

# January 13, 2008

## Baptism of the Lord

### Weekday Masses

Mon. Jan. 14th—9 AM-Mass-Chapel  
 Tues. Jan. 15th—9 AM-Chapel  
 Wed. Jan. 16th—5:30 PM-Mass-Chapel  
 Thurs. Jan. 17th—9 AM-Mass-Chapel  
 Friday Jan. 18th—9AM-Mass—Church  
*On days with funerals, no daily Mass. Join us at the funeral.*

### THIS SUNDAY'S READINGS

*Baptism of the Lord*

First Reading: Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7  
 Second Reading: Acts 10:34-38  
 Gospel: Matthew 3: 13-17

### NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

*2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6  
 Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:1-3  
 Gospel: John 1:29-34

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### THIS WEEK AT ST. THOMAS MORE

#### Sunday—January 13th-Baptism of the Lord-Masses

Faith Formation-CLOW  
 10:30pm-Choir Practice-Music Room  
 12:30pm-ESL Sign-Up-Adult Ed. Room  
 5:30pm—LifeTeen Mass followed by the Edge and Life Night

#### Monday—January 14th

6:30pm-Mission Choir-Music Room  
 7:00pm-Maintenance Commission-Parish Office  
 7:00pm-5-Year Planning Committee-Dalton Hall

#### Tuesday-January 15th

9:30am-Scripture Study-Renggli Room  
 6:30pm-LifeTeen Band Practice-Music Room  
 7:00pm-Scripture Study-Renggli Room  
 7:00pm-Finance Council-Parish Office  
 7:00pm-StVdeP-Library

#### Wednesday—January 16th

6:00pm-City of Lynnwood Meeting-Dalton Hall  
 7:00pm-Multicultural Choir Practice-Music Room  
 7:00pm-RCIA-Library  
 7:00pm-Matt Talbot-Parish Office Library

#### Thursday—January 17th

10:00am-Light Weigh-Youth Room  
 6:00pm-One Voice Choir Practice-Church  
 7:00pm-Welcome Back-Renggli Room  
 7:00pm-Light Weigh-Adult Ed Room

#### Friday—January 18th

5:30pm-Outreach Commission-Renggli Room  
 7:30pm-Vietnamese Choir-Adult Ed. Room

#### Saturday-January 19th-Mass

10:00am-ESL Class-Adult Ed. Room

#### Sunday—January 20th-Masses

12:30pm-ESL Sign-Up-Adult Ed. Room  
 No Faith Formation-CLOW  
 5:30 pm—LifeTeen Mass followed by the Edge and Life Night

### “Conversations with Fr. Bob”

Tune in on Tuesday, January 15th to “Conversations with Father Bob”. This week join guest host Deacon Patrick Moynihan as he speaks with Maryknoll Missionaries **Roger and Kitty Schiltz**, who spent 3 ½ years living and working in Tanzania, East Africa, along with **Glen Butterworth, SJ** who will speak about conflict resolution and his work as Assistant to the Dean of Students at Seattle University.

“Conversations with Father Bob” is broadcast on Sacred Heart Radio KBLE AM 1050 every Tuesday, 5:00-6:00 PM and Thursday 9:00-10:00 PM. It also airs every Saturday morning, 8:00-9:00 AM on KKNW AM 1150. “Conversations with Father Bob” is an outreach ministry of St. Thomas More Parish and is a listener-supported program. Archived programs can be accessed from **www.conversationswithfatherbob.com**. Complimentary CD’s of past programs are available in the Narthex. Please feel free to take a CD home, listen to it and then pass it on to a friend or return it to the Narthex.

### Administrative Assistant Needed

The parish is looking for someone to provide administrative support to Faith Formation/Youth Ministry and the Parish Staff. Experience with the PDS database, computer, secretarial and organizational skills a must. This is a full time position with excellent benefits. Please send your cover letter and resume to Cathy Bellande in the Parish Office.

