

*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*

1ST SUNDAY OF LENT
FEBRUARY 21, 2021

**WEEKDAY
PUBLIC WORSHIP**
7:00AM
NOON

**SUNDAY
LIVESTREAM**
9:30AM

**SUNDAY
PUBLIC WORSHIP**
9:30AM
11:30AM
4:30PM

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OUR COMMUNITY LOOKS AHEAD

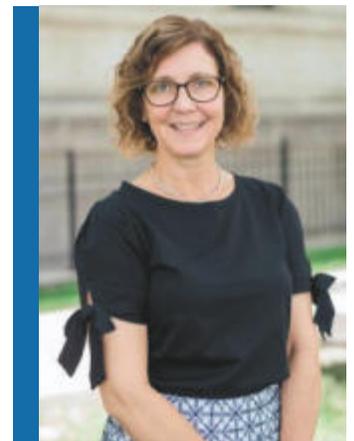
As this new year begins, I find myself spending more time than usual in both reflection and planning. Looking back, I am in awe of all the unexpected challenges we have navigated as a community. Together, we have developed our ability to adjust, adapt and pivot the ways we serve and support one another. Looking ahead, I am hopeful and cautiously optimistic that vaccines will provide us a gradual return to some normalcy. We are busy preparing for more in-person opportunities as the promise of a brighter future is just around the corner.

Given the challenges of 2020, we are profoundly grateful for your ongoing financial support of The Basilica Fund which provides for 79% of our annual operating budget. Your faithful generosity empowers our mission, allowing us to minister to our parish and broader community. We thank you for the contributions you have provided this far and ask you to prayerfully consider continuing your support in 2021.

If you have not done so already, we encourage you to make a recurring gift commitment to The Basilica Fund. You can give anytime online at mary.org/give or by texting "GIVE" to 612.249.7559. Taking the time to inform us of your giving plans offers the parish the most financial stability and allows us to make informed budget decisions throughout the year.

The Basilica Landmark is also grateful for your ongoing financial support that helps provide for the preservation and restoration of our historic buildings and campus. Because of your generosity, we were able to complete several projects in 2020. A few of these include the masonry restoration on the west façade of the Church, necessary maintenance on our treasured organ and the installation of air purification systems that remove air borne viruses and bacteria from the Church, Theresa of Calcutta Hall and choir rooms. You can make a gift to The Basilica Landmark at basilicalandmark.org/give.

Our traditional events had to be cancelled last year, but I am delighted to share that our annual Landmark Spark gala will be held virtually on Saturday, May 15. For the first time ever,



Anne Kane
*Director of Development
The Basilica of Saint Mary*

Continued...

A COMMUNITY ROOTED IN THE GOSPEL OF JESUS CHRIST.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we:

- Practice biblical stewardship
- Share our faith with others in word and deed
- Pursue ecumenical and interfaith relationships
- Rejoice in rich diversity

As the Co-Cathedral of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, we are committed to provide:

- Inspiring liturgies and sacred arts
- Transforming life-long learning opportunities
- Engaging service to one another and justice for all

STRATEGIC AREAS OF FOCUS

The Basilica of Saint Mary is committed to the future growth of our parish. The *Our Parish Our Future* plan outlines the three strategic areas of focus for the next five years. This plan builds upon the parish's strong vision, mission, and values.

The Arts

Move, inspire, and transform individuals and communities through excellence in the arts and creative practices.

Inclusivity

Build a culture where people feel valued, welcome, integrated, and included.

Homelessness

Respond to the needs of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness. These three areas of focus were strategically selected through a comprehensive, contemplative process with our parish leadership, staff, and consultants.

The three areas will unify and inspire collaboration across our parish and resonate throughout our commitment to the community.

Learn more about the strategic direction of our parish at mary.org/ourfuture.

we will be livestreaming the event straight into your home. You will be able to participate in an online auction and support our 2021 Fund-THE-Need which will benefit all areas and projects that preserve, restore and advance The Basilica. Please plan to join us and share the opportunity with your friends and family. You can learn more about this special evening at basilicalandmark.org/spark.

