God’s love is complete. I am not there yet, but we have to try.

There have been so many horrible events, so many senseless acts of hatred and violence, that have occurred in the last years—against people at the movies or civil servants eating lunch, against a circle of prayer in Charleston or toddlers gathered in Newtown—that we can grow dull and lose our sense of reality. But genuine prayer, not the bland repetition of tired words, but the prayer that comes from our soul, and cries out to the God of life and death, unites us to the world and to each person. True prayer carries us to those who suffer, as Christ himself encountered them; and with Christ, we do not hide from pain or loss, but embrace it with love. We are called to accompany the victims—the dead, the mourning, the wounded—because we are one with them, and one with Omar, as well. For he, too, is our brother, even though unintentionally—in the suffering of men and women of this community everywhere are our sisters and brothers. They are part of the body of Christ, wounded and weeping in the streets of our nation.

In Orlando, where the victims of this shooting are members of the LGBTQ community, the solidarity to which we are called has a particular poignancy, because the Church has so often shared—intentionally or unintentionally—in the suffering of men and women of this community. Yet, today, there must be no ambiguity, no hesitancy or division: the women and men at Pulse that night, the members of the LGBTQ community everywhere are our sisters and brothers. They are part of the body of Christ, wounded and weeping in the streets of our nation. We, who find our mission in the “field hospital” of the Church, must stand with them as one community, one People of God, one family...
in sorrow and in hope, in the face of violence and in the power of love; but more than that, we must also move with them to alleviate this evil, this two-headed sin of bigotry and violence by which so many have been made to suffer.

The gay community has been an object of rage and persecution throughout history. Men (and it is usually men), struggling with issues of powerlessness and looking for scapegoats, have sought to vent their rage on those seen as different and vulnerable, those often unprotected by society. Indeed, much of the impetus for the gay pride and gay rights movement arises from resistance to the “gay bashing” that marked many major cities—when groups of young men would seek out gay bars or “suspect” individuals, looking to inflict harm on those whom society had already condemned or criminalized, labeled as “deviant” and “immoral.” Sometimes such “bashing” has been done under the cover of law, by police departments, and sometimes it is done by angry men who clothed their violence in the distorted guise of religious righteousness. Encouraged by the hateful rhetoric of “abomination” and “disordered” from ministers (or Imam), who proclaim divine judgment on homosexuals, “gay bashers,” and even murderers, have elevated their personal demons into a call of God. For those of us in the Church, this history demands a different stance, one that calls us not to begin with judgment, but first to embrace and accompany our LGBTQ sisters and brothers.

There is a difference, however, between “traditional” gay-bashing vigilantes and what happened in Orlando—though not, I think, a difference in kind. The shooter, like any “gay basher,” drowned his humanity in a sea of violence and despair. He sought an “other” upon whom he could take out his rage, and seeing that “other” in the LGBTQ community, whose very joy and pride made them more hateful to him, he sought to destroy them. And if he used ISIS and a distorted vision of his own Islamic tradition to make his own feelings seem part of something greater, he only follows in the footsteps of those who have similarly twisted Christianity and spoken of themselves as defenders of Western civilization. No. The difference in Orlando is not one of kind, but of degree: a difference explainable only by the accessibility of a lightweight assault weapon that held more than 100 rounds of ammunition. “Guns,” say the bumper sticker, “don’t kill people; people kill people.” Perhaps that is true, but people who kill people with AR-15 assault rifles kill a lot more of them—by many orders of magnitude.

What then must we do? What is the Christian response to this attack in Orlando? First, we must accompany those attacked, standing in solidarity with our LGBTQ sisters and brothers. Second, we must resist the simplistic temptations to return evil with evil, choosing instead to love as God loves, with a mercy that heals and redeems what has been wounded. Rather than looking for some enemy to hate, we must overcome hate by reaching out to our enemies with courage. Third and finally, we must act to prevent the scope of this evil from being repeated by changing the laws that allow such carnage. And if some cite, with Scriptural reverence, the Second Amendment, I would point to the Preamble of the same document, which calls us to a deeper responsibility to “insure domestic tranquility,” and “promote the general welfare.” Or, perhaps we might just quote Jesus, who calls us, with Peter, to “Put your sword back in its sheath, for all who take the sword will perish by the sword” (Mt. 26:52). Enough have perished. It is time for peace.

Connecting with St. Joseph -
WELCOME!

