



# THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY



2021

## March | April | May

15 MAR

### UNDERSTANDING INVISIBLE DISABILITIES

Virtual workshop to educate people on the most common invisible disabilities.

4 APR

### EASTER

Celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord.  
Mass at 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am, and 4:30pm.

28 MAR

### PALM SUNDAY

Holy Week begins with the blessing of the palms. Join us in-person or online.

15 MAY

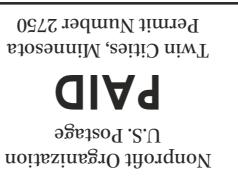
### LIVESTREAM LANDMARK SPARK

The Basilica Landmark virtual event to support the restoration of The Basilica.

*"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*

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THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

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# FROM THE PASTOR



With this column I would like to update you in regard to several areas of our parish's life.

**1. Christmas at The Basilica:** While Christmas was very different this year because of the pandemic, there were also many blessings associated with it. Our staff did a great job of adapting, adjusting, and pivoting to help make our Christmas celebrations safe, meaningful, and reverent. They registered and checked people in for our Masses, they helped with livestreaming the Masses, and they also assisted in various liturgical ministries. I am very grateful to them—and to those volunteers—who made this year's Christmas celebrations so special. As pastor of The Basilica, I have much to be proud of and even more to be grateful for this year.

**Fr. John M. Bauer**  
Pastor  
*The Basilica of Saint Mary*

support to our parish community during our financial stewardship campaign this past fall. Please know your commitment of financial support to our parish community is greatly appreciated. Your pledge—no matter the size—is important and makes a difference. It allows us to continue to offer the many programs, ministries, and services that are the hallmark of our Basilica community.

In regard to our parish finances, I especially want to thank all those who contributed financially to The Basilica this past year and particularly at Christmas. **Your generosity helped us surpass our income goal for December, which is a very important month for us.** Thank you for your ongoing generosity. Please know of my great gratitude for your ongoing financial support of our parish.

**3. Lent:** As a child I never really appreciated Lent. As I've grown older, though, I've come to realize how important and how good the season of Lent is for me, and for all of us. During this special season I invite and encourage you to look at your calendar and to plan on participating virtually or in-person in the services and activities that will be offered at The Basilica. Visit [mary.org](http://mary.org) for a list of our Lenten activities and services.

**4. Catholic Services Appeal:** The **2021 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA)** will begin the weekend of **February 20 and 21**. This yearly appeal helps support the many ministries, services, and programs within our Archdiocese. Now obviously, many people are concerned that contributions to the Archdiocese will be used for purposes they didn't intend. In this regard, it is important to note that The Catholic Services Appeal is an independent 501(c) 3 non-profit organization. This was done, to insure that all the money that is collected through the Appeal would go **directly and solely** to the ministries, services, and programs supported by the CSA. No CSA funds go to the Archdiocese.

By pooling the financial resources from generous donors throughout our diocese, much important and necessary work is funded by the Catholic Services Appeal (CSA). **As your pastor, I wholeheartedly endorse the work of the Appeal. I support it financially and I encourage you to make a gift to support these important ministries, services, and programs.** Please look for the Catholic Services Appeal information at [csafspm.org](http://csafspm.org).

**5. Maintenance Update:** This summer and fall we undertook **some major tuck-pointing** on the western exterior walls of The Basilica. Fortunately, this work was able to be completed before the cold weather set in. This tuck-pointing will help seal the exterior of The Basilica from water infiltration. Given the age of The Basilica, we anticipate that tuck-pointing some part of the exterior of our beautiful Basilica will be

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## THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

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

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# MASS

## SCHEDULE UPDATES

### SUNDAY LIVESTREAM: MASS

9:30AM

Live on [mary.org](http://mary.org) and Facebook at [facebook.com/BasilicaMpls](https://facebook.com/BasilicaMpls)

Mass Recording Archive  
[mary.org/massrecordings](http://mary.org/massrecordings)

### MASS: PUBLIC WORSHIP

#### SUNDAY

11:30AM & 4:30PM

Open for public worship. Please register online at [mary.org](http://mary.org).

New Mass times will be posted to [mary.org](http://mary.org) as capacity allows.

### WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

MONDAY-FRIDAY

OPEN FOR PUBLIC WORSHIP

7:00AM

Please register at the door.

NOON

Please register online at [mary.org](http://mary.org).

### MASS REGISTRATION PROCESS

- Pre-registration is required and opens 24 hours before each Mass.
- Register at [mary.org](http://mary.org) or call the Director of Engagement at 612.317.3417.
- You may only register for one weekday 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** at The Basilica.

an annual maintenance item. We are blessed in that The Basilica Landmark paid for this work.

