“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
FROM THE PASTOR

WELCOME FR. DANIEL GRIFFITH

Fr. Daniel shares his faith and background in this column.

Known and Loved by God is a Truth of All Biographies

The story of God’s deep and abiding love is the greatest love story ever told: it encompasses the wonder of creation; the gift of Jesus Christ—his passion, death, and resurrection; the gift of the Spirit and the life of the Church; and our friends the saints, including Mary, the Mother of God, our patron saint. What wondrous love is this. As a pastor, I think getting in touch with and integrating the truth of God’s personal love for each one of us is a key to living dynamic discipleship.

Psychologists will tell you that one of the most important aspects of emotional and psychological health is to feel known and loved by others—friends, family, and certainly by one’s spouse. I would dare say that even more important for us as spiritual beings is that we have a firm conviction that we are known and loved by a good and gracious God. You will hear me preach and communicate much about God’s love during my time in service of our community because I think knowledge of God’s personal and tender love cannot be overstated in terms of its importance to our lives of faith. Whether people are aware or not of God’s divine love, it is a truth of all our biographies, because without this love, none of us would be here.

As your new pastor, I would like to share a little bit about my own story as we get to know one another on our journey of faith. I look forward to hearing your stories as well in the coming weeks and months ahead. I was born and raised in northeastern Wisconsin, the Fox River Valley—the youngest of nine children, in what could be described as a loving and raucous Irish Catholic family. My father Bill is still alive and when he was recently in the Twin Cities, he received a first class tour of The Basilica by our beloved Dr. Johan Van Parys. My mother Susan passed away ten years ago and was a wonderful mother and wife. As a woman of deep Catholic faith, mom was a light to all of her family, including me, her priest son.

I first felt a call to priesthood when I was eight years old. I told my dad that I wanted to be a priest and used to play Mass with my best friend Kevin. As the years passed, the call became more distant and less realistic—I always had a hard time believing I was holy enough to be a priest—God calls us anyway. Growing up, I played a number of sports including football, basketball, tennis, and golf. I attended the University of St. Thomas in 1989. As the youngest and because my parents were in a different financial situation, I was afforded a privilege that my other siblings had not been—to attend private college. Of course, as siblings do, they remind me of this from time to time.

At St. Thomas I majored in Political Science and minored in Theology—as much I liked Poly Sci, it was theology that began to win my heart. The call to priesthood did not go away, but I was still not ready to say yes. I attended William Mitchell School of Law in St. Paul in 1994 which provided the gift of a legal education and some wonderful friends, who remain good friends to this day. God was not done with me in terms of the call to priesthood. When I saw that there were a couple of priest-lawyers serving in the Archdiocese, I thought to myself, wow, maybe it is possible to live this life as a priest—maybe this is God’s call for my life. After a year of intensive
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.

discernment and the application process, I entered the St. Paul Seminary in 1998. While no one feels called to seminary—for those who are called to priesthood, seminary provides further opportunity for discernment and the necessary formation and education to serve God’s people in priestly service. It also provided another opportunity to establish life-long friendships.

Since my ordination in 2002, I have served in a variety of assignments, including as an associate pastor at All Saints in Lakeville, as pastor of St. Peter in North St. Paul, and most recently, as pastor of Our Lady of Lourdes in Minneapolis. In December of 2011, I was appointed to the University of St. Thomas School of Law faculty where I continue to teach in the areas of Catholic social teaching, jurisprudence, and restorative justice. My work at UST Law has been a great gift – I have enjoyed teaching, the interaction with students and colleagues, and leading our new Initiative on Restorative Justice and Healing (IRJH). I am heartened that I will be able to remain at the law school in conjunction with my ministry at The Basilica and look forward to the shared values and programming opportunities, epically in the area of advocacy for justice and healing.

Perhaps some of my most challenging work as a priest was in the role of delegate for safe environment at a time when our archdiocese was in crisis—reeling from self-inflicted wounds from the failure to protect children and vulnerable adults. It was fraught time for many in our local church, but for me was also a time of growth. Our archdiocese is in a much different and healthier place than 2013-2014, as we have become a national leader both in the area of safe environment and now in restorative justice. I am heartened that the arc of my priestly ministry has moved decidedly to the area of restorative justice and healing. I hope this work in this area has helped me become a better priest and pastor—more compassionate and more attentive to the needs of those who are suffering.