We hope to hold more in-person events as the year unfolds and things start to reopen more fully. We will be eager to share those opportunities with you later in the year as our planning continues. It will be so wonderful to find ourselves reunited again.

While the past year has kept us physically distant, it has provided powerful reminders of how interconnected we truly are. On behalf of all of us at The Basilica, I want to offer each of you our heartfelt gratitude for your continued support and commitment to The Basilica of Saint Mary and The Basilica Landmark.

SAFELY CELEBRATING MASS

MASS REGISTRATION PROCESS

- Pre-registration is required and opens 24 hours before each Mass.
- Register at mary.org or call the Director of Engagement at 612.317.3417.
- Registration closes online one hour prior to Mass or if it has reached capacity.
- You may only register for one Mass at a time.
- Be sure to bring a face mask with you, which needs to be worn over your nose and mouth **at all times** inside The Basilica.

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

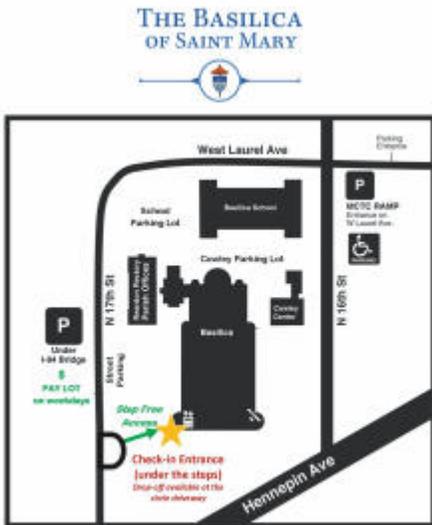
7:00AM

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. Please check-in for Mass at the ground level doors off 17th Street and the circle driveway.



LENTEN OBSERVANCE

The Christian faithful are to do penance through prayer, fasting, abstinence, and by exercising works of piety and charity. All Fridays through the year, and especially during Lent, are penitential days.

ABSTINENCE: All who have reached their 14th birthday are to abstain from eating meat on Ash Wednesday and on all Fridays during Lent.

FASTING: All those who are 18 or older, until their 59th birthday, are to fast on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. Only one full meal is allowed on days of fast. Two other meals, sufficient to maintain strength may be taken according to one's need, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed. The obligation does not apply to those whose health or ability to work would be affected seriously.

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.

JOIN US ONLINE OR IN-PERSON DURING THE SEASON OF LENT.

ZOOM: LENTEN MORNING PRAYER

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS OF LENT, 9:15AM

Please find the Zoom link at mary.org.

FRIDAYS OF LENT

7:00AM EUCHARIST, BASILICA

In-person

NOON, EUCHARIST, BASILICA

In-person and livestream

5:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS, BASILICA

In-person and livestream

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21, 28 & MARCH 7, 14, 21, 28

3:00PM

In-person and livestream

SUNDAY, MARCH 28, 2:30PM

On Palm Sunday, March 28, there will be a choral meditation beginning at 2:30pm with The Basilica Schola Cantorum.

In-person and livestream

ZOOM: FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 10:00AM-NOON

For more information, contact Mark Wyss at mwyss@mary.org or 612.317.3410.

Registration is required at mary.org.

SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH (NON-OBLIGATORY)

FRIDAY, MARCH 19, NOON MASS, BASILICA

We will mark this solemnity with festive music (organ and cantor).

SOLEMNITY OF ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD (NON-OBLIGATORY)

THURSDAY, MARCH 25, NOON MASS, BASILICA

We will mark this solemnity with festive music (organ and cantor).

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.

LENT AND EASTER ART COLLECTION

Visit an extensive collection of art and crucifixes online at mary.org/lenteasterart.

CHRISTIAN LIFE

ZOOM: AMERICAN REFUGEE PODCAST SERIES

SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 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

SATURDAYS, MARCH 6 & MAY 1, 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 and Saturday, May 1 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.

ANNUAL DISABILITY AWARENESS FAIR IS GOING VIRTUAL!

SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 9:00AM-NOON

Virtually sit with representatives from Twin Cities organizations—learn from them and take away resources sent directly to your inbox. Listen to a presentation on Equality, Race and Disability with Aaron Gabriel, moderator, and panelists Kymani Queen, Naa Mensah, and Michael Wolfe, all local artists dedicated to educating about and eliminating barriers in their work. Register at mary.org. For more information, contact Janet Grove at 612.317.3508 or jgrove@mary.org.

ZOOM: HANDS AND HEART TOGETHER WORKSHOP

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. The cost is \$20 and includes a copy of her book, which will be mailed to you ahead of time. Registration required at mary.org/handsandheart by March 5. For more information, contact Wendy in the Caring Ministries office at 612.317.3474 or wcaduff@mary.org.

MENTAL HEALTH NEWS

COVID-19 is expected to have a major and lasting impact on mental health in 2021. Every time we talk about public health, we should talk about mental health. And every time we talk about COVID-19, we should talk about mental health. We know:

- 1-4 in a typical congregation is affected by mental illness
- More than ½ of people who seek outside help turn first to their clergy/faith leaders before seeking help from mental health professionals
- 70% of clergy believe the church should be a resource to help with mental health issues
- 90% believe their church has a moral and spiritual responsibility to help those with mental illness and their families

Please contact Janet Grove at 612.317.3508 or jgrove@mary.org to ask for resources for any mental health help you might need.

COMMON GOOD

BASILICA NEIGHBORHOOD RACIAL JUSTICE PILGRIMAGE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 28

As part of celebrating Black History Month and continuing our work for racial justice, The Basilica will be hosting a walked pilgrimage on Sunday, February 28. The 2.2 mile pilgrimage route will take us through the Sumner and Lowry Hill neighborhoods and include the site of the former St. Martin de Porres Catholic Church in North Minneapolis. The group will meet in the Theresa of Calcutta Hall on The Basilica campus at 2:00pm for a brief presentation by Will Peterson, founder of *Modern Catholic Pilgrim*, who will speak about the practice of pilgrimage in the Catholic tradition and pilgrimage as an exercise in racial reconciliation. There will also be time for individual prayer (Visio Divina) with the original stained glass windows from the St. Martin de Porres parish. The group will then depart together and return to The Basilica to celebrate the 4:30pm Sunday Mass. Please note that this event will follow all Basilica protocols for managing risk related to COVID-19. Participants will be required to wear masks during the event and participate in a health screening upon arriving at The Basilica campus. Registration and further information can be found at mary.org. Please reach out to Mara Stolee Cable at mara.stolee@gmail.com with any questions.

MENTAL HEALTH FILM FESTIVAL

Using the Prisoners or Patients Program as inspiration, four films will be available virtually in April for our parishioners to watch around the theme of those in prison with mental illness. Watch for more information on accessing the films.

ZOOM: BASILICA BOOK CLUB

Join us the first Thursday of each month at 10:00am via Zoom for thoughtful and courageous conversation. Contact Karen for further details at 612.872.7535.

March 4	<i>Say Nothing</i> by Patrick Radden Keefe
April 1	<i>Middlemarch</i> by George Eliot
May 6	<i>An American Marriage</i> by Tayari Jones

BYA

BASILICA YOUNG ADULTS

BYA BIBLE STUDY IN PERSON AGAIN!

THURSDAYS, 6:45-8:15PM
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL

We are back in person for our weekly Bible study! Like earlier in the fall, we will again be meeting in our Theresa of Calcutta Hall, on the lower level. For everyone's health and safety during this time of COVID-19, we will do a quick health screening and temperature check and take down participant's information ONLY for potential contact tracing purposes. Please email bya@mary.org if you would like to join us.

BYA SNOW TUBING

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 21
1:30-3:30PM

ELM CREEK PARK, MAPLE GROVE

Young adults will be gathering to snow tube together at Elm Creek Park in Maple Grove. Cost is \$10; email Ben at bcaduff@mary.org for more details!

