



Introduction of Jay Thomas '66

This morning, we continue with our Alumni Speaker Series. Today's speaker is a 1966 classmate of Fr. Anthony McGinn, S.J., and Mr. Malcolm Villarrubia. After trying football here, he made his mark as a member of the Phils and a participant in the then-popular Talent Show.

After Jesuit, he quickly entered the entertainment field, mainly as a radio DJ. He made his way into acting and became a cast member of several classic TV series, most notably on *Mork and Mindy*, on *Cheers* as Carla's hockey-player husband Eddie LeBec, and on *Murphy Brown* for which he won two Emmys.

His movie credits include a role in *Mr. Holland's Opus* as the head football coach, a role he modeled after former Jesuit head coach Ken Tarzetti.

He has now returned to his radio roots, hosting his own daily show on Sirius Radio.

You can catch him each Christmas Eve competing with David Letterman to knock the holiday meatball off the Christmas tree on the *David Letterman Show*. Please welcome a great Blue Jay from the class of 1966, Jay Thomas.