



MBS Sunday Message – February 8, 2026



From the Principal's Desk

Remember the Mandatory Parent Meeting for Parents of Students in Grades 3 -8 - Homeland Security will be presenting a program called Know3Protect, which focuses on technology and exploitation of children - 6pm - St. Ursula Hall. At least one parent from each family must attend. This is a parent only meeting, please do not bring children. Parents may count attendance as two time and talent hours.

Rooted in God's Love

Love, as a Catholic, is a way of living rooted in God. Scripture reminds us, *"We love because he first loved us"* (1 John 4:19). God's love shapes how we care for others and calls us to live generously and faithfully.

Love is first learned through patience, forgiveness, and commitment within our family and with friends. These relationships teach us to reflect Christ's presence in everyday life. Love becomes visible through these relationships and service to those we love.

For the greater good, Jesus calls us to love not only with our words, but through our actions, supporting others, especially those in need, the poor and the vulnerable. By doing so, we live out Christ's command to love our neighbor therefore, helping build a more compassionate world.

Happy Valentine's Day!

An Overview of Fundraising and Home and School Support

This year the MBS Fun Run will be in conjunction with Pelican Games. The MBS Fun Run is the largest fundraiser for our school. When the Fun Run began eleven years ago, it was an event organized by the MBS Home and School Association. Funds raised were used to support Home

and School activities and then the remaining funds were given to the school to purchased needed items..

When Mrs. Penne Leier started working for MBS as our Admissions and Advancement Coordinator, the Fun Run became one of her duties. A portion of the Fun Run proceeds still goes to support our Home and School Association each year, approximately \$20,000 to supplement their budget. In addition, Home and School receives dues of \$20/year per child and raises funds through the Spirit Store and “Give Back” programs. Some of the events and items that Home and School supports for MBS are:

- Spirit Shirts
- Grandparents’ Day
- Grade Level Projects - for example, Science Fair and LA Day
- King Cake Day
- Muffins for Moms
- Doughnuts for Dads
- Student Appreciation Days – 4 times a year
- Teacher Appreciation Days – 4 times a year and Week
- Pelican Games
- May Crowning
- Dances
- Winter Open House
- Back to School Night

The remaining funds from the Fun Run go to a significant improvement project each year. Some of the projects are covered 100% by the money raised from the Fun Run while some require additional funds and are supplemented by the school budget. Some of the improvements the Fun Run has allowed us to do are:

- Add lighting and security for campus
- Purchase technology in the form of Chromebooks and Smartboards
- Renovate bathrooms
- Update the gym floor
- Purchase a new playground
- Purchase new furnishings for the library
- Middle School Science Supplies including microscopes, tables, stools, and storage cabinets

Thank you all for your support of MBS through your time, talent and treasure. MBS is truly a school that has grown due to the love and dedication of its families!

In Christ,

Mrs. Cheri Gioe, Principal

Kindness 101 - Kindness 101 Enthusiasm - Bus Driver Gives Students More than Just a Ride.
https://charactercounts.org/digital_classroom/enthusiasm-texas-school-bus-driver-gives-more-than-just-a-ride/

Discussion Questions:

- In the video, how did Curtis show he cared for the kids?
- What is something that you learned or felt while watching this story?
- Do you think you can make yourself feel enthusiastic about something? Why or why not?
- What would it feel like to go through your day with enthusiasm?
- Curtis says, "Everybody can find purpose in everything they do." How does finding purpose in what you do relate to enthusiasm?

Pelican Express Newsletter Link – [February 5, 2026](#)

Announcements

- The last day to enroll for new PK and K Students is February 10.

Save the Date

- MBS Gala - February 28 - Country Club of Louisiana
- Women's ACTS Retreat - March 5-8
- Pelican Classic Golf Tournament - March 16 - [Registration Link is live](#)
- MBS Mother/Son Event - March 27 - 6-9pm
- Men's ACTS Retreat - April 9
- MBS Fair - October 23-25, 2026