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*Seek the well-being of the city to which I have sent you. Pray for it to the Lord.
For in seeking its well-being, you shall find your own. Jeremiah 29:7*

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 10, 2021

WEEKDAY

PUBLIC WORSHIP

7:00AM

NOON

SUNDAY

LIVESTREAM

9:30AM

SUNDAY

PUBLIC WORSHIP

9:30AM

11:30AM

4:30PM

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PRAYER FOR THE NEW YEAR

I am not an enthusiast of new year's resolutions. Perhaps it comes from seeing too many advertisements for gym equipment, dating sites, or weight loss programs during the last week of December, knowing most resolutions fade just a few weeks later. While the desire for self-improvement is admirable, some resolutions feel half-hearted or even self-loathing.

But 2020 has been a year like no other and, as it comes to a close, I have been thinking more about new year's resolutions. As we near the Epiphany of the Lord, I am considering new year's resolutions with a new perspective. Epiphany means manifestation, and the Epiphany of the Lord is Jesus' manifestation to the three Magi and to the whole world.

In 2020, the whole world has been disrupted by the COVID-19 pandemic. So much of what we're accustomed to—our routines, habits, and activities—came to a screeching halt. That lockdown continues in many ways as we begin 2021.

I have come to see a small silver lining in the lockdown. With most commitments on hiatus, if and when things "open up" and we can start activities again, I hope to carefully evaluate what I choose to bring back. The difficulties of 2020 may bring an epiphany of sorts in 2021, with the invitation to prayerfully and deliberately evaluate what I do—and, more importantly, what I don't do. Every activity, every commitment, every social or volunteer opportunity, is an invitation for me to prayerfully ask, "Why should I do this? Does this help someone? Does this bring me joy? Does this bring me closer to God? Or should I not bring this back?"

While I, like you, anxiously await for the pandemic to ebb (hopefully soon!) and for life to return back to "normal," I pray for an epiphany in this new year. As we wade into 2021, may we look for the star that God is using to call us. May our new normal be focused on God and how God is speaking to us, now more than ever.



Melissa Streit
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The Basilica of Saint Mary*



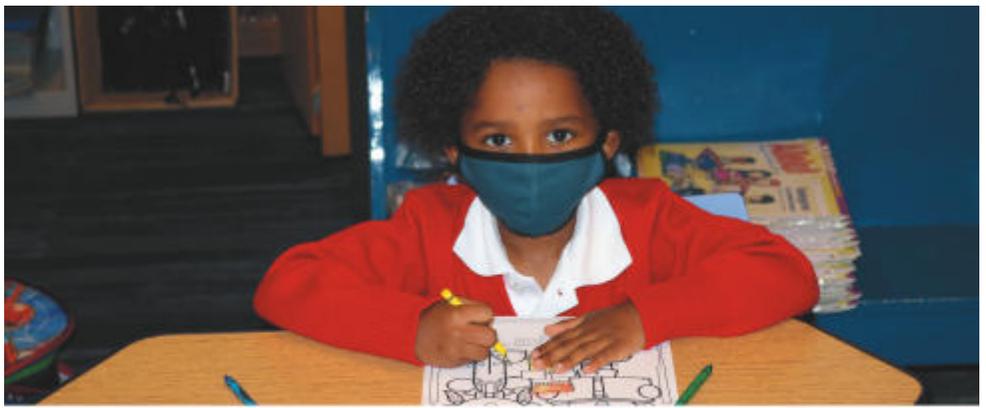
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- You may only register for one Mass at a time.
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A short video with Principal Benito Matias and Lara, an 8th grade student is available along with the link to make a donation at ascensionschoolmn.org/give/basilica. Thank you for your support.

SAFELY CELEBRATING MASS

The Basilica is our spiritual home—a place of welcome. We want each person who enters The Basilica to feel safe. The Basilica will follow all state health and safety guidelines.

You will see new practices and policies when you return. The policies will continue to change as we monitor the official guidelines. Pre-registration for Mass is required at mary.org or call our Director of Engagement at 612.317.3417.

Please review all of the protocols on the registration form. Your cooperation in these extraordinary times embodies our vision to seek the well-being of our community. Archbishop Hebda's dispensation from the obligation to attend Mass continues.

We will continue to livestream Mass Monday through Friday at Noon and Sunday at 9:30am at mary.org and Facebook live at facebook.com/BasilicaMpls.

Please check-in for Mass at the ground level doors off 17th Street and the circle driveway (except for the 7:00am weekday Mass).

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST MONDAY-FRIDAY

7:00AM

Please register at the check-in point at the accessible doors on the East side of The Basilica, between The Basilica and Cowley Center.

