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FROM THE PASTOR



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

1. Christmas at The Basilica: While Christmas was once again very different this year because of the pandemic, there were also many blessings associated with it. Our staff did an excellent job of making our Christmas celebrations safe, meaningful, and reverent. They helped with live streaming 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.

2. Our Parish Finances: First and foremost, I want to thank all those who made a commitment of financial 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.

Thank you for your ongoing generosity. Please know of my great gratitude for your ongoing financial support of our parish.

3. Lent: Having just finished the Christmas season, it is hard to believe that Lent is coming, but Ash Wednesday this year is Wednesday March 2nd. As a child I never really appreciated Lent. As I have 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 our web site at mary.org for a list of our Lenten activities and services.

4. Catholic Services Appeal: The **2018 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA)** will begin the weekend of **February 5 and 6**. 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 did not 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 ensure 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 in pews or learn more at csafspm.org.

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MASS SCHEDULE

SATURDAY

5:00PM

SUNDAY

7:30AM, 9:30*, 11:30, & 5:00PM

WEEKDAY

MONDAY-FRIDAY

7:00AM & NOON*

*Livestream

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THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

Mission

Our core purpose

The Basilica of Saint Mary is 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,
- Extend Christian hospitality, and
- Rejoice in rich diversity.

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

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

Vision

What we intend to create

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The Basilica of Saint Mary aspires to be a:

- Home of Spiritual Nourishment - We aspire to be a place where all may be touched by beauty, be nourished in their faith and be inspired by truth.
- Beacon of Hope - We commit to welcome everyone with respect and dignity and to provide help and care, especially to those most in need.
- Advocate for Change - We pledge to work toward justice, peace and equality for all and to promote the protection of all of creation.

5. A new Parish Trustee: A few months ago, **Kathy Noecker**, who has served as one of our parish trustees for the past six plus years informed me of her decision to retire from this position at the end of her current term. While I was saddened by her decision, I also respected her desire to take a step back to enjoy retirement and time with her new grandchild.

After prayer and reflection, I asked **Susan Link** if she would be willing to accept an appointment as one of our parish trustees, and she agreed. **Tom Paul** is our other parish trustee. I am extremely grateful to Kathy for her years of service and to Susan for her willingness to take on this responsibility. They have been and will continue to be blessings for our parish.

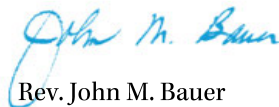
For those of you who are unfamiliar with the role of parish trustees, let me briefly explain. In our Archdiocese, each parish is an individual corporation. Two members of each parish join the pastor, the Vicar General and the Archbishop as officers of the corporate board. In addition to their responsibilities as members of the corporate board, the trustees are members of the Parish Council and Finance Committee. They also sit on the Board of Directors for The Basilica Landmark.

Perhaps most importantly (from my perspective) they also serve as “wisdom figures” and “truth tellers.” Because of the sensitivity and/or confidentiality of some issues, I look to the parish trustees for prudent counsel, wise insights, and the unvarnished truth. In my years as pastor of The Basilica, and in my previous pastorates, the trustees with whom I have worked have been great blessings for me and the parishes I have served. I am confident that this will continue to be the case with Susan Link as our new trustee.

6. Parish Life During the Pandemic: I suspect most of us thought the pandemic would be over by now and things would have returned to normal. Unfortunately, with the new Omicron variant it seems like normal—whatever that new normal might be—is still not on the horizon.

While we have resumed many activities on our campus, many are being done virtually and some are being done hybrid. At this point, and for the foreseeable future, this will continue to be the case. We will make decisions on a case-by-case basis. And we will also continue to look for new ways to/opportunities to celebrate the life of our parish community.

What is clear to me is that we miss the many opportunities to gather and celebrate our faith. We miss praying and worshipping together and the chance to give witness to our faith through our community activities. When we are able to gather again as we used to—and I believe we will—it is my hope and sincere prayer that church will have a renewed and deeper meaning for all of us.



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

FROM THE DIRECTOR



Recent events, both national and international have given me cause to ponder the relationship of our church with the world anew. Like any organization we have one of two basic options. The first is to close ourselves off and to move inward, the second is to open ourselves up and to move outward.

