

The Basilica of Saint Mary – Strategic Roadmap 2013 to 2018

Seek the Well-being of the city to which I have sent you says the Lord. For in it's well-being, you will find your own. Jeremiah 29:7

<p>Mission Statement <i>(Our Core Purpose)</i></p> <p>The Basilica of Saint Mary is a community rooted in the Gospel of Jesus Christ.</p> <p>As disciples of Jesus Christ we</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. <p>As Co-Cathedral of the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis, we are committed to provide:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspiring liturgies and sacred arts, • Transforming life-long learning opportunities, and • Engaging service to one another and justice for all. 	<p>Core Values <i>(What Drives Our Words and Actions)</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spirituality. Knowing that everything comes from God we seek God's will in all we do and we find inspiration in the communal and personal search for and experience of God. • Biblical Stewardship. Based on our biblical calling we care for all God has entrusted to us including our material and spiritual blessings, our communities, our earth and environment, our relationships and ourselves. • Compassion. Aware of our shared brokenness we deeply respect all of creation as God's own and we gratefully welcome all as Christ in our midst as we share hospitality, love, acceptance, and care. • Community. Because Jesus calls us to be one we invite and encourage meaningful interaction among parishioners, our staff and the broader community as we work toward greater understanding and respect for one another.
<p>Vision <i>(What We Intend to Create by 2018)</i></p> <p>The Basilica of Saint Mary aspires to be:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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. • A Beacon of Hope: we commit to welcome everyone with respect and dignity and to provide help and care especially to those most in need. • An Advocate of Change: we pledge to work toward justice, peace and equality for all and to promote the protection of all of creation. 	<p>Strategic Directions <i>(Focused Allocation of Resources)</i></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Live Biblical Stewardship: Encourage all parishioners to embrace Biblical Stewardship as a way of life. Provide Excellence in Ministry: Provide ministries that are inspired by the Gospel and are relevant in our day. Enhance the Experience of Belonging: welcome everyone as Christ and offer a sense of belonging. Increase Engagement: invite parishioners into full and active participation in the life of the parish and the proclamation of the Gospel. Strengthen our Brand: communicate our mission ever more clearly in our complicated and sometimes challenging world. <p>Steward our Resources: manage our human, financial and physical resources with respect and responsibility.</p>

