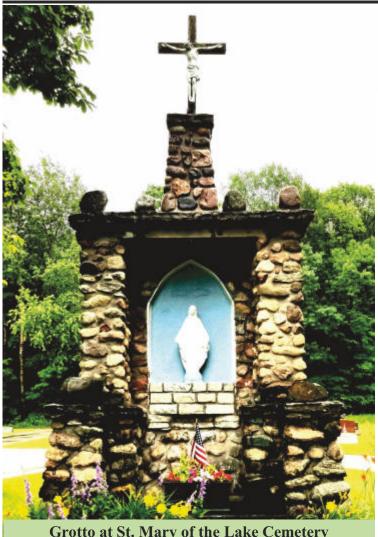


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Monday, August 16

Office Closed Mass-8:00 am-FC

Morning Prayer-8:30 am-FC

Tuesday, August 17

Mass -8:00 am-JP

Scripture Class-10:00 am-SB

Pray the Rosary-12:00 pm-BH

Bridge-12:00 noon-EH

Wednesday, August 18

Mass-8:00 am-EH

Eucharistic Adoration-8:45 am-EH

St. Michael's Altar Society-1:00 pm-JP

Thursday, August 19

Mass-8:00 am-SB

Friday, August 20

Mass Followed by Reconciliation-8:00 am-BH

Wedding Rehearsal-4:30 pm-BH

Saturday, August 21

Reconciliation-8:30-9:30 am-BH

Wedding-2:00 pm-BH

Mass-4:00 pm-FC

Mass-6:00 pm-EH

Sunday, August 22

Mass-7:30 am-BH

Mass-9:30 am-**SB**

Mass-11:30 am-JP

Mass-1:00 pm-WI

Online Giving

For Online Giving to our parish, please go to www.stellamarisparish.com and click on "Giving to the Parish Electronically" on the front page.

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.

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary-August 15, 2021

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REINSTATEMENT OF THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND SUNDAY MASS

The Dispensation of the Obligation to attend Mass will be lifted on August 15 in the Diocese of Green Bay. In a letter to priests and pastoral leaders, Bishop David Ricken wrote, "As the number of cases associated with the COVID-19 virus continue to diminish in the 16 counties of the diocese, after much discernment and consultation, I have decided to reinstate the obligation to attend Sunday Mass effective on August 15, the Solemnity of the Assumption of Our Lady into heaven."

Celebrate Mass Via TV or Radio

Sunday Mass is available diocesan-wide via broadcast **television** on ABC affiliate WBAY at 5:30 am Sunday morning and on CW14 at 8:00 am on Sunday and **Bishop Ricken at 10:30 am on WFRV Channel 5 on Sundays.**

Radio Mass is available on Relevant Radio, 1050 AM at 9 am. Daily Mass is livestreamed Monday through Friday from the campus of Relevant Radio here in Green Bay. You can access the Mass at the Relevant Radio app, or at this link https://relevantradio.com/faith/dailymass-video/.

Also available on your **computer**, is a full list of daily events with direct links to Masses, rosary and daily reflections compiled by The

Compass, The Official Newspaper of the Green Bay Diocese at https://www.thecompassnews.org/virtual-event-calendar/.

Update on Our Gathering

- Masks We highly encourage all to wear masks.
- Hand sanitizer will continue to be available at the entrance.
- Ushers, Servers and Communion Ministers are encouraged to return to service. Precious blood will not be distributed.

Seminarian Collection 2021

Our 16th Annual Seminarian Collection is underway. By now, you have received a letter from Bishop Ricken inviting you to take part in the vocation mission. Please return the pledge card through the mail, or donate online at www.catholicfoundationgb.org/give. Whatever you are able to give is appreciated.

Next Weekend

Next weekend, please welcome Rev. William Kulas who will be with us to celebrate Masses and tell us about the work of Unbound, a lay Catholic sponsorship ministry that helps children and elderly in 19 developing countries. To learn more, call (800) 875-6564 or visit Unbound online at www.unbound.org.

Respect Life

HAPPY BIRTHDAY SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED BABY! CONGRATULATIONS! YOUR SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED BABY WAS BORN THIS MONTH!

"HERE I AM!" As you know though, my birth was not the beginning of my life. My life began nine months ago when my parents contributed their love to each other to form this unique human being. At that miraculous moment I also received my soul from God making me an immortal being. I am truly a miracle. Never before in history, nor ever again, will anyone exist who is exactly like me. God's plan for me is to live my life on earth, then join Him in my heavenly home forever. Thank you on behalf of all babies and their parents for your loving prayers that helped to bring us to birth "so that they might have life and have it to the full!" (John 10:10)

Luke 2:10-14 The angel said. "Do not be afraid, for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a Savior has been born for you; who is Messiah and Lord. And this will be a sign for you: You will find an infant wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger." And suddenly there was a multitude of the heavenly host with the angel, praising God and saying, "Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests."

