OCTOBER 2018

4 OCT
SESQUICENTENNIAL ANNIVERSARY
Parish 150th Anniversary.

7 OCT
BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
Honoring animals that share our lives and touch our hearts.

13 OCT
GREAT PUMPKIN BINGO
A night full of food, fun, and prizes.

4 NOV
ICON FESTIVAL OPENS
Procession at the 9:30am and 11:30am Masses.

A traditional church with a modern message.
FROM THE PASTOR

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

1. **Our End of Year Review and Our Operating Budget for the Next Fiscal Year:** A four page summary of our Year in Review report is included in this bulletin. The full report is available online. In an earlier bulletin I had mentioned that while we were running a little behind in our budgeted revenue for the past fiscal year, we were also slightly under budget in regard to our expenses. We ended the fiscal year with a small deficit, which was covered by using a portion of the school rental income. The remainder of the school rental income was transferred to our cash reserve.

I am grateful to our staff for the terrific job they did in reducing and controlling expenses. I am also grateful, though, for the ongoing financial support of you, our parishioners. Your generosity is a blessing for our parish.

As mentioned above, the full copy of our year review is available online at mary.org. You can also call our Development Office if you would like to receive a printed copy.

Finally, because of your generosity, in our budgeting for next year—we are anticipating a small increase in our revenue. This is good news and a testament to your care for and commitment to our parish community. As your pastor, I want you to know of my gratitude for your ongoing generosity. Please know it is greatly appreciated.

2. **150th Anniversary of our Parish:** This year our parish celebrates its Sesquicentennial. 150 years ago the Church of the Immaculate Conception was founded in Minneapolis. The first Mass was celebrated on October 4, 1868. (When the parish outgrew its original site, seven lots were donated at 16th and Hennepin Ave in 1904. The cornerstone of The Basilica, which was initially known as the Pro-Cathedral, was laid in 1908, and the first Mass was celebrated in The Basilica on May 31, 1914.)

We will kick-off a year long celebration of our 150th anniversary on Sunday, September 30. Archbishop Hebda will preside at the 9:30 and 11:30am Masses that day. Throughout the coming year there will be a variety of events, activities, and exhibits to celebrate our Sesquicentennial as a parish. I invite you to attend as many of these as you are able as we celebrate 150 years of faith.

3. **Maintenance Projects at The Basilica:** As I mentioned in an earlier bulletin, we tackled several maintenance projects on our campus this summer. As I hope you noticed from the scaffolding, we tuck-pointed the stone under the dome. As I write this column we are in the process of upgrading the kitchen in the lower level; we will also be doing some upgrades to the church sound system; seal coating and re-stripping the parking lots; and replacing the florescent lights in the lower level of the Church with LED lighting. We will also be replacing the lighting on the interior ring of lights in the dome with LED lighting. This was the fund-a-need project at this year’s Basilica Landmark Ball. We also hope to reconstruct the South entrance to our school building sometime next spring.

We are hopeful that there will be minimal disruption with these projects. We are grateful that most of these projects will be funded by The Basilica Landmark.

4. **Special Collections:** While no one is fond of special collections, it is heartening for me to report that the people of The Basilica have been very generous to the last few special collections here.

- On the weekend of June 17 and 18, $7,400 was contributed to help defray the cost of air conditioning The Basilica during the hot summer months.
- On the weekend of July 28 and 29, $10,835 was contributed to help fund our St. Vincent de Paul Ministry.

The contributions to these collections testify to the generosity of the people of The Basilica. Please know of my gratitude for your generous response to these collections.

5. **Financial Stewardship:** During the months of October and November we celebrate Financial Stewardship. During this time we ask all parishioners to make a pledge of financial support for our parish. While I am very much aware of the many requests we all receive for financial support, I am hopeful, though, that The Basilica will be near the top of your list in terms of your financial support. It is your ongoing, regular financial support that makes it possible for us to offer the many programs, services, and ministries that are at the heart of our Basilica parish.

6. **Archdiocesan Bankruptcy:** As I hope you are aware, earlier this summer an agreement had been reached to resolve the bankruptcy of the Archdiocese. The agreement establishes a trust fund of approximately $210 million for the victims/survivors.
THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

A community rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ. As disciples of Jesus Christ, we:
- Practice biblical stewardship
- Share our faith with others in word and deed
- Pursue ecumenical and interfaith relationships
- Rejoice in rich diversity

As the Co-Cathedral of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, we are committed to provide:
- Inspiring liturgies and sacred arts
- Transforming life-long learning opportunities
- Engaging service to one another and justice for all

EUCARIST
Saturday
5:00pm
Sunday
7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am
4:30pm, 6:30pm
Monday-Friday
7:00am and Noon
Saint Joseph Chapel

Nursery
Available Sunday 9:30am Mass for children through age 4.

Accessibility
Center East bronze doors and ground level doors for accessible entrance. Wheelchairs available upon request.