All our welcome at the table!

New? Visiting? Interested? Are you visiting for the first time? Interested in knowing more about the ministries and activities at St. Joseph Parish? Please join our weekly e-news blast at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the “Sign up for our eNewsletter” link in the upper right corner of the homepage. Thank you!

Register! Are you a Catholic attending Mass at St. Joseph Parish, yet haven’t officially registered? Join us!

Why register? St. Joseph Church is a vibrant parish offering many avenues for ministry, connecting with other parishioners and spiritual development. We’d love to get to know you, connect with you, and inform you of our various activities, groups and events going on at the church. Please pick up a registration form in the back of the church or go online to register at www.stjosephparish.org and click on the “Join Our Parish” link. We look forward to connecting with you. Thank you!

We welcome all LGBTQ people to worship with us during this month of Pride!
Entrance Songs

(5 & 9:30) Glory In the Cross

Schutte

Prelude

Instrumental

(5:30) Here I Am, Lord

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ, our salvation and our hope.
Let us bow in homage to the Lord of Life, who was broken to make us whole. There is no greater love, as blessed as this: to lay down one's life for a friend. Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ and the triumph of God's great love.

Let us make our journey to the cross of Christ, who surrendered glory and grace to become a servant of the Lord.
Let us see God's boundless love. We are saints and sinners who are joined by faith here on earth and in heaven above. Neither birth was divine, he knelt as a slave, to wash common dust from our feet. Let us ever glory in the one in the eyes of the Lord.

Let us stand together at the cross of Christ where we may know God's face. Though his love, as this: to lay down one's life for a friend. Let us ever glory in the cross of Christ and the triumph of God's great love.

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First Reading  
Zechariah 12:10-11; 13:1

Thus says the LORD: I will pour out on the house of David and on the inhabitants of Jerusalem a spirit of grace and petition; and they shall look on him whom they have pierced, and they shall mourn for him as one mourns for an only son, and they shall grieve over him as one grieves over a firstborn.

On that day the mourning in Jerusalem shall be as great as the mourning of Hadadrimmon in the plain of Megiddo.

On that day there shall be open to the house of David and to the inhabitants of Jerusalem, a fountain to purify from sin and uncleanness.
Second Reading  

Brothers and sisters: Through faith you are all children of God in Christ Jesus. For all of you who were baptized into Christ have clothed yourselves with Christ. There is neither Jew nor Greek, there is neither slave nor free person, there is not male and female; for you are all one in Christ Jesus. And if you belong to Christ, then you are Abraham’s children, heirs according to the promise.

Gospel  

Once when Jesus was praying by himself, and the disciples were with him, he asked them, “Who do the crowds say that I am?” They said in reply, “John the Baptist; others, Elijah; still others, ‘One of the ancient prophets has arisen.’” Then he said to them, “But who do you say that I am?” Peter said in reply, “The Christ of God.” He scolded them and directed them not to tell this to anyone.

He said, “The Son of Man must suffer greatly and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed and on the third day be raised.”

Then he said to all, “If anyone wishes to come after me, he must deny himself and take up his cross daily and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake will save it.”

Homily  

Fr. John D. Whitney, S.J.

Offertory Songs  

Take Up Your Cross  

Text: Charles W. Everest, 1814-1877, alt.  
Tune: O WALY WALY, LM; English; harm. by Martin West, b.1929
In ev'ry age, O God, you have been our refuge.

In ev'ry age, O God, you have been our hope.

Holy, Holy, Holy

Mass of Wisdom

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna!

Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord.

Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

Mystery of Faith

Mass of Wisdom

We proclaim your death, O Lord, and profess your resurrection, until you come again.

Great Amen

Mass of Wisdom

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 of a gluten free host, please come to the presider & indicate this.

Communion Songs

One Bread, One Body

One bread, one body, one Lord of all, one cup of blessing which we bless.

And we, though many, throughout the earth, we are one body in this one Lord.

1. Gentile or Jew, servant or free,
2. Many the gifts, many the works,
3. Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,
4. Broken and lost, find life in Him,
5. Leaders of men, women of strength,
6. Touching our hands, joining our hearts,

Woman or man, no more.
One in the Lord of all.
Gathered to one for all.
Body of Christ made whole.
Serving the rest, the least.
Sing our songs, we go.
A PLACE CALLED HOME

FINLANDIA

Jean Sibelius, 1865 – 1957

Words and Arr. Michael Joncas

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A Place Called Home

1. A place called home with comfort for the weary;
   a place called home of nourishment and rest;
   where one unknown becomes a welcome guest,
   God grant us all this grace: a place called home.