### Olympic View Drive Improvements

There will be an informational meeting in Dalton Hall starting at 6pm on Wednesday, January 16th for all those interested in the planned improvements to Olympic View Drive which will start in the Spring. The planned closures, detours and alternate travel routes will be discussed also. All are welcome to come and comment on the project. If you have any questions, please contact the Project Manager, Jesse Perrault at (425) 670-6635, or by email [jperrault@ci.lynnwood.wa.us](mailto:jperrault@ci.lynnwood.wa.us).

### Could You be a Catholic Daughter?

Catholic women are welcome to join the Catholic Daughters in the Community Center Meeting Room at 5:30pm on Tuesday, February 12th. For more information contact Debbie Olson at 787-2490.

**Matt Talbot Fellowship meets Wednesday at 7 pm in the Parish Office Library.** Our focus is, "Following Matt's path to sobriety, we are Christ to each other." Questions? Call Dick at 239-3523.

### Members Needed

The Social Justice and Outreach Commission is seeking new members! If you have an interest in social justice action, plan to come to a discernment meeting on Friday, January 18th (originally scheduled for the 11th) at 6pm. Dinner will be served. Please RSVP by calling or emailing Grace Dyer at (425) 478-1795 or [nwdyer123@yahoo.com](mailto:nwdyer123@yahoo.com).

### You Can Save Your Marriage

Do you have trouble communicating, frequent arguments or fights, or experience distance and coldness in your marriage? Retrouvaille is a Catholic program for couples experiencing trouble in their marriage. The next weekend will be January 18th-20th and there is still space available. Please call (206) 706-2608 or 1-800-470-2230 to register or for more information.

**If you are struggling with transitions or life issues anxiety, anger, depression, stress, co-dependency, or grief call our parish counselor**  
**Connie Brousseau, MA LMHC at 425-742-6752**  
*Financial assistance & insurance may apply*

### St. Thomas More School Lights the Way



In one month, we'll begin our Catholic Schools Week observance (January 27 – February 3, 2008), the time each year when we celebrate what makes Catholic education special and honor those who contribute to our school's excellence. Watch the bulletin for the schedule of events or go to [www.stms.org](http://www.stms.org). To be a part of the fun, please contact Jane Alpers at [jalpers@stms.org](mailto:jalpers@stms.org) or 425-743-4242. Thank you.

## STEWARDSHIP NEWS

On behalf of Father Bob and the parish community, the Stewardship Commission would like to thank you for your generous response to the most recent aspect of the "2008 Pledge Drive." At the Masses on 12/22 and 12/23, we collected 464 completed pledge cards which included 100 new pledges, 37 families who increased their pledge, and pledges by 32 families new to the parish as well as the cards of those who already pledged and offered prayers. This was a great response and brought us to 75% of the goal for 2008.

All gifts are appreciated, but we would like to report on two gifts in particular. One parishioner wanted to remain anonymous in terms of his giving, so he just paid his pledge in cash at that Mass. We know most of us need to budget, but that was quite an encouraging experience for the usher who was handed the money all at once. We also received a "personal check" written on notebook paper from one of our younger parishioners. The check was for at least 100 billion dollars, not counting the number of zeros on the back. Since it is the thought that counts most, we were very moved by this young man's interest in helping out. We will give an update on how the phone-a-thon results go in next week's bulletin.

## STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Sunday Collections:	01/06/08	January	Year-to-Date
Budget	18,997.79	18,997.79	
Actual	21,341.16	21,341.16	
Better (Worse)	2,343.37	2,343.37	(4,950.64)

### English As a Second Language Sign-Up

Registration for the Beginning Level ESL class will continue on Sunday, January 13th, 20th and 27th from 12:30pm-1:30pm in the Adult Ed. Room, which is the room at the end of Dalton Hall. The classes will begin on February 5th from 7pm-9pm and will meet every Tuesday and Thursday evening for 10 weeks in the School Library. Registration is required and must be completed by January 27th. For more information, please call (425) 760-3298 in the evening.