SACRAMENTS
Please call the parish office for:
Baptism and Marriage
Anointing of the Sick
Homebound Communion

Some of the money for the settlement fund came in the form of voluntary pledges of financial support from parishes and priests of our Archdiocese. I believe this is a wonderful statement of our compassion and support for our brothers and sisters who were seriously wounded and hurt by my brother priests and by others in our church.

In a letter to all parishioners several weeks ago, I said that The Basilica of Saint Mary was one of the parishes that made a confidential pledge of financial support to the settlement fund. This decision was made in consultation with our Parish Council and Finance committee. After setting a range for this contribution, they directed that our Parish Trustees and I make the final decision as to the amount of the contribution. The money for this pledge came from our parish reserves, which are funded by the rental income from our school building. Our financial pledge won’t be payable until the details of the settlement are finalized. It is our hope that making this pledge of financial support will send a strong message of solidarity and support to the victims/survivors.

7. Parish Packing Event: After the Masses on Sunday, August 12 numerous people came together to help put school supplies into almost 200 backpacks for students at Ascension School. The school supplies were collected throughout June and July. These backpacks helped students at Ascension School start the school year off with the supplies they needed. Many thanks to all those who contributed school supplies during June and July, and to the numerous people who helped put them in to the backpacks.

8. The Current Situation in our Church: As I said in a letter to parishioners a few weeks ago, lately it has been hard to be a Catholic. There have been accusations of sexual abuse and other sexually inappropriate behavior against former Cardinal Theodore McCarrick. Additionally, a grand jury in Pennsylvania released a report about the widespread sexual abuse of children by priests in six dioceses in Pennsylvania. And most recently (at least as I write this column at the end of August) the former Apostolic Delegate to the United States, Archbishop Carlo Maria Vigano, wrote a letter highly critical of Pope Francis and several other Church leaders. In the first two cases, it appears that those who were in positions to do something bear both legal and moral culpability for their inaction. In regard to the letter from Archbishop Vigano, it is suspect in that Vigano accused Pope Francis of lifting sanctions against former Cardinal McCarrick that had never been put in place.

In the face of this situation, it would seem that there is very little I, or any other priest or bishop, could or should say. And yet to say nothing could be misconstrued as acquiescence to or acceptance of this situation. And so I offer two brief thoughts.

First, while our church is facing a very difficult time in its history, I believe that ultimately it will emerge purified and more humble. I say this because it is our belief that the Holy Spirit remains with and guides our church until the end of time. And I firmly believe the Spirit will not allow our church to deviate fundamentally from the truth of the Gospel, from its mission, and from its life of faith. We call this charism: ‘Indefeectibility.’

Certainly, our church has veered off course in the past. And clearly a course correction is called for at the present moment. Ultimately, though, because of the guidance of the Spirit, I have to believe that our church can’t go into fundamental error.

Second, as I said in my homily a few weeks ago, I realize that for many people the above revelations have caused them to lose faith in, and in some cases to leave the Catholic Church—at least for now. I am deeply saddened by this. At the same time I understand and respect their decision. For me, though, the Catholic Church is my home. It is too much a part of me to let it go. I cannot live without the Eucharist. I need the Eucharist to live as a follower of Jesus, and I need the faith of the community to make the Eucharist real and alive in my life. The Catholic Church is my home. I have no other.

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

French composer Maurice Ravel (1875-1937), publicly dedicated his newly composed string quartet to his teacher Gabriel Fauré (1845-1925). Fauré told Ravel that he could not accept because he thought the piece was ugly, had no meaning, and was completely unintelligible. Publicly humiliated Ravel doubted his talents and he almost stopped composing. Thankfully, fellow composer Claude Debussy (1862-1918) a lover of Ravel’s music, encouraged him to continue his work as a composer.

String Quartet in F is now one of the most celebrated works of French string music and Ravel is known and loved throughout the world.

Good artists possess the artistic skills to create something beautiful. Great artists in addition have the gift of vision. They see things and understand things we cannot see or understand, except when these artists allow us a peek into the world they see through their art.

Often their art is unusual and sometimes even uncomfortable. However, it is not because we don’t “like it” that it is bad art. The appreciation of art is often very subjective and depends mostly on the prevailing taste of a given society. Most people hesitate to venture beyond their artistic comfort zone.

Everyone likes Renaissance Madonnas and Baroque crucifixes. Modern renditions are not always beloved “at first sight.” Appreciating and understanding contemporary art takes effort. And yet, let’s remember that the artists we all love today were “modern” artists at one point and they too were scorned for their “modern” art, even the great Michelangelo.

The Catholic Church has welcomed and continues to welcome the work of contemporary artists. For this reason, one can find art and architecture in the great medieval Cathedrals of Europe dating back one hundred, five hundred, and even one thousand years. Somehow this collage of styles works as it represents the rich tapestry of our Christian artistic and spiritual history.