The call to the serve as pastor of The Basilica is humbling. I have long admired this community in so many ways and have enjoyed getting to know staff and parish leaders over the last number of months. I have been impressed with those I have met and what I see. I thank Fr. Bauer for facilitating a very good transition and wish Fr. John well in his pastorate at Our Lady of Lourdes. My role in the coming months is to listen, learn, and meet as many people as I can so I can serve well our community going forward. I am excited for this work of walking with our community, discerning God’s call, and going out to our broader community to announce the good news of God’s love.

Finally, what do I like to do for fun?—travel, reading, cooking, walking, music, spending time with friends, spending time at a cabin in northwestern Wisconsin, and golf. And as I confessed on my first weekend at The Basilica, yes not only am I a lawyer, but I am also a Green Bay Packers fan. I know that this presents two strikes against me in some of your eyes, so hopefully I can overcome these deficiencies by being a really good pastor.

Peace,
Fr. Daniel

FR. GRIFFITH’S INSTALLATION
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, 5:00PM
Join us for Fr. Griffith’s Installation Weekend.
Installation Mass with Archbishop Hebda
Reception following Mass

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14
Receptions following 9:30 and 11:30am Masses
FROM THE DIRECTOR

When our parish was founded in 1868 membership was mostly made up of immigrants from Europe. They first built a small, shed church which also functioned as a school near the Mississippi River. A mere five years later they finished building a proper church and on New Year’s Day 1873 the Church of the Immaculate Conception was dedicated.

When the Pro-Cathedral of Saint Mary, now known as The Basilica of Saint Mary, was dedicated in 1914 the descendants of the founding families of the Church of the Immaculate Conception moved into their third Church. They were joined by scores of new immigrants from Europe, especially from Ireland and Italy.

Today, we still are home to the descendants of some of our founding families and we still welcome new immigrants from Europe, like me as well as immigrants from all around the world. Some Sundays I truly marvel at the fact that at The Basilica, the world church gathers for worship.

It is our hope that everyone who comes to The Basilica knows they are most welcome. To that end we try to ensure that anyone entering The Basilica recognizes themselves in something, be it an image of Mary, a Saint, a song or better yet, in another person who is ministering to the community as a minister of hospitality, a lector, an acolyte, an extra ordinary Minister of Holy Communion or as a musician.

The great diversity in our musical offerings on Sundays is very intentional. We believe that different people are spiritually nourished by different music. As a result, our music ranges from Gregorian Chant to early polyphony, from traditional music to more contemporary settings, and from Western music to music from all around the world.

Our music team has worked hard to meet this goal. In 2004 we hired Walter Tambor to enrich our liturgies with contemporary musical expression at its highest level and to bring music of the World Church to our Local Church.

Walter has done an amazing job. Not only has he gathered a group of very talented musicians to offer contemporary Catholic music, but he has also excelled at introducing our community to sacred music from all around the world.

Walter has decided to retire from his full-time position at The Basilica. His last day will be September 1. We will say goodbye to Walter on August 28 after 11:30am Mass. We will miss Walter terribly and wish him abundant blessings on all his upcoming endeavors.

LITURGY

MORNING PRAYER *
THURSDAYS, 9:15AM

INSTALLATION MASS FOR FR. DANIEL GRIFFITH
SATURDAY, AUGUST 13, BASILICA 5:00PM
CELEBRANT: ARCHBISHOP BERNARD HEBDA

Fr. Daniel Griffith will be officially installed as Pastor of The Basilica of Saint Mary during the Mass of Anticipation. Reception in the Teresa of Calcutta Hall from 6:15-7:45pm.

SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, BASILICA
On Sunday, August 14, we continue our welcoming of Fr. Daniel Griffith at the 9:30am and 11:30am Mass with special after-Mass outdoor hospitality.

VESPIERS FOR THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
SUNDAY, AUGUST 14, 3:00PM
Music Ensemble: Mirandola Ensemble

THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
MONDAY, AUGUST 15
MASS 7:00AM AND NOON *, SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL

LABOR DAY
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 5 *
Mass will be celebrated at 10:00am. There will be no 7:00am or Noon Mass. Basilica offices and campus are closed in observance of the holiday.

