

**CHURCH OF ST. THOMAS MORE  
JANUARY 7, 2007  
EPIPHANY OF THE LORD**

**Theme/Call To Worship**

God had elected long ago, established his covenants with Israel, and sent his prophets to ensure Israel that He alone was Lord of history and Lord of the universe. And now with Jesus, God sent his only Son to save the people of Israel.

**Introduction To The Word**

- I. Is 60:1-6.** Isaiah rejoices over the light and glory that will shine upon Jerusalem. He describes how the wealth of nations will be brought to Jerusalem, and travelers will arrive bearing gifts and praising God.
- II. Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6.** Paul explains to the Ephesians that the Gentiles are now co-heirs with the Jews. Through Jesus, they became members of the same body. Therefore, they would receive everything God had promised the Jewish converts if they followed Christ's teachings.
- III. Mt 2:1-12.** Astrologers from the east came looking for the new-born King of the Jews, which greatly disturbed King Herod. Herod wanted to kill Jesus, and asked the astrologers to return and tell them where Jesus was. The astrologers found Jesus and brought him gifts, but received a message in a dream telling them not to return to Herod.

<b><u>At St. Thomas More This Week:</u></b>		
<b><u>Date:</u></b>	<b><u>Event:</u></b>	<b><u>Time:</u></b>
01/07	Group Baptisms	1:30 p.m.
	L.A.O.H.	2:00 p.m.
01/08	<i>Baptism of the Lord</i>	
01/09	Madison Avenue Bible Group	8:30 a.m.
	A.A. Meeting	6:30 p.m.
01/10	Christian Meditation	5:45 p.m.
	1095 Park Ave. Meeting	6:00 p.m.
01/11	A.A. Meeting	6:30 p.m.
01/12	A.A. Meeting	6:30 p.m.
01/13	Memorial Mass	10:00 a.m.
	Private Baptism	11:00 a.m.

**WEEKDAY BIBLE READING**

01/08	Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Acts 10:34-38, Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10, Lk 3:15-16, 21-22
01/09	Heb 2:5-12, Ps 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9, Mk 1:21-28
01/10	Heb 2:14-18, Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9, Mk 1:29-39
01/11	Heb 3:7-14, Ps 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11, Mk 1:40-45
01/12	Ps 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8, Mk 2:1-12
01/13	Heb 4:12-16, Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15, Mk 2:13-17

On January 2, 2007, a formal request was sent to Community Board 8, (Upper East Side) for the sponsoring of a bill that would add the name "**Pope John Paul II Way**" to East 72<sup>nd</sup> Street between Fifth and Madison Avenues in Manhattan. The residence of the Permanent Observer of the Holy See to the United Nations has been located in a landmark townhouse at 20 East 72<sup>nd</sup> Street for decades. In fact, that is the house at which Pope John Paul II stayed during his October 1995 visit to New York. It is expected that the matter will go before the Transportation Committee Community Board 8 in the first week of February 2007 and it would be extremely helpful if parishioners could send letters of support to both the Community Board and the City Council's office. The addresses can be found in the rear of the Church.

"Love and faithfulness meet together;" -Ps 85:10a-

**SECOND COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND  
FOR  
CATHOLIC COMMUNICATIONS & CATHOLIC  
UNIVERSITY**

**Next Sunday** is the National Collection for the National University of the Catholic Church in the United States

- The Catholic University of American in Washington, D.C. Here are some of the many reasons to support its work:
- The faculty of Catholic University includes many of our country's and the world's most influential Catholic thinkers and researchers;
- It offers the nation's only ecclesiastical programs in canon law, philosophy and theology and the Catholic world's leading Biblical Studies program;
- Its Parish Scholarship Program gives \$3,000 guaranteed and annually renewable grants to every recommended high school senior from our parish admitted to the university.

Please give generously!

***Winter to Spring Courses being offered at Church of St. Ignatius Loyola by Fordham University..***

- **FAMILY: BELIEFS, SPIRITUALITY AND HEALTH**, Dr. Beverly Musgrave; Mondays 6:30 p.m. to 8:20 p.m.
- Starting January 22<sup>nd</sup> to May 14<sup>th</sup> (non credit enrichment)
- **INTRODUCTION TO THE PSALMS**
  - Rev. Gerard Lair, OSB
  - Thursdays 4:30 to 6:30 p.m.
- Starting January 25<sup>th</sup> to May 10<sup>th</sup> (non credit enrichment)

For information and registration forms contact: Sr. KathrynKing: king@saintignatiusloyola.org or Ms. Mary Naughton: naughton@saintignatiusloyola.org at the Parish House (212) 288-3588.