At The Basilica we have art that dates back to the founding of our parish 150 years ago. We have received donations of art even older than that. We also have art that was created in more recent times. For stylistic purists the juxtaposition of old and new art is uncomfortable. However, as a church, we are not interested in stylistic purity. Rather we are interested in the ongoing expression of our faith in a style that not only intrigues and inspires today, but that also can propel us into the future.

LITURGY

MISSA CHORALIS 2018-2019 SEASON
5:00PM MASS OF ANTICIPATION, BASILICA
The season begins on the first Saturday of October. 2018-2019 brochures for the Missa Choralis Season are located near the entrance of the church or visit mary.org.

SESQUICENTENNIAL MASS
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, NOON
Join us for Noon Mass to mark The Basilica Parish’s sesquicentennial anniversary.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1:30PM, BASILICA
We will gather on the lawn starting at 1:00pm. At 1:30pm, we will process into the church for a brief service to thank God for the blessing of all creation and to pray for the continued well-being of our world. Individual blessings and refreshments will be available on the lawn following the service. T-shirts featuring this year’s gorilla design will be for sale.

TAIZÉ PRAYER WITH INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS
TUESDAYS, OCTOBER 9, NOVEMBER 13, 5:30PM
SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL, GROUND LEVEL
In conjunction with Disability Awareness Month, there will be ASL, Braille leaflets, and special seating and lighting for those with disabilities.

FUNERAL PLANNING WORKSHOP
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 10:00AM-NOON
REARDON RECTORY, DINING ROOM
For more information, contact Mark Wyss at mwyss@mary.org or call 612.317.3410. Seating is limited. Registration is required.

THE SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS
(HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 1
EUCHARIST WILL BE CELEBRATED AT:
7:00AM SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL, GROUND LEVEL
NOON BASILICA
5:30PM BASILICA

REQUIEM MASS ON THE FEAST OF ALL SOULS
FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, NOON
SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL, GROUND LEVEL

EVENING PRAYER FOR ALL SOULS
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 3:00PM, BASILICA
We begin this month of remembrance with solemn Evening Prayer for all our beloved dead. The names of all those who have died within the last year will be mentioned during the Litany of the Saints. All other names of the faithful departed will be listed in the worship leaflet. If you wish to include names of the faithful departed, please call The Basilica by October 26.

Liturgical Ministries - 612.317.3433
Sacred Art/Concerts - 612.317.3438
Music - 612.317.3426

Liturgy & Sacred Arts Office
Director – Johan van Parys
General Info - 612.317.3410
THANKSGIVING DAY
THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 22, BASILICA
8:30AM   EUCHARIST
10:00AM   INTERFAITH SERVICE
WESTMINSTER CATHEDRAL

GREGORIAN VESPERS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF CHRIST THE KING
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 25, 3:00PM, CHOIR STALLS
Vespers with members of the Rose Ensemble.

DECORATE FOR ADVENT
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 8:30AM
BASILICA
Help to prepare The Basilica for the season of Advent. There are tasks for the whole family to share—and this is a great opportunity for friends to volunteer together. Please register online at mary.org/liguricalministry.

CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS
Please help us beautify The Basilica this Christmas. Envelopes for Christmas flower donations are available in the church or you can give online at mary.org/donate.

TOLTON: FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 7:00PM
BASILICA

MINNESOTA SINFONIA
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2:00PM
Free, families with children encouraged to attend. Israeli-American cellist Amit Peled returns (with Pablo Casal’s cello!) to share his personal, musical, and spiritual journey playing works by Jewish composers.

SAINT JOHN’S UNIVERSITY/ COLLEGE OF SAINT BENEDICT
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 1, 8:00PM
Room for Christmas: Children and Youth Musical
Celebrating the Season Concert Tickets: 320.363.5777 or cshsjw.edu/finearts

CONCERTS AND MUSIC

MATTHEW 25: WORKS OF MERCY
SCULPTURES BY TIMOTHY SCHMALZ
EXHIBITION: OCTOBER 4 – NOVEMBER 25
Works of Mercy sculptures by Timothy Schmalz will be displayed. They include When I Was Hungry & Thirsty; Sick; Naked; a Stranger; in Prison. The Basilica’s Homeless Jesus bronze near the front plaza is also part of this series.

24TH ANNUAL ICON FESTIVAL
EXHIBIT: NOVEMBER 1 – 25
The Festival opens with a procession of Icons during the 9:30am and 11:30am Masses on Sunday, November 4. Icons dating from the 17th century to contemporary time will be displayed in the sanctuary.

DIA DE LOS MUERTOS: DAY OF THE DEAD
NOVEMBER 1 & 2 AND THROUGHOUT NOVEMBER
Ofrendas will be built on two of the side altars in The Basilica. The Day of the Dead is celebrated throughout Mexico and around the world. The celebration focuses on gatherings of family and friends to pray for and remember friends and family members who have died.