BLESSING OF THE ANIMALS
SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2, 1:30PM
For over 25 years we have celebrated the Feast of Saint Francis with a traditional Blessing of Animals. 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.

9:30AM SUMMER SUNDAY SOLOIST SERIES
August 7, David Davis, saxophone
August 21, Nicholas Chalmers, tenor
August 28, Michal and Elizabeth Sobieski, double violin

EUCHARIST WITH THE SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24, 10:30AM
SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL
Celebrant: Fr. Daniel Griffith

ARCHDIOCESAN MASS OF SOLIDARITY
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25, TIME TBD
Celebrant: Archbishop Bernard Hebda
More Information to follow in upcoming Newsletters
* Livestreamed

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LITURGICAL MINISTRIES
COME & SEE...COME & BE
SEPTEMBER 17, 18, 23 & 24
SATURDAYS, 6:00PM
SUNDAYS, 8:30AM 12:30PM OR 6:00PM

“Though many parts we are all one body in Christ,” Serving in the role as a liturgical minister is one way of expressing your faith, skills, and talents while serving the body of Christ. Explore the possibility of serving as a Minister of Hospitality, Eucharistic Minister, Acolyte, or Lector.

SOUND TECHNICIANS NEEDED
Seeking qualified individuals to run the sound board during liturgies. Help us make both the spoken word and music resonate in the ears and hearts of our community. Please contact Walter Tambor at wtambor@mary.org if interested.

SACRED ART EXHIBITS
SACRED ART EXHIBITIONS IN JOHN XXIII GALLERY AND TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL, BASILICA UNDERCROFT

THE BASILICA
EXHIBITION: JULY 9- AUGUST 28
Photographs by Don Loegering

CHARLES CALDWELL
EXHIBITION: SEPTEMBER 1- OCTOBER 30
RECEPTION: SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 18, 1:00PM

The Artist Charles Caldwell celebrates the African American experience as a universal story of everyman, exploring the wonder, sorrows, and joys of life in every portrait. His natural talent was nurtured by a mother that let him draw, an art teacher that told him he was an artist, and a community that supported his art. For over 40 years Caldwell's illustrations of children playing, a grandmother feeding chickens, the bond between black men and women tell the stories of black people with love. Caldwell has developed several bodies of work in genres including portraits, glass mosaic, wood carvings, pencil drawing, watercolor, parallels, layered paper sculptured art, acrylics abstracts and murals. His images are shown on t-shirts, canvas, posters, and buildings.

25TH ANNIVERSARY
BASILICA MARY GARDEN
TOURS WITH THE GARDENERS
SUNDAY, AUGUST 14

Gardeners will be in or near the garden following the 9:30 & 11:30 Masses to answer questions about the flowers and plants and what they represent.

The Basilica Mary Garden was dedicated on June 20, 1997. It was a project of The Friends of The Basilica (now Basilica Landmark). Since medieval times artists and poets have imaged Mary as an “enclosed garden.” In the Middle Ages certain plants and flowers began to take on symbolic meanings connected with the life and characteristics of Mary. Floral references began to appear in paintings and verse. Soon entire gardens were designed with the intention of honoring Mary by representing her legendary attributes through various specimens of nature.

MUSIC AUDITIONS
CATHEDRAL CHOIR
Auditions for the Cathedral Choir, contact Teri Larson at tlarson@mary.org to obtain an audition time or for more information. Rehearsals on Wednesday evenings 7:00-9:00pm. Sing Sunday 9:30am liturgies, which are livestreamed, September-June. Season begins Wednesday, September 7, 7:00pm.

MUNDUS
Our Contemporary and World Music Choir, enlivens the 11:30am liturgy two times a month from September through May. Repertoire includes music of contemporary American composers and music from around the world. Rehearsals are on Tuesday evenings from 7:00-9:00pm. Openings for all voice parts (especially Tenors and Basses), and instrumentalists. Please contact Walter Tambor at wtambor@mary.org or 612.317.3507.

CONTEMPORARY MUSICIANS ENSEMBLE
The Contemporary Musicians Ensemble leads music at the Sunday 11:30am and 5:00pm liturgies. Singers and instrumentalists must be highly motivated, skilled, and capable of independently preparing their music. Placement is by audition only. Please contact Walter Tambor at wtambor@mary.org or 612.317.3507.