Speaking of water, we had a **minor flood on Christmas Day** in the lower level of The Basilica. A sprinkler head broke in the St. Vincent de Paul storage room in the lower level of the church and the flooring and several items in the storage room as well as the carpeting in the Teresa of Calcutta Hall were saturated with water. Fortunately, we were able to turn off the water and get a company to dry vacuum the carpet and get dehumidifiers set up. Things were going well until a week later the tubing on the coffee maker in the lower level sprung a leak and the carpet was once again saturated. The same company returned to dry vacuum the carpet and set up dehumidifiers. The good news in this situation is that because of the pandemic no activities were scheduled for the lower level, and most of the cost of the repairs will be covered by our insurance.

**6. Parish Life during the Pandemic:** While most of our activities, services, and ministries are being conducted virtually, we continue to ask the question of when, how, and where, we can resume some of these activities on campus. At this point, and for the foreseeable future, we are making decisions on a case by case basis. We also continue to look for new opportunities/ways to celebrate the life of our parish community.

Clearly, we all miss the opportunities to gather and celebrate our faith. We miss gathering with others, worshipping, and praying together. We also miss the opportunities to give witness to that faith through our community activities. When we gather again as we used to—and I believe we will—it is my hope and sincere prayer that church will have a renewed meaning for all of us.

**7. Equity, Diversity, Inclusion Initiative:** In 2016, after the death of Philando Castile, The Basilica recognized a need to address the important issue of racism in our parish, in our lives, and in society. As we began this work, we partnered with Penumbra Theatre and Sarah Bellamy, Penumbra's Artistic Director. Through small group conversations and workshops with staff and parishioners, Sarah created a strategic and comprehensive report for The Basilica.

After this report was presented, it was recommended to our parish leadership that a EDI (Equity, Diversity, and Inclusion) Leadership Team comprised of parishioners be established. This team began meeting in September 2020. With guidance by Sarah Bellamy, they are working on parish-wide goals, strategies, etc. within The Basilica and the larger community.

One of the first things this group did was to develop a Basilica EDI Position Statement, which would set a foundation and a direction for the work of this team. This position statement describes:

**The Why** – What does our faith say? What are the conditions of our community? What does the gospel say to cause us to speak out?

**The What** – What does The Basilica claim; what are the beliefs of The Basilica as it relates to equity, diversity, and inclusion?

**And the future state** – What do we hope for the future; how do we at The Basilica see our role and the role of The Basilica, both within the parish community and within our neighborhood, city, and state?

This Position Statement was presented at the January meetings of our Parish Finance Committee and Parish Council.

As a next step the team will work with Sarah Bellamy to begin the work of identifying goals. The visioning sessions will be held early in 2021. We expect to have a draft of goals by April/May 2021. In addition, Sarah Bellamy will work with staff to develop focused curriculum for The Basilica to address identified needs. If you have any questions about this initiative, or if you are interested in working on this issue, please contact Janice Andersen at [jandersen@mary.org](mailto:jandersen@mary.org).

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## FROM THE DIRECTOR



So much has happened in our world, in our country, in our cities and in our homes this past year. At times it has been difficult to wrap our mind around it all.

Hopefully, you have found some solace in our common faith, our shared hope, and our mutual love as I did.

We, Christians are indeed a people of faith. Where would we be and what would we do without our faith. By the grace of God, faith not

only gives meaning to our lives in good times. Our faith also gives us the strength to move forward in challenging times.

We Christians are also a people of hope, rooted in our faith. No matter how dark our days or dire our dilemmas, we hold on to hope. Hope promises us light at the end of even the darkest of tunnels. Hope illuminates our life and revives our spirit.

And finally, we Christians are a people of love. The greatest commandment Jesus gave us was to love our God and our neighbor. He exemplified that with his very life, death, and resurrection. It is easy to love others in good times. However, we are called to love one another even more so in bad times. And we are called to not only love those we thank for the good times but also those we blame for the bad times.

My prayer for all of us during this season of Lent and Easter is that we approach our suffering world with a renewed sense of faith, hope and love which flow from the life, death and resurrection of Christ which we celebrate during this Holy Season.

I wish you a blessed Lent and a Happy Easter. And I hope that you will join us either in person or via livestream for our beautiful liturgies of Lent, Holy Week, and Easter. I look forward to the day when we can all gather again in The Basilica for the liturgy.

## LITURGY

### REGISTER FOR LITURGIES

Pre-registration on [mary.org](http://mary.org) is required to attend any of the liturgies for public worship with exception of the 7:00am Weekday Mass. Please check online for the most current livestream schedule.

### 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.

### ZOOM: LENTEN MORNING PRAYER

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS OF LENT, 9:15AM

Please find the Zoom link at [mary.org](http://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

### SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH

(NON-OBLIGATORY)

FRIDAY, MARCH 19, NOON MASS, BASILICA

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

### ZOOM: FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 10:00AM-NOON

For more information, contact Mark Wyss at [mwyss@mary.org](mailto:mwyss@mary.org) or 612.317.3410. Registration is required at [mary.org](http://mary.org).

