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# Welcome

A few weeks ago an individual made an appointment to meet with me to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

After visiting with him for a few minutes, he took out a sheet of paper on which he had listed his sins, explaining that as he got older he needed to write things down so he wouldn't forget them. While I'm not at that point quite yet, I did utter some consoling words in response. He then went

While we may need a list to remember our sins, God does not. I say this because God doesn't need or want a complete and detailed accounting of our sins. In fact, quite the opposite is true. In Psalm 103: 10-12 we read: "Not according to our sins does God deal with us; nor does he requite us

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on to say that while he was in the process of making his list of sins, he had gotten a call from his wife asking him to pick up a few things at the grocery store. He dutifully made a list of things to purchase, and then went to the store only to discover that instead of the grocery list, he had brought his list of sins with him. Since this sounded like something I would do, I asked him if I could share his story and he readily agreed.

according to our crimes. For as the heavens are high above the earth, so surpassing is his kindness toward those who fear him. As far as the East is from the West, so far had he put our transgressions from us."

God is not so much interested in what we have done wrong, as God is interested in what we are going to do right. In regard to our sins, God only asks that we acknowledge them and are sorry for them. If we do this, then God does indeed forgive us. In fact, when I speak about the sacrament of Reconciliation, I remind people that God is always ready to forgive our sins and that the only barrier to the forgiveness of our sins is the hardness of our hearts. We need to accept God's forgiveness of our sins. God doesn't force this on us.

While we may occasionally need to make a list so we can remember the sins we want to bring to the sacrament of Reconciliation, the list is solely for our benefit. God neither needs nor wants a list of our sins. God only wants to know that we are sorry for them. If we are, God will do the rest.



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

#### **OUR VISION:**

# Biblical stewardship

# STEWARDSHIP OF OUR GIFTS

SHARING OUR KNOWLEDGE, TALENT, LOVE AND EXPERIENCE TO SERVE OTHERS

This weekend launches our two-month focus on Stewardship of Our Gifts.

Scripture tells us about specific gifts of the Holy Spirit — such as administration, intercession, teaching or service. You may wonder what gifts the Spirit has allotted to you.

A number of paper-and-pencil inventories have been developed in recent years, one of which The Basilica has made available online. The Gifts Survey takes about 20 minutes and provides immediate feedback of your three strongest spiritual gifts, along with suggested opportunities for using your particular gifts in our Basilica community.

This weekend, the gifts leadership team is issuing a special invitation to come downstairs following Mass. Computers will be available for you to take the survey on the spot! So come on down, grab a cup of coffee and spend a few minutes learning about your gifts.

If you are unable to visit with us downstairs, the survey is available whenever you are. Find a quiet, unhurried time and log on to www.mary.org/giftsurvey.

"As each one has received a special gift, employ it in serving one another as good stewards of the manifold grace of God."

- I Peter 4:10

# BIBLICAL STEWARDSHIP

# A WAY OF LIFE

We celebrate stewardship throughout the year by emphasizing six key themes. Each aspect of stewardship is represented through The Basilica ministries, guiding us to make it part of our daily life.

**GLOBAL:** Promote peace throughout the world (Dec - Jan)

Care for ourselves in

body, mind and spirit

PERSONAL:

(June - July)

LOCAL: Create bridges between communities and advocate for those in need (Feb - Mar)

**GIFTS:** 

(Aug – Sept)

Share our knowledge, talent, love, and experience to serve others

FINANCIAL:

Give generously and joyfully (Oct - Nov)

**ECOLOGICAL:** 

Leave the world a

future generations

better place for

(Apr - May)

# Liturgy and sacred arts

**SACRED ART EXHIBIT:** 

M.J. DINESS — JERUSALEM'S FIRST PHOTOGRAPHER: PHOTOGRAPHS FROM THE OLDEST EXISTING NEGATIVES OF **JERUSALEM** 

ON DISPLAY THROUGH SEPTEMBER 4

JOHN XXIII GALLERY AND TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL,

THE BASILICA'S LOWER LEVEL

RECEPTION AND TALK BY JOHN BARNIER,

DISCOVERER AND COLLECTOR

SUNDAY, AUGUST 26, 1:00 PM

Learn more about the negatives, authenticated by the Harvard Semitic Museum, and about the photographer Mendel J. Diness.