JUVENTUS
Our Youth Ensemble (grades 8 and up) leads music once a month at the 5:00pm Sunday Mass, September through May. Rehearsals take place on Wednesday evenings from 7:15-8:30pm. There are openings for all voice parts and instrumentalists. Please contact Walter Tambor at wtambor@mary.org or 612.317.3507.

CATHEDRAL CHORISTERS
Cathedral Choristers begins Wednesday, September 7 5:45-7:00pm. Any child entering grades 4-8 is welcome. Voice checks required prior to entry. Contact Teri Larson at tlarson@mary.org.
In one of our recent small faith communities, we had a conversation about our faith being a great Mystery — not in the sense that we are detectives trying to solve something, but rather we strive to go deeper into the great Mystery of God’s great love for us — and how that is lived out in the community of the Church. When we are aware of our “ignorance,” as de Mello put it, that beginning of Wisdom can lead us into growth in our faith, both personally and as a community.

As we begin another round of small faith communities, another year of faith formation, and have our RCIA cohorts beginning again, we want to invite you into that journey of Wisdom. Perhaps you would like to join one of our small faith communities, our Monday morning group or an upcoming speaker. (We have a great one coming in October from St. John's!) Please join us when you can and reach out with questions as we continue to grow together as a faith community steeped in Holy Mystery.

Learning Office
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Marriage Ministry - 612.317.3435
ADULT LEARNING

SMALL FAITH COMMUNITIES

Beginning this fall, our Small Faith Communities will start up again and discern where their hearts and spirits are being called. The Resource Library has many offerings in Scripture, Social Justice, Prayer, and Liturgy. If you are part of a small group, please let us know how we can support you. If you would like to start a group or join an existing one, please contact Doris at dortiz@mary.org or 612.317.3473.

MONDAY MORNING GOSPEL GROUP

MONDAYS, 10:30AM-12:00PM

SAINTS AMBROSE/TERESA ROOMS, GROUND LEVEL

Looking for a small group? Come join a group of adults that explores the Gospel and shares 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 bcaduff@mary.org or 612.759.2588.

RCIA

A FRESH LOOK RCIA

(RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION FOR ADULTS)

THE ROLE OF THE COMMUNITY

Our format for those inquiring about becoming Catholic is always evolving, changing, and growing as we seek to meet the needs of those we welcome. Rather than a set of “classes” or “speakers” that provide “information,” RCIA is meant to be a journey. Yes, we offer catechesis to those who are ready to learn. However, this time of preparation for the sacraments really needs the community. What is first and foremost important is that our catechumens (the unbaptized) come to know Christ and experience conversion. This happens through the community. We come to know Christ as we share scripture each Sunday at Mass, as we pray and reflect on Jesus’ teachings, and as we learn to practice works of mercy.

The entire community, from children to the elders, are called to help form the faith of those who seek to know and learn about Jesus. We form faith by example: welcoming, sharing, comforting, loving, celebrating, modeling, and participating. These things all require a certain degree of intimacy. They can’t be experienced well virtually or through livestream. They can’t be experienced by reading a book or listening to a speaker. They happen through engagement. We encounter Christ in one another.

Through the journey of RCIA, we hope our candidates will grow through scripture, experience community, deepen their prayer life, and become a Christian witness. Most of us spend a lifetime practicing these things. None of us are perfect at it. Conversion is ongoing and we work at it every day. We invite the ENTIRE Basilica community to help form the faith of all those who seek sacraments. Walk the journey with a candidate. Love deeply Share a cup of coffee. Invite someone to be in ministry with you. Listen and pray with our candidates. Sponsor our candidates. Join them in Sunday worship. We invite you to show up. YOU are the key to conversion!

For more information about sponsoring a candidate, please contact Christine Moore at cmoore@mary.org or 612.317.3439.

SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION FOR CHILDREN AND YOUTH

FIRST COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

Registrations will open in August for First Reconciliation/First Communion and Confirmation preparation. Children who are at least seven years old and are in Grade Two or above are welcome to prepare for the Sacrament of Reconciliation in the Fall and the Sacrament of First Communion in the Spring. All children preparing for the sacrament need to be enrolled in either the parish faith formation program or attending a Catholic school.

