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ANGELS UNAWARES



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Even though many of us do not see ourselves as migrants, humans seem to have migration in their blood. Over many millennia, our ancient ancestors migrated from the cradle of humanity in the horn of Africa to every corner of the world. And even today, millions of humans are on the move.

Sometimes migrations happen by choice as people are looking for adventure, are driven by curiosity or are responding to opportunity. Sometimes migrations happen out of necessity as people flee war, persecution, hunger and certain death. Sometimes migrations happen by force as people are removed from their homesteads or homelands and sent into endless misery or even are sold into slavery.

The bible is full of stories of migration. Adam and Eve were forced to leave Paradise. Abraham was told by God to leave his homeland to create a new nation. Joseph was sold into slavery in Egypt. His descendants migrated from Egypt and ended up in the Promised Land after 40 years in the desert. Even the Holy Family fled their home out of fear that Jesus might be killed by Herod.

Pre-existing communities have not always welcomed migrants with open arms. Sometimes weariness and suspicion about these new arrivals was warranted as they used force to stake claim to the land driving those who already lived there out. Just look at what happened in Biblical times; or look at what happened to the First Nations of the Americas when Europeans arrived; or look at what is happening around the world today.

And yet, sometimes the reception of newcomers has been less than welcoming due to xenophobia or fear of strangers. And yet, the Bible makes it very clear that we are to treat strangers with dignity and respect. The letter to the Hebrews 13:2 admonishes Christians to “show hospitality to strangers, for thereby some have entertained angels unawares.”

As we know, Pope Francis is very concerned with the plight of migrants and refugees. On September 29, 2019, the 105th World Day of Migrants and Refugees Pope Francis dedicated a new monumental sculpture in St. Peter’s Square entitled *Angels Unawares*. Of note is that this sculpture was the first in some 400 years to be added to this iconic square. The sculpture was commissioned by Michael Cardinal Czerny who is the Under-secretary of the Migrants and Refugees Section of the Vatican’s Dicastery for Promoting Integral Human Development.

Angels Unawares was created by Timothy Schmalz, a Canadian Catholic sculptor who has dedicated much of his work to the social teachings of the Catholic Church. Our *Homeless Jesus* is one of his well known works.

Angels Unawares depicts 140 almost life size people on a boat. They represent migrants from all times and all places. Some of them have experienced migration by choice, others by necessity or force. Among them are a Jewish man fleeing Nazi Germany; an Irish boy fleeing the potato famine; an African family being forced into slavery; a Syrian man escaping the civil war in his home country; a Cherokee man on the trail of tears; a Protestant man escaping the Counter-Reformation. The ship even includes the Holy Family.

As he sculpted each one of these 140 people, the artist used old photographs to represent historic migrants. Some of them he found in the Ellis Island archives. He also had recent immigrants come to his studio to model for this sculpture. Thus each one of the characters on the boat represents an actual person who migrated. In their faces one can see fear or anticipation, relief or dread depending on the reason for the migration.

At the center of this tightly packed boat are two large angel’s wings referencing the Letter to the Hebrews admonishment that any one of these sisters and brothers of ours might be “angels unawares.”

Catholic University in Washington D.C. was given a second cast of the sculpture. Before its permanent installation this fall, *Angels Unawares* has been traveling to several cities in the United States at the request of the artist. Minneapolis and the Basilica of Saint Mary will be the last but one stop on its way back to D.C. We will host the sculpture throughout the month of August. It will sit on the plaza in front of The Basilica.

On **Sunday, August 1** we will have a welcome ceremony and we will bid goodbye to the sculpture on **Thursday, August 26**. There will be lots of programming around *Angels Unawares* between those two dates. More details are to follow.

In the same way as the *Homeless Jesus* calls us to solidarity with people who are experiencing homelessness, *Angels Unawares* calls us to solidarity with people who had to leave their homes and found refuge here. As we care for them, we may be caring for angels unawares.

Visit mary.org/angelsunawares for more details.

NEW MASS SCHEDULE

JULY 3 & 4

IN-PERSON

Saturday, July 3
5:00pm

Sunday, July 4
7:30, 9:30*, 11:30, & 5:00pm

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

WEEKDAY EUCHARIST

MONDAY-FRIDAY

7:00am & Noon*

*Livestream

THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

A community rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.

As disciples of Jesus Christ, we:

- Practice biblical stewardship
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- Pursue ecumenical and interfaith relationships
- Rejoice in rich diversity

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

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.

LITURGY & SACRED ARTS

SAFELY CELEBRATING MASS

The Basilica will follow all city and 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. Please review all of the current protocols at mary.org or call our Director of Engagement at 612.317.3417.