# **BASILICA DAY**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12

FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES

On Basilica Day, we celebrate the 97th anniversary of the solemn dedication of The Basilica of Saint Mary. Some of the choirs will be back and there will be special music at Masses. An Archives exhibit will be displayed in the church. After morning Masses, everyone is invited to gather outdoors to celebrate with special Basilica ice cream provided by Sebastian Joe's and fun outside including a visit to the Mary Garden, walking the labyrinth and children's activities. Visit www.mary.org for more information.

### **SACRISTY RESTORATION: ATTENTION LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

Liturgical ministers will meet in the conference room of the Reardon Rectory before all liturgies due to the restoration work in the sacristy. We hope to finish the work mid-August. Contact Johan van Parys with any concerns.

# **SUMMER SOLDIST SERIES**

SUNDAYS, 9:30AM MASS, CHURCH

August 5 Mark Seerup, English horn

Chris Stroh, organist

August 12, Mary Keltgen, soprano Basilica Day Chris Stroh, organist

with a special appearance by The Basilica

Cathedral Choir

# THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN **MARY — HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 15

Mass times are as follows:

7:00am Eucharist, Saint Joseph Chapel (Cantor, Piano) Noon Eucharist, Basilica Church (Cantor, Organ) 5:30pm Eucharist, Basilica Church (Cantor, Organ)

# **CANTOR AUDITIONS**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 1:00-2:00PM, CHURCH Please call Teri at 612.317.3426 or Chris at 612.317.3505 with any questions or to book a time for your audition. You can also visit www.mary.org: Liturgy/Music/Adult Choirs for details.

# Events of the week

### STEWARDSHIP OF OUR GIFTS

FOLLOWING ALL MASSES THIS WEEKEND TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, THE BASILICA'S LOWER LEVEL

Visit with members of the gifts leadership team and find out what gifts you have. Computers will be available to take the online gifts survey.

# **BUILDING YOUR BRAND**

TUESDAY, AUGUST 7, 7:00-9:00PM

STS. AMBROSE/TERESA ROOM, THE BASILICA'S GROUND LEVEL

LaBarre Spence of the Opus College of Business at the University of St. Thomas will help you learn to build your professional brand, including understanding the value, importance and power of your own personal brand.

### **OPPORTUNITIES FOR SINGERS AND MUSICIANS**

# **CHORAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE YOUNG SINGER**

**Cherub Choir**, Pre-K and K. Wednesdays, 5:30-6:00pm. Tuition of \$50 per child per season.

**Children's Choir**, Grades 1-3. Wednesdays, 6:00-7:00pm. Tuition of \$50 per child per season.

Children sing for Mass approximately every other month. Space is limited. Contact Pat Arasim at prarasim@gmail.com.

# CHORAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR THE OLDER ELEMENTARY SINGER

Cathedral Choristers, Grades 4-8, or unchanged voice, Wednesdays 5:45-7:00pm. Tuition of \$55 per season. Requires a voice check in August. Cathedral Choristers sing for Mass twice a month and at Christmas and Easter. Space is limited. See <a href="https://www.mary.org">www.mary.org</a> or contact Teri at 612.317.3426 or <a href="mailto:tlarson@mary.org">tlarson@mary.org</a>.

# **CATHEDRAL CHOIR**

The Cathedral Choir sings for the 9:30am liturgy throughout the church year, September through June and major feast days and solemnities including Christmas, Holy Week and Easter. Repertoire includes music of all genres. Rehearsals are Wednesdays, 7:00-9:00pm. Auditions are required and include a prepared piece of music, sight-reading and pitch recognition. Space is limited and openings vary within each section. Audition time slots available on: August 18, 8:00-9:30am and 12:00-3:00pm, and August 25, 9:30-12:30pm. Other times available by appointment. Visit <a href="www.mary.org">www.mary.org</a> or contact Teri at 612.317.3426 or <a href="talagraph: largotype: l

# **CONTEMPORARY MUSIC MINISTRY OPPORTUNITIES**

Consider singing or playing an instrument in one of our contemporary music ministry ensembles.

