

Stella Maris Catholic Parish

Washington Island

SUNDAY, September 20 at 1:00 p.m.

✝ 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time ✝

Mass - Fr. Jerry Pastors

Trinity Lutheran Church

"The Lord is near to all who call upon him." Psalm 145 ~

The readings and psalm challenge us to replace our puny thoughts and ways with the thoughts and ways of God. Seeing things as God does will turn us from grumbling about what we feel God owes us to grasping that God has already given us much (*gospel*). Then God's generosity to others will lift our hearts in gratitude for who God is. The psalm tells us the thoughts and ways of God are near to those who call on God in truth. What truth about God is God inviting you to ponder? What truth about yourself? What ways or thoughts of God elude you? How is God bringing these ways and thoughts "near"? ~ Kathleen Harmon



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.

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.*

Rosary Mondays: *Join us for the Rosary 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.*

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.*

BOOK STUDY: *"The Forgotten Way" was well received with much conversation and fellowship over the past 5 weeks. It was the hope of the group that we could continue to meet in some way. My thought was to pick up the small group study called **"The SEARCH"** which we started a while back but never finished. You are welcome to come and go as you wish or are able. **Starting date to be determined. Let us know of you interest.***

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.*

Harvest Weekend! Just a reminder that the Harvest Dinner will be held on **Saturday, October 10** at Trinity Lutheran Church. There is a sign up sheet in the church if you can help out in any way, or simply to sign up and enjoy a wonderful home cooked turkey dinner!

PRAYERS

 We pray for all those in our community who have been diagnosed with cancer or other health issues, or have upcoming surgeries and have asked for prayer:

David Gawel, Norene Murphy, Mike Gieringer, Janel Gieringer, Adah Grace Gall, Steve Schlosser, Ron Schlosser, Bob Graves, Lance Ferris, Isabel O'Connor, Emilie O'Connor, Helene Valentincic, Jerry Mann.

 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.

*A Memorial Service for **David Hanlin** will be held this morning at 11:00 a.m. on **Saturday, September 19**, 2026 at Bethel Church on Washington Island with Pastor Rick Smith officiating. Visitation will be held at the church from 10:00-11:00 a.m. A luncheon will follow the service.*

 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! 

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.

Relevant Radio: If you are a listener of Relevant Radio, on Monday, August 12, Patrick Madrid talked about the Blessed Sacrament and mentioned special permission from the Bishop of allowing the Blessed Sacrament at our home. Tune into his podcast on the Relevant Radio app for Monday August 12, the last 6 minutes of Hour 3.
<https://omny.fm/shows/the-patrick-madrid-show/the-patrick-madrid-show-august-12-2026-hour-3>

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

"God of all mystery, I truly know that your ways are not our ways, and that you are beyond all our understanding. Come and help my voice become a prophetic voice, acclaiming your compassion, a compassion that is uniquely of your nature: truly just and faithful. Amen." ~ Kathleen Harmon

Open our hearts, O Lord, to listen to the words of your Son.

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