



STELLA MARIS PARISH

OUR LADY "STAR OF THE SEA" TM

Welcome to our parish!

As pastor, I hope we can enrich your experience as much as you enrich ours.

Fr. David Ruby



Jesus is the master of hospitality not because of his charismatic personality or his great storytelling ability but first and foremost because the lens through which he saw others.

****New Mass Schedule****

Weekday February 1-May 7

Monday Morning Prayer-8:00 am-Sister Bay

Tuesday & Thursday Mass-8:00 am-Sister Bay

**Wednesday Mass-8:00 am-Egg Harbor-
With Benediction**

Friday Mass-8:00 am-Baileys Harbor

Weekend January 30-May 2

Saturday 4:00 pm-Baileys Harbor

**Sunday 8:00 am-Egg Harbor
10:00 am-Sister Bay**

Washington Island through April 30

Services held at Trinity Lutheran Church

**Liturgy of the Word- January 31, February 21, 28,
March 7, 14, 21, April 11, 18, 25**

Mass 3:30 pm-February 7

Mass 11:00 am-February 13, March 27, April 3

Calendar Happenings

Monday, February 1

Morning Prayer-8:00 am-SB

Care Ministry Meeting-9:00 am-BH

Tuesday, February 2

Scripture Class-8:30 am-SB

Worship Meeting-1:30 pm-BH

Adult Faith Formation-4:00 pm-SB

Christian Service & Responsibility Meets-6:30 pm-SB

Knights of Columbus Meeting-7:30 pm-BH

Wednesday, February 3

Faith Formation-4:00 pm & 7:00 pm-BH

Thursday, February 4

St. Rosalia Sodality Meeting-1:00 pm-SB

St. Michael's Altar Society Meeting-1:30 pm-JP

Choir Practice-6:30 pm-SB

Saturday, February 6

Women's CRHP #4-9:30 am-SB

Bishop's Appeal DVD before Mass

Ushers/Greeters CCH Follow-up Meeting after Mass

Sunday, February 7

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Disciples on a Journey witnessed a Taize Prayer Service at their recent session on Wednesday, January 20th in Baileys Harbor.

Stella Maris Mission Statement

"Stella Maris Roman Catholic Parish celebrates the Eucharist and all of the sacraments and spreads the Gospel to all parishioners and visitors, especially those in need, by being compassionate and willing to minister in a selfless fashion, by educating ourselves and by following the example set by Christ."

Dear Fellow Parishioners

As a church, we are in the midst of ordinary time. It is not always that easy to understand what that means, why we need it or what a difference it makes in our lives. Although we go through it every year, it is mainly understood by what it is not rather than what it is. We know it is not one of the high, celebrative seasons such as Christmas or Easter. It is also not one of the penitential seasons such as advent or lent. That does not mean we should define it negatively. It is definitely something on its own.

First, let us start with the actual meaning of ordinary. It is a reference to the ordinal numbers, which are used to delineate it. The weeks are numbered from one to thirty four with the last one always celebrating, Christ the King. No two weeks are the same. Each has its own distinctiveness within the ordinary part of our church life. In the creation story of Genesis, God brings order out of chaos. The church continues the work of God by bringing the order of the gospel message and the kingdom of God into the chaos of our lives.

With God as our most important value, we prioritize our lives so that we know how to live. By following Jesus Christ and his gospel message, we live the way that we were created to live.

Our whole liturgical year helps us to follow Jesus Christ and live his life. The important feasts and seasons are the most important and can never be underestimated in terms of their importance in helping us to be Christian. Often we measure how good we are or how well we are doing by how we plan for and celebrate the biggest occasions. There is truth to that practice. It is also true that Christianity is best experienced and lived in the every day life that we are undergo with the people around us each and every day when nothing that important is happening.

Our parish worship has been improving each year that I have been here. We have been making progress with the Triduum, all of Holy Week, Easter, Lent, etc. It is important that we do these celebrations well. I hope that we continue to celebrate

them better. I also hope that we put as much of our energy into each and every liturgy in ordinary time. I do not necessarily mean, as much time and effort or that they be as unique or special. I mean that what we celebrate is what we live in putting it together. From the first moment that any of us begin to prepare for the Eucharist or any sacrament/liturgy, we should be trying to take on the mind of Christ. Individually, we should make an effort to be the living embodiment of the Christian message long before we even encounter another member of the parish or church in general. When we do encounter and begin to work together with the other members of the parish on any average day, we do not just interact with any person but in our interaction with other Christians we become the Body of Christ. Hopefully, during ordinary time, we keep that in mind and do our best to allow the Holy Spirit to help us become Christ's body and presence for the world.

