Dear Friends,

This past year, our parish has truly worked to live out our vision to “seek the well-being of the city.” We have created a new Strategic Plan and initiated a new Master Planning process. Both of these initiatives will help us to build our vibrant community and enable us to best meet the needs of the people we serve.

**Our Parish, Our Future**
The Our Parish, Our Future Strategic Plan outlines the three strategic areas of focus that we will continue to build upon as a parish community.
- The Arts: Move, inspire, and transform individuals and communities through excellence in the arts and creative practices.
- Inclusivity: Build a culture where people feel valued, welcome, integrated, and included.
- Homelessness: Respond to the needs of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness.

**Campus Master Planning**
Although this initiative is only a few months old, it brings with it great promise as we look at what we need to do to make our campus and buildings more welcoming and accessible.

**Sesquicentennial Celebrations**
October 4, 2018 marked The Basilica parish sesquicentennial anniversary. Since that time we have celebrated our 150th year with liturgy, concerts, reunions, art exhibits, and service. The parish was founded by immigrants from Italy and Ireland—today we continue to welcome immigrants from all over the world. The 150th celebrations honor the people who have built and made our parish community thrive as a place of worship and welcome yesterday and today.

**Basilica Serves**
As we celebrate 150 years as a faith community, we also recognize and honor the role of St. Vincent de Paul Ministry in our parish. Basilica Serves represents how we live out five core characteristics of the spirituality of St. Vincent de Paul in our parish: simplicity, humility, solidarity, balance between prayer and action, creating lasting systemic change. All of us are invited to embrace and reflect these in our life and work.

Thank you for helping to build our Basilica community into a spiritual home and a place of welcome, support, and acceptance. Please remember, no matter what brings you to The Basilica and wherever you are in your faith journey, you are welcome here.

Rev. John M. Bauer
Pastor, The Basilica of Saint Mary
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Thank you for your support

Operating Income
- Basilica Fund Giving 76%
- Plate & Visitors 7%
- Other 12%
  (Special Collections, Rental Income)

Program Income
- Learning 2%
- Liturgy & Sacred Arts 2%
- Other Departments 1%

St. Vincent de Paul Ministry

Program Distributions

100% of contributions help those in need

Operating Expenses
- Administration 24%
- Buildings & Grounds 22%
- Liturgy & Sacred Arts 19%
- Learning 11%
- Christian Life 8%
- Development 9%
- Clergy 4%
- Communications 3%
Highlights of Fiscal Year 2019: Celebrating 150 years of our community

12,169
Total current parish members

132
Active volunteer committees/ministries

20
Basilica YES Teens (Youth Engaged in Service)

986
Masses held including Holy Week, Feast days, weddings, confirmations, and more

2,512
Active volunteers

5,187
Assists for state IDs for access to housing, employment and other services

19
Art and archival exhibitions

210
Backpacks of school supplies donated for the children of Ascension Catholic School and Lutheran Social Services refugee program

125
Baptisms of children and adults

352
Students, teachers, and guests attended *Tolton: From Slave to Priest* live production

94
Weddings and 24 additional marriage preparations

102
Children and youth participating in Music and Arts Immersion Camp and the Christmas musical
A community rooted in the gospel of Jesus Christ.

- 7,460 New shoe vouchers provided
- 2,053 Bus cards distributed
- 264 New households joined the parish
- 2,000 Hygiene packs prepared for our neighbors in need
- 150 Habitat for Humanity volunteers
- 6 Refugee and asylee families welcomed through Lutheran Social Services
- 27 Concerts from local and international musicians
- 1,062 Prayer shawls given in total to date
- 213 BYA (Basilica Young Adults) participating in 8 programs
- 169,694 Attending Masses throughout the year
- 312 Children and youth in faith formation and sacramental preparation programs
- 1,400 Doors Open Minneapolis visitors