CONCERTS AND MUSIC

ORGAN DEDICATION 68TH ANNIVERSARY RECITAL
MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 7:00PM
BASILICA
On October 15, 1950, The Basilica’s organ was formally dedicated to the Glory of God in front of capacity crowd with recitalist Dr. Mario Salvadori. Come and celebrate the 68th Anniversary of The Basilica’s “Centennial Organ” with an engaging offering of music played by visiting organist Nicholas Schmelzer.

A JOURNEY IN LOVE: CONTEMPORARY ENSEMBLE MUSICIANS IN CONCERT
SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 8:00PM
BASILICA
Experience music exploring the themes of joy and love from all 25 of The Basilica’s Contemporary Musicians Ensemble singers and instrumentalists. You hear a small group weekly at the 11:30, 4:30, and 6:30 Masses—now experience the complete ensemble together for the first time ever to celebrate our parish’s 150th anniversary.

ROOM FOR CHRISTMAS CHILDREN AND YOUTH MUSICAL

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FROM THE DIRECTOR

At The Basilica we are committed to providing transforming life-long learning opportunities. Every year we strive to provide educational programs that will bring each attendee into deeper discipleship with their faith.

This past year, as reflected in the enclosed Year in Review report, we engaged hundreds of children, youth, and adults in the sacraments and faith formation programs. One particular new highlight is The Basilica YES (Youth Engaged in Service) program with 18 teens creating a positive impact in our community. This program, led by dedicated volunteers, was started last year for teens who have completed Confirmation. We look forward to the second year of the program and the amazing energy and passion these young people bring to their faith.

The BYA (Basilica Young Adult) program continues to grow providing faith, fun, and service for people in their 20s and 30s. This group now offers two more faith sharing groups including BYW (Basilica Young Women) and BYM (Basilica Young Men)—these groups provide opportunities for young adults to dig deeper into faith exploration and connect to a community of young adults.

Looking ahead in November, we have a program series presented in partnership with the Jewish Community Relations Council of Minnesota and the Dakotas. This series speaks to The Basilica’s commitment to interfaith dialogue and welcoming conversations that foster understanding and religious tolerance. I hope you will join us for this program as we explore the Jewish history and faith together.

Lastly, I ask that you join me in prayer supporting our new RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) seekers as they walk through the process of learning more about Catholicism. This committed group of sponsors and inquirers share in a life-changing learning experience together. If you have any questions about RCIA please feel free to contact me.

LEARNING

ADULT LEARNING

POPE FRANCIS’ LISTENING CHURCH
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, 11:00AM-12:30PM
SAINTS AMBROSE/TERESA ROOM
GROUND LEVEL
Join us to explore Pope Francis’ call for a “listening church.” Presented by Kristin Colberg, Ph.D., Associate Professor of Theology at Saint John’s University & the College of Saint Benedict. Registration requested. No cost to attend. Register at mary.org.

JUDAISM, ISRAEL, AND THE HOLOCAUST
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1:00-2:30PM
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, LOWER LEVEL
Join us for a three-part series presented by the the Jewish Community Relations Council of Minnesota and the Dakotas. Registration requested at mary.org. There is no cost to attend.

HOLOCAUST FAMILY STORIES
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 4, 1:00-2:30PM
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, LOWER LEVEL
A personal story is a valuable entry-point to the tragedy of the Holocaust. Holocaust survivors and their descendants are available to speak with your group. These local family stories provide a direct touchpoint to the larger historical context.

This program includes:
• Testimony from a Holocaust survivor’s family
• A unique extension and deepening of your Holocaust education experience

JUDAISM ON ONE FOOT: INTRODUCTION TO JEWISH BELIEF AND PRACTICE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 11, 1:00-2:30PM
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, LOWER LEVEL
What are the beliefs, values, and religious traditions upon which the Jewish faith is based? How do Jews express that faith in their daily lives?

This program includes:
• Keeping kosher, Torah, Bar/Bat Mitzvah, holidays and Sabbath observance
• Rituals related to birth, adulthood, marriage and death
• The connection of the people of Israel to the land of Israel

ISRAEL AND THE MIDDLE EAST: THE CHALLENGE OF PEACE
SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 1:00-2:30PM
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, LOWER LEVEL
Let’s grapple with this complex topic together. To fully understand the Arab-Israeli conflict, we look at the region’s history, ancient and modern. We then consider current events that shape today’s reality.

This program includes:
• The geography and historical timeline of the region
• The composition and culture of the multi-ethnic, diverse, democratic state of Israel

Learning Office
Director – Paula Kaempf

General Info/Baptism - 612.317.3414
First Eucharist/Reconciliation, Confirmation - 612.317.3435
Youth Ministry - 612.317.3439
Young Adult Ministry - 612.317.3435
Children & Family Ministry - 612.317.3439
Marriage Ministry - 612.317.3478
LEARNING

THE POWER OF SACRED ART:
BEAUTY THAT SAVES AND SHATTERS
SUNDAYS, DECEMBER 2 & 9, 11:00-12:30PM
SAINTS AMBROSE/TERESA ROOM, GROUND LEVEL
Johan van Parys, Ph.D., our Director of Liturgy & Sacred Art, will explore the role art has played in the life of the Church throughout the ages and how the arts may assist in the building up of our Church and broader community in the world in which we live. Registration requested at mary.org. No cost to attend.

