



THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

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Welcome

Meaningful Ministry

So much that is spiritual, beautiful, caring and meaningful happens at The Basilica of Saint Mary all the time. Walk in any door — the great bronze front doors, the leather doors from the Narthex into the church, the doors of the Reardon Rectory, Cowley Center or the school building — and what you'll find is activity, participation,

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dedication and, yes, love. Our parish is blessed with an abundance of spirit, commitment, devotion to God and to justice, and, yes, financial resources.

The energy that characterizes our parish comes directly from parishioners, friends, staff, volunteers, our pastor and the priests who celebrate Mass with us each day. And every single ministry, yes, every single one, is supported by the abundant generosity of all those who contribute

financially to The Basilica of Saint Mary in support of its liturgies, programs and ministries.

In fact, our buildings themselves are supported, literally as well as figuratively, by your gifts to The Basilica Landmark for their preservation and restoration. It's because of

you that The Basilica wasn't demolished in the early 1990s, and it's because of you that it is structurally sound today. You funded The Basilica Landmark's restoration of those leather doors, the bronze doors and now the crumbling entrance to the Reardon Rectory — what a symbolic gift that honors all who enter here.

YOU make all of this possible by making The Basilica and The Basilica Landmark part of both your spiritual life and

your philanthropic priorities. It may not seem that money has anything to do with ministry, but the opposite is true: money enables ministry. Without your financial support, all our critical, beautiful, humane, spiritual work would be impossible and the very home that houses our ministries would be rubble.

When you make a pledge to Financial Stewardship, put money or a check in the basket at Mass, contribute to St. Vincent de Paul, give to The Basilica Landmark Annual Fund, attend the Masqueray Ball or include The Basilica Landmark in your estate planning, you participate in ministry. Your generosity is one way, with your prayers and your energy, to share God's work.

So next time you read an email or a letter or an article in this newsletter or receive a phone call asking for your financial assistance, please hear what is really being offered: an invitation to play



Robin Keyworth
Major Gifts and
Planned Giving Officer
The Basilica of Saint Mary

a very meaningful part in the mission of The Basilica of Saint Mary and The Basilica Landmark.

You know your well-being is The Basilica's priority. Thank you for understanding the importance of giving and for your generosity in making The Basilica and The Basilica Landmark your priority.

OUR VISION:

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

STEWARDSHIP OF OUR GIFTS

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

My name is Karla Edin, and I've been a Basilica parishioner for about eight years. Several years ago, I took advantage of an opportunity to attend a workshop here at The Basilica about discovering your spiritual gifts. Many things have stuck with me from that experience, but the one I think of the most is that you can recognize when you're using your spiritual gifts because those activities energize you rather than leaving you drained.

Each time I serve as a minister of hospitality at The Basilica, I'm reminded of this fact. I'm excited by the opportunity to provide a warm smile and a "hello" to so many people. I try to take the opportunity to see Jesus in each person I meet, and at those times in particular I feel that I am following God's call.

Are you interested in getting energized by putting your spiritual gifts to work? Check out www.mary.org/giftsurvey for more information!

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

Karla is a member of the Gifts Leadership Team, which is responsible for highlighting this stewardship theme during August and September.

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, 1:00PM

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

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 SOLOIST SERIES

SUNDAYS, 9:30AM MASS, CHURCH

AUGUST 19

Greta Bauer, violin

Christopher Stroh, organist

AUGUST 26

Bill Bastian, tenor

Christopher Stroh, organist

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.

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)

LOCAL:

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

ECOLOGICAL:

Leave the world a better place for future generations (Apr - May)

PERSONAL:

Care for ourselves in body, mind and spirit (June - July)

GIFTS:

Share our knowledge, talent, love, and experience to serve others (Aug - Sept)

FINANCIAL:

Give generously and joyfully (Oct - Nov)

THE HANDBELLS OF SAINT MARY NEED YOU

If you enjoy music-making and seek an outlet for your creativity, The Basilica music ministry is looking for you! We are looking for people interested in learning more about ringing The Basilica's unique handbells at occasional festival liturgies. A casual informational gathering will take place on Thursday, September 27, 6:30pm in the St. Cecilia Room in The Reardon Rectory, lower level. People with any background and level of musical experience are invited to attend. If you have questions, please contact Chris at 612.317.3505 or cstroh@mary.org.