NOON

Join us online or in-person.
Pre-registration for Mass is required at mary.org.

A PRAYER FOR OUR UNCERTAIN TIMES

All Mighty God,
May we who are merely inconvenienced
remember those whose lives are at stake.
May we who have no risk factors
remember those most vulnerable.

May we who have the luxury of working
from home remember those who must
choose between preserving their health
and making their rent.

May we who have the flexibility to care for
our children when their schools close
remember those who have no options.
May we who have to cancel our trips
remember those who have no safe place
to go.

May we who settle in for a quarantine at
home remember those who have no
home.

As fear grips our country, let us choose
love.

And during this time when we may not be
able to physically wrap our arms around
each other, let us yet find ways to be the
loving embrace of God to our neighbors.
Amen.

- Written by Rev. Dr. William J. Barber II

FUNERALS

Remembering and Celebrating the Lives of:

+Deborah Peterson, 11-7-20
+Lucy King, 11-16-20
+Linda Jacobson, 11-22-20
+Tim Connolly, 11-28-20

May our loved ones rest in peace.

LITURGY & SACRED ARTS

PRE-REGISTRATION ON MARY.ORG IS REQUIRED TO ATTEND ANY OF THE LITURGIES FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP WITH EXCEPTION OF THE 7:00AM WEEKDAY MASS.

CHRISTMASTIDE MORNING PRAYER

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS, 9:15AM

Please find the Zoom link at mary.org or Facebook.

EVENING PRAYER FOR THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

SUNDAY, JANUARY 10, 3:00PM

In-person and online. Registration required. Music by The Basilica Schola Cantorum.

TAIZÉ PRAYER WITH OPPORTUNITY FOR INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 17, 3:00PM

In-person and online. Registration required.

MASS ON THE REV. DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. HOLIDAY

MONDAY, JANUARY 18

Eucharist will be celebrated at 7:00am. There will be no Noon Mass.

Basilica Campus and Offices are closed.

BLESSING OF THE THROATS

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 3

Blessing of the throats will take place after the 7:00am and Noon Mass.

MASS ON PRESIDENTS' DAY

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 15, 7:00AM

There will be no noon Mass.

SACRED ART

ART THAT SURROUNDS US

Johan van Parys, Ph.D., Director of Liturgy and Sacred Arts, shares information each week about a piece from The Basilica of Saint Mary's art collection. Visit mary.org/artthatsurroundsus.

CRÈCHE COLLECTION ONLINE

Visit The Basilica's collection of crèches from around the world at mary.org/crèche.

CHRISTIAN LIFE

ZOOM: CAN WE WORK TOGETHER TO END HOMELESSNESS?

SATURDAY, JANUARY 16, 9:00-10:30AM, ZOOM

Addressing the issue of homelessness has never been more important. Join leaders from our state and city in a virtual forum about the status of homelessness in our community. Hear from people with lived experience of homelessness. Speakers will include:

- Cathy ten Broeke: Minnesota State Director to Prevent and End Homelessness
- A leader from the City of Minneapolis
- Members of Street Voices of Change: An Align Mpls program: individuals who have current or past personal experiences with homelessness who come together to build community and make positive changes in the lives of people experiencing homelessness and the systems that contribute to and keep people in homelessness.

Learn about Minnesota's *Plan to Prevent and End Homelessness*—a plan that aspires to include all Minnesotans—from education professionals to business people to service providers to philanthropy to local government to concerned citizens. What have been the successes? Where are the struggles and failures? What are next steps for our city/state and as individuals? Together, we can learn how to effectively get involved and work toward ending homelessness. Find more information and register online at mary.org/worktogether.

ZOOM: EXCITING NEW PODCAST CLUB

SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 13 & 27; MARCH 20, 9:00-10:00AM, ZOOM

Attention all podcast enthusiasts—plus any who want to delve into a podcast discussion. The Immigrant Support Ministry is planning a Zoom podcast club. We will start with Minneapolis' own Sam Graber and his ingenious and disturbing series, *American Refugee*. Join Sam as he tours Minnesota's immigration court at Fort Snelling and its largest detention center concealed at the back of the Sherburne County Government Center. We will discuss episodes 3 (Immigration Court), 8 (Sherburne County Jail, Part II), and 9 (Escape the Room). Moderated by immigration advocates, there will be time in each session for your questions and discussion. Please visit mary.org/immigrationpodcast to register and we hope to see you there!