Celebrate the birth of your spiritually adopted baby by 'showering' The Christ Child Society of Door County with gifts such as little kid's outfits (size 12-18 months) and small boy's sleepers (size 3-6 months). Call (920) 743-6087. The Christ Child Society is dedicated to serving babies and children in need.

Love Life- Join the Stella Maris Respect Life Committee.

Call (262) 617-8098 or m mutchler@gmail.com

From Deacon Tony

Parish Mission Planning



Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age. (Matthew28:19-20)

In the introduction to a great new book written by Brandon Vogt entitled *Return: How to Draw Your Child Back to the Church*, Bishop Robert Barron wrote the following: "The Church faces many challenges today, but I am convinced that the most pressing concern, at least in America, is the attrition of our own people. Thirteen percent of Americans identify as former Catholics, and for every convert to the Catholic faith, more than six people leave. One-third of people raised Catholic no longer identify as Catholic today, and attendance at Mass continues to fall...The statistics get worse among younger generations. One-third of the Millennial generation now claims no religious affiliation, and only 16% identify as Catholic."

In my ministry as a deacon and as a Catholic school administrator before that, I have witnessed firsthand the heartbreak of parents and grandparents as their children and grandchildren no long practice their Catholic faith. Hardly a family, including my own, has not been touched by this pain. If we do nothing or if we continue to do what we have always done and expect different results, our parish will be relegated to the margins of life in Northern Door and our impact will be insignificant. Disaffiliation is one of the issues that we are studying and that we hope to address in parish mission planning. Please keep our parish mission planning process in your prayers.

Parish Life & Upcoming Events

HELP NEEDED TO LIVE STREAM-The technology has been upgraded and expanded at Baileys Harbor so that we now have the capability to live stream from the church. We are looking for some volunteers who would be interested in learning to live stream and then serve in the new ministry of "technician." If you are interested, please contact Deacon Tony at busmgrsmdc@gmail.com.

AUGUST FOOD ITEM being collected is canned fruit and applesauce for the CARE 24/7 Food Pantry, a ministry of Stella Maris. Donations can be left at any of our sites and at the pantry. Thank you.

LOOSE CHANGE BECOMES LOVE CHANGE-Christ Child Society of Door County helps serve at-risk children and babies in our area. Remember to FILL your baby bottle with your loose change. Return the bottle to your local church **this** weekend **August 14-15**. Thank you for your generosity.



NORTHERN DOOR KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS are selling raffle tickets after Masses for their Charity Giving/Scholarship Fund. First prize is \$2,000. Cost of tickets are \$2 each or 3 tickets for \$5. Drawing will be **Septem-**

ber 6th. Any questions, call Garey Bies, Grand Knight at (920) 421-0019.

RESPECT LIFE-In times of suffering, the human person should be able to experience a solidarity and a love that takes on the suffering, offering a sense of life that extends beyond death. In the family a person can count on strong relationships, valued in themselves apart from their helpfulness or the joy they bring. It is es-

sential that the sick, under care, do not feel themselves to be a burden but can sense the intimacy and support of their loved ones (SB 4-5).—Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith

ST. VINCENT DEPAUL-This year our Stella Maris conference of Saint Vincent de Paul is excited to be participating in the national Walk for the Poor on September 25. All money collected for our conference will remain here in Door County to help those in need in our area. You will be able to sign up online to walk and/or donate. We will be walking a track in our Sister Bay Stella Maris parking lot. Much more information to follow. Save the date. Come out to help, walk or just join the fun.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY-Stella Maris Parish is looking to hire a bookkeeper. The position is part-time and benefit eligible. Interested parties are asked to contact Deacon Tony Abts (busmgrsmdc@gamail.com) for details, qualifications and requirements

'WEEKLY FAITH THOUGHTS'-Jesus loves you. He gave His life to save you, and now he is living at your side every day to enlighten, strengthen and free you.

We are created for a purpose; sin separated us from that purpose; God loves you, redeemed you, calling you to a relationship with him.