### 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).

### EASTER MEMORIAL DECORATIONS

Help us beautify The Basilica this Easter. Please consider a special gift for Easter flowers in honor or in memory of someone special in your life. Make your gift at [mary.org/donate](http://mary.org/donate). Memorials received by March 21 will be listed in the Easter worship leaflet.

## Liturgy & Sacred Arts Office

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Sacred Art/Concerts - 612.317.3438

Music - 612.317.3426

# LITURGY & SACRED ART

## TRIDUUM / EASTER SUNDAY

### HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 1

9:15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom**
Noon	Midday Prayer	Zoom**
7:00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Supper	Basilica*

### GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 2

9:15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom**
Noon	Stations of the Cross	Basilica*
3:00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion	Basilica*
7:00pm	Tenebrae	Basilica*

### HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 3

9:15am	Morning Prayer	Zoom**
Noon	Midday Prayer	Zoom**
7:00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection*	Basilica

### EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 4

7:30am	Eucharist at Sunrise	<i>cantor, organ</i>
9:30am	Solemn Eucharist	<i>Schola Cantorum, organ*</i>
11:30am	Solemn Eucharist	<i>Schola Cantorum, organ*</i>
4:30pm	Eucharist	<i>cantor, organ*</i>

*There is no 6:30pm Mass on Easter Sunday.*

\*Livestream

\*\*Zoom link at [mary.org](http://mary.org).

A complete schedule of services and events for Holy Week is available online at [mary.org](http://mary.org).

## TAIZÉ PRAYER

TUESDAY, MARCH 30, 5:30PM, BASILICA

TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 5:30PM, BASILICA

TUESDAY, MAY 11, 5:30PM, BASILICA

This service is characterized by mantra-like singing of simple, yet beautiful songs, following the Taizé community tradition of communal prayer focused on reconciliation and healing.

In-person and livestream

## EVENING PRAYER FOR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

SUNDAY, APRIL 11, 3:00PM, BASILICA

The Basilica Schola Cantorum

In-person and livestream

## EVENING PRAYER FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST

SUNDAY, MAY 23, 3:00PM, BASILICA

The Basilica Schola Cantorum

In-person and livestream

## EUCARIST ON MEMORIAL DAY

MONDAY, MAY 31, 10:30AM, BASILICA

There is no 7:00am or Noon Mass this day.

In-person and livestream

## SACRED ART EXHIBITS

### PASCHAL SEASON

### VIRTUAL EXHIBIT

FEBRUARY 17-MAY 30

Lent and Easter Art from The Basilica's collection will be featured on [mary.org](http://mary.org).

## VIRTUAL ICON CLASSES FOR LENT/EASTER 2021

MARCH 20, 27, AND APRIL 10, 17  
10:00AM-NOON

Image: Saint Josephine Bakhita

Taught by Iconographer Deb

Korluka. For more information contact Deb Korluka at [akorluka@aol.com](mailto:akorluka@aol.com).

Hosted by Wet Paint Art Store. Register at [wetpaintart.com](http://wetpaintart.com). Price depends on materials needed, range of \$170-243.

Scholarships may be available.

## ANGELS UNAWARES CROSS AMERICAN TOUR

SPRING 2021, BASILICA PLAZA

In September 2019 Pope Francis installed a 20-foot bronze sculpture in Rome; Angels Unawares. Created by Timothy Schmalz, it is inspired by Hebrews 13:2, "Be welcoming to strangers, many have entertained angels unawares." This exact replica will be installed at the National Basilica in September, following the tour. The piece will be exhibited outdoors on The Basilica plaza this spring.

## MUSIC

### LENTE FRIDAY VIRTUAL MEDITATIONS

FEBRUARY 19 & 26,  
MARCH 5, 12, 19, 26, APRIL 2

Each Lenten Friday, Basilica Organist Chris Stroh will offer a Lenten meditation from The Basilica's "Centennial" organ. Feel free to tune in to this virtual meditation featuring a variety of music for the season Lent at your convenience. Join us at [mary.org/livestream](http://mary.org/livestream) or on Facebook at [facebook.com/BasilicaMpls](https://facebook.com/BasilicaMpls).

The recording of the organ meditation will be available at 5:00pm each Friday.

# LEARNING



Our Basilica Faith Formation programs have remained active during the pandemic:

Our new parents are attending Baptism Classes via Zoom. Our preschool children watch a video of their teacher giving a lesson each week. Our elementary students get their grade level assignments through a Google Classroom and then meet for 15-20 minutes in a weekly Zoom meeting. Middle School and High School students meet virtually for about 40-50

minutes each week with catechists. All Sacramental preparation is virtual as well.

There are some blessings and some curses with regard to virtual meetings. Attendance has never been better for all programs. New parents don't have to worry about leaving a baby with someone while they attend class. Snowstorms are no longer preventing participation. However, technology doesn't always cooperate. Teenagers don't like to be on camera, so we don't know what all of our students look like. And, generally speaking, we are all tired of looking at screens to interact with humans.