2. A place called home where tenderness can flourish;
   a place called home, a haven from all harm;
   where love can find a human habitation;
   God grant us all this grace: a place called home.

3. A place called home, a promise for tomorrow;
   a place called home where arms are opened wide;
   where peace can find a human habitation;
   God grant us all this grace: a place called home.

4. A place called home for every human being;
   a place called home that welcomes in the stranger,
   where love prevails and peace is ever found,
   but members of a single human family;

   A place called home where children sleep in safety,
   a place called home where all God’s sons and daughters,
   where hope can find a human habitation;
   God grant us grace to build a place called home.

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This Week At St. Joseph

**Sunday**
- 9:30 AM  Mass
- 10:30 AM  Coffee & Donuts - Join us!
- 5:30 PM  Mass

**Monday**
- 7:00 AM  Daily Mass
- 7:00 PM  Sacred Silence
- 7:00 PM  Rosary Prayer Group

**Tuesday**
- 7:00 AM  Daily Mass

**Wednesday**
- 7:00 AM  Daily Mass

**Thursday**
- 7:00 AM  Daily Mass

**Friday**
- 7:00 AM  Daily Mass

**Saturday**
- 3:30 PM  Weekly Reconciliation
- 5:00 PM  Vigil Mass

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**Communion Prayer**

**Live Mercy**

Lord Jesus Christ,  
you have taught us to be merciful,  
as the heavenly Father is merciful.  
Help us to live mercy every day of our lives,  
through the compassion we show to your beloved ones:  
to the migrant and the refugee,  
to the homeless and the wounded,  
to those forgotten by this world,  
but remembered always in your love.  
May the mercy we receive bear fruit in us,  
nourishing us with joy and bringing us communion with you.  
May it allow us to become the sacrament of mercy,  
the Church, who consecrates the world to you,  
who live and reign with the Father,  
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,  
one God forever and ever. Amen.

**Recessional**

**Instrumental**

(5:30) A Place Called Home, see previous page

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**We Are St. Joseph Events**

**Save The Dates!**

- Sounders Game - September 17th
- Parish Picnic - September 25th
- Epiphany Dinner - January 8th
FAITH JUSTICE

Tent City 3 Arrives!

St. Joseph welcomes Tent City 3 to our campus. They will be our guests until August 27th. We encourage parishioners and neighbors to stop by and say hello. In the coming months we have several events planned to facilitate opportunities to get involved. Our first two are:

ICE CREAM SOCIAL AND TOURS OF TENT CITY, Tuesday, June 28 from 7:00pm – 8:30pm. All are welcome to attend. Thank you Molly Moon’s for donating the ice cream!

TENT CITY 3 GAME NIGHT, Friday, July 1 from 7 - 9 pm. Join us for a night of fun and games with Tent City 3!

We are seeking the following:

• 15 “day of” volunteers for greeters, games and prize attendants including a kid game section (since there are about 8 kids ages 5-8 in Tent City right now) and snacks/popcorn/drinks attendants from 6-9pm.

• Donations of new or gently used games that people can keep after the event (small portable games are ideal) Please contact us before bringing any games to the Social Hall to avoid duplicates.) There will be a corner in the Social Hall marked “game night” for drop off of game donations. Thank you!

• “Borrow only” games. We have a Wii and Karaoke Machine but are still looking for anyone with a “dance mat” or any other active type of indoor games for kids or adults.

Feel free to contact Lisa Floyd Greatorex at lisagtx@gmail.com or Megan Wellings at megan.wellings@gmail.com if you have any questions about this event or would like to sign up to volunteer.

LITURGY AND WORSHIP

Peter’s Pence

The Peter’s Pence Collection unites us in solidarity with Pope Francis and his works of charity toward those in need. In 2013, the Holy Father spoke of our responsibility before the world and creation. “There is much that we can do to benefit the poor, the needy and those who suffer, and to favor justice, promote reconciliation and build peace.” Envelopes are in the vestibule of the church if you would like to contribute.

Liturgical Ministers Retreat

Save the Date

Liturgical Minister Day of Retreat will be held on Saturday, February 11, 2017, from 9am-2pm. Please mark your calendar and save the day.

Come See Jubilate!

