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Dear Friends in Christ,

I am most grateful to Father Tim Kitzke, Vicar General for Urban Ministry, for his published letter about the inexcusable acts of racism witnessed in Charlottesville. I echo his impassioned call for peace and reconciliation among all people, regardless of race or ethnic origins. Hate groups act contrary to the Gospel of Christ, and we must walk in the steps of peace and unity to counter them.

Although I am currently out of town, I thought it was best to let you know that Father Kitzke speaks on my behalf, and I fully endorse the actions he is taking.

Let us join in prayer to the Prince of Peace that hatred and violence come to an end as we walk more closely toward His Kingdom, “a kingdom of holiness and grace, a kingdom of justice, love and peace.”

Archbishop Jerome E. Listecki