FAMILIES WITH CHILDREN

VOLUNTEER EVENT
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21
Join us for a community day of service. Volunteer to help pack hygiene kits for those in need. This is a great opportunity for families to volunteer together. Packing will take place following the 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30am Masses. Register at mary.org/pack.

MOMMS AND DADS
We offer a variety of ministries for young families at The Basilica (families with children under the age of four.) Our MOMMs group (Mary Our Mother Mom) meets twice a month on Wednesday mornings with free child care available. Our newly formed DADs group meets monthly on the first Saturday. Visit mary.org for future dates.

CHILDREN’S AND YOUTH MINISTRY PROGRAMS
Our Children’s and Youth Ministry programs are off to a wonderfully sacred and joyous start! Please continue to hold the youngest members of our community in your prayer and heart. Please contact Kelli at kkester@mary.org or 612.317.3439 with any questions about our process or schedule.

COMMITMENT TO INCLUSIVE LEARNING
The Basilica strives to meet the needs of each student in our Faith Formation program. Please let us know if your child has special needs or an Individualized Education Program (IEP). Contact Kelli, Coordinator of Learning for Children and Youth at kkester@mary.org or 612.317.3439 for more information.

THE BASILICA’S NURSERY
The Basilica’s Nursery is open in the School, Room LL-7E on Sundays from 9:15-11:00am, and is intended for ages four and under. There is no cost to use this service. Please stop by the nursery to learn more, or contact Kelli at kkester@mary.org or 612.317.3439 if you have questions.

SAVE THE DATE

BASILICA WEDDING REUNION
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2019
5:00PM
All who have celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage at The Basilica are invited to this special evening.

Join us for 5:00pm Mass, all reunion attendees will be seated together to receive a special blessing.

Mass will be followed by a reception in the lower level. The couples and their families and friends are all invited to attend.

Please mark your calendar for this special celebration of your marriage as part of The Basilica’s historic 150th year of anniversary celebrations.

BASILICA YOUNG ADULTS

BYA are young adults (single and married) in their 20s/30s who gather for social events, opportunities for learning and spiritual growth, and to provide service to our community.

BYA BIBLE STUDY
THURSDAYS, 7:15-8:45PM
SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL
This is the perfect Bible Study for a busy lifestyle—no preparation needed and come when you can. For more information, contact Ben at beaduff@mary.org.
FROM THE DIRECTOR

The mission of The Basilica calls us to be a community rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, practicing biblical stewardship and sharing our faith with others in word and deed. We are called to pursue ecumenical and interfaith relationships, extend Christian hospitality and rejoice in rich diversity.

As we seek to live out this mission, our strong commitment to interfaith dialogue brings us to regularly offer opportunities for interfaith dialogue through liturgy, art, and educational discussions. We partner with organizations such as the Downtown Congregations, Jewish Community Relations Council and the Islamic Resource Group, along with many other faith communities. We hold interfaith prayer services with the different faith communities of Minneapolis to show respect for one another and to come together in prayer.

This fall, The Basilica is offering a full range of opportunities to learn more about our Jewish brothers and sisters, as well as our Muslim family. There are formal presentations, as well as ways to connect informally. We are invited to get beyond stereotypes—to learn from and build relationships with others.

As we expand our understanding of other faiths and meet people who practice these faiths, we grow in our ability to fully rejoice in diversity and share our values of compassion and acceptance of others. Through interfaith programs we can recognize our common bonds and human dignity and often we learn more about our Catholic faith in the process.

I invite you to our interfaith programs to explore and learn together with our fellow Catholic community. Together, we can grow into a community of love.

CHRISTIAN LIFE

SERVE

THE POWER OF HOME: FAMILIES MOVING FORWARD, A ST. VINCENT DE PAUL MINISTRY

Many people call The Basilica home—a home for spiritual growth, safe harbor, and a place where you are welcomed wherever you may be on your faith journey. To others, specifically families without housing staying at The Basilica through the local Families Moving Forward program, the church is a temporary home where overnight accommodations, a warm meal, and the hospitality of hard-working volunteers give them respite on their path toward permanent housing.

In this season of Stewardship of our Gifts, we are reminded that we all have talents, passion, or skills to share. Perhaps it’s your love of music, art, reading, or play that can be shared. Perhaps it’s the joy of cooking, or your background as an educator that can be put to good use assisting kids with homework. Whatever you enjoy, whatever you like to do, you can find your “volunteer fit” at Families Moving Forward.

Volunteers are needed now for our upcoming hosting week: Sunday, October 28-Sunday, November 4. You can help set up/take down sleeping rooms, donate/ cook/serve a meal, stay overnight with families, or help with evening activities. To register to volunteer or for more information, contact Julie Eschen at 952.288.0080 or julieandkevineschen@gmail.com.