**Mundus**, contemporary and world music ensemble; **Juventus**, youth ensemble, grades 8 and up;

Contemporary Musicians Ensemble

Visit <u>www.mary.org</u> or contact Walter at 612.317.3506 or wtambor@mary.org.

# Get involved

#### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SIGN UP

AUGUST 20-24, NORTH MINNEAPOLIS

Hammers, nails, saws and pails — join the fun with The Basilica's crew and work on a Habitat for Humanity home. No construction experience is necessary — we'll train you! Learn new skills and join others making a real impact in our community. Volunteers are also needed to provide lunches, snacks, beverages and breakfasts. To build, register with Nathan at <a href="mathen:nathan.peine@gmail.com">nathan.peine@gmail.com</a> or 612.816.2765. To provide food or serve as a host, contact Megan at <a href="mathen:mploog1@fairview.org">mploog1@fairview.org</a> or Julia at 612.317.3413.

# **PARISH PICNIC VOLUNTEERS**

We need people to help set-up, serve food, supervise kids' games and a host of other tasks. We're also looking for a variety of entertainment — music, clowning, magic, face painting, etc. To volunteer at the picnic or donate cupcakes, contact Sally at 612.317.3417 or Kiera at kiera.jacobson@gmail.com.

# **ACCOUNTING VOLUNTEER**

A volunteer is needed for data entry and miscellaneous administrative office work in The Basilica's accounting office. We need someone to work four hours per week, Monday or Tuesday. Contact Char at <a href="mailto:cmyhre@mary.org">cmyhre@mary.org</a> or 612.317.3498.

# PRAYER SHAWL MINISTRY

Four-hundred prayer shawls have been given, and prayer has accompanied each beautiful shawl, knitted or crocheted by The Basilica's prayer shawl ministry. To be a part of this ministry or to receive a shawl, please contact Cathy at 612.317.3474 or <a href="mailto:cedwards@mary.org">cedwards@mary.org</a>.

# **CATECHIST ASSISTANTS NEEDED**

We are looking for caring youth and adults to help during our Sunday morning Catechesis of the Good Shepherd sessions. This catechesis is a Montessori-based curriculum for children ages three-nine. Training is provided. Contact Kelli at 612.317.3439 or kkester@mary.org if you'd like to discuss the wonderful opportunity of assisting our catechists.

### **BEFRIENDER MINISTRY**

A BeFriender minister shares..."I stay in BeFriender Ministry because I'm learning to listen with discernment in every relationship I have. I've changed in very small ways to the outside world; I feel I'm growing inside." To learn about becoming a BeFriender contact Cathy at 612.317.3474 or cedwards@mary.org.

# **VOLUNTEER ONE HOUR. ONE SUNDAY A MONTH**

Volunteers are needed to staff the Scrip sales table after Sunday 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30am Masses. Training provided. Proceeds support The Basilica's ministries and operations. A background check is required. Contact Terri at 612.317.3471 or <a href="mailto:theathmore@mary.org">theathmore@mary.org</a>.

Check out all of our opportunities for volunteering at www.mary.org. Click on "Volunteer."

# Learning

# IF WE KNEW YOU WERE COMING ...

We ask that people register for many of the spiritual and educational offerings here at The Basilica. Registering in advance is crucial to hospitality and planning. If registrations are low, we will need to cancel. Please register on www.mary.org or call 612.317.3414.

# **BASILICA YOUNG ADULT (BYA) EVENTS**

#### **FALL SOFTBALL LEAGUES**

Co-ed, men's and women's BYA softball teams are being formed. The league will run late August through October. Contact Matt at <a href="matthewkpeters@gmail.com">matthewkpeters@gmail.com</a> if you are interested.

Sign up for the BYA E-Newsletter on MyBasilica or visit the Basilica Young Adults Facebook page to learn about all of the upcoming BYA events.

# RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS BEGINS IN SEPTEMBER

Have you been thinking about finding out more about Catholicism? Do you wonder what the church really teaches? Contact Paula at 612.317.3473 or <a href="mailto:pkaempffer@mary.org">pkaempffer@mary.org</a>. If you are already Catholic but would like to share your faith with someone as a sponsor on their journey, give us a call. Sponsor training will be held in August.