We have a God who is wonderfully mysterious. Despite our limited abilities to help form faith from afar, we know that the Holy Spirit forms faith perfectly and in Its own way and time. We have learned that sometimes we strive so hard for perfection in our presentation that we fail to be present, and being present is EVERYTHING. Faith is formed by reflecting on our stories and experiences. Our task then, during a pandemic or any in-person gathering, is to help our learners grow in recognizing God, who is mysteriously working wonders in our lives, and is ever present to us. Forming faith is the work of the Holy Spirit. We are just humble servants here to share our stories and hope that in doing so we help others to recognize the Mysterious *I AM* that calls us *Beloved*.

Normally during the early spring we announce registration for our fall Faith Formation programs, but at this time we don't know what we will be able to offer. All will depend on vaccinations and how safe it is to gather together. Rest assured, there will be Faith Formation programs and God will work through them, virtual or in-person. We hope to open fall registration by mid summer. Thank you for your patience as we discern what is appropriate.

Christine Moore, *Coordinator of Learning and Sacraments for Children and Youth*

## Learning Office

General - 612.317.3414

Young Adult Ministry - 612.317.3478

Children & Family Ministry - 612.317.3439

Marriage Ministry - 612.317.3478

## SACRAMENTS

### BAPTISM PREPARATION CLASS

TUESDAYS MARCH 23, APRIL 20, MAY 25

6:30-8:30PM

ONLINE VIA ZOOM

If you are expecting, or in the process of adopting a child, please attend one of our baptism preparation classes. 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](http://mary.org).

## 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 be meeting in the lower level. For everyone's health and safety durin, 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](mailto:bya@mary.org) if you would like to join us.

### BYA SPRING RETREAT

SATURDAY, APRIL 24

TIME/PLACE/THEME TBD

Young adults should mark their calendars for our spring retreat. We are working on ideas for the retreat and more information will be coming, but please jot down the date and plan to join together to support each other in prayer and community! More information will be coming at our BYA webpage and Facebook page. Visit [mary.org/bya](http://mary.org/bya) for upcoming events or email Ben at [bcaduff@mary.org](mailto:bcaduff@mary.org) with questions.

### ZOOM: BASILICA VIRTUAL PRE-MARRIAGE

#### WORKSHOPS

SATURDAYS, MARCH 6, MAY 29

9:00AM-NOON

As part of our marriage preparation process, we have a pre-marriage inventory that all engaged couples take. After they complete the inventory, one option they have is to come to a group workshop where are we give them a space to look at the inventory, and have conversations about topics like spirituality, communication, finances, etc.

Please pray for our engaged couples, and our marriage mentor couples who help with these workshops and prepare these couples for marriage. Email Ben at [bcaduff@mary.org](mailto:bcaduff@mary.org) with questions.

## RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

You might think that with the 2020-21 COVID-19 pandemic limiting many of our in-person gatherings, RCIA might have been postponed this year. But it hasn't! Although we have had to move our classes to Zoom, RCIA continues strong and our candidates, catechumens, sponsors, and team members are as enthusiastic as ever!

We are meeting weekly as we always have, but instead of Tuesday nights at The Basilica, we are meeting Sunday mornings via Zoom. Like our classes before, we are fortunate to have a variety of world-class experts addressing questions from the person and divinity of Jesus to the meaning and effects of Vatican II to Catholic social justice and other topics as well.

We have opened the presentations to anyone curious about the RCIA topics. The presentations begin at 11:00am on Sunday mornings and last about an hour. When the lectures end, guests leave, and RCIA members continue on in discussion groups. You can learn more about upcoming events at [mary.org](http://mary.org).

This year, our RCIA rituals have been adapted to avoid large public gatherings. Milestones such as the Rite of Welcome are offered with the option to be done privately at home. But such rituals are no less valid or meaningful for catechumens, candidates and their sponsors. It is not clear what shape our Triduum and Vigil services will look like, but stay tuned!

We ask for your continued prayers for the catechumens and candidates and their sponsors during these unprecedented times.

Contributed by Elaine Hargrove,  
Basilica member and RCIA team member

### ZOOM: RCIA COMMUNITY PRESENTATION

SUNDAYS, 11:00AM-NOON, ZOOM

The whole Basilica community is invited to join us on Zoom for the beginning presentation portion of the session from 11:00am-12:00pm. The upcoming sessions will focus on prayer and discernment using Visio Divina.

Zoom link available at [mary.org](http://mary.org)

Zoom Meeting ID 977 3492 1922

Passcode 718045

March 7	The Woman at The Well
March 14	The Man Born Blind
March 21	The Raising of Lazarus

First Scrutiny
Second Scrutiny
Third Scrutiny

If you are considering Baptism or have questions about becoming Catholic, please contact Cathy at [cedwards@mary.org](mailto:cedwards@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

### PRAYER RESOURCES

Vespers and Prayer services recorded live are available on at [mary.org/vespersandprayers](http://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](http://mary.org/rosary).

