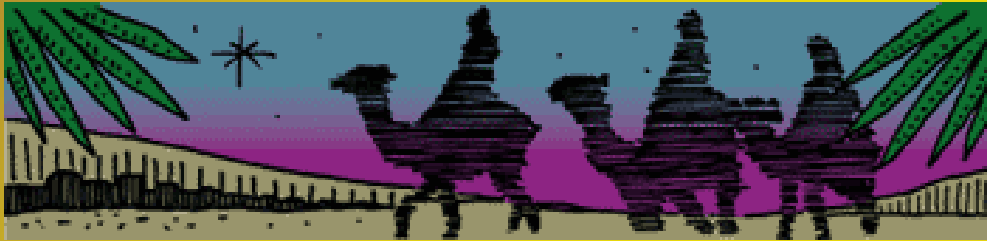




ST. THERESA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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THE EPHIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 6, 2008

O Come All Ye Faithful . . . Let us bring Him
The GOLD of our Love and Charity
The FRANKINCENSE of our Faith and Belief
The MYRRH of our Obedience to His Laws

Mass Schedule

Daily Masses

Monday-through Friday:
8:30 a.m.

Weekends

Saturday:
4:00 & 5:30 p.m.

Sunday:

7:30, 9:00 & 11:30 a.m.

Holy Day Vigil: 7:30 p.m.

Holy Day Masses: 8:30 a.m.
12:00 Noon (except if a Saturday)

Sacraments

Baptisms and Confirmation: Please contact the Parish office at 245-2458 for more information.

Marriage: Call the office at least six (6) months prior to intended date.

Anointing of the Sick: Available after all Masses.

Vocations: Call the office for more information and guidance.

Confessions: 3:00-3:45 p.m. on Saturday or contact the office for appointment.

Sick Call & for Funerals:
245-2458 or 245-4506



St. Theresa Catholic Church

Pastor: Fr. David Vivero

Retired Assoc: Fr. George Koerber

Deacon: Rev. Norman LaFleur

(Contact Deacon LaFleur regarding Annulments)

New Parishioners: Please register at Parish Office

Parish Office: (352) 245-2458

(Voice mail checked during non-office times)

FAX: (352) 245-1521

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Julie McAllister

Maintenance and Repair (352) 245-2458

Tom Swarbrick

Social Services-Donna Krause (352) 245-1359

Soup Kitchen (352) 245-1359

Thrift Shop (352) 245-0650

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Website and Bulletin (352) 861-4397

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Parish Hall Coordinator (352) 245-7689

Karen French

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(Information and Referral Service)



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PARISH MISSION STATEMENT



WE ARE COMMUNITY FOUNDED BY CHRIST HIMSELF, EMPOWERED BY HIS GIFT OF THE EUCHARIST. WE ARE COMMITTED TO GROW IN FAITH, HOPE, LOVE AND SERVICE TO ALL.

PARISH MINISTRIES

EUCHARISTIC

Ministers to the Sick (MTS): Donna @ 687-1070

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC):

Fred @ 861-4397

Holy Hour/Adoration Assistants: Fred @ 861-4397

LITURGICAL

Altar Servers: Julie @ 245-5300 or Pastor @ 245-2458

Lectors: Kay @ 245-9098

Ushers: Kay @ 245-9098 or Pastor @ 245-2458

Choir: Kay @ 245-9098

FAITH FORMATION

Adult Discussion Group: Joan @ 307-7905

Bible Study: Lois @ 245-2255

Catechists: Julie @ 245-5300

R.C.I.A.: Julie @ 245-5300 or Gloria @ 347-6149

Youth Ministry: Julie @ 245-5300

PARISH ORGANIZATIONS

Cursillo: Elena @ 245-7348 or 812-3125

Knights of Columbus: Ron @ 288-2901

Knights' Columbiettes: Karen @ 245-7689

Ladies Guild: Karen @ 245-7689

Legion of Mary: Fred @ 861-4397

Ultreya: Elena @ 245-7348 or 812-3125

MISC. OUTREACH

HIV/Aids: Jim @ 347-2172

Bereavement: Ruth @ 307-1292

Prison Ministry: Fred & Arlene @ 347-6708

Respect Life: Jim @ 347-2172

Transporting to Mass & Doctors: Alice @ 245-2458

BULLETIN NOTICES and WEBSITE INFORMATION

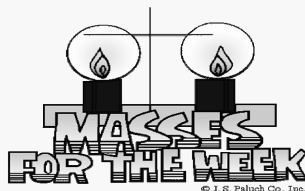
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**SATURDAY, JANUARY 5, 2008**8:30 am **COMMUNION PRAYER SERVICE**4:00 pm **Louise Campbell (+)** by William Campbell**Patrick Fitzgerald (+)** by Renee Fitzgerald**Spec. Intention of Terry McAteer** by Marie & Ralph Cuttita5:30 pm **Sophie Zeller-Koppel (+)** by Emil & Caroline Hagger**Spec. Intention of Stephanie McLendon** by St. Theresa Ladies Guild**SUNDAY, JANUARY 6, 2008**7:30 am **Annette Latona (+)** by Bea Manzella