We cordially invite you to step into the season of Stewardship of our Gifts and help us to make The Basilica a home for families without housing.

ACCOMPANY

BASILICA EMPLOYMENT MINISTRY

The Employment Ministry continues to help people in job transition. With hundreds of job postings distributed each week, six job coaches working one on one with participants, and access to numerous workshops and training opportunities in the Twin Cities, over 150 people secured employment in the past year. If you or someone you know is in transition or if your company has job openings, consider working with your employment ministry. Contact Janet at igrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

OCTOBER IS DISABILITY AWARENESS MONTH AT THE BASILICA

Join us as we continue to look at ways to eliminate barriers to participation at The Basilica.

Christian Life Office
Director - Janice Andersen

General Info - 612.317.3419
Charity - 612.317.3413
Justice - 612.317.3477
Caring Ministries - 612.317.3474
Welcome/Hospitality - 612.317.3417
Employment and Mental Health Ministry - 612.317.3508
TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9, 5:30PM
ASL Interpreter, Braille Leaflet, wheelchair seating, lighting for those with visual impairment are just a few of the ways we are making this prayer service more accessible to all.

DISABILITY AWARENESS MINISTRY FAIR
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14, FOLLOWING 9:30 AND 11:30AM MASSES
Come down to Teresa of Calcutta Hall for special treats and resource tables featuring organizations with information on breaking down the barriers to participation on many levels. If you have an organization you would like to participate, or for more information, contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

DOCUMENTARY FILM: SUMMER IN THE FOREST
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27, 3:00PM, TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL
This highly acclaimed, recently released documentary tells the story of L’Arche, an international federation dedicated to the creation and growth of homes, programs, and support networks with people who have intellectual disabilities. It was founded in 1964, and is operating today in 147 communities in 35 countries, on 5 continents. Doors open at 2:30pm and special treats will be available. For more information, contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

BOOK CLUB: THE ROAD TO DAYBREAK
Before coming to see Summer in the Forest, we invite you to join us in reading The Road to Daybreak by Henri J. M. Nouwen. This book documents the author’s spiritual journey that took him to the L’Arche community in Trosly, France and the impact it made on him for the remainder of his life. If you would like to purchase a copy, please contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

DEFEND
PRISONERS OR PATIENTS? A MENTAL HEALTH AND JUSTICE PARTNERSHIP
THURSDAYS, OCTOBER 11, NOVEMBER 8, 12:00PM
All are welcome to join this task force as we learn about issues when people land in jail or prison and have mental illness. We meet the second Thursday of each month at Noon for one hour. Lunch is served. For more information contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

BUILDING BRIDGES: INTERFAITH DIALOGUE
WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17, 5:45PM
In our commitment to Interfaith Dialogue, join Jay Perske from Sarreen Ministries as he leads us on a trip through one of the Somali Malls at Elliot and 24th Streets. We’ll meet on the front steps of The Basilica at 5:45pm and carpool to the 24 Mall. Bring $5 to purchase a headscarf from one of the vendors. We will eat immediately after the evening prayer at one of the restaurants in the Mall. The cost for dinner is $8-9. This is an opportunity to chat with some of our Muslim neighbors. Call Kathy Clarkson at 763.533.4871 if you are interested in coming. Space is limited to 14 people.

THE BASILICA MENTAL HEALTH MINISTRY
This ministry is in the planning stage for the next year and looking for additional members. If you are interested in becoming a member, please contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

BASILICA VOICES FOR JUSTICE
Do you pray diligently and live with eyes open to the realities of our day? Do you practice the core principles of Catholic Social Teaching: human dignity, option for the poor and vulnerable, common good, and primacy of love?

The Basilica Voices for Justice serves as a leadership team that provides a framework and tools to empower our community through education and formation to use their voice for justice. You are invited to share your voice and join the team. For more information, contact Aara at aarajohnson@gmail.com.

CROSSROADS
CROSSROADS invites ALL adults to participate in events such as book club, hosted potlucks, lunches, dinners, museums, and theatre events. Do you have an idea you’d like to offer? Please contact Janine at 763.566.5743 or attend a planning meeting.

PLANNING MEETING
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 11:00AM
CATHERINE OF SIENA ROOM
GROUND LEVEL
Please note new time and location of the meeting. All are welcome.

THURSDAY BOOK CLUB
FIRST THURSDAY, 10:00AM
COWLEY CENTER, WAGNER ROOM
October 4: “Kinder Than Solitude” by Yiyun Li
November 1: “Dorothy Day: The World Will Be Saved by Beauty” by Kate Hennessy

Questions? Call Karen 612.872.7535

DECEMBER LUNCH
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 1:00PM
HY-VEE MARKET GRILL
8200 42ND AVE N, NEW HOPE
Gather and celebrate the Christmas season. Reservations by December 1 to Marilyn at 612.618.2960.
THE BASILICA FUND

As we enter into the annual stewardship pledge season, you will notice changes in the language and design of our campaign. Financial Stewardship is now The Basilica Fund—and pledging is now recurring giving.