MORNING PRAYER

THURSDAYS, 9:15AM

Via Zoom. Please find the link at mary.org.

NON-OBLIGATORY SOLEMNITIES IN JUNE

THURSDAY, JUNE 24, THE NATIVITY OF JOHN THE BAPTIST

TUESDAY, JUNE 29, SAINTS PETER & PAUL, APOSTLES

Special music will be offered during the Noon Mass. In-person and livestreamed.

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.



ANGELS UNAWARES

CROSS AMERICAN TOUR

ANGELS UNAWARES OPENING CELEBRATION

SUNDAY, AUGUST 1, 3:00PM, 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 summer. Visit mary.org/angelsunawares for more details.

CHRISTIAN LIFE

ZOOM: ALZHEIMER'S AND DEMENTIA BROWN BAG LUNCH SERIES

WEDNESDAYS, NOON-1:00PM, ZOOM

The Basilica Mental Health Ministry and the Alzheimer's Association of Minnesota-North Dakota invite you to attend a virtual Brown Bag Lunch Series on Alzheimer's and Dementia. All classes are held on Zoom from Noon-1:00pm:

July 21: *Effective Communication Strategies*

August 18: *Dementia Conversations: Driving, Doctor Visits, Legal and Financial Planning*

Visit mary.org for more information on how to register. For questions, please contact Janet Grove at 612.317.3508 or jgrove@mary.org.

SMALL GROUP FACILITATORS NEEDED

The Downtown Coalition for Grief Support, of which The Basilica is a partner organization, hosts grief support groups on Saturday mornings and is in need of more small group facilitators. Have you lost a loved one to death? Do you know what it's like to feel that fresh sting of grief? If you have, and are willing to help facilitate conversation for others as they struggle with the loss of a loved one, please let us know. Training is provided by a grief counselor or hospice worker in the art of giving people encouragement to share about their own experience, making sure everyone has a safe space to be heard, etc. Facilitators would commit to serving either the spouse/partner loss group, the family/friend loss group, or the child loss group and the time commitment is flexible. For more information contact Karen Harrison at 612.819.3722.

WHERE ARE YOU IN JOB TRANSITION?

Are you unemployed? Underemployed? Unhappily employed? Wherever you are, The Basilica's Employment Ministry has resources to help you. Contact Janet Grove at 612.317.3508 or jgrove@mary.org to set up an initial intake meeting.

EQUITY, DIVERSITY, INCLUSIVITY (EDI)

The Basilica is actively engaging in the hard and important work of addressing racial inequity in our lives, in our parish and in our community. We are actively developing a parish-wide, faith filled response to racial injustice. The Basilica leadership approved an EDI Position Statement for our Basilica Community this spring. This statement provides a foundation for our work on racial justice and offers a framework for defining goals. The EDI Position Statement can be found at mary.org/edi. Look for ways to learn more and get involved this summer. If you have any questions about this parish-wide initiative, contact Janice at jandersen@mary.org.

EMMAUS HOMEBOUND COMMUNION MINISTRY

The Basilica assigns a Homebound Communion minister to visit people on a regular basis, pray with them, and bring the Body of Christ when someone is unable to get to Mass for various reasons. We are looking to build this ministry with willing volunteers. It would involve a three hour training later this summer that would include the etiquette of making the home visit, confidence in leading the rite of communion, and some key listening skills. Please contact Wendy in the Caring Ministries office for more information at wcaduff@mary.org.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY ANNUAL BUILD

AUGUST 2-6

8720 47TH AVE, NEW HOPE, MN

This year we will be back and better than ever with our annual Habitat for Humanity Work Camp Week. It's our 25th year of working on a Habitat home! The build will occur the week of August 2-6, 2021 at 8720 47 Ave, New Hope, MN. Please contact Julia at 612.317.3413 or jfreeman@mary.org for more information.

COMMON GOOD

WALKING THE ROAD

So much of life means journeying with one another, through the transitions, joys, and inevitable losses that living brings us. Rarely do we ever have the experience of deep listening by another as we navigate life. The Basilica's Emmaus Ministers are specifically trained for the ministry of actively listening to another's story without judging or fixing. If you have a desire to be deeply listened to, please contact Wendy at wcaduff@mary.org or 612.317.3474. This is a free and confidential ministry of The Basilica.

HENNEPIN CONNECTIONS

Mentoring, Achieving, Growing. Consider being part of the one-on-one mentoring ministry with Minneapolis College. Partnering with a student who has experienced homelessness and poverty, we are invited to build relationships that bridge cultural divides. Minneapolis College has many students hoping to participate. As we begin to plan for the next school year, we need you to join us! To learn more, contact Carol at 612.747.2983 or Janice at jandersen@mary.org.