## FROM THE DIRECTOR



My mother-in-law passed away eleven years ago, on April 7, 2010. She lived in our home in Minnesota for eleven years—moving here after my father-in-law passed away in Brooklyn, NY. Hanne, my mother-in-law, had several health conditions, but was able to do enough basic self-care to allow us to live together: She was grateful to be with us—and we were thankful to be together.

Early Tuesday morning, on April 7, 2009, my husband decided to take the day off and stay home. An uncharacteristic but grace filled decision. As my husband was making lunch, Hanne fell. Her room was right off the kitchen, so he was there right away—sitting on the floor with her head in his lap. He called 911, and started to pray the Lord's Prayer. He sat there holding her, praying with her, loving her. She died in his arms.

Fast forward six years, the same room off our kitchen in Minnesota—my mother was now living with us, having moved here from the East Coast. Her health was failing quickly. On Saturday, October 10, 2015, I was sitting at her bedside. My mother loved singing, so I pulled out the old red Lutheran hymnal and prayerfully sang “Softly and tenderly, Jesus is calling...Come home, come home, Ye who are weary come home...” Literally, the song was done, I held her hand, and she took her last breath.

The grief of loosing both of our mothers in our home is real. Yet, the gift of being with them, in prayer and in-person, is also real. After a life-time of memories—both challenging and joyful—the gift of being present to our loved ones as they pass away cannot be understated.

Living through this year of COVID quarantine has left me heavy with sorrow for the collective loss of our communities. Over and over families have been separated from their loved ones by windows, doors or buildings.

We know God is with us. We do all that we can do. May we find the courage to persevere through the darkness of this pandemic—with the isolation and separation it has brought. May those who are grieving find peace and comfort—knowing the Spirit will not leave them unattended.

## Christian Life Office

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Justice - 612.317.3477

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Welcome/Hospitality - 612.317.3417

Employment and Mental Health Ministry - 612.317.3508

## CHRISTIAN LIFE

### ZOOM: SHORT LISTENING WORKSHOPS

SATURDAYS, MARCH 6 & MAY 1, 9:00-11:30AM, ZOOM

Emmaus Listening Ministry seeks to bring the gift of listening to the world. In these divided times, where so many feel unheard or misunderstood, there is no better gift. For those not quite ready to enter the ministry or commit to the full training, short listening workshops will be offered via Zoom on Saturday, March 6 and repeated again on Saturday, May 1 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. This workshop is meant for Emmaus Grief Ministers, Emmaus Homebound Communion Ministers, or anyone desiring personal enrichment. The workshop is free but registration is required at [mary.org/listeningworkshop](http://mary.org/listeningworkshop). Questions? Contact Wendy in the Caring Ministries Office at 612.317.3474 or [wcaduff@mary.org](mailto: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, the exact book she wishes she had had when she was caring for her elderly loved ones in their last months and years. 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. Our hope is that we will find support for this role that can be all consuming. The cost is \$20 and includes a copy of Patricia's book, which will be mailed to you ahead of time. Registration for this event required at [mary.org/handsandheart](http://mary.org/handsandheart) by March 5. Questions? Contact Wendy at 612.317.3474 or [wcaduff@mary.org](mailto:wcaduff@mary.org).

### EMMAUS LISTENING MINISTRY: SPRING TRAINING

*“To listen to them...it’s a hard thing to do. It’s hard to sit with someone’s pain and allow it to make you uncomfortable. It’s much easier to try to fill that hole in the conversation with small talk. It’s much easier to implore them to see the bright side than to be in the darkness with them.”* –Nora McInerny, author and host of Terrible, Thanks for Asking podcast

Emmaus Listening Ministry conducts a powerful listening training twice each year. Spring virtual training is in early April—train from the comfort of your own home! You will be taught lifetime skills and together discern with us if this ministry is a good calling to serve The Basilica. If you'd like to learn how to do this, contact Wendy to arrange for a phone interview with a member of the Leadership Team. If you would like to be listened to by an Emmaus Listener, the ministry is free and can be done by phone or Zoom. Contact [wcaduff@mary.org](mailto:wcaduff@mary.org) or 612.317.3474.

# CHRISTIAN LIFE

## ZOOM: AMERICAN REFUGEE PODCAST SERIES

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

Sam Gruber is the host of the award-winning podcast *American Refugee*. With a national listening audience, Sam lives in Minnesota and is a member of Temple Israel. Joined by immigrant advocates he will moderate all Zoom sessions on Saturday mornings from 9:00-10:00am CT. Listen to the podcasts, and then join in for a spirited and informed discussion with immigration leaders from throughout Minnesota. The discussions will focus on the following episodes:

February 27: Episode 8: Sherburne County Jail (Part II)

March 20: Episode 9: Escape the Room

Go to [mary.org/immigrationpodcast](http://mary.org/immigrationpodcast) to register and receive the Zoom credentials.

