Stella Maris Catholic Parish
Washington Island
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 29 at 2:00 p.m.

✝️ *1st Sunday of Advent* ✝️

Mass - Fr. Jerry Pastors

Trinity Lutheran Church

"Lord, make us turn to you; let us see your face and we shall be saved."
Psalm 80

Psalm 80 was written at a time when Israel's homeland and way of life had been destroyed by an enemy. They lament their situation and beg God to restore their heritage *(first reading).* **They also acknowledge they played a part in bringing this destruction upon themselves. Yet, in an ironical twist of faith, they hold God accountable even for their infidelity** *(first reading)***. In Psalm 80, they beg God to turn them and their behavior around** *(psalm refrain)***. Jesus commands us in the gospel to remain watchful and alert for this saving work of God. At any hour, whether we are ready or not, salvation may arrive. What do we need to ask God to turn around that we may be ready?**

~ Kathleen Harmon

⛪**WASHINGTON ISLAND MASS SCHEDULE!**⛪

Sunday, November 29 - 2:00 p.m. **Fr. Jerry Pastors**
Sunday, December 6 - 2:00 p.m. **Fr. Jerry Pastors**
Tuesday, December 8 - 7:00 p.m. ***Liturgy of the Word w/Communion***
Saturday, December 12 - 10:30 a.m. **Fr. Jerry Pastors**
Saturday, December 19 - 10:30 a.m. **Fr. Tom Farrell**
Thursday, December 24 - 10:30 a.m. **Fr. Jerry "Christmas Mass"**
Saturday, December 26 - 10:30 a.m. **Fr. Jerry Pastors**
Friday, January 1 - "Holy Day of Obligation" ***TBD***

Sending out our email early because of travel over the Thanksgiving holiday!

Washington Island Community Thanksgiving Service

🦃will be hosted by Bethel Church on Wednesday, November 25 at 7:00 p.m. 🙏. PIE and fellowship to follow! 🥧 😋

Sacrament of Reconciliation: *Father is available before or after Sunday Mass if you would like to go to confession. The sacrament of reconciliation is a beautiful way to draw closer to our Lord. Just let Father know when you come to Mass that you would like to meet with him. The library in the Fellowship Hall is private and available to us for confessions.*

🎉TOYS for KIDS🧸

This year's Toys for Kids Collection will run from November 14 - December 10. New toys, books and games are collected for Door County families in need. 😀

Rosary Mondays: *We will be taking a 3 week break from our **Monday 3:00 rosary** to do our Advent Book Study on Monday's from 2:00-3:30.*

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.*

ADVENT *BOOK STUDY:* **Our Advent small group study this year is "ADVENT" Season of Divine Encounter by Amy Ekeh. "ADVENT, Season of Divine Encounter" will help us look at three key Scripture passages to recall, recognize, and anticipate the ways God comes into our lives and our world. This is a short 3 week study.**
We have two groups meeting! One will be on MONDAYS from 2:00-3:30, beginning November 30, and the other on WEDNESDAYS at 6:00 p.m., beginning December 2. It's not too late to join!

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.*

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.**

Fr. Jerry has begun a new tradition of recognizing and acknowledging those with birthdays and anniversaries for each month. It is a wonderful way to pray and think of others and offer them your well wishes. ***If you would like to be included in the December birthday list please let me know!***

November Birthdays: ***Charlotte Manning (1), Dcn. Tony Abts (5), Alyssa Wagner (8), Steve O'Connor (20), Margie O'Connor (22) Please remember our friends in you prayers on their special day!*** 🙏

PRAYERS - *Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name you are mine. Isaiah 43:1* 🙏🙏We pray for all those in our community who have been diagnosed with cancer or other health issues and have asked for prayer: ***Jimmy Malony, Frank Maxwell, Sabrina, Betty Sperberg, Lou Small, Joy Matthies, Norene Murphy, Mike Gieringer, Janel Gieringer, Steve Schlosser, Ron Schlosser, Bob Graves, Lance Ferris, Isabel O'Connor, Emilie O'Connor, Helene Valentincic, Jerry Mann.*** *A special prayer for* ***Pat Sawosko*** *who was taken off the island over the weekend with an a fib episode. If it can't be regulated with medication, she may have to undergo a cardiac abrasion. She is on oxygen and a Lasix pill to reduce the fluid in her body and lungs. Pat is at Bellin Hospital in Green Bay.*

I am updating our prayer list and will be starting over with a new list December 1. Names will be deleted unless you contact me to keep them on. Also make sure to get their permission. Thank you!

🙏Continued Prayers for a safe and successful hunting season for our hunters this week.🦌🦌🦌

🙏 ***We pray for them and for all those battling cancer, heart issues, diabetes, Parkinson's disease. 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 due to natural disasters, 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 the repose of the soul of Jerry Lentz who died Monday, November 16. We pray for comfort for his wife Mary, his children, grandchildren and all those whose lives he touched.

🙏 ***We pray for all those that we hold privately in our hearts in a special way for specific intentions. We ask for prayers for all students and teachers this school year. We also lift up our prayers of gratitude and thanksgiving; our praise reports!*** 😇

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? ***Click on our parish link below to read about all the great things happening in our parish and to read many great articles! 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.***

GRANT for FERRY LINE REIMBURSEMENT: Please see the letter at the end of this email for details!

IMPORTANT UPDATE: I will be updating my contact list. If you would like to continue to receive our weekly emails, please reply to this email and include the email address that you would like me to use. Thank you!

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

"O Source and Maker, great architect of all my days, look down once again and pull me up from the trappings of my sin. Preserve and protect the goodness you once fashioned, that I may joyfully and quickly turn and sing a new song of rejoicing, ever proclaiming that you are near. Amen." ~ *Kathleen Harmon*

Show us Lord, your love; and grant us your salvation.

Have a wonderful and blessed Thanksgiving!

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Happy
Thanksgiving
May your home be filled with love, your heart with gratitude, and your life with endless blessings today and always.
Thankful
Grateful
Blessed

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Dear Washington Island Parishioners:

Ferry Fare Reimbursement – Limited Time Offer

Our Parish has received a grant from Catholic Foundation for the reimbursement of ferry fares for registered Washington Island Parishioners who come to the Door County mainland to attend Mass or other Parish functions.

So if you would like to come to Mass, go to confession or adoration, attend a committee meeting, or attend a Parish function, you can obtain reimbursement for the cost of the ferry.

To do so, simply mail or email the Parish office the following:

1. Your ferry receipt, showing the date of travel and the fare amount; and

2. A note of (i) who traveled, and (ii) for what purpose (attend Mass, attend specific committee meeting, etc.).

You can submit these items either by email (with a scan of the ferry receipt) or by US mail. If emailing, please send them to me (bus.adm.smdc@gmail.com) with a cc to our bookkeeper, Laura Paider (booksmdc@gmail.com).

If you send them in the US mail, the address is Stella Maris Parish, P.O. Box 49, Egg Harbor, WI 54209.

The grant is for a limited amount, so the opportunity will be available for a limited time. The objective, though, is to try to enable Washington Island parishioners to participate more fully in our parish life.

Peace and blessings.

Larry Leporte
Business Administrator
Stella Maris Catholic Parish