Events of the week

BASILICA DAY THIS SUNDAY

SUNDAY, AUGUST 12, AFTER MORNING MASSES
On Basilica Day, we celebrate the 97th anniversary of the solemn dedication of The Basilica of Saint Mary. Gather outdoors to celebrate with special Basilica ice cream provided by Sebastian Joe's and fun on the west lawn, including a visit to the Mary Garden, walking the labyrinth and children's activities.

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

(Charles Gray, violin/viola; Mary Lee Erickson, soprano; Chris Stroh, organist)

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 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 www.mary.org or contact Teri at 612.317.3426 or tlarson@mary.org.

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 www.mary.org or contact Teri at 612.317.3426 or tlarson@mary.org.

Get involved

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY SIGN UP

AUGUST 20-24, NORTH MINNEAPOLIS

Sign up after all Masses this weekend to work on a Habitat for Humanity home. A sign up table is in the Teresa of Calcutta Hall (for Sunday morning Masses, the sign up table will be outside with Basilica Day). No construction experience is necessary. We also need volunteers to provide lunches, breakfasts, snacks and beverages. If you can't visit the table, register to build with Nathan at 612.816.2765 or nathan.peine@gmail.com. To provide food or serve as a host, contact Megan at mploog1@fairview.org or Julia at 612.317.3413.

DO YOU LIKE TO SHOP?

SECOND SATURDAY OF EACH MONTH

Each month, The Basilica sponsors a meal at the Catholic Charities Opportunity Center. We need someone to shop for the groceries! All costs are reimbursed by The Basilica. Contact Julia at 612.317.3413 or jfreeman@mary.org for more information.

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.

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

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 thashmore@mary.org.

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 www.mary.org or contact Walter at 612.317.3506 or wtambor@mary.org.

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

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.

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 matthewkpeters@gmail.com 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 pkaempffer@mary.org. 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 at www.mary.org 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

TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, THE BASILICA'S LOWER LEVEL

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

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.

SACRED, HOLY AND MINE

SUNDAYS, SEPTEMBER 16 AND 23, 11:00AM-12:30PM

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

Led by Carol Frenning, this two-part program will discuss the nature of sacred space. There is no cost to attend. Register at www.mary.org on MyBasilica or by calling 612.317.2414.

CONGRATULATIONS

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

August 3: Erin Lindeke/Ben Dubay

August 4: Heather Nordin/Chad Novak

THE BASILICA LANDMARK

Ninety-seven years ago this week, The Basilica was solemnly dedicated. The Basilica Landmark's summer renovation projects will be wrapping up over the coming weeks, including:

- Sacristy renovation, funded by the Partners in Preservation grant
- Repair and renovation of the school plumbing and 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 www.thebasilicalandmark.org/give/how-you-can-help.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

Did you know that \$75 can provide five pairs of school shoes for children in need? The added expenses for back-to-school clothes, shoes and supplies are tremendously difficult for many families. Please consider a donation to St. Vincent de Paul. You can give online at www.mary.org/donate and 100% of your donation goes directly to help people in need.

LEGACY RECEIVED, LEGACY GIVEN

Think of the legacy you've received from those in your past. Perhaps you have a beloved aunt's needlepoint pillow, your grandmother's engagement ring or the family cabin, or perhaps it's your singing voice, athleticism or love of gardening. These objects and abilities are part of your life, what makes you YOU. Have you given any thought to the legacy you'll give? You may hand down those family possessions, your love of the arts or sports, but will you also leave a legacy of commitment to your spiritual home, The Basilica of Saint Mary? A legacy gift to The Basilica Landmark will help preserve and restore our church and its campus, and will remind your loved ones of how The Basilica really mattered to you. For information on the Landmark Legacy Society please contact Robin at 612.317.3429 or rkeyworth@mary.org.

