



### Parish Office Closed – Monday, Dec. 8

The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 8, in observance of the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Thank you for your understanding!

### Did You Miss Fr. Mark's Testimony?

If you weren't able to hear Fr. Mark's powerful testimony a few weeks ago, it's now available on our parish website.

Visit [stellamarisparish.org/faith](http://stellamarisparish.org/faith).

Enjoy and be inspired!

## HOLY MASS INTENTIONS

### Monday Dec 8

7:30am-SP: +Patrick Sullivan

### Tuesday Dec 9

7:30am-CTK: +Fr Steve Smith

8:30am-IHM: +Dorothy Arndt

### Wednesday Dec 10

7:30am-SP: Intentions of Emily Michelotti

8:30am-IHM: +Dave Showers

### Thursday Dec 11

7:30am-CTK: +Cordelia Gillett

8:30am-IHM: +Jack & Patty Paulos

### Friday Dec 12

7:30am-SP: +Charles Schwoerer

8:30am-IHM: Intention designated by celebrant

### Saturday Dec 13

9am-IHM: Intention designated by celebrant

4pm-SP: Intentions of Anthony Reamer

5pm-CTK: Stella Maris Parish

### Sunday Dec 14

7:30am-IHM: +John Clarke

9:00am-CTK: +Fe Teresa Gonzalez

9:00am-SP: Intentions of Emily Rausch

10:30am-IHM: +Joyce Ozella

### Contact Us

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### Christ the King

5306 Main Street | McFarland

Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9am-3pm,

Fri: 9am-12pm

### St. Patrick

434 N Main Street | Cottage Grove

### Immaculate Heart of Mary

5101 Schofield Street | Monona

Office Hours: Fri 9am - 12pm

### Immaculate Heart of Mary School

4913 Schofield Street | Monona

608-222-8831

### Our Prayers and Sympathies

to the family and friends of:

+Madeline Moen

"Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen"

### CTK Men's Club Pancake Breakfast

Join us for Christ the King Men's Club All-You-Can-Eat Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, Dec 7, from 8:00-11:30am! All proceeds will support the St. Vincent de Paul Society - CTK Conference and the important work they do in our community. Join us for a great breakfast and a great cause—see you there!

### Stella Maris Christmas Children's Choir

School-aged children are invited to sing at the 4 PM Christmas Eve Mass! Sign up here [tinyurl.com/smpkidsxmaschoir](http://tinyurl.com/smpkidsxmaschoir)

All singers must attend lunch and practice on Sunday, Dec. 14, after the 10:30 AM Mass, from 11:30 AM-2:30 PM in IHM Marian Hall. Lunch is provided - please note any dietary restrictions.

### Stella Maris Live Nativity

Preschool-aged children are invited to join our Live Nativity at the 4 PM Christmas Eve Mass at IHM. Shepherds, angels, Mary, and Joseph will be in the narthex around 3:15 PM as congregants arrive. Costume distribution will take place after Masses on:  
Dec. 13 – 5 PM at CTK  
Dec. 14 – 9 AM at St. Patrick's  
Dec. 14 – 9 AM at CTK  
Dec. 14 – 10:30 AM at IHM  
Sign-up : [tinyurl.com/smplivenativity](http://tinyurl.com/smplivenativity)  
Parent volunteers are needed.

### Mary Morning Star Chapel

Read the December Adoration newsletter at [tinyurl.com/MMSDec2025](http://tinyurl.com/MMSDec2025)

### Blessing of Figurines

A blessing of Christ-child figurines will be offered during Masses on the weekend of December 14.

### Knights of Columbus Newsletter

This month's newsletter features the Stella Maris Parish Altar Servers in the words of Michael Mills, Director of Worship for Stella Maris. Visit [tinyurl.com/KCNovnewsletter](http://tinyurl.com/KCNovnewsletter)

### Advent Retreat

Join us on Saturday, December 20 at IHM for a simple Advent mini-retreat to help prepare your heart for Christmas.

The morning will include Adoration, Morning Prayer, Mass, and a Scripture study, along with light refreshments. An RSVP to [mmills@stellamarisparish.org](mailto:mmills@stellamarisparish.org) is appreciated but not required.

### Shepherd in Advent

Women of Stella Maris are invited to a peaceful evening of prayer and fellowship this Advent on Sunday, Dec 7, from 6-8 PM at St. Patrick's. Enjoy Adoration in the church from 6-7 PM and light refreshments and fellowship in the hall from 6-8 PM.

### Luke House : December

Stella Maris churches prepare & serve meals at the Luke House. Food donations & volunteers to serve food are needed. Details:

CTK: Dec 16 & Dec 29

St Patrick: Dec 17

IHM : No service

### Christmas Flower Donations

Christmas flower memorials may be sent to the parish office or placed in the collection basket. Please include the name of the person(s) being remembered. Envelopes are available in the back of the church.

### Christmas Decorating

We'd love for you to join us in making our Stella Maris churches ready for Christmas!  
SP, Sunday 12/21 after 9:00 am Mass  
IHM, Sunday, 12/21 after 10:30 am Mass  
CTK, Monday 12/23 after 7:30 am Mass  
Questions : [mmills@stellamarisparish.org](mailto:mmills@stellamarisparish.org)

### Christmas Bake Sale – Dec. 20 & 21

Stella Maris St. Anne's Altar Society will host Christmas Bake Sales after all Masses, featuring traditional goodies and cookie plates! Help Needed:

- Sat., Dec. 20 at IHM Marian Hall: cinnamon roll prep and cookie plate assembly.
- Donations: Cookies/candies for cookie plates may be dropped off that morning at IHM; other packaged, ready-to-sell items can be brought before any Mass.
- Volunteers: Needed for setup and selling after Mass. Questions : Teri at 608-206-5144 or [tkkuntzsch@gmail.com](mailto:tkkuntzsch@gmail.com)

### St Vincent De Paul's

### Angel Tree / Little Drummer Boy Christmas Gift Collection

Starting Nov. 22, pick an ornament from the Angel Tree at IHM or St. Patrick's and return your gift by Dec. 7. Please donate new toys (no clothing) for children ages 9 and under, or Target/Walmart gift cards with the amount marked. Gift cards may also be purchased through RaiseRight after IHM Masses on Dec. 7. Place all donations in the labeled box near the Angel Tree. Thank you for sharing Christmas joy!

### Prayer Shawl Monthly Meetings

Christ The King

When: December 10, Wednesday

Time: 1:30 – 2:30 PM

Where: CTK - St. Anne Room

Email : [rstrang@stellamarisparish.org](mailto:rstrang@stellamarisparish.org)