Jubilate!, St. James Cathedral’s choral ensemble for young women, are singing the 5 pm mass at St. Joseph this weekend. They have enriched the liturgical life of St. James for over a decade. This auditioned ensemble, conducted by Stacey Sunde, sings regularly at the noon Mass on the third Sunday of the month. Their repertory encompasses chants written in the 10th century, works of classical composers, new music, and pieces specially composed for St. James. Recent masterworks performances have included Pergolesi’s Stabat Mater, and Duruflé’s Requiem, sung with the Cathedral Chamber Orchestra. In addition to their liturgical schedule, Jubilate! has engaged in concert tours within the Archdiocese of Seattle and joined the Cathedral Choir on their pilgrimage to Santiago de Compostela.
**Seniors On The Go**

Friday, July 1 - Healing Mass at 11:30. There will be no luncheon in July or August.

**Retirement Living**

What Are My Options? What Do They Cost?

Sunday, June 26th 11:00am - 12 Noon

St. Joseph Parish

Do you know the difference between Retirement Living, Assisted Living, and Continuing Care Retirement Communities? How much do each of these options cost, and does Medicare pay for any of these expenses? Join us for coffee and donuts, and get answers to your questions at this free seminar. Please RSVP AT 206-325-1600, or Madison@aegisliving.com

**LGBTQ Ministry**

Remembering Our LGBTQ Brothers & Sisters: An Evening of Reflection & Conversation

Wednesday, June 22nd 7:00-8:30 pm

Parish Center, Arrupe Room

Please join St. Joseph’s LGBTQ Ministry as we gather in remembrance of the young men and women, our slain brothers and sisters, in Orlando.

**Prayer Shawl Ministry**

Calling knitters and crocheters of all abilities - even beginners. We would love for anyone interested to join the St. Joseph Prayer Shawl Ministry and help us continue our ministry of providing shawls and blankets to those in need of healing and prayer. Our next gathering will be Tuesday, July 5th, from 7 to 8:30 pm in the basement of the Parish Center. Please join us. If you would like to learn to knit or crochet, we are happy to teach you. If you have any questions or would like help getting started, please contact Sheila Prusa at sheilaprusa@msn.com

**Census Update--It’s Not Too Late!**

Feel free to call or email us, if you haven’t sent in your Census Update. Contact Caprice at CapriceS@stjosephparish.org or call 206-965-1642.

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**Celebrate the Newly Baptized!**

We celebrate and rejoice in the children baptized last weekend: **5 PM Mass:** Lillian Parker Greig, Rose Illsley Wells, Longstreet Graham Walsh Neely, William Emerson Fiori, Theodore Andrew Peterson, Emilie Rose Tomy. **9 AM Mass:** Nicole Kiyomi Kajimura, Elliot Holland Stark, Elliot Michael Chesko, Fae Lira Dupius-Perez, and Rose Maureen & Ava Charlotte Osborne. **11 AM Mass:** Charles Curtis & Margaret Elizabeth Gammell, Esme Louise & Benjamin Robert Desautel, Keiryn Elizabeth & Tegan Naomi Mandley, Nora Catherine Crawford-Gallagher.

**Young Adult (21-35) Summer Yoga Series**

Looking for a way to feel centered over the summer? Have you had the desire to be more flexible in life, or to just touch your toes? Yoga classes will be offered in the Parish Social Hall on **Wednesday nights from 6:30- 7:30 pm throughout the summer**. Classes will start June 1st and the series will end on Wednesday, August 31st. A suggested donation is $5 per class. Please provide your own yoga mat and dress in comfortable clothing. A yoga block is recommended but not required. This class is open to anyone who is interested in enjoying an hour of invigorating and relaxing yoga. Contact Kaitlyn O’Leary at kaitlyn.m.oleary@gmail.com with any questions.

**Women’s Fall Retreat**

Becoming Who You Are: Your Own True Path to Holiness

September 23-25, 2016

Location: Palisades Retreat Center in Federal Way, WA

Women of all ages are invited to join our welcoming community to renew, refresh, and reflect in a beautifully secluded yet conveniently located setting. Registration cost is $250 and includes meals, private room & bath, and all retreat sessions. Scholarships and carpools available. All women are welcome.

