



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

APRIL 15, 2021

DATES FOR YOUR PLANNER

April 15 - Yearbook Order deadline Mass / Dress Uniform / 7th Grade Retreat

April 16 - Spirit Shirt Day

April 17 - 2nd grade First Eucharist Retreat

April 20 - Instrument Testing for Music Class

April 21 - Kindness Club, Cane's Night (Market St. location)

April 22 - Mass / Dress Uniform

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL

- Open to students entering Grades K through 5th
- June 21-25, 9am-12pm
- \$35 Registration Fee includes tee shirt & CD for family
- Registration Fee must be paid online
- Registration will take place May 1-18
- Watch the newsletter and church bulletin for registration details.
- Anyone who wants to volunteer should reach out to Judy Carr at 225.335.6563





2021-2022 MBS Cheerleaders

Sierra Cormier
Addyson Eddie
Grace Irwin
Juliet LeBlanc
Ava Norris
Vivienne Noto
Kylie Ostrander
Camille Riley
Bella Rose Warren
Claire Wicker

2021-2022 MBS Dance Team

Giulia Arion
Addison Comeaux
Grace Edney
Ella Hebert
Ainsley Lagarde
Vivian Martin
Karley Mondrick
Cameron Raacke
Lily Thrower
Ainsley Wimberly



SignUpGenius

2020-2021 YEARBOOKS

If you are interested in purchasing a 2020-21 yearbook, please complete the form attached [here](#).

The deadline to submit this form is **TODAY!**

You will be charged \$40 through your FACTS account in early May.

Please visit the following [link](#) for items needed at school.
Thank you!

Spirit of MBS Scholarship

This year, Most Blessed Sacrament Home and School Association and Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School are excited to offer a scholarship award opportunity for our graduating 8th Grade students. The Spirit of MBS Award is a monetary award honoring the memory of MBS students who gained their angel wings while attending MBS or after 8th grade graduation, but prior to completing high school or college. These MBS angels left a lasting impression on the hearts of those they left behind and their legacy lives among us each day.

Our MBS guardian angels are
Ashley Culivan,
Caroline Esposito,
Grace Gary,
Morgan Michellie, and
Jill Penno.

**Deadline for applications:
April 30th**

Click [here](#) for more information and for the application.



Time & Talent Update

The following change has been made to the Parent/Student Handbook regarding Time & Talent (aka Service Hours):

Parent's Commitment to Church and School One of the requirements for enrollment and/or retention at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School is a commitment to the following agreement.

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- In addition to daily prayer at home, the Catholic members of our family will attend Mass every weekend and on Holy Days of Obligation.
- Twenty (20) hours of Time and Talent will be given to the school and/or Church each year. Hours must be completed between January 1 and December 31 to receive the in-parish tuition rate. These hours are reviewed each year.
- A minimum amount of \$325.00 will be donated to the Church to support the stewardship program as an Identified Offertory Giver (IOG). IOGs will receive in-parish tuition. Donations will be verified by December 15 unless otherwise authorized by the Pastor. Any offerings thereafter will count towards the following school year.

Definition of an Hour

One (1) hour is defined as an actual hour of volunteer work or donation purchases of \$10.

New Students Clause

Time and Talent hours are prorated for new students. However, new families must still meet the IOG requirement of \$325.00 to receive in-parish tuition.

Log your Service Hours into FACTS.

Go to Family > Family Home. You will see "Service Hours" in the middle of the screen. Click "add" to add the hours. You must type in a description. Select "type a custom value," and then type your description.

Sending Items to School

Please label your items that you send to school from a SignUp Genius:

- **Parent Name (signed up on the SUG)**
- **Name of item**
- **Title of Sign Up (ex: 5th Grade Auction Basket)**

This helps us match your hours in FACTS.

The MBS Pelicans' Spirit Squads
invite you to attend our 2nd annual

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Cheer & Dance Clinic

Saturday, May 15th from 9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

All girls PK - 5th grade welcome

Hosted by the
Pelican Cheerleaders and Dancers

Click HERE for Registration

"Focus on the donut not the hole"

@conscious.parents



COUNSELOR'S

CORNER

OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

According to the Safe Environment Policy mandated by the Diocese of Baton Rouge, all parish and school ministry volunteers/chaperones must complete a mandatory background check and child protection training.

Please note that MBS School child protection requirements are not the same as MBS Church Parish. Therefore, if you are compliant for one, you are not automatically compliant for the other.

Child Protection credentials allow the holder of these credentials the opportunity to chaperone/volunteer at MBS Parish or School. All credentialed adults must abide by the sign-up and confirmation process for each event.

Please be aware that many files have been closed due to inactivity, and/or files not being updated.

Please contact Mrs. Landry at 225-753-5526 or childprotection@mbsbr.org for assistance with child protection credentials.



Do you shop on Amazon?

By adding Most Blessed Sacrament as your "Charity of Choice," a portion of your shopping total goes to MBS.

- Go to <https://smile.amazon.com/>
- Save ^^ that link as the URL to shop on
- Items with AmazonSmile Logo qualify.
- Your prices don't change and 0.5% of your price goes to MBS
- \$1141.63 has been donated to MBS through March 2021
- Click [here](#) for more information.

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Hungry?

Well, 1 in 7 people in our area are in NEED of food!

Donate boxed food items (like cereal or mac & cheese) April 12-19.

On April 21 we will be playing "donation dominoes" with the food!

Afterward, it will be donated to the food bank.

-Sponsored by The Kindness Club-

April - Child Abuse Prevention Month

In 1982, President Ronald Reagan proclaimed April to the first National Child Abuse Prevention Month, and that tradition continues today.

How does the Diocese of Baton Rouge protect our most vulnerable?

- They report all allegations of abuse directly to law enforcement and cooperate with civil authorities on all investigations.
- They have a designated Victim Assistance Coordinator whose primary role is to accompany survivors and provide resources for their healing journey
- They have an independent review board, consisting primarily of lay members which review allegations and make a recommendation to the bishop regarding the suitability for ministry.
- They provide training for adults on how to maintain a safe environment and how to report concerns
- They provide training for minors in parish religious education programs and in Catholic schools to identify warning signs of abuse and inappropriate behavior, as well as how to report abuse

Watch for These Warning Signs of Abuse in Minors

- No longer wants to see a **particular person** they had been close to
- Declining **academic** performance
- Tries to hide use of **technology**
- No longer interested in **activities** they used to enjoy
- Changes in **personality**
- Demonstrates **aggressive behavior** or constantly angry
- Tries to get minors **alone**
- Commits physical and emotional **boundary violations**
- Withdraws** from family or friends
- Keeps **secrets** with minors
- Gives lavish **gifts** to minors
- Allows or encourages minors to **break laws** or rules
- Has **inappropriate** or suggestive conversations with minors
- Is overly interested in **spending time** with minors
- Takes **photos** without approval, or asks minors to send them photos
- Does not believe the **rules** apply to them (or, does not follow rules or protocols)

... and These Warning Signs of Perpetrators

We pray for all victims of abuse around the world, within the church and beyond, that the healing Spirit of God move among them and within them. We pray for the Church - the People of God - be filled with the same healing spirit...Amen