# **SEEING THROUGH THE EYES OF LUKE**

WEDNESDAYS, SEPTEMBER 5-NOVEMBER 28, 7:00PM

REARDON RECTORY DINING ROOM

Join us this fall for prayer, faith sharing and fellowship as we read and explore the Gospel of Luke. Participants will be invited to share their reflections on the readings and on God in their daily lives and personal prayer. Led by Tricia Burns. Cost is \$25. Register on MyBasilica or by calling 612.317.2414.

# THEOLOGY DAY: ISLAMIST AND LIBERAL ISLAMIC PERSPECTIVES ON AN IDEAL NATION-STATE

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 6, 6:00-9:00PM

Led by Jon Armajani, Ph.D., and presented by St. John's School of Theology. Please register on MyBasilica or by calling 612.317.3414. Free will donations will be accepted.

# **BAPTISM PREPARATION**

If you are expecting a baby or are in the process of adopting a baby, consider attending one of the monthly baptism preparation classes now. Baptism preparation classes encourage parents to consider their faith, discuss how to pass on our faith to our children, and share what to expect on baptism day. Contact Michelle at 612.317.3414 or mslaughter@mary.org for registration materials.

# 2012-2013 CHILDREN'S AND YOUTH LEARNING

Registration is open for children's and youth programs. Programs are available for children age three through grade 12 and begin in September. Materials are available in the back of church or at www.mary.org.

# Please note

#### THE BASILICA LANDMARK

The Basilica Landmark's summer renovation projects will be wrapping up over the coming weeks, in time for the beginning of education classes. You can see ongoing restoration work all around campus, including:

- Sacristy renovation, funded by the Partners in Preservation grant
- Renovation of the school bathrooms
- Restoration of the exterior church doors

You can help The Building of Hope with a gift to The Basilica Landmark Annual Fund.

Please give online at <u>www.thebasilicalandmark.org/give/how-you-</u>can-help.

#### ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

For families already living paycheck-to-paycheck (at best), the added expenses for back-to-school clothes, shoes and supplies are tremendously difficult. Did you know that \$75 can provide five pairs of school shoes for children in need? Through our St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) outreach ministries, we are able to respond with grace and dignity to these and many other requests. Please consider a donation to St. Vincent de Paul. You can give online at <a href="https://www.mary.org/donate">www.mary.org/donate</a> and 100% of your donation goes directly to help people in need.

#### **IS IT YOUR TURN?**

When it was time for your baby to be baptized, did you come to The Basilica for preparation? Do your children come to religious education classes here, in preparation for the sacraments? When you lost a loved one, did you turn to The Basilica for a respectful funeral? Did a BeFriender listen to your troubled thoughts, or were you wrapped in a prayer shawl when you were ill? Do you show up each weekend for beautiful liturgies and glorious music? If The Basilica has been here for you, is it your turn to be there for our beloved historic church? Consider a legacy gift to The Basilica Landmark to ensure that The Basilica continues to stand strong so it can be here for generations to come. For more information on The Basilica Landmark and its Legacy Society please contact Robin at 612.317.3429 or rkeyworth@mary.org.

### UNIVERSITY LIFECARE CENTER

Next weekend, you will find information and donation forms for the University LifeCare Center (ULCC) in the pews. Located in Northeast Minneapolis near the University of Minnesota, ULCC provides free pregnancy testing and counseling, baby and maternity items, ultrasounds and STI testing. Please take a brochure or find them visit <a href="http://ulifecare.org/">http://ulifecare.org/</a>.

# **CONGRATULATIONS**

The following couples recently celebrated the sacrament of marriage at The Basilica.

July 27: Melanie Nelson/Glenn Lucachick July 28: Caitlin Mansfield/Brian Niedzwiecki; Jenna Skalitsky/Brian King

# Christian life

### **CROSSROADS EVENTS**

OPEN TO BASILICA MEMBERS AND FRIENDS, AGES 50+

#### BOOK CLUB

FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 10:00AM, COWLEY CENTER Call Karen at 612.872.7535.

# CROSSROADS 10<sup>™</sup> ANNIVERSARY PARTY

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 22, 6:00PM, BASILICA'S LOWER LEVEL Enjoy an evening starting with Mass in the St. Joseph Chapel followed by catered dinner-theatre and door prizes in the Teresa of Calcutta Hall, all for \$30/person. Reservations and payment by August 10 to Helen at 952.949.3697.