Throughout history we, as a church have switched back and forth between these options sometimes opening up, other times hunkering down.

Sometimes, when facing a crisis the church has closed in on itself adhering to a more rigorous self-definition and a purification of the ranks. The Counter-Reformation or the Catholic reaction to the Reformation is a good example thereof.

At other times the church has adopted a much more engaging approach such as during the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965). In essence this was the church's effort to unbolt its medieval gates and to build 20th century bridges. Since Vatican II there have been calls to go further than what the council intended as well as calls to draw the bridges and bolt the gates anew.

Pope Francis has clearly demonstrated that his preferred approach is to be open and expansive. Though he has not changed the theology of the church he has changed how this theology is communicated and lived out. He insists that love and truth need to go hand in hand. He asks that we engage in dialogue with anyone who comes to us. And he encourages everyone to build a culture of encounter.

As has been the case with every bishop of Rome since Peter, some Catholics like his approach and others do not. Social media have amplified this tension within the church. It is however undeniable that Pope Francis is touching the religious imagination of many, many people.

During his annual Christmas greeting to the Roman Curia Pope Francis once again invited us to open ourselves up rather than close ourselves off as he distinguished between the "humble" and the "proud." This distinction makes it clear what he envisions for the church. "The humble are those who are concerned not simply with the past but also with the future, since they know how to look ahead, to spread their branches, remembering the past with gratitude," the pope said. "The proud, on the other hand, simply repeat, grow rigid and enclose themselves in that repetition, feeling certain about what they know and fearful of anything new because they cannot control it." Let's join the ranks of the humble!

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LITURGY

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.

ASH WEDNESDAY

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 2, BASILICA

Eucharist at 7:00am, Noon*, 5:30pm*

LENTEN MORNING PRAYER

TUESDAYS AND THURSDAYS* OF LENT, 9:15AM

SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL

FRIDAYS OF LENT

7:00AM EUCHARIST, BASILICA

NOON, EUCHARIST, BASILICA *

5:30PM STATIONS OF THE CROSS, BASILICA *

LENTEN EVENING PRAYER *

SUNDAY, MARCH 6, 13, 20, 27 & APRIL 3, 3:00PM

SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2:30PM

On Palm Sunday, April 10, there will be a choral meditation beginning at 2:30pm with The Basilica Schola Cantorum.

FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHOP

SATURDAY, MARCH 19, 10:00AM-NOON

WAGNER ROOM, COWLEY CENTER

AND ZOOM OPTION

Register at MyBasilica on mary.org. For more information, contact Mark Wyss at mwyss@mary.org or call 612.317.3410. Seating is limited. Registration is required.

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION OF OUR LORD (NON-OBLIGATORY) *

FRIDAY, MARCH 25, NOON MASS

We will mark this solemnity with festive music.

* Livestreamed

LITURGY & SACRED ART

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. Look for the special giving envelope in this bulletin, and you may also give online at mary.org/donate. Memorials received by April 3 will be listed in the Easter worship leaflet.

TRIDUUM / EASTER SUNDAY

HOLY THURSDAY - APRIL 14

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

GOOD FRIDAY - APRIL 15

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

HOLY SATURDAY - APRIL 16

9:15am	Morning Prayer *	
Noon	Midday Prayer *	
7:00pm	Celebration of the Lord's Resurrection*	Basilica <i>Cathedral Choir, organ, flute, brass & timpani</i>

EASTER SUNDAY - APRIL 17

7:30am	Eucharist at Sunrise	<i>cantor, organ, soprano, violin</i>
9:30am	Solemn Eucharist *	<i>Cathedral Choir, organ & brass</i>
11:30am	Solemn Eucharist*	<i>Cathedral Choir, organ & brass</i>
5:00pm	Eucharist *	<i>Mundus & Juventus</i>

A complete schedule of services and events for Holy Week is available at mary.org.

TAIZÉ PRAYER *

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 8, 5:30PM, SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL

TUESDAY, MARCH 8, 5:30PM, SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL

TUESDAY, APRIL 12, 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.