9:00 am

Albert J. Lafontaine (+) by Roland & Sandra Lafontaine & Family**Ann Slowick (+)** by Florence Kurgan**Quay Krause** by Ralph & Harriet Scicchitano**Adam Strachan (+)** by M/M Joseph Merry11:30 am **Well-Being of Parish Family**11:30 **MONDAY, JANUARY 7, 2008**8:30 am **Mary Panchik (+)** by Sophie Latimer**Joseph Kammerer (+)** by Sophie Latimer**Holy Souls in Purgatory** by Fabiola Botero**TUESDAY, JANUARY 8, 2008**8:30 am **Jean Taschler (+)** by Kate Marc**Shirley Eads (+)** by Pat & George Ezzo**Holy Souls in Purgatory** by Pat & George Ezzo**Spec. Intention of Eileen Adlet** by James Kennedy**WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 9, 2008**8:30 am **Lucille Burns (+)** by Tom Swarbrick**Holy Souls in Purgatory** by Pat & George Ezzo**Spec. Intention of Peter Luis Hernandez** by Pat & George Ezzo**THURSDAY, JANUARY 10, 2008**8:30 am **Rita Spencer (+)** by Frank Spencer**Lillian DeSha (+)** by Michael Rodak & Donna Martin**FRIDAY, JANUARY 11, 2008**8:30 am **Margaret Klein (+)** by Geri Bertucci**Holy Souls in Purgatory** by Pat & George Ezzo**Spec. Intention of Brittani Lindsey** by Pat & George Ezzo**SATURDAY, JANUARY 12, 2008**8:30 am **COMMUNION PRAYER SERVICE**4:00 pm **Well-Being of Parish Family**5:30 pm **Pauline & Tony Martorani (+)** by Bernadette

Martorani-Black

SUNDAY, JANUARY 13, 20087:30 am **Mike Flynn** by Fred & Penn Herbert9:00 am **Carol Bigelow (+)** Mary Rogowski**Edward Barry (+)** by Prima Kennedy**Edward Barry (+)** by Norma Bernvenuto11:30 am **Barney Guzzo** by Anna Distefano**Antoinette Latona** by Rose Passalacqua**Epiphany of the Lord****January 6, 2008**

They opened their treasures
and offered him gifts
of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

— *Matthew 2:11b***THE STAR OF BETHLEHEM**

The unfolding of the story of the Incarnation continues today as the Church celebrates the Epiphany. The tale of the magi from the East is one of the most fascinating in all of scripture. It has much to teach us about what we can come to expect, even in circumstances and places that may seem insignificant or small. Bethlehem was a tiny town, what we might refer to today as a town without even one stop light. Yet it is over this seemingly insignificant place that the guiding star stops in its own search for the place where the Savior would be born. Too often we fail to recognize the fact that the star of Bethlehem comes to rest in our everyday lives, where we can experience God's presence, manifested in ever new ways. Epiphany calls us to shake off our stupor and recognize the One who comes to save us.



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TODAY'S READINGS**TODAY'S READINGS**

First Reading — Rise up in splendor, Jerusalem! The LORD shines upon you and the glory of the Lord appears over you (Isaiah 60:1-6).

Psalm — Lord, every nation on earth will adore you (Psalm 72).

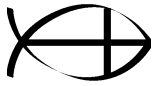
Second Reading — The mystery has been made known that the Gentiles are coheirs, copartners in the promise in Christ Jesus through the gospel (Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6).