# **CROSSROADS DINNER WITH FR. GILLESPIE**

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

Happy hour with cheese and wine at St. Albert the Great Church, followed by dinner at a nearby restaurant. For information and reservations, contact Tom or Cynthia at 612.926.2624.

# PARISH PICNIC AND MINISTRY FAIR

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 10:30AM-1:30PM

Five weeks out! This is our annual end-of-summer gathering, open to the whole parish. After 9:30 or 11:30am Mass, swing on down for some tasty barbecue from Famous Dave's, activities for all ages, and a ministry expo. Plan on:

- The popular cake walk will be reprised as a CUPcake walk donations of cupcakes gratefully accepted!
- Basilica treasure hunt, back for its fourth year
- New games and activities
- Network with fellow parishioners about the many amazing ministries that make up our faith community.

# Did You Know?

It's back-to-school time and our outreach and shoe ministries are busier than ever. We can always use hygiene items such as socks, shampoo and toothbrushes/ toothpaste. Contact Julia at 612.317.3413 if you have items to donate. Thank you!

# **EMPLOYMENT MINISTRY EVENTS**

Register at <u>www.mary.org</u> through MyBasilica or contact Janet at <u>igrove@mary.org</u> or 612.317.3508.

#### **RESUME AND COVER LETTER 101**

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 29, 7:00-9:00PM TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, THE BASILICA'S LOWER LEVEL Nancy Fraasch of Walden University presents.

# THE FIVE SECRETS OF STRENGTHSFINDERS

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 7:00–8:00PM
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, THE BASILICA'S LOWER LEVEL

### **MYERS-BRIGGS AND YOUR JOB SEARCH**

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, 7:00-9:00PM REARDON RECTORY DINING ROOM

# **HEALTH CARE FORUM**

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1:00-2:30PM

TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, THE BASILICA'S LOWER LEVEL Come hear leaders in the field address issues relevant to our lives and the health of our community. The Basilica Voices For Justice is facilitating this forum. For details or to get involved in The Basilica Voices for Justice, email Mary at <a href="mailto:mtgleich@gmail.com">mtgleich@gmail.com</a> or call Janice at 612.317.3477.

# **JUSTFAITH**

How is God calling me to live out my faith in a concrete way? JustFaith is a six-month justice formation process that meets weekly employing books, videos, lecture, discussion, prayer, retreats and hands-on experiences. JustFaith provides a tapestry of learning that enlivens the remarkable justice tradition of our church, and the gift of becoming community, sharing a life-giving and challenging journey of faith and compassion. Pre-registration required. Contact Deb at deb.polchow@anoka.k12.mn.us or Janice at 612.317.3477.

# Financial Update Iune 2012

	FY2011-2012 Budget June 12	FY 2011-2012 Actual June 12	Variance to Budget June 12	% Change Over ( -Under) FY 11 -12 Budget	FY 2010-2011 Actual June 11	% Change Over ( - Under) FY 10-11 Actual
Total Revenue	\$280,290	\$276,175	-\$4,115	-1%	\$284,096	-3%
Total Expenses	\$538,625	\$537,840	-\$785	0%	\$540,395	0%
Net Surplus (Deficit)	-\$258,336	-\$261,666	-\$3,330		-\$256,299	

### **CONTACT US**

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### **MASS TIMES**

MON-FRI: 7:00am & noon (ST. JOSEPH CHAPEL) SAT: 5:00pm (THE BASILICA) SUN: 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am, 4:30pm & 6:30pm (THE BASILICA)

### **RECTORY HOURS**

MON: 8:30am to 5:00pm TUE-FRI: 8:30am to 8:00pm SAT: 8:00am to 7:00pm SUN: 7:00am to 8:00pm

### **PARKING**

Visit www.mary.org/parking for complete parking info and driving directions.

The Basilica of Saint Mary is a community rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As the Co-Cathedral of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, it is our mandate to model, to inspire and to: provide excellence in liturgy, faith formation, pastoral care and hospitality; preach justice and provide emergency relief to the poor; pursue interfaith relationships; and to contribute to the celebration of the sacred arts in this community. The parish is marked by hospitality and rich diversity.