Confirmation Preparation for youth in Grades 8 and above will take place weekly on Sunday evenings at 5:00pm beginning in October. For more information, please contact Christine, cmoore@mary.org or 612.317.3439.
FROM THE DIRECTOR

Perception is Reality
I have heard it said, “perception is reality.” That statement initially upset me, as I wanted to hold on to a belief that there was something deeper or truer than simply “perception.” I have come to understand the power of perception in coloring how one interprets experience: What I perceive, I believe. What I believe is real to me.

In a world divided and fractured, Pope Francis spoke of the importance of perspective and perception in his 2022 Pentecost homily. He stated, the Holy Spirit “makes us see everything in a new way,” with a new perspective and perception. The Holy Spirit gives a “new and full understanding” of all we experience in life.

As we struggle to make sense of what is happening around us personally, socially, politically, economically, “the Spirit teaches us where to begin, what paths to take, and how to walk.” Simply put, the starting point of life in the Spirit is love. Yet Pope Francis reminds us, this love is a gift—it does not come from our abilities. It is initiated by our God: “The Spirit of love pours love into our hearts, he makes us feel loved and he teaches us how to love...He set it in motion within us.”

This love does not expect perfection. Rather, it challenges our “voice within us that reminds us of our failures and failings... The Holy Spirit reminds us: Have you fallen? You are a son or daughter of God. You are a unique, elect, precious and beloved child.”

As we experience life through the lens of this love, God “teaches us to accept one another, forgive one another and to forgive ourselves; he teaches us to be reconciled with the past. And to set out anew.” Indeed, as we perceive the world through the lens of God’s steadfast, forgiving love, we can engage with the hard and painful journey of life in a positive and restoring way. We “concentrate on the here and now, because the time and place in which we find ourselves are themselves grace-filled.”

Let us walk boldly through life, perceiving reality through the lens of God’s forgiving love. “Let us invoke the Holy Spirit each day, so that he can remind us to make God’s gaze upon us our starting point, to make decisions by listening to his voice, and to journey together.”

Christian Life Office
Director - Janice Andersen

CHRISTIAN LIFE

ICOM PRAYER VIGIL
TUESDAY, AUGUST 9, 7:30AM
WHIPPLE FEDERAL BUILDING, MINNEAPOLIS
1 FEDERAL DR. FORT SNELLING, MN
The Basilica is co-leading the monthly prayer vigil sponsored by the Interfaith Coalition on Immigration (ICOM). Archbishop Hebda will join us, leading prayer. We will gather at the Whipple Federal Building to stand with our immigrant neighbors who are facing deportation. The August ICOM Prayer Vigil is co-hosted by Basilica’s Immigrant Support Ministry, Maryknoll Lay Missioners, and the Justice Commission of the Sisters of St. Joseph of Carondelet and Consociates. Join us in person or through zoom. Learn more at mnicom.org or call 612.317.3477.

SATURDAY SVDP MINISTRY PACKING EVENT
SATURDAY, AUGUST 20, 9:30-11:00AM
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL
Please join us at our next packing event:
- **9:30 - 10:00am**: Community building for members of The Basilica congregation & guests of the SVDP ministries, and hearing stories from the organizations we are supporting: People Serving People (supporting families experiencing homelessness) and Agate Housing and Services (formerly St. Stephens and House of Charity).
- **10:00 - 11:00am**: Packing kits of pre-ordered items to fill needs for the two organizations, along with simple advocacy on behalf of those who are staying at shelters.

For questions, call 612.317.3413 or emailjfreeman@mary.org.
Go to mary.org for registration starting August 1.

A YEAR OF MINDFUL ACTIVITIES TO CULTIVATE AND STRENGTHEN OUR MENTAL HEALTH
SEPTEMBER 2022-JUNE 2023
Each month will feature a focus on improving our mental health through presentations, activities, and arts activities, including: Focus on Food, Focus on Hope, Focus on the Arts, Focus on Community, Focus on Putting Pen to Paper, Focus on Movies, Focus on Stillness and Peace, Focus on Movement, and Focus and Nature. To sign up to get information throughout the year or to work on one of the programs with a team of volunteers, please contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