In Christ's love,
Fr. Dave Ruby, pastor

Pastoral Associate

Our parish will participate in the National Catholic post card campaign for immigration reform **February 13-14, 2010**. **One of the greatest myths surrounding immigration is that immigrants don't pay taxes.** Between one half and three quarters of undocumented immigrants pay state and federal taxes. They also contribute to Medicare and provide as much as 7 billion dollars a year to the Social Security Fund. Further still, undocumented workers pay sales taxes where applicable and property taxes-directly if they own and indirectly if they rent. **Please read the insert from Bishop Ricken regarding Immigration reform.**

Sr. Angela Palm

Faith Formation

Quilting will keep us warm during the winter. Would you like to join us in a new venture, making quilts? We will meet bi-weekly. For more information you may call (920) 854-5264.

Married Couples Brunch-Please remember to make your reservations by calling either office. Thank you.

Mary Ellen Waldvogel

Spiritual Renewal

TAIZE-We are grateful for the children and their parents, and all who came to Taize Prayer at Stella Maris Baileys Harbor, January 20. Special thanks to Maryann and Jim Tyndall, and Kriss Schorer for the beautiful environment they created for our prayer. We are especially grateful for the inspiring talk given by Karen Powers on icons. Karen helped us understand the beauty of icons, and how

they are created. Thank you to the Moore family (Tina, Jade and Connor) who offered the readings for Taize, Megan and Jenny Leonard our bell ringers and music by Kathy Sedan that helped us pray. We are blessed by all who were able to come and pray with Taize!



We are grateful for all who came to the Women's Tea, *Stars of Stella Maris*, on Sat. Jan. 23, in SB, offered by Women of CRHP. Special thanks to Kitty Eagan and Dee Mead for creating our "breath of spring" decorations, and preparing the tea. Joan

Traver, June Nirschl, and Judy Roy deserve applause for their poetry readings. We appreciate the creative posters painted by Mary Anderson, and Theresa Freeman's organizing for this event. Thank you to all who baked cookies and bars, and to those who stayed to clean up. May the *Stars of Stella Maris* continue to shine!

We are blessed with 18 women who will experience *Christ Renews His Parish* Renewal Weekend November 7-8, at Birch Creek. Please hold these women in prayer, that they will be open to the Spirit and the grace of this weekend.

Busy Person's Retreat-Are you interested in a personal retreat during Lent, but not able to get away? Consider making a "Busy Person's Retreat." This retreat experience involves daily prayer at home and four meetings (at a time of your choosing) with a trained spiritual director over a two week period. This will begin **Monday, March 2, 6:30 pm in SB**, ending on March 18, 6:30 pm in BH. Two Spiritual Directors (Lee LeVoy and Marilynne Kowalski) will be available to meet with individuals who participate. Please **register by Mon. Feb. 22**, by calling the Parish Office: (920) 868-3241. Questions? Call Lee at (920) 421-2980. We hope you can give yourself this time!

Lee LeVoy

Our Faith News

FREE TAX HELP - AARP Tax-Aide- For taxpayers with low and middle income, with special attention to those 60 and older. Mondays--starting **February 1**, at the Baileys Harbor town hall. Call for an Appointment at (920) 839-2157. Wednesdays--starting **February 3**, at Scandia Village Retirement Center. Call for Appointment – (920) 854-2317.

St. Michael's Altar Society Meeting will have a meeting on **February 4** at 1:30 pm in the Jacksonport Social Hall. All are welcome to attend.

LADIES OF THE PARISH, please join us at our **February 4th** meeting of the St. Rosalia Sodality at 1:00 p.m. Our intended January speaker, Theresa Evans, will present her ideas on therapeutic restorative Yoga for ALL bodies and ALL ages. Hope to see you.

COMING SOON-Fish Fry Fridays during Lent at Stella Maris Baileys Harbor, starting **February 19**. Sponsored by the Knight of Columbus. Stations of the Cross at 6:30 pm followed by a dinner of Baked Breaded Haddock, Potato Salad, Coleslaw and Rolls at 7:00 pm. Reservations are needed. Cost is \$10 per person.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS SPAGHETTI DINNER AND SI-LENT AUCTION-Dinner will be served on **February 21** from 1:00 pm-5:30 pm in Baileys Harbor. Cost is \$10 per person

THE SISTER BAY SITE of Stella Maris Parish needs Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Eucharist and for someone to schedule the Eucharistic Ministers for Mass. Please call Martha Newkirk at (920) 854-2926 if you are interested in this ministry.

Stewardship Prayer

Shape me, O God, into your willing steward.
Guide me in prayer, lead me in service,
and open my heart as I share.

Help me, O God, to realize my gifts,
beginning with life itself, and know that
everything I have is a gift from you.

Guide me, O God, in the steps of your Son, Jesus.
Let me be on my faith journey
as he was in his: faithful and loving.

Renew in me your Spirit, O God,
That I may have the strength and courage
to be a better disciple.

