

Hello Everyone,

I am Father Clarence Jones your new Parochial Vicar. I'd like to be able to tell you that I am a native of Washington State. But I can't. Because - fasten your seatbelt - I'm a California transplant. Try not to hold it against me.

I received my BA in Philosophy and Religion many moons ago from San Francisco State University, and my master's degree from the Franciscan School of Theology, Berkeley.

From the time I graduated high school I have been involved in a wide variety of ministries including music, campus and prison ministry. I was ordained on my forty-first birthday, December 8, 1994, and I have been serving parishes in the Archdiocese for over twenty years, beginning with Our Lady of Lourdes in Vancouver (WA) and now here. Yes, it took me that long to get from south to north. But ready or not, here I am!

If you ever find yourself over by the rectory you will probably see me with my beagle Rachel. Don't worry she ain't nothin' but a hound dog.

Please know that I am looking forward to meeting all of you and getting to know you. I pray God will bless our time together and that we'll all continue to grow in the love of Jesus.

Blessings,  
Fr. Clarence