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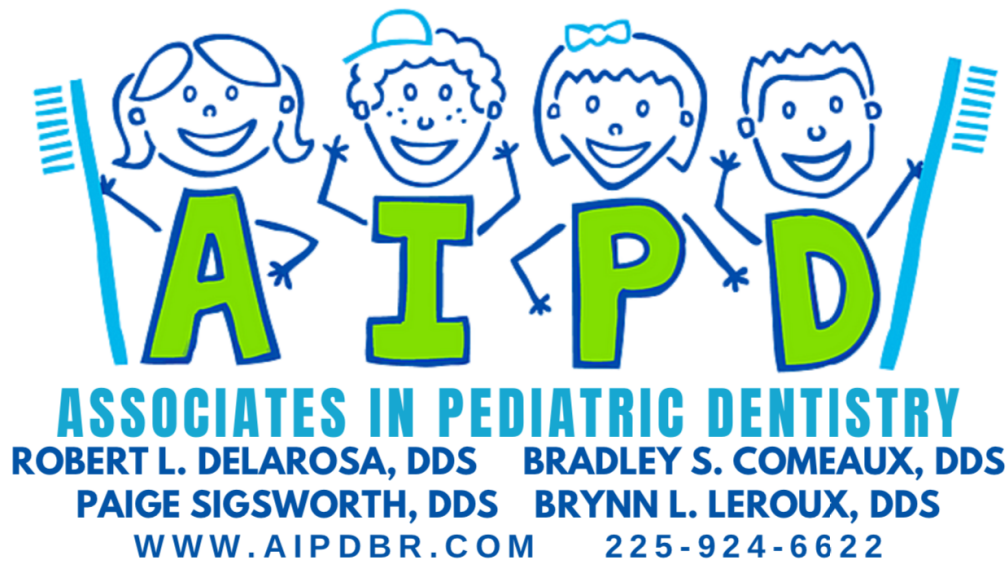
Let Go...Let God

JANUARY 20, 2022

## DATES FOR YOUR PLANNER

January 18-21 - Collection for Jill Penno Scholarship  
January 21 - No School due to weather (see email & text)  
January 28 - Professional Development - no school for PK-5  
January 29-30 - Catholic Schools Week Masses  
January 31 - Professional Development - no school for 6-8

## THIS WEEK'S NEWSLETTER IS SPONSORED BY



*"We love MBS because of the close, faith-based community. The students enjoy strong rapport with their teachers and administration, which allows for an excellent caring and learning environment. The students have a strong sense of connection with each other, and feel safe and comfortable. MBS continues to make improvements such as upgrading computers, classrooms and building facilities, and adding a Science lab, which will further assist in the student's academic growth."*

Dr. Paige Sigsworth & Dr. Bradley Comeaux two daughters have attended MBS since going to the Early Learning Center.

Addison is in 8th grade and Bentley is in 4th grade.

# FORWARD IN FAITH

## *Gala*

**SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 12, 2022**

**7:00 - 10:00 PM**

Join us at the Capitol Park Museum for Most Blessed Sacrament's first ever gala!


All ticket proceeds and pledges from the Gala will go toward our 2022 building project. Building Project information may be found at [www.mbsforward.com](http://www.mbsforward.com)

The evening will include:


- Heavy hors d'oeuvres
- Open Bar
- Live Band
- Silent Auction

**Tickets are \$75 per person and may be  
purchased at**

[www.mbsforward.com](http://www.mbsforward.com)



Capital Park Museum  
660 N 4th St  
Baton Rouge LA 70802



# FORWARD IN FAITH

# Gala

## What is the GALA?

The GALA is a Semi-Formal Event to kick off our "Forward in Faith" Capital Campaign. It takes the place of our \$10K Parish Raffle this year. It's on Valentine's Day Weekend, so you can schedule a date with your sweetheart while supporting the Church!

## What do I wear?

Everyone is invited to wear something semi-formal. Ladies can wear something short, tea-length, or long. Men are not required to wear a tux. A suit is just fine.

## Tell me about tickets?

Tickets can be purchased in the Narthex (aka cry room) of the Church after every mass this weekend. We accept cash, checks made out to MBS, or Credit Card via Square app. They can also be purchased online at [MBSforward.com](https://MBSforward.com). MBS Parents may also send a check/cash with their students to the School office. Please label the envelope "Church Office - Gala" so we know where to bring the envelope.

## What about the Auction?

We will have both a Silent and a Live Auction at the gala. Silent auction items are similar to what we have seen at the Virtual Auction - Spring 2021 and the Fair Auction. The Silent auction will be through the Qtego app. Live auction items will include vacation getaways. We will also have the coveted "First in Carpool Line" and "Principal for a Day."

## When can I see the Auction items and begin bidding?

The items will go live on Qtego on February 5. We will post the link for easy access, The items will close during the Gala, at 9:00pm to be awarded thereafter.