ZOOM: SHORT LISTENING WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, MARCH 6, 9:00-11:30AM, ZOOM

Emmaus Listening Ministry seeks to bring the gift of listening to the world. For those not quite ready to enter the ministry or commit to the full training, a short listening workshop will be offered on Saturday, March 6 from 9:00–11:30am to help us become better listeners to those we love and those we work with. Come, experience a couple of the foundational, core principles of listening and learn a few new skills to apply in your personal life. The workshop is free but registration is required at mary.org/listeningworkshop. Questions? Contact Wendy at 612.317.3474 or wcaduff@mary.org.

ZOOM: HANDS AND HEART TOGETHER—A VIRTUAL WORKSHOP FOR CAREGIVERS

SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 10:00-11:30AM, ZOOM

Are you a caregiver for someone you love now or have you filled that role at anytime in the past? Join Basilica parishioner Patricia Hoolihan, author of the book *Hands and Heart Together: Daily Meditations for Caregivers*, as she reads excerpts from her book. Our time together will open up the possibility of story sharing among those gathered, in addition to reflecting upon and writing some of your own experience, as we seek to capture the tender as well as the challenging moments. The cost is \$20 and includes a copy of her book, which will be mailed to you ahead of time. Registration for this event required at mary.org/handsandheart by March 5. For questions and more information, contact Wendy in the Caring Ministries office at 612.317.3474 or wcaduff@mary.org.

COMMON GOOD

ZOOM: CENTERING PRAYER

FRIDAYS, 10:00AM, ZOOM

In the Christian tradition, Contemplative Prayer is considered to be a pure gift of God. It is the opening of mind and heart—our whole being—to God, the Ultimate Mystery, beyond thoughts, words and emotions. Centering Prayer is a method designed to facilitate the development of Contemplative Prayer. Consider joining Basilica parishioners each week as they seek to grow in their relationship with God. For more information, contact Colleen at colleenmaiers@yahoo.com or go to mary.org.

PRAYER SHAWLS

Our parish community has given away over 1,240 prayer shawls as visible, tangible signs of love and support to those in need. Every person who receives one is prayed for by name each time we gather. If you would like to knit or crochet with us in this ministry, or request a shawl for yourself or a loved one, please contact Wendy in the Caring Ministries Office at 612.317.3474 or wcaduff@mary.org. Our ministers are knitting at home and meeting virtually on Zoom twice each month. Intertwine with us!

LISTEN, LISTEN...

"People start to heal the moment they feel heard."

This is the power of the Emmaus Listening Ministry. Contact Wendy today for more information, to have an Emmaus Listener give you a call, or becoming trained this spring for this vital ministry: 612.317.3474 or wcaduff@mary.org.

GRIEF SUPPORT

If you have lost a loved one to death recently, please let Wendy know at wcaduff@mary.org or by calling 612.317.3474. Our Emmaus Grief Ministers would like to offer gentle, prayerful support to you at this time. In addition, the Downtown Coalition for Grief Support offers weekly Zoom meetings on Saturday mornings for those who are grieving. Go to mplsgriefsupport.com and fill out the contact form to receive log in credentials.

BYA

BASILICA YOUNG ADULTS

ZOOM: BYA BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAYS, JANUARY 14 & 21
6:45-8:15PM

Join together virtually for our weekly Bible study.

For ZOOM login information, contact Ben at bcaduff@mary.org.

PRE-MARRIAGE WORKSHOP FOR ENGAGED COUPLES

SATURDAY, JANUARY 9
9:00AM-NOON, ZOOM

This Saturday, several of our engaged couples will be participating in our pre-marriage workshop to reflect on the Prepare/Enrich inventory all couples take. Normally this would be in person, but we continue to offer this workshop virtually at this time. This workshop offer also includes our mentor couples who have been continuing to work with couples throughout the pandemic. Please keep these couples in your prayers on Saturday morning.

LEARNING

ADULT LEARNING

ZOOM: RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

SUNDAYS, 11:00AM-12:00PM

We are meeting on Zoom on Sundays. Everyone in the community is welcome to attend these lectures. Meeting ID 977 3492 1922 Passcode 718045

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| January 10 | Second Vatican Council | Sister Catherine Michaud |
| January 17 | Catholic Social Teaching | Janice Andersen |
| January 31 | Virtual tour of The Basilica | Dr. Johan van Parys |

If you are considering Baptism or have questions about becoming Catholic, please contact Cathy cedwards@mary.org.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

BAPTISM FOR INFANTS & CHILDREN AGE 6 AND YOUNGER

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 6:30-8:30PM

If you are expecting, or in the process of adopting a child, please attend one of our baptism preparation classes currently online. We offer classes approximately nine times a year for parents who are registered members of The Basilica and plan on having their child baptized here. Godparents are welcome too. For more information call the Learning office at 612.317.3439. Please register online at mary.org.