EVENING PRAYER FOR DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY *

SUNDAY, APRIL 24, 3:00PM, BASILICA

The Basilica Schola Cantorum

EVENING PRAYER FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF PENTECOST *

SUNDAY, JUNE 5, 3:00PM, BASILICA

The Basilica Schola Cantorum

EUCHARIST ON MEMORIAL DAY *

MONDAY, MAY 30, 10:30AM, BASILICA

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

* Livestreamed

SACRED ART AND EXHIBITS

PASCHAL SEASON EXHIBIT

FEBRUARY 1-APRIL 30

We will feature art from a Bowden Collections traveling exhibition that focuses on the life of Jesus.

It includes art from eleven countries, such as, Dominican Republic, Japan, France, Austria, Germany, Netherlands, Slovakia, Mexico, England, Panama, and the United States.

ICON CLASSES

SATURDAYS, MARCH 5, 26 AND APRIL 2, 9

9:00AM-1:00PM

Painting an Icon is a prayerful meditative process. The Basilica offers the opportunity to experience this during Lent. The image selected for the 2022 Icon Class is the Intercession of the Most Holy Theotokos (The Protection of the Virgin Mary) with The Basilica in the background. Deb Korluka will lead these workshops. Contact Deb at 612.889.5868 to register.

MUSIC

MINNESOTA SINFONIA CONCERTS

SATURDAY FEBRUARY 19, 2:00PM

SATURDAY MARCH 12, 2:00PM

With featured pianist Alon Goldstein

These concerts are free and open to all. Families are encouraged to attend.

PALM SUNDAY CONCERT

SUNDAY, APRIL 10, 2:30PM

On Palm Sunday, April 10, there will be a choral meditation beginning at 2:30pm with The Basilica Schola Cantorum, followed by vespers.

FROM THE DIRECTOR



After our Christmas and New Year break, we are up and running again in the Learning department with all of our normal programming with and faith formation opportunities. I want to take a quick moment to review what we are currently up to in the Learning Department.

Christine Moore continues to lead our RCIA candidates and catechumens in preparing for the upcoming “home stretch” of Lent

and receiving the Easter sacraments. She has done a great job working with the group this year, coming with ideas for welcoming people into our faith community when they inquire about The Basilica.

Doris Ortiz continues to work with our catechists, parents and children in our faith formation programming, using both in-person and virtual options so families can make the best decision of how they want to engage our faith during this ever-shifting COVID time.

Cathy Edwards has launched our small faith sharing groups. Please feel free to reach out to her for our variety of options we have available both before and during the upcoming Lenten season.

The BYA group is again enjoying some winter activities in addition to our normal groups that gather.

There are many good things happening. Please join us as you are able. Don't hesitate to reach out with questions about any of our department offerings.

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Children & Family Ministry - 612.317.3473

Marriage Ministry - 612.317.3435

LEARNING

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM PREPARATION

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. More information and registration is available at mary.org. Please check the weekly newsletter for future class dates. And, congratulations to the following children who were baptized in November:

Wesleigh Dayn Gelle-Crewson · Rose Elaine Heinmiller
Daniel Joseph Kosiek · Cambell Kathleen Kurtz
Remington Haley Luckew · Veronica Holland Riley
Anna Katherine Rizzotto · Anna Lucille St Marie
Sofia Adriela Vulaj

MARRIAGE PREPARATION OPPORTUNITIES

SATURDAYS, FEBRUARY 5, MARCH 6,
MARCH 19

In our marriage preparation, we have several requirements for couples to prepare themselves for the Sacrament of Marriage. We have several upcoming workshops for our couples. Please keep all couples who are preparing for marriage at The Basilica in your prayers. If any couple has questions about getting married at The Basilica, please reach out to Ben at bcaduff@mary.org or 612.317.3478.

FIRST COMMUNION

February and March are a special time in the journey of those preparing for sacraments. There are currently 29 children, 3 middle schoolers, and 1 teenager preparing to celebrate their First Communion. They are reflecting on what it means to say, “Thank you!” to God and, to stand in God's presence. They are also learning about the parts of the Mass.

BASILICA YOUNG ADULTS

BYA BIBLE STUDY

THURSDAYS, 6:45-8:15PM

SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL, GROUND LEVEL

Join us in person for our weekly Bible study! This is a lectionary-based Bible study where we always look at the upcoming Sunday Mass readings. It's a great way to prepare for Mass with other young adults and meet new people. Please email bya@mary.org if you would like to join us.

