

Stella Maris Catholic Parish - Washington Island

SUNDAY, JULY 12 at 1:00 p.m.

✝ 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time ✝

Mass - Fr. Jerry Pastors

Trinity Lutheran Church

"The seed that falls on good ground will yield a fruitful harvest."

~Psalm 65~

Like the rain and snow that come down from heaven, God's word will accomplish the purpose for which it is sent (*first reading*). Nonetheless, Jesus tells us, God's word can be blocked by human circumstances and choices (*gospel*). We need not lose hope, however, for God who prepares both the grain and the land will bring what has been planted to abundant harvest (*psalm*). No matter how slow we are to receive the seed, how reticent to let it grow, how distracted from the task, God will keep tilling the terrain of our hearts until we produce new life. ~Kathleen Harmon

MASS SCHEDULE!

Mass during the summer and fall on Washington Island is held weekly on Sundays at 1:00. Are you heading off the Island? Here is the Stella Maris summer/fall Mass schedule for all of our sites.

Stella Maris Summer/Fall Mass Schedule through October 18:

Saturdays: 4 pm-Fish Creek: 6 pm-Egg Harbor

Sundays: 8 am-Baileys Harbor: 10 am-Jacksonport:

10 am-Sister Bay: **1 pm-Washington Island**

Weekday Mass Schedule: **Monday**-8 am-Fish Creek;

Tuesday-8 am-Jacksonport; **Wednesday**-8 am-Egg

Harbor; **Thursday**-8 am-Sister Bay; **Friday**-8 am-Baileys Harbor; **First Saturday** of each month in Baileys Harbor-Rosary at 7:30 am followed by HolyMass at 8:00 am; **Third Thursday** of each month in Sister Bay-Holy Hour/Adoration at 5:00 pm followed by Holy Mass at 6:00 pm

Rosary Mondays: Margie O'Connor is leading a Rosary ministry. We are meeting on **Monday afternoons** at **3:00** on the front porch of our home, 1840 Detroit Harbor Rd. All are welcome and invited to spend this short time of prayer for peace and whatever prayers and petitions that you would like to offer.

PILGRIMS OF HOPE: "Reflections from Italy During the 2025 Jubilee Year": Wednesday, July 15 at 1:00 pm in the Fellowship Hall at Trinity Lutheran Church. Join **Beth Verdun** as she recounts her 2025 pilgrimage to Italy during the Jubilee Year of Hope through photographs, maps, and memorable experiences. Highlights include visits to some of the Church's most significant sites, traveling with fellow Augustinians, and the unique experience of being in Rome following the election of Pope Leo XIV, the first Augustinian pope in modern history. All are welcome. Questions, conversation, and fellowship will follow the presentation.

Mass Intentions: Mass Intentions are available for our Island Masses. If you would like a Mass said for a loved one contact us or Lori Orthober at the Egg Harbor Office(920) 868-3241. A stipend of \$20 is requested. **Email:**churchofficesmdc@gmail.com

Papal Request: Pope Leo XIV is asking us to pray 3 Our Father's and 3 Hail Mary's so God will send his spirit to come upon all nations for peace in our world. Please pray these prayers every day.

PRAY before the BLESSED SACRAMENT. You are welcomed and encouraged to stop by our home to spend time in prayer before the Blessed Sacrament. Call or text first if you'd like, or just sit on the porch before our Lord for a few minutes.

HOMEBOUND? If you are homebound and unable to make it to Mass, and you would like to receive Holy Communion, let us know. We have Eucharistic Ministers who can bring Holy Communion to you.

PRAYERS

 We pray for all those in our community who have been diagnosed with cancer or other health issues and have asked for prayer: **Mike Gieringer, Adah Grace Gall, Kodi Calkins, Steve Schlosser, Ron & Lois Schlosser, Bob Graves, Joe Wollner, Lance Ferris, Isabel O'Connor, Emilie O'Connor, Helene Valentincic, Dave Hanlin, Andy Austin, Craig Littero, Jerry Mann.**

 We pray for them and for all those battling cancer, heart issues, diabetes, Parkinsons. We pray for those struggling with other health concerns, addictions, depression and mental health issues, all those in prison, the homebound, the elderly, migrants, the homeless, those seeking employment, all those dealing with weather related issues, and on this 250th year of the birth of our country, for peace here and in the world. We continue to pray for families and friends that have lost loved ones this year, that they can find peace and comfort in God's healing touch.

 We pray for all those that we hold privately in our hearts in a special way for specific intentions. We also lift up our prayers of gratitude and thanksgiving; our praise reports! 

Fr. Jerome Pastors: Please keep **Fr. Jerry Pastors** in your prayers. His first Mass on the Island will be tomorrow, **Sunday, July 12!** We are looking forward to meeting Fr. Jerry and pray that his times as Pastor of Stella Maris will be fruitful and a blessing to him and to others.

Fr. Tom Farrell: We pray for Father Tom Farrell as he is now “officially” retired and moved into the Missionary of the Word priest house in Egg Harbor. With love

and gratitude we thank you, Fr. Tom for all you have done to shepherd your Stella Maris flock! Fr. Tom will continue to serve Stella Maris as a help out priest, so we will hopefully be blessed to see him on the Island occasionally.

At each Mass people ask for prayers for friends and family. Know that we are praying for you, your families, and your friends. We ask that you pray for us and all those that have asked for prayers as well. Let us know how best we can pray for you. 🙏 (If you have specific prayer requests that you would like added to our weekly letter, please call, text or email us.)

What's happening in our parish? Our Stella Maris website is being redone and has a new look! Check it out! Click on our parish link below to read about all the great things happening in our parish and to *read many great articles!* *If you go to the Parish Info tab and click on history, you will find an extensive and interesting history of the Island and how our Catholic faith community evolved over the years!* Our bulletins can also be found here! <https://www.stellamarisparish.com/>

Thank you! to all of you that respond to our weekly emails! They are read and appreciated. We are all connected by the Holy Spirit and bound together by God's love for us.

Seasonal Members: If you worship with us at any time during the year and are not a member of Stella Maris, we welcome you to fill out a Stella Maris Parish Parishioner information membership form. Just ask us for a form.

Have you checked out the "**Relevant Radio**", "**Formed**", "**Hallow**", or the "**Ascension Press**" apps? These are great resources for prayer, study and so much more!

<https://hallow.com/>

<https://ascensionpress.com/pages/ascension-app>

<https://relevantradio.com/>

signup.formed.org

"You, O God, who create all that is good, you continually probe and nurture my heart, calling me to live fully and completely. Help me to remember the seed that you have planted within me, the song that you have chosen for me to share, a song praising you for bringing all things to life over and over again. Amen." ~ Kathleen Harmon

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower. All who come to him will have life forever. 

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Stella Maris Mission Statement

Stella Maris Catholic Parish prayerfully unites people in the love of Jesus guided by our patron, Mary.

Stella Maris Vision Statement

We invite all to journey as disciples. By sharing the Gospel, responding to Jesus' love and the gifts God has given us, we welcome all to grow in faith and in our parish life.