IMMIGRANT SUPPORT MINISTRY

Since 2015, The Basilica Immigrant Support Ministry has accompanied twelve families as they travel to Minnesota as refugees. Our partnership with Lutheran Social Service has connected us with families from places such as Iraq, Somalia, Ethiopia and Myanmar. We have accompanied ten families seeking asylum. Working with Advocates for Human Rights, we support families from Cameroon, Liberia, Djibouti, Guatemala, Togo and Honduras. If you would like to be part of this ministry, email Janice at jandersen@mary.org.

BYA

BASILICA YOUNG ADULTS

BYA BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAYS, 6:45-8:15PM

TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL

We are back in person for our weekly Bible study! We 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.

CATECHISTS FOR 2021-2022

Do you love the Bible and have an interest in sharing your faith with youth? Are you someone who treasures the arts and wants to learn more about masterpieces and share this with our children? We are looking for open, caring adults, willing to learn and share with our young people. Please consider making a weekly commitment to be a catechist. For more information, contact Christine Moore, cmoore@mary.org.

LEARNING

ADULT LEARNING

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS)

What would it be like to become a Catholic as an adult? How would one know if it was the right path to take? If you are wondering about our Catholic Tradition, RCIA may be the answer to your search. You and a sponsor, who walks, questions and learns with you, would be invited to join a group of seekers, learning and praying together; discerning the possibility of joining the Catholic Tradition. Sponsors are vital and important ministers in RCIA. If you feel a passion for your faith and a desire to learn, listen and discover with others, consider becoming an RCIA sponsor. For more information about RCIA ministry at The Basilica, contact Cathy at cedwards@mary.org.

MONDAY MORNING GOSPEL GROUP

MONDAYS, 10:00AM-NOON

IN PERSON AGAIN

SAINT CECELIA ROOM, RECTORY

Looking for a small group? Come join this group of adults that explore the Gospel and share what it means to them. No registration required. Come when you can. The meeting concludes in time for those that would like to attend noon Mass. For more information contact Ben at 612.317.3435 or bcaduff@mary.org.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

ZOOM: BAPTISM CLASS FOR PARENTS

INFANTS & CHILDREN AGE 6 AND YOUNGER

TUESDAY, JUNE 22, 6:30-9:30PM, ZOOM

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.

YOUTH MINISTRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Are you familiar with Agape Latte? Agape Latte is a national faith storytelling series founded at Boston College by the C21 Center and Campus Ministry. Through the Agape Latte college and high school Partnership Program, Agape Latte has now spread to over 50 campuses nationwide and is now being offered in many parishes. We'd like to offer this storytelling series four times a year as part of our Youth Confirmation program next fall. We are in need of some volunteers who would be willing to lead this coffee house style of faith sharing. For more information, contact Christine Moore at 612.317.3439 or cmoore@mary.org.

BASILICA YES VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Basilica YES is a group of 11th and 12th Grade students that meet to carry out service projects within the parish community and our neighborhoods. Our focus is on the Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy. This is a great way for our young people to engage in our ministries, be actively visible in our community and to acquire service hours needed for resumes and college applications.

We are in need of one or two adults from our parish to help co-lead the group next fall. If you have a passion for service and are willing to share this for an hour a week with our high school students, please contact Christine Moore at cmoore@mary.org or 612.317.3439.

DEVELOPMENT

BASILICA FUND

We welcome you wherever you are

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. 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.

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If you currently have provisions for The Basilica Landmark or The Basilica of Saint Mary, thank you. Please take the opportunity to let us know so we may carry out your wishes by contacting Monica at mstuart@mary.org.

To learn more about the benefits of making an estate gift, and how it can help continue the critical work at The Basilica Landmark, visit thebasilicalandmark.org/plannedgiving.

LANDMARK

CITIES 97.1 BASILICA BLOCK PARTY

SEPTEMBER 10 & 11

After a year without The Basilica Block Party, we are excited to announce that the show will go on Friday, September 10 & Saturday, September 11, 2021.

For more information regarding lineup, tickets, and volunteering, please visit basilicablockparty.org.



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- 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
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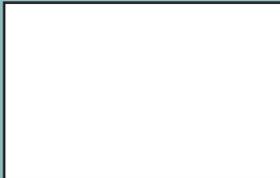
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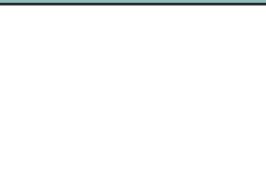


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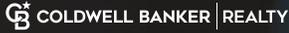
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