Gospel — Magi from the east arrived, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews?" (Matthew 2:1-12).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK**Monday:** 1 Jn 3:22 — 4:6; Mt 4:12-17, 23-25**Tuesday:** 1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44**Wednesday:** 1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52**Thursday:** 1 Jn 4:19 — 5:4; Lk 4:14-22a**Friday:** 1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16**Saturday:** 1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30**Sunday:** Is 42:1-4, 6-7; Ps 29; Acts 10:34-38; Mt 3:13-17

CHRIST IS IN OUR MIDST

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Offertory Contributions

December 23, 2007	\$ 8,155.91
Project Growth	\$ 1,500.50
Christmas	\$ 9,505.00

**OFFERTORY FOR 12/30 & 1/6
WILL BE REPORTED IN 1/13 BULLETIN**

**1/5, 1/6 SPECIAL COLLECTION:
Catholic Home Missions Appeal
incl. Black/Indian & Farmworker Ministry**

Mass Celebrants for JANUARY

Saturday: 4:00 p.m. - Fr. George 5:30 p.m. - Fr. Shine
Sunday: 7:30 a.m. - Fr. David 9:00 a.m. - Fr. David
 11:30 a.m. - Fr. David

Monday & Wednesday: 8:30 a.m. - Fr. George
Tues./Thurs./Fri.: 8:30 a.m. - Fr. David



New Parishioners

New parishioners are most welcome. Registration forms are available in the office during the week and are also available in the church vestibule. Please help keep our records current by advising us of any changes of address, phone numbers and family additions or changes.

Saints and Special Observances

Sunday: The Epiphany of the Lord;
 National Migration Week
Monday: St. Raymond of Peñafort;
 Orthodox Christmas
Wednesday: Muslim New Year 1429

from Fr. David ...

The King And I

The story of the Epiphany is dramatized with the visitation of the three kings, or wisemen, from the East, not born of the belief and the tradition of Israel, not part of the chosen people, but come to pay homage to the newborn King.

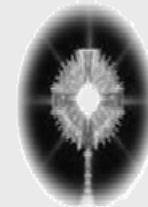


Following the guidance of the star, filled with delight, they will find the child in Bethlehem. They would fall to their knees and offer their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh on the birth of the newborn King, rich with symbolism expressing the Paschal Mystery of Christ.

They may not belong to a people chosen by history and culture; but neither are we as we continue to come in faith in accomplishing God's Mission. Like the men from the East, we are also blessed with the knowledge of the truth of God's salvific act. This knowledge, if misused, could lead to the slaying of the innocents as mentioned in the Gospel, thus the challenge of revealing the good news to the whole world may not be just an insert in this Christmas season but an **opportunity** to live in great love.

The great privilege therefore of celebrating this feast is to be able to respond to the **sign** that comes from God.

We, too, can



adore Him.

**Friday Holy Hour 3:00-4:00 p.m.
Silent Adoration 4:00-6:00 p.m.**

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & ENRICHMENT

ANNOUNCEMENTS

For the following notices, if you have further questions or concerns, please call 245-5300.

2007-2008 RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM:

Registration is an ongoing process. There are Religious Education registration forms in the vestibule of the church. REMINDER: FOR ALL NEW REGISTRATIONS A BAPTISMAL CERTIFICATE IS REQUIRED FOR EACH CHILD REGISTERED.

*THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION
OF ADULTS - R.C.I.A.*

This is an ongoing process for:
Catechumens-Non-Baptized persons wishing to join or to learn about the Catholic Church.
Converts – Baptized Protestants who wish to join or to learn about the Catholic Church.
Catholics seeking Confirmation
Catholics seeking Faith Enrichment.
If you or someone you know is interested in information regarding RCIA: Call the Office at 245-5300.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES 4 YR. OLD PRE K-8TH GRADE - Classes resume this Sunday January 6, 2008. Many thanks to the catechists and aides for their dedication to this ministry.

ADULT DISCUSSION GROUP - Sponsored by RCIA, this is an open forum with Fr. David and fellow parishioners. Meet with other adults to discuss current event topics in light of our Catholic teachings. The next meeting will be on Thursday, January 17, 2008 from 7:30-8:30 p.m. in the Religious Education Bldg. For more information or topic suggestions, call Joan at 307-7905.

CONFIRMATION PREPARATION- “Born Anew in Baptism” The first session on Confirmation will be on Thursday January 17, 2008 from 7:00-9:00 p.m. Each session will begin in the Church with prayer. All are welcome to come to all or some of the six (6) sessions. After opening prayer there will be age appropriate sessions—one for adults and one for teens to learn about this Sacrament. If you would like to learn more about Confirmation, please join us.



BIBLE STUDY: Thursday, Jan. 10, 1-2:30 PM, Rm. 8. Study Questions: In what ways do you bring peace to others? What does it mean to be a person of justice? All are welcome.