### How Much Should I Give?

What is the right amount to give financially in support of my parish in the coming year?

Answer: When I am at peace with myself about the size of my gift. When I don't find myself making excuses for it's size, and when I know in my heart I have been completely honest with myself and God!

### Thank You! Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who helped ready the church for Christmas. Many hands made light work. Special thanks to those who helped with cleaning; Chaley Hinson, Debbie Riley and Casey Dawes, Shari Schubert, Camille Nguyen, Carol & Pat Portolese, Karen Lindquist, Marilyn Yocke, Regina Jimerson, Cathy and Mike Williams.

Thank you also to everyone who helped with decorating; Joy Espejo, Laura Rodrigues, Daniela Tinoco, Kathleen Morris, Ken Pham, Fati Le and Kevin Pham. Sue Hooper, Carol & Pat Portolese, Wava Masterson, John & Maureen Keane, Yolanda Diego and Suzanne Faucher.

A special thank you to Mike Deacy and Jack Webster for getting the Christmas trees and setting them up.

### National Migration Week 2008

From a letter to us from the Most Reverend John C. Wester, Bishop of Salt Lake City, Chair of USCCB Committee on Migration:

Jesus' disciples wanted to send away the crowd of 5,000 when the multitude came to hear him out of fear that they did not have enough to feed them. In the same way, we are tempted to turn away migrants fearing that our nation does not have enough resources—jobs, schools, housing, medical care, and other necessities, to accommodate those who have made their way to this abundant land. The miracle of the loaves and fishes is God's promise not only to the disciples but to us as well. If we fail to minister to the needs of these newcomers, we fail our Lord himself for as he taught us in the Gospel: "Lord when did we see you a stranger...and not minister to your needs?" He will answer them, "Amen, I say to you what you did not do for one of these least ones, you did not do for me." (Mt. 25:44-45)

For more information on the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishop's teaching on migration please go to: [www.usccbpublishing.org](http://www.usccbpublishing.org) and click on Migration and Refugee Services.

### FREE CONVERSATIONAL ESL CLASSES

St. Thomas More Parish, in conjunction with The Family Support Center, will be offering a **FREE Conversational English as a Second Language** program:

**Location:** Adult Education Room, St. Thomas More Parish campus.

**Start:** Saturday, January 19, 2008 for 10 weeks

**Time:** 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM

Please invite your friends, neighbors and acquaintances that may benefit from the classes.

To register or for more information please call Ed dos Remedios at (425) 743-2929 ext 17.

### Why Don't You Try a Marriage Encounter Weekend?

Do you wish you could talk about something besides all the stresses in your life? A Marriage Encounter Weekend gives you the time and the tools to revitalize romance, deepen communication and nourish the spirituality in your marriage. Register now for a Marriage encounter Weekend. Weekends in 2008 are scheduled for Apr 18-20, May 30-June 1, Aug 1-3 and Oct 17-19. Registration forms can be found in the Narthex or call Mike and Marge Putman at (206) 772-2344 for a form or additional information.

### STM Sewing Group

The STM Sewing Group is making neck coolers and fleece scarves and hats to send to our troops. They are in desperate need of clean white (or beige) cotton sheets, any quantity, and fleece (any color). Sheets and fleece can be dropped off in the nursery at the Saturday Vigil Mass or Sunday after all the morning Masses (if you have a large quantity, someone would be happy to pick them up from you). They are also looking for more people interested in simple sewing. If you have any questions please drop by the Nursery, or call Charmaine Michlig at (425) 776-5393 or (425) 773-5394.

### Never On Sunday Women's Bible Study

Women's bible study, Never On Sunday: A Look at the Women Not in the Lectionary, starts up again this Tuesday, January 15th in the Renggli Room. We have completed our look at some of the women in the Old Testament and will begin to study the New Testament in a session that lasts only **6 weeks, from Jan. 15th-Feb. 19th**. In order to accommodate busy schedules, we meet **Tuesdays in the morning from 9:30am-11:00am and again in the evening from 7:00pm-8:30pm**—choose whichever works best for you. This break in our study is the perfect time to have new women join us. So, if you've been thinking about enriching your prayer life and understanding of scripture, we would love to have you come. Just bring your bible and show up!