SACRAMENT OF HEALING
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 17, 10:30AM
SAINT JOSEPH CHAPEL
Come, experience the beauty, power, and grace of Christ our Healer, present to us when we call upon him. For those suffering in body, mind or spirit, the Sacrament of Anointing will be celebrated, along with Eucharist, in the St. Joseph Chapel on Saturday, September 17 at 10:30am. This is an opportunity to plan for the Sacrament if you have an upcoming surgery in your life or are journeying with a disease or health issue. Questions? Desire spiritual support? Contact Wendy at wcaduff@mary.org or 612.317.3474.
WALKING TOGETHER: TWIN CITIES  
A PILGRIMAGE WITH SERVANTS OF GOD BLACK ELK AND SR. THEA BOWMAN  
SEPTEMBER 30 AND OCTOBER 1  
Join together with other faithful people in a local pilgrimage to pray for and learn about the effects of the Residential Boarding Schools for American Indians. Join in one or all facets of the pilgrimage:  
Watch Fire at Gichitwaa Kateri Catholic Church  
- 6:00pm-6:00am, Friday, September 30-Saturday, October 1  
Pilgrimage from The Basilica of Saint Mary to Cristo Rey High School  
- 9:00am-1:00pm, Saturday, October 1  
Opening Prayer Service at The Basilica at 9:00am  
Walk to Cristo Rey for prayer and speaker(s)  
Close with lunch  
Go to mary.org for registration starting August 1. For more information, contact Janice at 612.317.3477 or jandersen@mary.org.

MENTAL HEALTH AUTHOR’S SERIES:  
FEATURING AWARD-WINNING NOVELIST CHERYL STRAYED,  
AUTHOR OF THE NATIONAL BESTSELLER BRAVE ENOUGH  
THURSDAY, OCTOBER 6, 7:00-8:30PM (DOORS OPEN AT 6:30 PM)  
TERESA OF CALCUTTA HALL  
Cheryl Strayed, the real life inspiration for the film, Wild and inspirational speaker is coming to The Basilica. Registration fee includes a copy of Brave Enough. Copies of her other books will be available for purchase the night of the event and Strayed will be available for book signing from 8-8:30pm. Go to mary.org for registration starting August 1. For more information, contact Janet at 612-317-3508 or jgrove@mary.org  
This event is made possible through a collaboration of The Basilica’s Mental Health Ministry and the community organization, Change the Outcome.

SHORT LISTENING WORKSHOP  
SATURDAY, OCTOBER 8, 9:00-11:30AM, ZOOM  
Emmaus Listening Ministry seeks to bring the gift of listening to the world. For those not quite ready to enter the ministry or commit to the full training this fall, a short listening workshop will be offered on zoom on Saturday, October 8 from 9 – 11:30am to help us become better listeners to those we love and those we work with. Come, experience a couple of the foundational, core principles of listening and learn a few new skills to apply in your personal life. The workshop is free but registration is required. Go to mary.org for registration starting August 1. Questions? Contact Wendy at wcaduff@mary.org or 612.317.3474. This workshop is meant for anyone serving in a Basilica volunteer ministry or simply desiring personal enrichment.

BE THERE TO HEAR  
*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  
Offer the gift of a listening ear. Whether you have been told you’re a “natural born listener” or you are seeking to grow in this area of your life, Emmaus Listening Ministry offers an intense training once each year to teach you how to be a compassionate presence for those in our community who are hurting or are experiencing times of transition. Help others by lending your unique listening presence. Gain a small, supportive community of new relationships as you become part of this unique and caring team at The Basilica. Interviews happening now; annual training is in October. Call or email Wendy at wcaduff@mary.org or 612.317.3474 for information or to schedule one with a member of the Leadership Team.

EDI TRUTH TELLING FORUM  
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3  
As part of The Basilica’s Equity, Diversity, Inclusivity (EDI) initiative, we seek to bring a strong moral voice to the work of racial justice and equity. We want to model this by courageously and honestly sharing stories of racial injustice and disparities experienced in the midst of our beloved Basilica community. This “truth telling” will be wrapped in respect, empathy, trust, and love. It will invite us all to listen: To receive and believe.
Look for more information about this sacred forum in early Advent. To get involved, contact Janice at 612.317.3477 or jandersen@mary.org.