LEARNING

ADULT LEARNING

SMALL FAITH COMMUNITIES

Small faith sharing groups at The Basilica have begun. Have you thought about joining a group or starting a group? Sharing your faith, listening to the stories of old friends or new friends, are an amazing path to growing spiritually. Professional groups, Parent groups, Neighborhood groups, Ministry groups—all are possible.

Consider sharing your wisdom and listening to others on a variety of topics. What are you being called to learn, to embrace, to challenge? Where is the Holy Spirit calling or beckoning you? The following items are currently being offered:

- *Reading the Gospels with the Church: From Christmas to Lent* by Raymond E. Brown
- *On Retreat with Henri Nouwen: Engaging in Life's Big Lessons* by Chris Pritchett and Marjorie Thompson
- Commonweal Conversation Starter Series, *Mental Health and Solidarity*
- *Liturgy of the Ordinary: Sacred Practices in Everyday Life* by Tish Harrison Warren
- *The Work of the People, In This Together: 5 Films on Loving Our Way Forward*

For more information contact Cathy at cedwards@mary.org. Or, call the Learning Department at 612.317.3414.

MONDAY MORNING GOSPEL GROUP

MONDAYS, 10:30AM-12:00PM

WAGNER ROOM, COWLEY CENTER AND ZOOM

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 612.759.2588 or bcaduff@mary.org.

RCIA (RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS)

PREPARING FOR SACRAMENTS

February and March are a special time in the journey of those preparing for sacraments. Each week, about 11 adults join us to learn about Catholicism as they journey toward Baptism, Eucharist, and/or Confirmation. They share their faith with sponsors, learn from teachers of theology, and will soon be participating in the “scrutinies.”

During these special rites of Lent, they will reflect on the Samaritan woman at the well, the healing of the man born blind, and the raising of Lazarus from the dead. They will get ready to answer some serious questions, such as:

- “Where in my life do I need healing?”
- Do I let Jesus quench my thirst for love?
- Who do I now see whom I need to be to follow Jesus?
- Do I allow God to liberate me from grief, loss, or my own tombs?”

Our RCIA candidates look to us to learn what it means to be People of Faith. Please reach out to them in prayer and an invitation to participate more fully.

If you would like to learn more about becoming Catholic, please contact Christine at cmoore@mary.org or 612.317.3439. We are currently organizing schedules for cohorts of those interested in becoming Catholic.

FAITH FORMATION

BASILICA YES (YOUTH ENGAGED IN SERVICE) 11TH AND 12TH GRADE HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH

All 11th and 12th Grade Youth - You are invited to strengthen your leadership experience, get involved in your community, share your faith, and grow your friendships.

Basilica YES teens are engaged in a variety of projects throughout the year, meeting regularly on Sunday evenings. Together, we are gaining volunteer experience for our college applications, reaching out to the world to make a difference one activity at a time, and finding meaningful relationships within our parish community. For more information, contact Doris at dortiz@mary.org or 612.317.3473.

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.

FROM THE DIRECTOR



Fear and Faith

As the Christmas Season turned to life in Ordinary Time, I realized I was holding on to a lot of stress. The COVID pandemic was active. Friends and family were experiencing health and relationship challenges. There was so much pain in the community. I found myself worried and stressed. Sleep—and patience—were short. As I brought these feelings into my time of prayer and meditation, I recognized the root of much of my stress was fear: Fear of losing a loved one. Fear of suffering, for those I love. Fear of community instability and injustice.

Fear can be insidious, masking itself as other emotions. One may strike out in anger, or crumble with sadness, while the motivating emotion is fear. One may reject others and isolate, while the motivating emotion is fear.

Fear can have deep and wide impact on our lives. According to the University of Minnesota, Bakken Center for Spirituality and Healing, fear can weaken our immune system, impair our memory, interrupt brain processing and reactivity, and cause fatigue.

In a 2021 message for young people, Pope Francis addressed the paralyzing power of fear in our lives. He stated, “The first step in overcoming fears is to identify them clearly...And so, I invite all of you to look within yourselves and to ‘name’ your fears.”