COME EXERCISE FOR A GOOD CAUSE. A fun exercise class will be after morning mass at Stella Maris Sister Bay. Class begins 9 AM on August 26. All are welcome. Voluntary donations will go to send Stella Maris youth to World Youth Day in 2023



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Stella Maris Guiding Value: Welcoming and Hospitality

Hospitality and being welcoming is more than a coffee hour after mass or putting together a funeral meal. While these are good things it takes more than this. The real practice of hospitality and being welcoming makes people feel they belong. It makes them feel special, important and warmly welcomed into your life. It receives visitors and those you don't know like they are family. It communicates through your words and actions that others are well worth your time and effort.

When this kind of welcome and hospitality is practiced, we powerfully communicate the love of Christ throughout our parish. Christ calls for His church to be welcoming. "So we are ambassadors for Christ, as if God were appealing through us." 2 Corinthians 5:20a. Jesus uses us to be His welcoming arms to draw others closer to Him.

Where do I fit into this? We can be the human. warm touch, encouraging others with a smile and making others feel special, because they are. We may not like to talk to those we don't know or meet new persons or greet strangers, but we are called to do so. We are Christ's ambassadors. Here are some ideas to help all of us share the welcoming touch of Jesus.

- Plan to greet someone you don't know every time you come to mass
- Smile at everyone and offer your hand or a gentle touch
- Look people in the eye
- Learn names and remember them
- Ask questions to learn more about others
- Tell others "I'm glad you came."
- Sit next to someone you don't know or don't know very well
- Thank people for coming
- Invite someone to join you at a church function

Because we are saved and forgiven and because Jesus loves us, we choose to respond out of gratitude for all He has done for us. Let us be intentional in helping all truly feel a sense of belonging and that they are a part of our Stella Maris family.

Liturgies of the Week

Saturday, August 14-The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin

Fish Creek-4:00 pm-AH †Marge & Gardy Orsted Egg Harbor-6:00 pm-AB †Paul Muckerman

Sunday, August 15-The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Baileys Harbor-7:30 am-DT †Hugh & Catherine Collins Sister Bay-9:30 am-TF †Art Vercoe

Jacksonport-11:30 am-AH Rich & Barb Pozzi-50th Wedding Anniversary

Stella Maris Parish

Washington Island-1:00 pm-DT

Monday, August 16 Fish Creek-8:00 am-DT †John & Dolores McDowall

Fish Creek-8:30 am Morning Prayer

Tuesday, August 17

Jacksonport-8:00 am-DT Betty Gagnon-Good Health

Wednesday, August 18

Egg Harbor-8:00 am-AH Vonnie Callsen-Good Health

Thursday, August 19

Sister Bay-8:00 am-AH †Andrew Nocker

Friday, August 20-St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church Baileys Harbor-8:00 am-AH †Pat & Margaret Carroll Saturday, August 21-Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fish Creek-4:00 pm-WK †John Warner †Dick Fuller Egg Harbor-6:00 pm-WK

Sunday, August 22-Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

Baileys Harbor-7:30 am-WK †Lucia Ortiz Sister Bay-9:30 am-WK †Ed & Sophie Piatek

Jacksonport-11:30 am-WK †Dr. James Sargent Washington Island-1:00 pm-AH Stella Maris Parish

TF=Fr. Thomas Farrell, AH=Fr. Art Heinze, DT=Fr. Don Thimm, AB=Fr. Anthony Birdsall, WK=Fr. William Kulas

Readings of the Week

Sunday: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132:6-7,

9-10, 13-14 [8]/1 Cor 15:54b-57/Lk 11: 27-28 Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab/Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/1 Cor 15:20-27/Lk

1:39-56

Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, Monday:

43ab and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/

Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/Mt 20:

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a

and 9a]/Mt 22:1-14

Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7, **Friday:**

8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4,

5 [4]/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17,

18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or

5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69

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Adult Initiation

The Catholic Church is always enriched whenever any adult chooses to be Catholic. Adults wishing to be baptized, or baptized adults wishing to be confirmed, the RCIA program is available.

Reconciliation

God's great mercy is something to be celebrated. Ritually we Catholics experience God's unconditional love in the sacrament of reconciliation. Our pastor is available on Satur-

day's from 8:30 to 9:30 am in Baileys Harbor or by appointment by texting (920) 217-8155

Sacrament of Matrimony

A faith-filled wedding is a joyful time for the couple and the parish. Our parish wants to have all weddings here be the best possible. The couple must meet with the pastor before a date can be reserved. Please contact the parish office at least 12 months in advance to begin preparation.

Ministry to the Sick

Everyone needs extra compassion and care when his or her health is not at its best. As a parish, we try to meet that need. Communal anointing Masses take place twice yearly, with individual anointing done when requested. Parishioners in the hospital, nursing home or other institution are encouraged to notify the office to arrange for visits or communion

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