## What if I want to donate an item or help with the Auction?

We would love to help promote your business while supporting the Campaign. Please contact Lauren Stevens at [LStevens@mbsbr.org](mailto:LStevens@mbsbr.org)

## What is the Capital Campaign raising money for?

Our growing parish is in need of two new buildings, one on the school campus, one on the church campus. Information, including conceptional layouts & designs can be found on the website [MBSForward.com](https://MBSForward.com)

## How do I make a donation to the Campaign?

We would love to sit down and discuss your donation with you to designate it appropriately. Please email Michael McDowell at [Mmcdowell@mbsbr.org](mailto:Mmcdowell@mbsbr.org) to make an appointment.

# VOLUNTEER



Click [here](#) for an opportunity to work at our MBS-sponsored Basketball Tournament this weekend. All are invited.

Click [here](#) for an opportunity to help donate items for our MBS Parish Gala. All are welcome.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

### **Saturday & Sunday, January 29-30 – Celebrate your Parish**

Participation in weekend Mass. Attend your child's given Mass time that went home a few weeks ago. Students are asked to wear their school uniforms.

### **Monday, January 31 - Celebrate your Community**

\$2.00 donation sent to school for the purchase of gift cards for Metanoia House, and a treat for our local fire department and police department. Students in grades 1-5 get free dress on this day if they bring in a donation.

Middle School, PreK, and K will get free dress on Tuesday if they bring in a donation.

PLEASE LABEL ALL DONATIONS WHEN YOU SEND THEM TO SCHOOL.

### **Tuesday, February 1 - Celebrate Students**

Surprise for the students

### **Wednesday, February 2 – Celebrate our Nation**

Students may wear red, white, and blue shirts, socks, and accessories with uniform bottoms.

Diocesan Catholic Schools Mass.

### **Thursday, February 3 – Celebrate Vocations**

Special treat for Father Phil and Deacons.

School Mass with Jell Peno, Neighbor's Way, and Teacher Years of Service Awards.

### **Friday, February 4 – Celebrate Faculty, Staff, & Volunteers**

Spirit Shirt Day

### **February 5&6 – Celebrate Family**

Spend family time together and share with your child the reasons why you send them to a Catholic School.

Bring a family photo (will not be returned) to Mass with you and hang it on one of the trees in the Narthex.

On the back, please write why your child/children attend Catholic school.



**CELEBRATE  
CATHOLIC  
SCHOOLS  
WEEK 2021**

**January 31 - February 6**

**#CSW21**



Martha Ministry is participating in "Socks of Love" as a military donation. We are collecting socks and candy for the Southeast La War Veterans Home in Reserve Louisiana. There are 135 men and 20 women who live in the home. The sock size needed is Men's 10-13 or Women's 9-11. A variety of candy will be collected as well as sugar-free candy. We are coordinating this collection along with The Blue Star Mothers of Louisiana Chapter 1. Each Veteran will receive a nicely-decorated gift bag with socks and candy. Please bring the items to church at any of the masses or drop off at the office until 2/3/22. Please feel free to contact Susie Whitlow with questions at [susie.q.whitlow@gmail.com](mailto:susie.q.whitlow@gmail.com) or 225-505-4296.



- Saturday, March 19 - Mother/Son "Date Knight"  
7-9pm
- Saturday, April 1 - Mother/Daughter "Parisian Soirée"  
7-9pm

**We would love your help!**

If you would like to join either event committee, please contact Heather Edney at 225-933-1392 or Sujad Ehlers at 504-460-4438.

**EIGHTH GRADE  
PARENTS!!!**

**HAVE YOU  
SUBMITTED YOUR 8  
PHOTOS OF YOUR  
8TH GRADER?**

**EMAIL  
KASEY GARY  
SO YOUR CHILD IS  
INCLUDED IN THE  
VIDEO.**



THE MBS MEN'S CLUB  
PRESENTS THE 1ST ANNUAL



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# Pelican Classic



# GOLF TOURNAMENT

**Monday March 7, 2022**



*Register Online*  
**MBSmensclub.org**

## **Santa Maria Golf Club**

4 player scramble: shotgun start 8AM

REGISTRATION: \$100 PER PERSON

100% of proceeds to fund two need based scholarships

## **FANTASTIC PRIZES/RAFFLES/AUCTIONS**

- 2 High end grills courtesy of BBQGuys
- New Orleans Pelicans Courtside Seats
- 3 night stay in luxury condo in NOLA
- AND MANY MORE...