Pope Francis reminds us of the human experience of fear in scripture: Abraham was afraid, Jacob was afraid, Moses, Peter and the Apostles were afraid. And the expression “do not be afraid” is repeated 365 times with different variations. Creatively, he suggests “the Lord wants us to be free from fear every day of the year.”

As I recognized, admitted, and brought to prayer the fear under my stress, I found deep consolation and peace. I was reminded: the opposite of fear is faith. Seeking spiritual progress, not perfection, I reground myself for 2022 and all that it will bring. May we share this journey together.

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Employment and Mental Health Ministry - 612.317.3508

CHRISTIAN LIFE

ACCESS AND INCLUSION MINISTRY PRESENTS: THE ANNUAL DISABILITY AWARENESS FAIR

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27 AFTER 9:30 AND 11:30AM MASSES
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, LOWER LEVEL

Come to the lower level after Mass to pick up resources and talk to Twin Cities organizations working in disability.

DIGNITY OF WORK: DIVERSE MODELS OF INCLUSION IN THE WORKPLACE

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 27, 1:00-2:30PM

TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, LOWER LEVEL

A panel discussion featuring Wells Fargo Neurodiversity Division, Epic and Kaposia, and Vocational Rehabilitation moderated by Rachel Wobschall, a member of the Rudy Perpich and Jesse Ventura administrations and employee of numerous Twin Cities organizations working in disability. Come learn about programs and ways to hire and work with people of diversity. Presented by Access and Inclusion Ministry (AIM). For more information contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

PRISONERS OR PATIENTS MEETINGS

THIRD THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 1:00PM, ZOOM

Join us as we work on the pilot year of The Prisoners or Patients Mentorship Program. Help is needed for training sessions, for resource collection, for evaluation, and much more. The mentors will be looking for behind the scenes partners. It is a perfect way to see if you might be a mentor in the future to a returning citizen who has been released from a Minnesota prison or jail. For more information and for a zoom code, please contact Janet at 612.317.3508 or jgrove@mary.org.

FREE 1:1 LISTENING AVAILABLE

“The most basic of human needs is the need to understand and be understood. The best way to understand people is to listen to them.” - Ralph Nichols, listening expert, dubbed the “father of listening”

If you crave the need to tell someone a complicated story, a hurt or frustration, or explain an array of feelings, The Basilica has Emmaus Listening Ministers ready to meet you wherever you are at and receive you with compassion, empathy, non-judgment, and confidentiality. Our human family is undergoing a collective stress like none other as we deeply feel the effect of the ongoing pandemic, economic uncertainty, illness and death, racial reckoning, divisive politics, untended grief, isolation, and constantly shifting sands beneath our feet. Contact Wendy at wcaduff@mary.org or 612.317.3474 for more info on our free listening ministry. Why wait?

MENTAL HEALTH CONNECT COLLABORATIVE

The Basilica is a member of the Mental Health Connect Collaborative (MHC). If you or someone you know needs help navigating the mental health system, please contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508 for more information.

CHRISTIAN LIFE

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SATURDAY MINISTRY

The St. Vincent de Paul ministry is beginning to reopen services on Saturday mornings. The team has re-visioned the approach to the Saturday ministry and will begin by offering service events which allow guests of the ministry and volunteers to participate side by side, learning and working together in a way that will benefit local non-profit organizations. One intention of this new approach is to create a setting which encourages connections and relationships between participants, while also addressing a need of those with lived experience of homelessness. Throughout the year, the Saturday events will evolve to also include events focused on personal development topics such as health and wellness, stress management, personal values, and goal setting.

A packing event will be hosted on **Saturday, February 12**, and we are looking for volunteers! We will be assembling aid kits for a local homeless shelter. The event will be from 9:30-11:00am in the Teresa of Calcutta Hall. Please contact jfreeman@mary.org if you are interested in volunteering for this event or becoming a regular Saturday volunteer as we relaunch this ministry.

We are grateful to begin our St. Vincent de Paul service on Saturday mornings. We are also excited to have begun our weekend outreach currently offered Tuesday and Thursday mornings where services such as bus cards, ID vouchers, and clothing vouchers are available.

