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Stella Maris Catholic Parish - Washington Island

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY

28 at 10:30 a.m.

✠ 2nd Sunday of Lent ✠

Mass - Fr. Tom Farrell

Trinity Lutheran Church

"Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you." ~ Psalm 33

These verses from Psalm 33 are about Abram who, not knowing the outcome, nonetheless trusted in God enough to leave his homeland for an unknown destination (*first reading*). These verses are about the disciples on the mountaintop with Jesus who, not fully grasping the transfiguration they witness or the resurrection they hear promised, nonetheless choose to listen to God's "beloved Son" and trust wherever he would lead (*gospel*). These verses are about all who remain faithful to discipleship despite hardship because they trust in the strength of God, the grace of Christ, and the promise of resurrection (*second reading*). How are these verses about you? ~ Kathleen Harmon

MASS SCHEDULE!

Mass or Liturgy of the Word with Communion continues to be held

on Saturdays at 10:30 a.m. 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 this winter!

FAST, PRAY, GIVE ALMS: We still have a few Lenten reflection booklets, "**Not By Bread Alone**", available at the main entrance to the church. A great resource to use during your Lenten prayer time as you prepare for Easter.

SOUPS ON! *We hope you will be able to join us as we continue this time of warm fellowship for the winter months. Mary Grzelak has a google document set up for people to sign up and bring a soup, bread, dessert or whatever else if you would like to contribute. Please spend this time of fellowship with us. We always have more than enough. You can contact Mary at 813-957-2224 or email her at mabgisland@gmail.com or mary.grzelak@island.k12.wi.us <https://docs.google.com/document/d/10N3yBNNRnCXkA2iGSo0Of1UvsOIFBQnR2B1Lo0G9uzo/edit?tab=t.0&usp=gmail>*

Join a small group for Lent! This year for Lent, our small groups will be using the video series, on the Formed platform, "*The Search*" from the Augustine Institute. "*The Search*" leads people to the deepest questions of the human heart, exploring the meaning and purpose of life with a visually stunning and intellectually stimulating approach. An evangelization series hosted by Chris Stefanick, "*The Search*" guides viewers through a crescendo of seven episodes examining life and death, sorrow and happiness, and science and faith. Astrophysicists, psychologists, astronauts, neuroscientists, professors, athletes, artists, and the beauty of the cosmos all point to one conclusion: Jesus Christ and the Catholic Church.

Please join us on Fridays at 1:00 p.m. at our home, 1840 Detroit Harbor Rd. We have the Study Guides and Journals available for you. Questions? Call us at 920-535-0550.

"The Story of all Stories" is a story bible for young Catholics written by Emily Stimpson Chapman and illustrated by Diana Renzina. This has been in the making for 2 years and came out in October 2025 available on Bishop Robert Barron's "Word on Fire" bookstore. I bought two copies, one for my grandson and one for me. I must tell you that I was quite impressed. It's a beautiful hardbound book!

Check out the link below. I will be placing a group order in the next week or two. We get a discount when we order 5 or more. Original price \$50 with a 30% discount bringing the cost down to \$35 a book plus tax. Shipping is FREE. Let me know if you would like to place an order and take advantage of this discount. They will be shipped to our home so you will need to pick-up here and pay in advance. Or simply order them on your own. Whichever is most convenient for you.

<https://bookstore.wordonfire.org/collections/on-sale/products/the-story-of-all-stories>

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. A stipend of \$20 is requested.

Reconciliation: *Father is always available for you to receive this sacrament either before or after our weekend Mass when he is on the island.*

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

 *Continued healing for **Steve O'Connor** after his knee surgery and for Steve and Margie's granddaughter, **Isabel**, who is struggling with mental health issues due to PTSD.*

 ***Mike Gieringer** is asking for prayers for good test results tomorrow for a health concern.*

 *We pray for all those in our community who have been diagnosed with cancer or other major health issues and have asked for prayer: **Jim Gunnaugsson, Celia Stoltz, Mickey Riggle, Emilie O'Connor, Helene Valentincic, Donna VanRamshorst, Dave Hanlin, Andy Austin, Craig Littero, Jerry Mann and Marlene 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 and those seeking employment. 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 the bad colds and influenza. We pray for safe travels for all those traveling this winter. We also lift up our prayers of gratitude and thanksgiving; our praise reports!*

 **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.)

❄️ **Snow Shoveling** ❄️: It's that time of year where the snow will be falling soon! 🧑‍🌾 Trinity is looking for snow shovelers! 🧑‍🌾 They have a signup sheet in the Narthex. If you would like to take a turn for a week or so this winter, Trinity would surely appreciate it. Thank you!

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.

"FORMED" Formed is now available to all parishioners! Stella Maris Parish now has a great resource available, Formed.org. Formed is a digital library ready for you to stream or download. Formed offers inspirational Catholic videos, courses, audio talks, books and movies that give you great Catholic teaching in your life and for your family. Diving into the beauty of the faith has never been easier: at home, on the go, from your TV, laptop, or phone, there is something for every member of your family to grow closer to Jesus Christ and His Church. Discover inspiring children's shows, family-friendly movies, daily Mass readings and reflections, resources about the Mass and the Sacraments and small group Bible studies. During Lent our parish will be using the Formed platform in our small groups as we look at and reflect upon the series "The Search" with Chris Stefanik. Formed is ready to go, already paid for, downloadable, and easy to access. All you have to do is to enter Stella Maris Church or our zip code, 54209, at signup.formed.org and you will have access to the entire platform for free. Formed offers resources for adults, teens, children, parents, widows, those who are suffering from addiction, those who are searching, and for those who feel their faith life has grown stagnant. Truly, there is something for everyone. Make sure to sign up now and take a step forward in your faith. Watch or listen to something that interests you and tell others about it. Start exploring today and discover the Catholic faith anywhere, anytime. Register for a free FORMED account at [signup](https://signup.formed.org).
Formed.org

Have you checked out the **"Relevant Radio"**, **"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/>

"God of lavish mercy and forgiveness, in you I trust, and to you I surrender all. Awaken in me a sound that will go forth to move and change your people who hope in your merciful love. May my song become your song of justice and right. Amen." ~ Kathleen Harmon

EMPTY ME

FILL ME

USE ME

May you be filled with the joy of salvation this Lenten season.

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<https://docs.google.com/document/d/10N3yBNNRnCXkA2iGSo0Of1UvsOIFBQnR2B1Lo0G9uzo/edit?tab=t.0&usp=gmail>