ACCESS AND INCLUSION  
Join our team of dedicated volunteers helping to make The Basilica barrier-free. For more information, contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

PRISONERS OR PATIENTS  
Do you have an interest in helping people coming out of jail or prison connect with community? If so, being a mentor in our Prisoners or Patients Mentorship Program might be for you. Applications available for the program beginning in 2023. Contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

EMPLOYMENT MINISTRY  
The Basilica’s Employment Ministry has helped thousands of people in job transition find meaningful and sustaining work. It is a one to one program that helps people through assessments, resume development, mock interviewing, and negotiating and keeping the job. If you want to work with a job coach, contact Janet at jgrove@mary.org or 612.317.3508.

OUTREACH VOLUNTEERS  
Join a fun team and volunteer at St. Vincent de Paul Outreach ministry! Shifts are one morning each week from 9:00am-Noon. SVdP Outreach ministry helps our neighbors in need with a variety of services including prayer, listening, ID vouchers, gas cards, bus cards, and hygiene items. Contact Julia at 612.317.3413 or jfreeman@mary.org.
THE BASILICA FUND

Our life-changing ministries, services, programs, pastoral care, and the daily work of the parish are not possible without you and your support of The Basilica Fund. As we start a new fiscal year, please consider a recurring gift to The Basilica Fund to support our annual expenses.

Secure online electronic giving is simple; no need to remember cash or a check and less paper and administrative costs, enabling your contribution to go further. Make a gift online at mary.org/give or scan the QR Code. If you have questions, please contact Nicole at 612.317.3472 or email nadamsblume@mary.org

Thank you for your faithful support in making The Basilica of Saint Mary a home of spiritual nourishment, a beacon of hope, and an advocate for change.

BASILICA FUND AMBASSADORS

Do you value The Basilica’s beautiful liturgies and music? Do you believe in the work The Basilica does to support our community? Do you want others to feel the joy you feel in supporting The Basilica? If you answered YES to any of these questions, please consider volunteering to become a Basilica Fund Ambassador.

The Development Team will provide training and materials. This volunteer opportunity will take place September through November and can be done remotely. For information, contact Sue at 612.17.3421 or smguigan@mary.org.

SAINT VINCENT DE PAUL GIVING

At The Basilica of Saint Mary, the ministries of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP) are varied and many. All seek to build relationships, respond to basic needs, and advocate for dignity for all. The SVdP mission is to develop community by providing services to our guests and by working to help all fulfill their potential.

A recurring or one-time gift to St. Vincent de Paul makes these actions and services possible. Your partnership is crucial and offers hope to those who need it most. Make a gift at mary.org/svdpgive. For questions, contact Nicole at 612.317.3472 or nadamsblume@mary.org.

THE DEVELOPMENT TEAM IS HIRING

Join a dynamic and collaborative team. Opening positions include, Development Director for The Basilica/Executive Director for The Landmark and Development Officer. Contact Terri Ashmore at 612.267.0056 or theashmore@mary.org.

JOIN THE LEGACY SOCIETY

Have you considered a legacy gift to The Basilica Landmark? By giving a legacy gift, you can help preserve and restore our church and its campus for generations to come. Planned giving is for anyone, regardless of age, income level or assets. Strategies for making a planned gift can be tailored to meet a broad range of goals and circumstances. For more information, contact Sue at 612.371.3421 or smguigan@mary.org.

2022 FUND-A-NEED

Proceeds from this year’s Fund-A-Need will help replace the campus lampposts and improve exterior lighting surrounding The Basilica. An “old meets new” design will introduce LED efficiency while preserving the architecture to bring a renewed sense of optimism and safety to our community. There is still time to make a gift at thebasilicalandmark.org/fan. Thank you to everyone who has so generously supported this essential project which will be completed this fall!

A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO OUR SUPPORTERS

We are so grateful for our sponsors, partners, event attendees and all those who participated and generously made a gift to Landmark Spark or to this year’s Fund-A-Need. Because of your generosity, we raised nearly $300,000 to help preserve, restore, and advance The Basilica of Saint Mary for all generations.

SAVE THE DATE

In 2023, we will celebrate the 30th Anniversary of The Basilica Landmark. Please join us to celebrate over 30 years of helping to preserve, restore, and advance The Basilica of Saint Mary for all generations. Landmark Spark 2023 will be held on Friday, May 19, 2023 at the McNamara Alumni Center on the University of Minnesota campus. Look for more information in early 2023.