## THE ANNUAL DISABILITY AWARENESS FAIR IS GOING VIRTUAL!

SATURDAY, MARCH 13, 9:00AM-NOON, ZOOM

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](http://mary.org). For more information, contact Janet Grove at 612.317.3508 or [jgrove@mary.org](mailto:jgrove@mary.org).

## ZOOM: BEHIND THE MASK: UNDERSTANDING INVISIBLE DISABILITIES

MONDAY, MARCH 15, 3:00-4:30PM, ZOOM

Presenters Cindy Edwards and Annie Montemayor have developed a unique virtual workshop to educate people on the most common invisible disabilities in the workforce today, discuss how to build a culture of disability awareness, provide resources and options that protect people with invisible disabilities, and teach conversation skills for discussing invisible disabilities in the workplace and beyond. Register at [mary.org/invisible](http://mary.org/invisible) for this free event and to receive Zoom login details. For more information, contact Janet Grove at 612.317.3508 or [jgrove@mary.org](mailto:jgrove@mary.org).

## ANGELS UNAWARES CROSS AMERICAN TOUR: SPRING 2021

In September 2019 Pope Francis installed a 20-foot bronze sculpture, *Angels Unawares*. Created by Timothy Schmalz, it is inspired by Hebrews 13:2, “Be welcoming to strangers, many have entertained angels unawares.” The sculpture shows migrants from all historical periods of time on one boat with an angel in the center of this crowd of people, highlighting the spirituality of all people. *See p. 13 for more information.*

### Share your immigration Story!

As we host the *Angels Unawares* sculpture this spring, we want to highlight the immigrant stories of our parish community. Consider sharing your immigration story. Are you a recent immigrant? Did your family immigrate recently or generations ago? Was immigration under duress, forced, or inspired by personal choice? Are you a native to this land, with a story to share? Learn your immigration story and consider sharing it with The Basilica. Indeed, all life is sacred. Contact Janice at [jandersen@mary.org](mailto:jandersen@mary.org) to share your story and get more information.

## EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSIVITY

Fr. Bauer's article in this Bulletin highlights important work The Basilica is engaging in our parish and the broader community through our EDI Leadership Team. Together, we are committed to addressing the issue of racial injustice. Look for opportunities to learn about The Basilica EDI Position Statement in the late spring/early summer. We look forward to expanding this work throughout our parish. For more information, contact Janice at [jandersen@mary.org](mailto:jandersen@mary.org).

## PRISONERS OR PATIENTS TASK FORCE MENTORSHIP PROGRAM

Prisoners or Patients is a program of The Basilica of Saint Mary that brings together its Mental Health and Voices of Justice ministries to address topics that many people in prison or jail with mental health issues are challenged with. The Prisoners or Patients Mentorship Program will link mentors of The Basilica in partnership with re-entering citizens identified by either the Minnesota Department of Corrections or Hennepin County Department of Community Corrections and Rehabilitation. The trained mentors will accompany the participants re-entering the community, who are struggling with mental health issues and who have expressed a desire for a spiritual connection. These mentors will walk with the participants and help them access resources that will decrease their isolation and assist them as they re-engage and re-connect within the community. If you are interested in learning more about how to become a mentor, please contact Janet at 612.317.3508 or [jgrove@mary.org](mailto:jgrove@mary.org).

## ALIGN MINNEAPOLIS

Align Mpls is an interfaith collaboration of 18 Minneapolis faith communities and people with lived experience of homelessness working together to address homelessness and poverty. The Basilica is a founding member of Align Mpls (formerly called Downtown Congregations to End Homelessness). Align focuses on moving from an “immediate needs approach” of responding to homelessness to long-term solutions. We do this through a combination of education, advocacy and action by developing volunteer opportunities, community partnerships and community organizing. A key initiative of Align Mpls is Street Voices of Change (SVoC)—a supportive and self-empowering advocacy community for people experiencing homelessness. With the leadership of SVoC, Align congregations are working to address important issues of homelessness. To learn more and find ways to get involved through The Basilica, contact Constance at [dragonflyzy56@gmail.com](mailto:dragonflyzy56@gmail.com).

# DEVELOPMENT

## DEPARTMENT UPDATE

As we continue to navigate the ever-changing climate of the pandemic, you may notice some changes in our upcoming events. Our annual gala, Landmark Spark, will go on as planned on **Saturday, May 15**, but in a virtual capacity. This year, we will be livestreaming the event straight into your home. We are excited to continue to offer giving opportunities at this event. For the first time ever, you will be able to participate in an online auction. We are also excited to continue asking for support for our Fund-A-Need at this year's event, which will benefit all areas and projects of The Basilica Landmark.