FAITH FORMATION CATECHIST NEEDED

A Ninth Grade Catechist is needed for our virtual Faith Formation Classes using Google Classroom and Zoom from now through the end of May.

Our ninth graders are studying the Hebrew Scriptures using the Catholic Youth Bible curriculum. Our volunteer catechists need to complete a background check and an online safe environment class. If you are interested in this position, please contact Christine Moore at cmoore@mary.org, or call 612.317.3439.

No Faith Formation Classes will be held over the MLK holiday on January 17.

LENT DISCUSSION GROUP FOR FAMILIES

SATURDAY MORNINGS, 9:00-10:30AM, EXACT DATES TBD

For the beginning of Lent this year we will be having a virtual book discussion group with Fr. Ronald Rolheiser's book *Domestic Monastery*. This book and discussion will be helpful for any parents, especially parents of young children. Registration available at Mary.org, or email Ben at bcaduff@mary.org.

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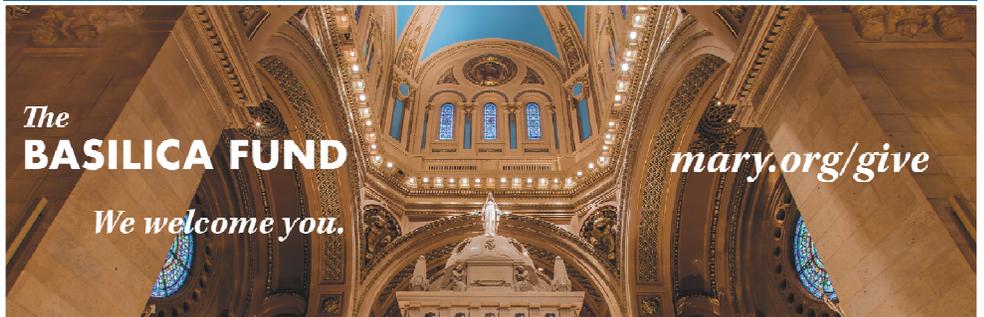


In 2020, The Basilica Landmark has funded the following projects:

- Tuck-pointing the exterior façade on the upper western side of the Church
- Performing the necessary maintenance and the installation of a new blower unit for our organ
- Installation of two needlepoint bipolar ionizations units to remove viruses (including SARS and COVID-19), allergens and mold from the air of Church, lower level, and choir room
- Acquire equipment, cameras, lighting, computers, software and training for livestreaming

We invite you to join our efforts by making a gift to The Basilica Landmark's Annual Fund today at thebasicalandmark.org/give or by contacting Stephanie at 612.317.3472.

DEVELOPMENT



BASILICA FUND

We welcome you wherever you are

As we kick off our 2021 giving year, we invite you to make a recurring gift and help us plan our budget for the year ahead.

The Basilica Fund represents 79% of our operating budget. Our ministries, along with the daily work of this parish, are not possible without you and your support of The Basilica Fund.

To make a gift, please visit mary.org/give or contact Stephanie at 612.317.3472. Secure online giving is simple; no need to remember cash or a check. It also means less paper and lower administrative costs, enabling your contribution to go further.

DIRECTOR OF DEVELOPMENT

Welcome to Anne Kane, the new Director of Development/Executive Director of The Basilica Landmark. Prior to joining our Basilica Development Team in 2019, Anne worked at Visitation School at all levels of their organization. Anne and her husband James are parishioners and parents of three adult children.

JOIN THE LEGACY SOCIETY

Have you considered a legacy gift to The Basilica Landmark? By giving a legacy gift, you can help preserve and restore our church and its campus for generations to come. Planned giving is for anyone, regardless of age, income level or assets. Strategies for making a planned gift can be tailored to meet a broad range of goals and circumstances.

For more information on the Landmark Legacy Society, please contact Monica at 612.317.3429 or mstuart@mary.org.

MAKE A GIFT FOR VIRTUAL MINISTRIES

As we continue to connect virtually, we ask for your help to fund our online initiatives, web-based ministries, live-streamed Masses and other virtual operations. If you would like to support these virtual ministries, please consider making a gift at mary.org/give. You can also make a gift with a text from your phone; text "VIRTUAL" to 612.249.7559.



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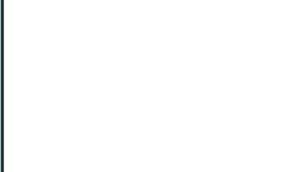
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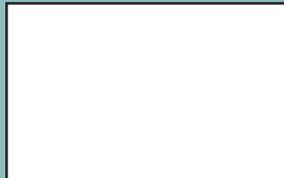
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