## Faith Formation For All

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**Faith Formation Classes meet today.** No Faith Formation classes on Sunday, January 20th due to the MLK Jr Birthday Holiday.

**Welcome Back is still accepting new members.** Do you know someone who might appreciate information about a program for those who think they might want to return to our Faith? Have you been away, then came back, and now think you would like a more in depth reentry? **Welcome back** is the answer. Call Mary at 774-3703 for information.

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** continues at 9:30am and 11:30am Masses. All children 2nd-5th grade are welcome. A few more grown-up helpers would be appreciated, especially during the 11:30am Mass.

**RCIA** meets on Wed. evenings, at 7pm in the Community Center Library. We will meet next on Jan. 16th. If you or someone you know is interested in exploring becoming Catholic, please call Luciann.

**Children seven and older who are not yet baptized** and want to explore receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and Eucharist are prepared in our RCIA process. If you have such a child and wish to learn more about this please call Luciann.

**Baptisms** for infants and young children are scheduled for the weekends of February 3<sup>rd</sup> and May 11<sup>th</sup>. Parents must be registered in the parish and take a class to prepare them for their role as Catholic parents. Godparents must be Confirmed Catholics and take classes before the baptisms. Call Luciann for more information.

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### Week of Christian Unity

This year marks the 100th year in which the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity has been observed from January 18th-25th. The theme and celebration are developed annually by a joint commission of the Pontifical Council for Promoting Christian Unity and the World Council of Churches. Pope John XXIII made history by inviting leaders of other Christian churches to be observers at Vatican II. This was an amazing and hopeful step in our building relationships with our other Christian brothers and sisters. It is worth continuing. Here in our Archdiocese the celebration is held alternately at the Roman Catholic St. James Cathedral and the Episcopalian St. Mark's Cathedral. This year we will gather at St. Mark's at 7pm, January 25th to hear the wise words of Sr. Lorelei Fuchs, of the Franciscan Sisters of the Atonement, who has excellent credentials in the ecumenical movement, and to pray together for the unity we so desire.



The programs are back on! Both the Edge and Youth group will be meeting this weekend. Come, gather, learn and play with us. Summer Mission Trip applications are due by Monday, Jan. 14th. Get them in. If you are just seeing this now and want to go on the mission trip, call Angela immediately for information. We are looking for Lectors and Altar Servers for the LifeTeen Mass, if you are interested in being a part of the Mass Ministries, please contact Angela. For more information about Edge or LifeTeen events, contact Angela Northquist, Pastoral Assistant for Youth and Young Adults (425)743-2929 Ext 22.

### Handicapped Parking

Please remember that the parking spaces on 176th St SW marked for handicapped parking are for use by those who have a handicap parking permit only. Anyone parking in these spaces without a permit is subject to a parking violation.

### Do You Need FEMA?

If you are a homeowner, renter, or business owner affected by the recent severe storms, which caused flooding, landslides and mudslides please call 1-800-621-FEMA (3362) for disaster assistance.

### Let Your Opinion be Heard

There is a suggestion box available in the narthex of the church. If you have a suggestion, please place it in the box. Father Bob reads all the suggestions placed there.

### This Week at STM School:

Our Peace Assembly will be Wednesday, January 16<sup>th</sup> at 9:20 in Dalton Hall.

Coming Soon:

- No school Monday, January 21<sup>st</sup> in honor of Martin Luther King Jr.
- Friday, January 25<sup>th</sup> is mid-term.
- Catholic Schools Week is January 27<sup>th</sup>-February 1<sup>st</sup>.  
Open House for prospective parents is Sunday January 27<sup>th</sup>!  
Please share the date with friends, family, and neighbors who may be looking for a school for their children.