Although we are still unable to gather in-person, we hope that you will join us for a night of virtual fun, an online auction, and other giving opportunities. Tickets start at no cost.

Sponsorship packages are available to purchase. Please visit [thebasilicalandmark.org/spark](http://thebasilicalandmark.org/spark) for more information.



## THE BASILICA FUND

### WE WELCOME YOU WHEREVER YOU ARE

We invite you to sustain our mission and renew or establish an electronic recurring gift to The Basilica Fund. To set up your gift, please visit [mary.org/give](http://mary.org/give) or contact Carla at 612.317.3407. Thank you in advance for your prayerful consideration of a gift in support of our Parish and programming.

## A SPECIAL EASTER GIFT

This Easter, please consider making a special gift to ensure our church remains a place of hope and a symbol of God's love. Your generosity supports The Basilica's life-changing ministries. Give online at [mary.org/EasterGift](http://mary.org/EasterGift).

## EASTER FLOWERS

Each Easter, The Basilica abounds with Easter lilies, symbols of the resurrection. Please consider a gift for Easter flowers at [mary.org/give](http://mary.org/give). Gifts in honor or in memory of a loved one received by **March 21** will be acknowledged in the Easter worship leaflets.

## THE BASILICA LANDMARK

In 2020, The Basilica Landmark 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 the Church, lower level, and choir room
- Acquisition of livestreaming equipment and staff training

Please join our efforts in the New Year by making a gift to The Basilica Landmark's Annual Fund today at [thebasilicalandmark.org/give](http://thebasilicalandmark.org/give).



## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MINISTRIES FINANCIALS

Now is the time to renew or establish your recurring gift to The Basilica's St. Vincent de Paul Ministry. Please visit [mary.org/give](http://mary.org/give). We thank you in advance for your prayerful contribution.

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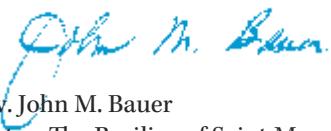
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## FROM THE PASTOR

**8. Live Streaming Masses:** As I hope you are aware, now that our **livestreaming equipment has been permanently installed**, we are able to open our Sunday 9:30am Mass for people to attend. As with the 11:30am and 4:30pm Masses, we do ask people to register to attend the 9:30am Mass in the unlikely event that we need to do some contact tracing. You can register for Mass via our website or by calling the parish office if you don't have access to a computer. At this point, we anticipate continuing with our limited weekend Mass schedule at least until Easter. We will evaluate this during Lent to see if any changes need to be made.

At the present time, members of our parish staff cover the livestreaming of our 9:30am Sunday Mass, and our noon daily Mass. **Going forward, though, we will be inviting and recruiting volunteers to help with this new ministry. If this new volunteer ministry has some interest to you, or you know someone who might be good at it, please contact Travis Salisbury at [tsalisbury@mary.org](mailto:tsalisbury@mary.org).**



Rev. John M. Bauer  
Pastor, The Basilica of Saint Mary

## PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS

### A CALL TO SERVICE

Parishioners are invited to nominate excellent candidates to represent the Learning and Christian Life areas to the Parish Council by April 15. You may nominate yourself or someone you think would thrive in one of the positions. Parish Council members serve as a collaborative advisory group to the Pastor and assist with strategic planning, creation of effective communication structures, policies and procedures.

Parish Council members represent the voice of over 12,000 parishioners and help carry out The Basilica's mission and vision. Share your talents and leadership to impact our community. Submit the form on page 14 or complete the form online at [mary.org/pcnominations](http://mary.org/pcnominations). Please call Terri Ashmore at 612.317.3471 for more information.

### 2020-2021 Parish Council

Thank you to our Parish Council Representatives for their service to The Basilica community. Visit [mary.org/parishcouncil](http://mary.org/parishcouncil) to learn more about the Parish Council.

Erik Miles, Parish Council Chair and Christian Life Representative  
Aara Johnson, Vice Chair  
Katelin Richter Davis, Secretary  
Kathy Noecker, Trustee  
Tom Paul, Trustee  
Fr. John Bauer, Pastor

Trevor Adamek, Finance Committee Representative  
Andrea Lutterman, Learning Representative  
David Link, At Large Representative  
Donna Bonicatto, Learning Representative  
Eric Brandt, At Large Representative  
Mara Stolee, Development Representative  
Matt Celichowski, Liturgy and Sacred Arts Representative  
Steven Kim, Liturgy and Sacred Arts Representative  
Deirdre Palmer, The Basilica Landmark Liaison  
Terri Ashmore, Managing Director

## 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](http://mary.org/ourfuture).

## OUR MISSION

### Our core purpose

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

# ST. VINCENT DE PAUL FINANCIAL UPDATE

## ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MISSION (SVDP) STATEMENT:

To develop community by providing services to our guests and by working to help all fulfill their potential. SVdP staff, volunteers, and those we serve accomplish this through the following actions and services:

- Offer emergency relief and the opportunity to build relationships in an environment of comfort, healing, faith, and hope.
- Advocate for the dignity of all by addressing the root causes of societal injustice.
- Promote the spiritual growth of everyone involved in the ministry.

