

**Stella Maris Washington Island, April 4**

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**Stella Maris Catholic Parish - Washington Island****SATURDAY, APRIL 4 at 10:30 a.m.****✝ Easter Sunday ✝***Mass - Fr. Tom Farrell*

Trinity Lutheran Church

***"This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad!" ~ Psalm 118***

"This is the day the Lord has made" has been prayed and sung by Christians as part of Psalm 118 since this translation appeared in the King James Bible in the 17th century. But a more accurate translation of this line from the Hebrew psalm would be "This is the day the Lord has done it!"

What has the Lord done? How has what the Lord has done changed the course of human history?

How has it changed the course of your history? ~ *Kathleen Harmon*

** MASS SCHEDULE! **

**Mass or Liturgy of the Word with Communion continues to be held weekly.** Along with Fr. Tom Farrell, we are blessed to have Fr. Tony Birdsall, Msgr. Jim Dillenburg, Dcns. Tony Abts, Kurt Grube, and David Kowalski coming to the island to celebrate Mass and Liturgy of the Word with us!

**Please take note of the changes and additions to our Mass and worship calendar for April:**

**Good Friday, April 3 - - 4:00 p.m. - Stations of the Cross** (Trinity Lutheran Church)

**Saturday, April 4 - - 10:30 a.m. Easter Sunday, Fr. Tom Farrell**

**Saturday, April 11 - - 10:30 a.m. Msgr. Jim Dillenburg**

**Sunday, April 19 - - 1:00 p.m. Fr. Tom Farrell** (starting April 19 we begin our summer schedule with Mass on Sundays at 1:00)

**Sunday, April 26 - - 1:00 p.m. Fr. Tom Farrell**

Attached below is the Holy Week schedule for the Stella Maris services including those on the mainland if you happen to be off or want to attend any of the Triduum services.

**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. Email: [churchofficesmdc@gmail.com](mailto:churchofficesmdc@gmail.com). A stipend of \$20 is requested.

**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. (the snow has melted enough that you can actually get to the front porch now! ❄️😊)


**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 ask for prayers for the repose of the souls of **Donna VanRamshorst** and **Patricia Hewitt** who died this week. Please pray for and hold in your hearts the family and friends of **Donna** and **Patricia** as they mourn and grieve the loss of their loved ones.


🙏 We pray for all those in our community who are recovering from surgery or have been diagnosed with cancer or other health issues and have asked for prayer: **Joe Wollner, Lance Ferris, Mike Gieringer, Isabel O'Connor, Celia Stoltz, 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, and peace in the world. We continue to pray for families and friends that have lost loved ones this past 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. Prayers continue for all those struggling with and recovering from bad colds and influenza. We pray for safe travels for all those traveling. We also lift up our prayers of gratitude and thanksgiving; our praise reports!*

 Please keep **Dorene Gillespie** and **Odin Valentincic** in your prayers as they are preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and First Communion this spring. Also prayers for all those going through OCIA and entering into the Catholic Church this Easter Vigil.

 **Fr. Tom Farrell:** *We pray for our pastor, Father Tom Farrell as he will be retiring this summer. With love and gratitude we thank you, Fr. Tom, for all you have done to shepherd your Stella Maris flock! We pray for Bishop Ricken and all those involved in assigning the next Priest to our parish.*

*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.**

**Welcome New Parishioners** (Sept. 2025-March 2026) David & Jeannie Horak, Susanne Miller, Megan Hannasch, Evan Zellner, Elizabeth Haack, William & Terri Bittner, Michael & Rebecca Eith, Michael & Sarah Novotny, **Linda Heineman**, Logan & Caitlin Macomber, Timothy & Jeanne Farrell, **Pamela & Doug Hansen**, Linda & Mark Glasser, Alan & Lorraine Kroll.

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](https://signup.formed.org)

*"O God of Easter life and joy, this is the day, this is your day, this is our day - that you made! Ignite in me today a joy that cannot be contained, filled with hope and new life, with joy unabashed - RESURRECTION FOREVER! Amen."*

*~ Kathleen Harmon ~*

**EASTER BLESSING** Dear Lord, Where there has been death, bring new life! Renew and redeem the sorrow in our stories with Your goodness and grace. Bless our hearts and homes this Easter and always. Amen. ©LPi

*Alleluia! He Is Risen!!!*

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