

# Prayer for the Victims in Orlando, Florida



*We hold in prayer the  
victims of the tragic  
shootings in Orlando, and  
all victims of violence  
and hatred in towns and  
cities throughout the land  
including their families,  
friends, responders, and the  
communities.*

*Let us pray:*

**L**oving Shepherd,  
you embrace the family of humankind  
with tenderness and mercy.

Look today upon your daughters and sons  
whose lives have been forever changed  
which have taken away loved ones,  
and the hopes and dreams for the future.

Welcome to their eternal home  
all who have lost their lives.

Embrace and comfort  
those who mourn the deaths of loved ones.

Give peace of heart to those in Orlando who are mourning and  
enable all your children to walk in charity and peace.

Give strength to those responding to the needs of your children  
with medical assistance and care.

Protect us all from the violence of others,  
keep us safe from all weapons of hate,  
and surround us in your peace.

Inspire us, your Church on Earth,  
to respond generously  
to the needs of our sisters and brothers today  
and in the days to come.

We ask this through Christ our Lord,  
**Amen.**



RCL Benziger family raise  
their hearts and voices in  
prayer with the Orlando  
community.