To make a gift to support The Basilica's St. Vincent de Paul Ministry please go to [mary.org/give](http://mary.org/give). If you find yourself needing financial support, we invite you to connect with our St. Vincent de Paul Ministry at [mary.org/svdp](http://mary.org/svdp). For more information, contact Janice at [jandersen@mary.org](mailto:jandersen@mary.org) or 612.317.3477.

For questions regarding parish financials contact Audra Johnson, Director of Finance and Human Resources, at [ajohnson@mary.org](mailto:ajohnson@mary.org) or 612.317.3422.

## ST. VINCENT DEPAUL FINANCIAL REPORT / DECEMBER 31, 2020 YEAR-TO-DATE

(Fiscal Year July 1 - June 30)

### St. Vincent dePaul Outreach Programs 100% of funds help those in need

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b>Income</b>			
Outreach Program Donations	\$254,306	\$246,675	\$7,631
Outreach Program Donations for Food	<u>\$17,554</u>	<u>\$30,300</u>	<u>\$(12,746)</u>
Total Outreach Program Income	\$271,860	\$276,975	\$(5,115)
<b>Expenses</b>			
Outreach Program Expenses	\$90,980	\$248,095	\$157,115
Outreach Food Expenses	<u>\$27,419</u>	<u>\$30,720</u>	<u>\$3,301</u>
Total Program and Food Expenses	\$118,399	\$278,815	\$160,416
<b>Net Surplus/(Net Deficit)</b>	<b>\$153,461</b>	<b>\$(1,840)</b>	<b>\$155,301</b>

Note: Expenses are down due to limited Outreach due to COVID-19

### St. Vincent dePaul Unrestricted Fund December 31, 2020 Year-to-Date Financial Report

Funds used for partnerships (primary source of income comes from Golf event (cancelled this year)

	<u>Actual</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Variance</u>
<b>Income</b>			
Income	\$50,000	\$0	\$50,000
<b>Expenses</b>			
Expenses	\$59,126	\$23,500	\$(35,626)
<b>Net Surplus/(Net Deficit)</b>	<b>(\$9,126)</b>	<b>(\$23,500)</b>	<b>\$14,374</b>

Note: We received a special unexpected gift that was used to support our partnership with the Emergency Rent Assistance Program (ERA)

# ANGELS UNAWARES



The *Angels Unawares* sculpture by Canadian artist Timothy Schmalz depicts more than 140 refugees.

Schmalz, who also created the *Homeless Jesus* sculpture, was commissioned by Pope Francis to call attention to the lives of migrants and refugees and their many contributions to society.

On World Day of Migrants and Refugees, September 29, 2019, the large bronze version was installed in St. Peters Square Rome and the smaller bronze was installed in St. Paul's Basilica, Rome.

The inspiration of the work arises from a passage from Hebrew 13:2 found in the New Testament: “Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.”



## ANGELS UNAWARES CROSS AMERICAN TOUR

### SPRING 2021, BASILICA PLAZA

This powerful sculpture will be on display in front of The Basilica of Saint Mary throughout Spring 2021. Look for more information about programs to highlight this important work.

The sculptural work interprets this belief that there is to be found the sacred in the stranger, in terms of the refugee and migrant people.

The work depicts migrants and refugees from all cultural and racial backgrounds and from all historic periods of time together—shoulder to shoulder on a raft or boat. Within this diverse crowd of people, angel wings are visible in the center, suggesting that within the migrant and refugee is the sacred.

It also expresses perfectly Martin Luther King’s famous quote, “We all came from different ships but are on the same boat now.”

To learn more about this artwork visit [sculpturebytps.com](http://sculpturebytps.com).

**“Be welcoming to strangers, many have entertained angels unawares.”**

— Hebrews 13:2

*Photo credit: Timothy Schmalz sculpturebytps.com*



## PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS REQUESTED DEADLINE: APRIL 15

Elections will be held this spring for Parish Council representatives for our Learning and Christian Life areas. If you know parishioners who would make excellent representatives, please fill out a nomination form at [mary.org/pcnominations](http://mary.org/pcnominations). Contact Terri Ashmore at 612.333.1381 for more information.

Parish Council members serve as an advisory group to the Pastor and assist with strategic planning, creation of effective communication structures, policies and procedures.

### 2021 PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATION FORM

On a separate page, please explain the ministries in which department the NOMINEE is involved and why this individual would be a good Council Member. Return this form by mail by April 15: Attention Terri Ashmore, or online at [mary.org/pcnominations](http://mary.org/pcnominations).

Your Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**Division for which you are submitting this nomination: (please check one)**

Learning

Christian Life

Name of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

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