WHY THE CHANGE?

While Financial Stewardship and pledging are familiar terms for long-time members of The Basilica, it is a language unfamiliar to others. We want all to feel welcome and encouraged to support our community.

The other noticeable change is renaming pledging to recurring giving. The mechanics of donating have not changed; you will still receive a letter and brochure in the mail encouraging you to set up a recurring gift. This functions the same as a pledge and enables us to plan our budget for 2019.

In short, your gift continues to keep our doors open.

If you have any other questions, contact Kate Wilson at 612.317.3455 or kwilson@mary.org

GREAT PUMPKIN BINGO

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 6:00-9:00PM
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, LOWER LEVEL
What better way to celebrate the beginning of Autumn than Great Pumpkin Bingo? Don’t miss your chance to win excellent prizes, including gift certificates and tickets for the 25th anniversary of the Basilica Block Party! Come to win (in costume), stay for the food and cash bar.

Purchase in advance and save:
Two tickets before October 1 for $40
Individual $25 in advance or $30 at the door
Children 12 & under: $5
Purchase and decorate a table for eight: $175

Buy tickets and register for the costume contest online at mary.org/bingo Contact Liz at 612.317.3428 or lleggatt@mary.org for more information.

THE BASILICA LANDMARK ANNUAL FUND

When the doors of The Basilica nearly closed due to its failing infrastructure, we needed your help more than ever. A generation later, our doors remain open as we continue to repair the scars left behind.

This year, The Basilica Landmark is funding the following projects:
• Tuck-pointing of the dome
• Renovating the school’s south entrance
• Installing energy-efficient LED lighting in The Basilica Lower Level

By supporting these initiatives, you ensure the longevity of our building. Donate online at thebasilicalandmark.org/give or by contacting Stephanie Bielmas at 612.317.3472.

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.

Handel’s Messiah

MESSIAH CONCERT
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 21
8:00PM CONCERT
THE BASILICA OF SAINT MARY

Co-presented by The Basilica of Saint Mary and The Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra.

Celebrate the season with one of classical music’s most cherished works. The Basilica of Saint Mary offers an ethereal atmosphere for the “Hallelujah Chorus”.

Concert tickets start at $78 and may be purchased through mary.org/messiah. This event will sell out so hurry and reserve your tickets today!

For more information and reservations, contact Liz at 612.317.3428 or lleggatt@mary.org
TOLTON: FROM SLAVE TO PRIEST
TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23, 7:00PM
BASILICA

A new live theater production based on the life of Father Augustus Tolton, the first African American Catholic priest. This one-man multimedia drama is currently on a national tour, performing in churches, schools, and theaters.

A former slave who was baptized and reared Catholic, Tolton studied formally in Rome. He was ordained in Rome on Easter Sunday of 1886 at the Archbasilica of St. John Lateran. Assigned to the Diocese of Alton (now the Diocese of Springfield), Tolton first ministered to his home parish in Quincy, Illinois. Later assigned to Chicago, Tolton led the development and construction of St. Monica’s Catholic Church as a black “national parish church”, completed in 1893 on Chicago’s South Side.

Presented by the Black Catholic Ministry of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis.

Suitable for ages 10 and up. Free of charge. Please register in advance at mary.org/tolton. Free-will offering accepted.

SESQUICENTENNIAL CELEBRATIONS 1868-2018
October 4, 2018 marks The Basilica Parish’s sesquicentennial anniversary. From September 30, 2018 to October 1, 2019 we will mark this occasion throughout our Parish with celebrations and exhibits.

SESQUICENTENNIAL MASS
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4, NOON
Join us for Noon Mass to mark The Basilica Parish’s sesquicentennial anniversary.

ORGAN DEDICATION 68TH ANNIVERSARY RECITAL
MONDAY, OCTOBER 15, 7:00PM
Celebrating the dedication of the Wicks organ with a performance by organist Nicholas Schmelter.

MATTHEW 25: WORKS OF MERCY SCULPTURES BY TIMOTHY SCHMALZ
EXHIBITION: OCTOBER 4 – NOVEMBER 25
Works of Mercy sculptures by Timothy P. Schmalz will be displayed.

2019 EVENTS
BASILICA WEDDING REUNION
SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 2019
Celebrating and bringing together couples married at The Basilica.

BASILICA SCHOOL REUNION AND FALL FESTIVAL
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2019
Reconnecting all classes from The Basilica School and celebrating the people and life of our parish for 150 years.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CELEBRATION
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 29, 2019
Concluding a year of celebrations and honoring the work of our outreach program.

