

Welcome to Stella Maris Parish Go and Make Disciples!

Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity -May 26th, 2024

Our Vision Statement - To be a beacon of Faith, Hope & Love!

Eventide- Tuesday, May 28th @7pm

All are welcome to this candle-lit hour of contemplative music, prayer, and inspiring talk, offered the last Tuesday of each month here at Stella Maris. This month's speaker will be Dr. David Deane. As always, prayer intentions for group prayer may be left in the Eventide box near the Marian votive candles at the back of the church.

Exciting News: Introducing Our New Connect Card!

Are you eager to register with our parish family for the first time? Are you seeking guidance on how to get involved in our vibrant parish ministries? Wondering about ways to contribute financially to support our community's mission, or adjust your current giving?

Look no further! Our brand-new Connect Card awaits you at the hospitality desk. Simply pick one up and hand it to a friendly member of our hospitality team, or conveniently drop it in the collection basket during Mass. From there, we'll swiftly reach out to assist you with whatever you need.

Experience the ease of connection and the joy of belonging with our Connect Card today!

Vacation Bible School - Interested in having your child join us?

This Summer from August 12th-16th we will be running VBS here at Stella Maris. This is for children going into Grade 1 - up to Grade 5. If you would like your child to be a part of this please register

here: <https://forms.gle/sRnpHUe8R3wedkF79>. If you have a child older than Grade 5 that would like to help volunteer, or if you have any questions regarding VBS please email maria.p@stellamarishalifax.com.

****NEW MASS SCHEDULE STARTING JULY 1ST****

A couple factors have led to a few changes to parish daily Mass times, primarily that we will only have one priest but, also because daily Mass attendance is stronger in the evenings.

As such, here is the parish Mass schedule effective July 1st, 2024:

Tuesday 7:00pm (*with the exception of the last Tuesday of the month when Eventide will take place*)

Wednesday 9:00am

Thursday 7:00pm

Friday 9:00am (*with Eucharistic Adoration for 1 hr*)

Saturday 9:00am (*First Saturdays only*)

Saturday 4:00pm (Anticipated Sunday Mass)

Sunday 8:00am

Sunday 10:00am

We hope you experience this mass schedule as providing plenty of options for Eucharistic celebration.

Food Bank Update! - Last week we mentioned that their shelves were looking quite empty. Thank you so much for your generosity. When your donations were delivered - the food bank staff said that we made their day! They have been finding it “hard to put things together with nothing to put together”. Clearly this is an ongoing challenge so please keep up the good work! They are in particular need of pasta, pasta sauce, Kraft Dinner, canned meats, juice, and always soups. Items can be dropped off in the Food Bank basket as you enter the church. What we donate helps families here in our community.

Update Regarding St. Peter’s Church

- **Recourse Against the decree to Relegate St. Peter Church, Ketch Harbour to Profane Use-**

The new parish of Stella Maris was established on January 1, 2020, by uniting three parishes of St. Peter and St. Paul, St. Michael and St. John the Baptist. After receiving a request from the parish to relegate to profane use St. Peter Church, Ketch Harbour, and after conducting much consultation on this request, Archbishop Dunn issued a decree on January 12, 2021, relegating St. Peter Church, Ketch Harbour to profane use. On January 21, 2021, some parishioners made recourse against this decree and sought its revocation. On February 1, 2021, Archbishop Dunn responded that he would not revoke or change the decree. Subsequently recourse was made to the Congregation for the Clergy. The Congregation decided on the recourse by siding with the Archdiocese. The parishioners made further recourse to two different levels of the Apostolic Signatura. On April 18, 2024, the Signatura made a final ruling that the decree to relegate the St. Peter Church, Ketch Harbour to profane use has followed the appropriate procedure and therefore the decision stands.

How to Donate to the Parish and receive Tax Receipts

For information please contact Joanne Thibeau at 902-477-3530 ext3 or operations@stellamarishalifax.com

***NEW *** - *to make a donation or payment to the Parish by e-transfer, please note that our email address has changed to:*
giving@stellamarishalifax.com

Stella Maris Parish Contact Information

Mass Times: Tuesday to Saturday-9AM, Saturday-4PM (Confession at 2:00-3:30PM), Sunday-8 & 10AM

Office Hours : Tuesdays 10pm-2pm and Thursdays 10am-2pm

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