GREAT PUMPKIN BINGO — SAVE THE DATE

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 6:00-9:00PM

TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL,

THE BASILICA'S LOWER LEVEL

Bingo is back on a Saturday night. Bring a friend or the whole family and join us for food, fun, prizes and BINGO! Tickets are \$20 in advance or \$25 at the door. All proceeds benefit The Basilica. Stay tuned to www.mary.org for more information.

TRY SCRIP SHOPPING CARDS AND HELP THE BASILICA

Do you buy gas, groceries, or shop at local department stores? Eat out at local restaurants? Try Scrip shopping cards. Scrip is easy, convenient, and doesn't cost you any extra.

Buy a \$25 Scrip card for your favorite retailer, and you get the full \$25 value. The Basilica receives a rebate from vendors from 2-20%. These funds support Basilica ministries and operations. Scrip is on sale weekdays at the Reardon Rectory and Sundays after 7:30, 9:30 and 11:30am Masses, or buy online at www.mary.org/scrip. Questions? Call Nola at 612.333.1381.

Christian life

CROSSROADS EVENTS

OPEN TO BASILICA MEMBERS AND FRIENDS, AGES 50+

BOOK CLUB

FIRST THURSDAY OF THE MONTH, 10:00AM, COWLEY CENTER
The September 6 selection is *Hotel on the Corner of Bitter and Sweet* by Jamie Ford. Call Karen at 612.872.7535.

CROSSROADS 10TH 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 ASAP 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.

ECOLOGICAL STEWARDSHIP

TUESDAY, AUGUST 21, 6:30-8:00PM, REARDON RECTORY
Do you love to bicycle? Are you passionate about recycling, sustainability and simplicity? Join The Basilica Green Team and meet other parishioners seeking to integrate their love of the environment and their faith. Call Karen at 651.308.0507.

PARISH PICNIC AND MINISTRY FAIR

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

HYGIENE ITEMS NEEDED FOR SVDP MINISTRY

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, toothbrushes/toothpaste. Contact Julia at 612.317.3413 or jfreeman@mary.org if you have items to donate. Thank you for helping us help our neighbors!



Did You Know?

All minor basilicas are associated to one or more of the Major Basilicas found in Rome. We are associated with the Basilica of Saint John Lateran and the Basilica of Saint Mary Major.

EMPLOYMENT MINISTRY EVENTS

Register at www.mary.org through MyBasilica or contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org 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

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

SOFAS AND SPOKES . . . AND APPLIANCES TOO!

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 15, 9:00AM-12:00PM
HENNEPIN AVE METHODIST CHURCH PARKING LOT
The annual furniture and bike drive of the Downtown Congregations to End Homelessness (DCEH) will also accept appliances for Habitat for Humanity. Appliances must be less than ten years old and in working condition (donors must take appliances that don't meet these criteria home). Donated furniture and bikes benefit guests of DCEH outreach programs. Contact Julia at 612.317.3413 or jfreeman@mary.org with questions.

HEALTH CARE FORUM

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16, 1:00-2:30PM
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, THE BASILICA'S LOWER LEVEL
How does health care reform affect us, the most vulnerable in our communities and our faith? Join The Basilica Voices For Justice and hear leaders in the field address issues relevant to our lives and the health of our community. For details or to get involved in The Basilica Voices for Justice, email Mary at mtgleich@gmail.com or call the Christian Life office at 612.317.3477.

JUSTFAITH

How do I become someone who really cares for and acts on behalf of the poor and vulnerable? What does Christ's compassion look like in the modern world? JustFaith is a program that invites people to experience a spiritual journey into compassion. A group of 10-15 people meet weekly, October through May, to read, discuss, pray, experience and be formed in community. Topics include poverty, hunger, compassion, racism, nonviolence and immigration. If you are curious, call Deb at 612.978.4216.

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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.