Open my heart, O God, to all
Members of Stella Maris Parish,
it's visitors and friends,
and to all of your people

Worship & Spiritual Life

We are very busy as we prepare for our upcoming liturgies, Catholics Come Home and Parish Mission:

Catholics Come Home:

All parishioners interested in learning more about our faith and how to continue to welcome all to our parish are invited to a *Regional Information Get-Together on Catholics Come Home this Thursday, February 4th from 6:30 – 8:30 pm at St. Joseph Church in Sturgeon Bay.* Please plan on joining our fellow Catholics from Southern and Northern Door County for an inspiring evening presented by Dr. Kristina DeNeve from the Green Bay Diocese. The Catholics Come Home commercials begin airing on February 12th.

Our Parish Mission Starts Soon!

Father Patrick Foley is returning to Stella Maris and will preside at all our Masses next weekend, Feb. 6 & 7th. He will also preside at our weekday morning Masses (while he is here) and a *Mass is being added on Monday, February 8th at 10:00 am at Sister Bay.* The Mission runs from Monday, February 8 through Thursday, February 11 at Baileys Harbor. Fr. Foley will be available for private reconciliation those nights from 6:30 -7:00 pm. The Mission is from 7:00-8:00 pm with a social afterwards.

Bring a Candle to Mass this Tuesday:

This Tuesday, February 2nd is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. The Gospel of Luke describes how Mary and Joseph presented Jesus to the temple (according to Jewish law) and the prophets Simeon and Anna recognized Jesus as the “light of salvation.” The tradition of bringing, lighting and blessing candles to Mass on this Feast Day began in the early Church, continues to this day and we will remember this tradition at Stella Maris.

At our 8:00 am Mass this Tuesday at Sister Bay, please bring a candle with you to mass. We will process in with everyone’s candles, light them and then have them blessed. Then, whenever you light your candle at home, we too, will be recognizing Jesus as OUR “light of salvation.” Thank you.

Kathy Sedan

Liturgies of the Week

NEW SCHEDULE

Saturday, January 30

Baileys Harbor 4:00 pm †Paul & Rosemary Dieter

Sunday, January 31

Egg Harbor 8:00 am †Dorothy Charnetski
Sister Bay 10:00 am †Richard Dunworth
Washington Island 1:00 pm Lit of the Word w/Comm

Monday, February 1

Sister Bay 8:00 am Morning Prayer

Tuesday, February 2

Sister Bay 8:00 am †Lester Ulmen

Wednesday, February 3

Egg Harbor 8:00 am †John Feuerschwenger

Thursday, February 4

Sister Bay 8:00 am Lit of the Word w/Comm

Friday, February 5

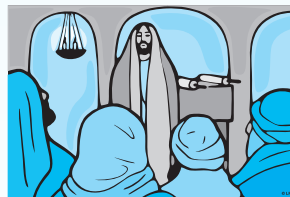
Baileys Harbor 8:00 am Lit of the Word w/Comm

Saturday, February 6

Baileys Harbor 4:00 pm †Anthony & Mary Myszewski

Sunday, February 7

Egg Harbor 8:00 am †Pat Nevins
Sister Bay 10:00 am †Norman Muehleck
Washington Island 3:30 pm †Members of Stella Maris



He said to them, "Surely you will quote me this proverb, 'Physician, cure yourself,' and say, 'Do here in your native place the things that we heard were done in Capernaum.'" - Lk 4:23

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass
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Readings for the Week of January 31

Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/1 Cor 12:31---13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30
Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20
Tuesday: Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
Wednesday: 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6
Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13
Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29
Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34
Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11

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Pat's Painting
 Egg Harbor

Scandia Village Good
 Samaritan-Sister Bay

Parish Membership

Stella Maris Parish is delighted when new people want to join our parish and gladly welcomes them into our faith community. Contact Sr. Angela at the parish office.

Infant Baptism

The baptism of new babies and young children revitalizes our faith community. Please contact the parish office to make arrangements for baptism.

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. Contact Mary Ellen Waldvogel.

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 for this sac-

rament on Thursday evenings from 5:00-6:00 pm at our Baileys Harbor site and by appointment.

Marriage

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 Sr. Angela at the office to arrange for visits or communion.

Devotions

MORNING PRAYER: Monday-8:00 am, Sister Bay

SCRIPTURE CLASS: meets **Tuesday mornings** after the **8:00 am Mass in Sister Bay**. Please come and join us for a closer look and discussion on the upcoming Sunday Scriptures. Visitors are always welcome.

ROSARY: Wednesday-7:30 am before Mass, Egg Harbor

ADORATION & BENEDICTION: Wednesday after 8:00 am Mass, Egg Harbor

RECONCILIATION-Thursday-5:00-6:00 pm, Baileys Harbor

Offertory Contributions January 23-24, 2010

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>
Envelopes	\$2,853.00	\$5,601.50
Offertory	652.69	1,005.14
Visitor Envelopes	253.00	82.89
Other Funds	1.00	0.00
Totals	\$3,759.69	\$6,689.53

2009/10	Actual YTD	\$317,213.45
2009/10	Budget YTD	\$349,258.89
2008/09	Actual YTD	\$315,192.05

Total Attendance last week 496