ZOOM: LENTEN VIRTUAL BIBLE STUDY

MONDAY NIGHTS THROUGH MARCH
6:45-8:15PM

During the Lenten Season, BYA will have a virtual Bible study on Monday nights in addition to our in person Thursday night Bible study. Both will have the same format; we will be looking at the upcoming Sunday Mass readings. Email Ben at bcaduff@mary.org for the Zoom log in information.

LEARNING

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

ZOOM: LENTEN BOOK STUDY FOR PARENTS WITH YOUNG CHILDREN

SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 27, AND MARCH 13

9:00AM-10:30AM

COST IS \$10 PER INDIVIDUAL OR COUPLE

Parents with small children or in our faith formation classes are welcome to join together for the beginning of Lent to read and discuss Fr. Ronald Rolheiser's book *Domestic Monastery*, which connects family life and religious communities in the Church. It is a very readable, short book with lots of good spiritual insight and should hopefully lead to good discussion and sharing of family wisdom from the group. Register at mary.org or email Ben at bcaduff@mary.org. Registration will include a copy of the book that will be mailed to you prior to the group meeting.

ZOOM: FRIDAY FAMILY FISH NIGHT

FRIDAY, MARCH 5, 6:30-8:00PM ZOOM

All families with kids in our Faith Formation and children's choirs are invited to join us for **Friday Family FISH night**. This free, virtual evening of ZOOM fun will feature: FINGO...with fish names instead of numbers, Hokey Pokey song breaks, adult Catholic trivia breaks (Are YOU smarter than a 4th grader?), and FISHY favor bags and FINGO cards (which a parent will need to pick up before the event.) We expect some special guests to join us. Register at mary.org.

ZOOM: BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS INFANTS & CHILDREN AGE 6 AND YOUNGER

TUESDAY, MARCH 23, 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.

PRAYER RESOURCES

Vespers and Prayer services recorded live are available on at mary.org/vespersandprayers.

Pray the Rosary together either in person or virtually with us; we have made a virtual Rosary available on our website at mary.org/rosary.

LANDMARK

THE BASILICA LANDMARK



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

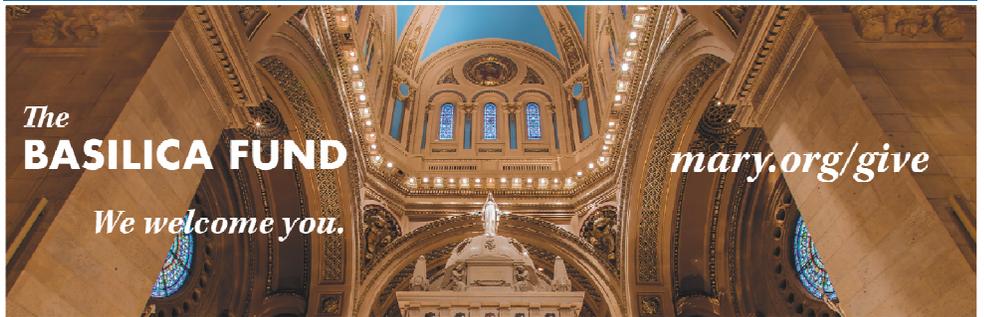
- Tuck-pointing the exterior façade on the upper western side of the Church
- Performing the necessary maintenance and the installation of a new blower unit for our organ
- Installation of two needlepoint bipolar ionizations units to remove viruses (including SARS and COVID-19), allergens and mold from 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.

SWEETEST BINGO CANCELATION

Each February, The Basilica looks forward to hosting its annual Sweetest Bingo, a fundraising event to support our many ministries. Due to COVID-19, this even is unable to take place. If you would still like to support our fundraising efforts, please consider making a gift at mary.org/give.

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.

SAVE THE DATE: LANDMARK SPARK

SATURDAY, MAY 15

Landmark Spark will go on as planned on Saturday, May 15, but in a virtual capacity. This year, we will be live-streaming the event straight into your home.

Tickets start at no cost. Sponsorship packages are available to purchase. Please visit thebasicalandmark.org/spark for more information.

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.



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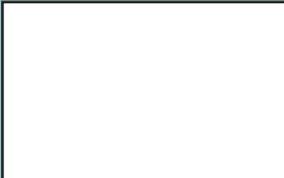


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