Below are stocks the Orlando Diocese has been unable to match with a donor. Any help on these would be appreciated in order to ensure these funds are credited to where they were originally intended.

- 12/20/07 WYETH 12/18/07 Exxon Mobile
- 12/18/07 Genuine Parts 12/17/07 Microsoft
- 10/10/07 Colonial BancGroup

WORLD WIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

There are active and vibrant ME Circle/Image groups in our area: for the next meeting in Ocala, contact Barbara & George @ 840-9508 or for Lady Lake, contact Gerry or Judy at 352/259-8359.

A Social Services ADVISORY BOARD MEETING is scheduled for January 9, 2008 at 2:00 pm.

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT Group will meet for 8 weeks starting Thurs., Jan. 10 in the Quad, after 8:30 Mass.

Building Committee Meeting: Mon., 1/7, at 6:30 pm.

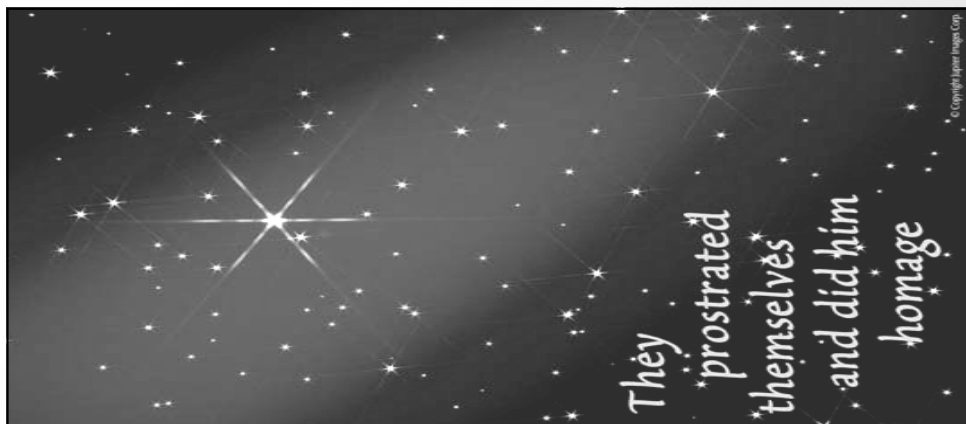
ULTREYA Mtg., Fri., 1/11 at 9:00 am in the Quad.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY - SEX, LOVE & RELATIONSHIPS - Pam Stenzel, Founder of ENLIGHTEN COMMUNICATIONS Inc., tackles today's tough issues of sex with candor, insight, humor, and the challenge for young people to get the abstinence advantage. Pam has traveled worldwide, speaking in person to over 500,000 young people each year about issues of sexuality and the importance of abstinence. Her videos are viewed by millions worldwide. Pam also holds seminars with parents and educators regarding issues of teen sex and how vital character building is in a child's upbringing. Holy Cross Youth Ministry has extended an invitation for our youth & parents to attend this important seminar. Mark your calendars for **SUNDAY January 13, 2008**. Ms. Stenzel's talk will be from **3:00-4:30**. Mass at 5:00 PM. Holy Cross, Orlando, **DONATIONS WILL BE TAKEN**. This event is also open to 8th graders and their parents. **PARENTS ARE ENCOURAGED TO ATTEND**. We will arrange transportation. Please call the Religious Education office to register: **245-5300**.

ST. THERESA CATHOLIC CHURCH CALENDAR

January 2008

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION	2	3 The Most Holy Name of Jesus	4	5
6 Epiphany of the Lord	7	8	9	10 Bereavement Support Begins after Mass	11	12
13 Baptism of the Lord H.S. Youth Ministry 3-4:30 pm.	14	15	16	17 Confirmation Preparation 7-9:00 pm	18	19
20 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time	21	22	23	24	25	26
27 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time	28	29	30	31		



Blessing of the Home on
Epiphany can be found at:
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(on the Church Bulletin page)

Fr. George Walter Studzinski Tom Mascaro Joyce Landry
Paulie Lozano Leo Dubuc Anne Teti Roland Vonisinski
Margaret Blair Richard Gustafson Nancy Armitage

Pray for . . .
the Sick of Our Parish

Father, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need. Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.

*** Marriage Moments ***

The three Magi's search for Jesus reminds us that Jesus came for all humankind, not just the Jewish people. So, too, married love is not a gift to be hoarded. Reach out to someone who is sad, in trouble, or from a different culture.

Can you do it together?