More news and announcements at mary.org/150years.
### WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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9:30am SVdP Shoe Ministry  
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5:00pm Mass of Anticipation  
*Basilica*  
7:30pm AA Meeting  
*Basilica School, Great Hall*  |

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*Rectory, Dining Room*  
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*Teresa of Calcutta Hall*  
Noon Eucharist  
*Saint Joseph Chapel*  
6:00pm JustFaith  
*Catherine of Siena*  
| 7:30am Eucharist  
9:30am Eucharist  
11:30am Eucharist  
4:30pm Eucharist  
6:30pm Eucharist  
*Basilica*  |
**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2**
- 10:30am  Prayer Shawl Ministry
- 11:00am  Crossroads Meeting

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 3**
- 9:00am  MOMMs Group

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 4**
- 10:00am  Crossroads Book Club
- Noon  Sesquicentennial Mass

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7**
- 1:00pm  Blessing of the Animals

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 9**
- 5:30pm  Taizé Prayer

**THURSDAY, OCTOBER 11**
- 12:00pm  Prisoners or Patients? Task Force

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13**
- 10:00am  Funeral Planning Workshop
- 6:00pm  Great Pumpkin Bingo

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 14**
- 9:30am & 11:30am  Disability Awareness Ministry
- Fair following Masses
- 10:45am  New Member Brunch*
- 11:00am  Pope Francis’ Listening Chruch

**MONDAY, OCTOBER 15**
- 7:00pm  Organ Concert

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 16**
- 10:30am  Prayer Shawl Ministry

**WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 17**
- 9:00am  MOMMs Group
- 5:45pm  Building Bridges: Somali Malls

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21**
- 7:30, 9:30, & 11:30am  Volunteer Event Following Masses

**TUESDAY, OCTOBER 23**
- 7:00pm  Tolton: From Slave to Priest

**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 27**
- 7:00pm  Summer in the Forest film

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 28**
- 2:00pm  MN Sinfonia Concert

*Registration/Tickets required

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**BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS**
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 7, 1:30PM, BASILICA**
We will gather on the lawn starting at 1:00pm. At 1:30pm, we will process into the church for a brief service to thank God for the blessing of all creation and to pray for the continued well-being of our world. Individual blessings and refreshments will be available on the lawn following the service.

**GREAT PUMPKIN BINGO**
**SATURDAY, OCTOBER 13, 6:00-9:00PM**
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, LOWER LEVEL
Join us for Mass and stay for Bingo. Don’t miss the fun of exciting callers, food for purchase, a cash bar, and GREAT prizes. Get your tickets online and register for the costume contest at mary.org/bingo.

**COMMUNITY IMPACT: VOLUNTEER EVENT**
**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 21**
Join us for a community day of service. Volunteer to help pack hygiene kits for those in need. This is a great opportunity for families to volunteer together. Packing will take place following the 7:30, 9:30, and 11:30am Masses. Register at mary.org/pack.
## November

**Thursday, November 1**  
The Solemnity of All Saints  
7:00am, Noon, 5:30pm Eucharist  
10:00am Crossroads Book Club

**Friday, November 2**  
Noon Feast of All Souls Mass

**Sunday, November 4**  
**Icon Festival Opens**  
9:30am Procession of Icons  
10:45am New Member Brunch*  
11:30am Procession of Icons  
1:00pm Holocaust Family Stories  
3:00pm Evening Prayer for All Souls

**Tuesday, November 6**  
10:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry

**Wednesday, November 7**  
9:00am MOMMs Group

**Thursday, November 8**  
12:00pm Prisoners or Patients? Task Force

**Sunday, November 11**  
1:00pm Judaism On One Foot: Introduction

**Tuesday, November 13**  
10:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry  
5:30pm Taizé Prayer

**Wednesday, November 14**  
9:00am MOMMs Group

**Sunday, November 17**  
8:00pm Journey in Love Concert

**Sunday, November 18**  
1:00pm Israel and the Middle East

**Tuesday, November 20**  
10:30am Prayer Shawl Ministry

**Wednesday, November 21**  
9:00am MOMMs Group

**Thursday, November 22**  
8:30am Thanksgiving Day Mass

**Sunday, November 25**  
3:00pm Vespers for Christ the King

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### Save the Date

**Messiah Christmas Concert**  
**Friday, December 21**  
8:00PM  
Co-presented by The Basilica of Saint Mary and The Saint Paul Chamber Orchestra.

**Room for Christmas**  
**Children and Youth Musical**  
**Sunday, December 17**  
11:00AM & 1:00PM  
Children and youth Christmas musical performance.

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### Campus Locations

**Basilica Church**  
Choir Stalls  
Sacristy

**Ground Level**  
Basil the Great  
Catherine of Siena  
Saints Ambrose/Teresa  
Saint Joseph Chapel

**Lower Level**  
Pope John XXIII Gallery  
Teresa of Calcutta Hall

**Basilica Campus**  
**Basilica School**  
Great Hall, 3rd Floor  
Lower Level-7

**Cowley Center**  
Dease Room  
Wagner Room

**Reardon Rectory**  
Dinning Room, 3rd Floor

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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.