## **MASS INTENTIONS FOR WEEK OF JANUARY 7TH**

### **Monday, January 8th**

8:30 Patrick Clifford (I)  
10:00 Ofelia Sarra Mejer (d)  
12:30 Jeremy Pellicier (d)  
5:45 David Dickhaut (d)

### **Tuesday, January 9th**

7:00 Ruth Boyne (d)  
8:00 Ramon del Castillo, Jr. (d)  
12:15 Carlo Lia (d)  
5:45 Albert Smith (d)

### **Wednesday, January 10th**

7:00 Elmer Marante (d)  
8:00 Mary Maguire (d)  
12:15 Paul Matzenbezker (d)  
5:45 Jeremy Pellicier (d)

### **Thursday, January 11th**

7:00 Dr. Salvatore Bonilla (d)  
8:00 Charles H.G. Rees (d)  
12:15 Jeremy Pellicier (d)  
5:45 James Tolan & Family

### **Friday, January 12th**

7:00 M/M Oscar de la Renta (I)  
8:00 Philip Rebert (d)  
12:15 James McNulty (d)  
5:45 Mary Borghese (d)

### **Saturday, January 13th**

8:00 Eileen O'Connell (I)  
12:15 Nicanor Sales (d)  
5:45 -

### ***Celebrant Sunday Schedule***

<b>Mass</b>	<b>Jan. 7th</b>	<b>Jan. 14th</b>
Sat. 5:45 PM	Fr. Francis	Fr. Boehning
Sun. 8:30 AM	Fr. Asebias	Fr. Tentativa
Sun. 10:00 AM	Fr. Asebias	Fr. Asebias
Sun. 11:15 AM	Fr. Francis	Fr. Diaz
Sun. 12:30 PM	Fr. Diaz	Fr. Diaz
Sun. 5:45 PM	Fr. Tentativa	Fr. Francis

### ***Archdiocese of New York Office of Vocations***

Thinking of the priesthood? Try praying every day, twice a day, for 20 minutes each (possibly before the Blessed Sacrament). If you are a young man interested in the priesthood, please contact Father Luke Sweeney or Father Luis Saldaña at the Vocation Office in the Archdiocese of New York at (914) 968-1340, vocations@archny.org or www.archnyvocations.org; Sr. Deanna Sabetta at (212) 371-1000 ext. 2803 (Religious), and Deacon Anthony Cassaneto at (914) 968-6200 ext. 8269 (Diaconate).

"If anyone speaks, he should do it as one speaking the very words of God." - 1 Pt 4:11 -

***World Marriage Day, February 11, 2007 - Longest Married Couple Search....***

Plans for World Marriage Day 2007 are underway. This annual celebration honors the vocation of marriage and family life, sponsored by Worldwide Marriage Encounter, the largest Catholic pro-marriage and family movement in the world. The search is on for the longest married couple in the Archdiocese of New York! To enter, the couple must be sacramentally married for a minimum of 65 years and live in the Archdiocese of New York. The winning couple(s) will be honored on Sunday, February 11<sup>th</sup> at St. Patrick's Cathedral at the 10:15 a.m. Mass. Send entries to: Brendan and Noreen McCormack, 3 Old Clave Rd., Congers, NY 10920. Deadline for entries is 02-01-07. For further information on the contest or reservations, contact Nancy Rizzi at 212-371-1011, ext. 3190.

***March for Life in Washington, D.C.: Monday, January 22, 2007...***Join us on pilgrimage to Washington, DC as we gather with hundreds of thousands from throughout our nation to pray and publicly witness so that hearts and minds may be opened to the Gospel of Life and laws may be changed to reverence all human life. Buses will be traveling to DC from all over the Archdiocese. If you are not able to make the trip please consider making a donation so that others can attend. For a complete listing of locations and buses and further information go to [www.FLRL.org](http://www.FLRL.org) or call Sr. Lucy at (212) 371-1011, ext. 3195, or [sr.lucy.marie@archny.org](mailto:sr.lucy.marie@archny.org).

***Join the Archdiocese of NY Family Life/Respect Life Office Bus leaving from the Catholic Center: 1011 First Ave. at 55<sup>th</sup>, on Monday, Jan. 22<sup>nd</sup>. Bus departs at 6:45 a.m. - Holy Sacrifice of the Mass at 6:00 a.m. Please note: January 22, 2007 is A Day of Prayer and Penance for Life - United States Conference of Catholic Bishops***

***The Leisure Luncheon Club*** will enjoy a brief recess, then resume on Tuesday, January 16, 2007 immediately following the 12:15 p.m. Mass. All Seniors are welcome.

***Vocation Awareness Week 2007*** - begins on the Feast of the Lord's Baptism (January 8-14, 2007). This is *Vocation Awareness Week* - Thinking of consecrating your life completely to God? For priesthood contact Father Luke Sweeney or Father Luis Saldaña at the Vocation Office in the Archdiocese of New York at (914) 968-1340, vocation@archny.org, or visit our website at [www.archnyvocations.org](http://www.archnyvocations.org). For Vocations to the Religious Life contact Sister Deanna Sabetta, CND, at (212) 371-1000, ext. 2803. For Permanent Diaconate contact Deacon Anthony Cassaneto (914) 968-6200, ext. 8269. For Consecrated Virginitly contact Father Bartholomew Daly (212) 371-1000, ext. 2576.

- Upcoming Event: Come and See Day (Open House Style, Saturday, January 13, 2007 from 10:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.

"The fruit of the Spirit is love." -Gal 5:22 -