Call or text for more information:

David Mayeaux 225-773-6571

Joe Larriviere 251-652-8085

# Special Thanks to our Tournament Title Sponsors



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**\$100 Hole Sponsorships**



**Team Payment Link**



Email business name and logo to  
[david.mayeux@yahoo.com](mailto:david.mayeux@yahoo.com)

Team Registration form at

[MBSmensclub.org/golf-tournament](http://MBSmensclub.org/golf-tournament)



# Time & Talent Update

**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.

- 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.**



# SCIENCE FAIR

## Chemistry

1. Ali Charalabous  
"Citric vs Acidic"
2. Jenny Do  
"Cookie Chemistry"
3. Addison Comeaux  
"Sugar & Acid vs Teeth"
3. Ainsley Lagarde  
"Hand Cleanser Effectiveness"

## Physical Science

1. Evan Cloessner  
"Does Bullet Shape Affect Trajectory"
2. Claire Bodin  
"Air Pressure vs Travel Distance"
3. Grant Brouillette  
"Does Temperature Affect How Far a Baseball Travels"

## Life Science

1. Payton Dawson  
"How Music Affects Basketball Shooting"
2. Brody Acaldo  
"Which Mouthwash Kills the Most Bacteria."



**Overall Winner:**  
**Payton Dawson**

# WINNERS



# OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION



According to the Safe Environment Policy promulgated 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.

The Diocese of Baton Rouge conducted a sweep of the child protection database in March 2021. If your child protection file was not updated prior to the sweep, then your file was closed. Please email Mrs. Landry at [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org) to check the status of your file and/or receive the required paperwork to activate your file.

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

**New Volunteer Applications** are being accepted at this time. Anyone that has not completed the child protection process for MBS School previously, please email your volunteer request to [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org). Please note that five hours may be entered in FACTS for "Time and Talent" service hours for completing the child protection process.

## **2021-2022 Chaperone and Volunteer Agreement**

All volunteers with updated, active files must complete and submit this school year's Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement. Please find the agreement [here](#) and scan/email the completed agreement to [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org).

## **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
- **\$2048** has been donated to MBS to date December 2021
- Click [here](#) for more information.

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You shop. Amazon gives.

# **Pelican Fun Run Color Run is coming!**

## **March 18**

more details coming soon

My prayer is not that my kids would check off some religious check list or meet some sort of moral criteria. 

My prayer is that Jesus would be more real to them than anything else. And that they'd know there isn't a single situation they walk in to that He is not walking with them. I want my kids to be bold and courageous because they know who lives inside them.



#### Life Skills Lessons 2021-2022:

	1st Quarter	2nd Quarter	3rd Quarter	4th Quarter
PreK	Counselor Intro	Manners/Kindness	Emotional Awareness	Self-control
K	Counselor Intro	Making Good Choices	Communication Skills	Friendship
1st	Counselor Intro	Sportsmanship/cooperation	Tattling	Apologizing
2nd	Friendship	Bullying	Size of the Problem	Self-control
3rd	Social Filter	Emotional Regulation	Self-control	Growth Mindset
4th	Self-control	Emotional Regulation	Conflict Resolution	Flexible Thinking
5th	Empathy	Friendship	Self-esteem	Screen time
6th	Bullying	Peer Pressure/Drugs	Stress Mgmt/Test Anxiety	Body Positivity
7th	Communication Skills	Peer Pressure/Drugs	Healthy Relationships	Coping Skills
8th	Goal setting	Peer Pressure/Drugs	Screen time	Career Development

Did you know that our Guidance Department teaches our MBS students Life Skills throughout the year? Check out her schedule here and ask your students about what they learn!

# 2023 Washington D.C. & Williamsburg



Dear Parents & Guardians,

I am thrilled to share next springs 2023 travel opportunity for your student. Learn more about this exciting tour at an informational meeting where we'll discuss:

- What we'll see and do
- Travel logistics
- Safety and flexibility
- How to earn high school credit
- Affordable payment options and more

I look forward to seeing you there!

Amber Douet

P.S. Can't make the meeting but want more information? RSVP using the link below and select "No but send more info" to stay in the loop.

**Register below & join us for more details!**

**Meeting time & date:**

**Thursday, January 27th, @ 6:30 PM**

**Location:**

**RSVP for more details!**

**Contact Information:**

**adouet@mbsbr.org**

**Register to attend**

**<https://bit.ly/3tro9Fe>**

Scan with your phone's camera



**FOR PARENTS OF CURRENT 6TH AND 7TH GRADERS ONLY**



## **CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL**

The Catholic High School Cheerleaders will be hosting a cheerleader clinic on

**Sunday, March 6**

**1:00 pm until 3:00 pm.**

The clinic is open to all girls in first through fifth grades.

The cost to attend the clinic is \$25 per girl and includes a t-shirt and snack.

Please register at

**[mychs.catholichigh.org/cheer](https://mychs.catholichigh.org/cheer)**

contact Jennifer Thibodeaux or Carey Lauret at

**[chscheer@chsbr.net](mailto:chscheer@chsbr.net)**.

Registration deadline is February 9, 2022.