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Children’s Faith Formation
2016-2017

The CFF program continues to flourish with the participation of so many children and youth in grades Pre-K thru Junior High. This is a program that takes many hands and hearts to provide strong and consistent faith formation for our youngest parishioners. To volunteer, please contact Dottie at dfarewell@stjosephparish.org

Course Offerings

Children's Faith Formation Childcare: During the 9am Mass for children 1-3 years old. This is a time for your child to begin experiencing church through play. Children are supervised by a paid adult and volunteer youth. Beginning in September. The annual fee is $50 and scholarships are available.

Children's Faith Formation Pre-Kindergarten (CFF Pre-K): During the 9am Mass for children *3 1/2-5 years old. This is a hands-on, Montessori-style class for our young ones. *Your child should be out of diapers and able to follow simple directions, such as those given in a preschool setting. The annual fee is $30 and scholarships are available.

Children's Faith Formation K (CFF K): During the 9am Mass for children currently enrolled in Kindergarten (private, public, home, or parish school) beginning in the fall. Classes consist of scripture stories, arts & crafts, songs, and either outside or gym playtime. Pickup is in the old gym across from the Social Hall. The annual fee is $30 and scholarships are available.

Children's Faith Formation 1 (CFF 1): The first of a two year Sacramental Preparation program for First Reconciliation and First Eucharist. Participation and completion of CFF 1 (or equivalent) is required before the second year, during which your child would receive these sacraments. This includes children in our parish school, public school, other private school or home school. The annual fee is $60 and scholarships are available.

Children's Faith Formation 2 (CFF 2): ALL children planning to receive First Reconciliation and First Eucharist this upcoming school year must have completed the CFF 1 class (or equivalent) last year whether you attend our parish school, public school, other private school or home school. There is a $100 annual fee and scholarships are available.

Children's Faith Formation Year 3 & 4 (CFF 3/4): This class is for children to reflect, learn, and continue to practice their faith through the Sacraments. We will continue to use arts, scripture studies, and community building activities to strengthen our faith and knowledge of the Church. Children participate in a Spring Passion Play during Lent. The annual fee is $30 and scholarships are available.

Children's Faith Formation Year 5 & 6 (CFF 5/6): This class for youth in 5th & 6th grades focuses on the liturgy, Church teachings and growing faith through prayer. Children participate in a Spring Passion Play during Lent with the CFF 3/4 class. The annual fee is $30 and scholarships are available.

Children's Faith Formation Year Junior High: This class is a 3-year Bible study for youth in 7th, 8th, & 9th grades. The annual fee is $30 for each of the classes PLUS $25 for materials (Bible & workbook). Scholarships are available.

High School Confirmation: Youth must be at least 16 years old by the Confirmation Mass date (late January/early February), already received the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist, and continued in ongoing faith formation through parish programs or Catholic High School. Students are actively seeking the Sacrament of Confirmation and are participating members in their parish and personal faith life. The annual fee is $135 and scholarships are available.

To sign up today, visit our homepage: www.stjosephparish.org
THANK YOU to those who have contributed to the 2016 Annual Catholic Appeal (ACA). The ACA gives St. Joseph Parish an opportunity to support the work of the wider church in Western Washington—the education of seminarians, support of retired priests and women religious, the work of Catholic Community Services, multicultural ministries, and so much more.

Through this one gift, each of us and all of us embrace those whom the rest of the world so often overlooks. This year, the St. Joseph Parish assessment for the ACA is $148,436. A significant amount, reflective of the generosity already shown in this Parish. While it is important to note that if we do not raise this amount through the ACA campaign we must make up the difference through our ordinary income, our hope is that this community will show itself ready to help both the local and the larger Church. Our witness, so important to Catholics throughout this region, relies upon each person’s willingness to act as part of this community.

Annual Catholic Appeal - WEEK 7

St. Joseph Parish ACA Assessment.................................$148,436

Raised to Date..........................................................$ 105,865

Percent of Goal Reached.............................................. 71%

Percent Participation (243 households)......................... 13%

If you haven’t brought your envelope from home, envelopes are available in the pews in front of you. Please fill one out and drop it in the offering basket TODAY. Your gift (however large or small!) will make a real difference in the lives of those touched by the wider church in Western Washington.

To all of you who have given to the ACA in the past, and today, THANK YOU for your generosity!

A FUTURE FULL OF HOPE

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Annual Catholic Appeal 2016
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St. Joseph is Headed Back to the Clink!
Saturday, September 17th, 1pm Kickoff
Check Our Website for Tickets & Join Us!