MENTAL HEALTH AUTHORS' SERIES

SATURDAY, APRIL 30, 3:00PM, TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL

Former Minnesota Representative Mindy Greiling and Susan Foote, Professor Emerita in the School of Public Health at The University of Minnesota, will read and discuss their books, *Fix What You Can: Schizophrenia and a Lawmaker's Fight for Her Son* and *The Crusade for Forgotten Souls: Reforming Minnesota's Mental Institutions, 1946-1854*. Sue Abderholden, Executive Director of NAMI-MN, will serve as moderator for this event. Fee of \$25 gets your choice of book. The opportunity to purchase additional books will be part of the event that afternoon. For more information, contact Janet at 612.317.3508 or jgrove@mary.org. Registrations will be required online at mary.org.

PRAYER SHAWLS

Our parish community has given away over 1,400 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 wcaduff@mary.org or 612.317.3474. Our ministers are knitting at home and those who can are once again meeting in person twice each month to knit, pray, and build relationship. Intertwine with us!

DOWNTOWN COALITION FOR GRIEF SUPPORT

The Basilica is a member of the downtown Coalition, supporting it financially and with Volunteer and Staff time. We meet each Saturday morning from 10:00-11:30am, currently on Zoom. If you or someone you know is grieving the death of someone they cared deeply about, please refer them to mplsgriefsupport.com for the most current info, grief resources, and to fill out the contact form to get the Zoom code. Questions? Contact Wendy at 612.317.3474.

BASILICA BOOK CLUB

Did you know we have a group who loves books, and knows how to choose and discuss good literature, meets once per month on The Basilica campus? We meet the first Thursday of each month at 10:00am; book titles are listed online at mary.org. Contact Karen for more info at 612.872.7535.

FAMILIES MOVING FORWARD

In 2022, Basilica volunteers will be hosting families without housing through the Families Moving Forward program; however, instead of hosting families on our campus as we have done for many years, we will be hosting now in partnership with Plymouth Congregational Church at their facility. To learn how you can volunteer in this dynamic St. Vincent de Paul ministry, contact Mary at 612.669.5213 or mcbujold@yahoo.com.

EMPLOYMENT MINISTRY

The Basilica Employment Ministry wants to help you find a new job in 2022! The ministry has helped thousands of people during his history and continues to work with people every week as they go through job transition. During the pandemic and today our coaches are available to help people virtually in their job search. Contact Janet at 612.317.3508 or jgrove@mary.org to set up an intake meeting and begin the road to finding a new job!

FUNERAL HOSPITALITY: HELP WANTED

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2021 ANNUAL GIVING STATEMENT

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Thank you to all who have made a gift to the Landmark Annual Fund. Our ongoing projects to preserve, restore, and advance our beloved Basilica home are only possible through gifts to the Landmark Annual Fund at thebasicalandmark.org/give.

The Basilica Landmark is a separate 501(c)(3) charitable organization from The Basilica, and was organized in 1993 to preserve and restore The Basilica of Saint Mary and its campus.



AN EASTER GIFT TO THE BASILICA

This Easter season, please consider making a special gift to support Easter liturgies, and all The Basilica's ministries throughout the year at mary.org/eastergift.

BEAUTIFY THE BASILICA THIS EASTER

Help transform The Basilica this Easter with lilies and colorful spring flowers. The names of those honored or memorialize will be listed in the Easter leaflet if received by Sunday, April 3. Thank you for your mailed or online gift at mary.org/easterflowers.

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So thank you for your gifts to the 2021 Landmark Annual Fund, The 2021 Basilica Fund, and the Saint Vincent de Paul ministries. Because of you, we have been able to: accomplish a number of projects to preserve and restore The Basilica; offer beautiful liturgical celebrations and valuable programs; and provide dignified support to guests from every walk of life. We cannot thank you enough.



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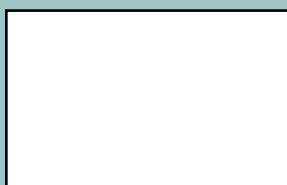
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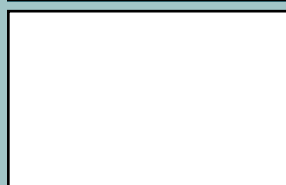


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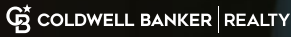
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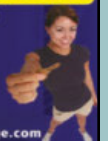
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