



# The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

DECEMBER 1, 2022

## CALENDAR

**Saturday, December 3, 2022**

- Christmas Celebration, St. Ursula

**December 5-12**

- Missionaries of Charity collection

**Tuesday, December 6**

- Band/Choir Concert, St. Ursula

**Wednesday, December 7**

- Kindness Club Meeting, 7:20am, St. Ursula

**Thursday, December 8**

- Immaculate Conception Feast Day, 8:15 mass, Dress uniforms

**Friday, December 9**

- Spirit Shirt Day
- Adoration, St. Ursula

**Tuesday, December 13**

- Free Dress for those who participated in Missions of Charity collection (see page 6)

**Wednesday, December 14**

- Praise and Worship, 7:20am

**Thursday, December 15**

- Deadline to get IOG to Church Office for In-Parish Tuition (see next page)
- Mass, 8:15, Corpus Christi, Dress Uniforms

**Friday, December 16-Tuesday, December 20**

- Middle School Exams (see page 4 for schedule)

**Monday, December 19 & Tuesday, December 20**

- No Buses, Carpool Only

**Tuesday, December 20**

- Early Dismissal, 11:15, carpool only
- No PM Extended Care
- End of the 9 weeks

**December 21-January 3**

- Christmas break - no school; office is closed

**Wednesday, January 4**

- Students return from Christmas break



# Time & Talent (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.

- 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.**

MBS PRESENTS

Forward in Faith  
Gala

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4, 2023  
GOODWOOD LIBRARY  
7-10PM

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We are in need of 5 more  
EMPTY large  
Clorox wipe containers.  
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attention Penne Leier.

TO VOLUNTEER IN THE CAFETERIA FOR  
DECEMBER, PLEASE SEE SIGN UP [HERE](#).

*Exam Schedule*

**Friday, December 16th, 2022**

7:20-7:55 - Homeroom and Assembly

8:00-9:20 - **Literature Exam**

7th and 8th grade taking exam

6th grade practicing studying and test taking skills

9:25-9:45 - Brunch

9:50-11:05 - **Science Exam**

8th grade taking exam

6th and 7th grade practicing studying and test taking skills

11:15 - Dismissal (Car Rider Pro in homeroom)

**Monday, December 19th, 2022**

7:20-7:55 Homeroom and Assembly

**8:00-9:20 English Exam**

All students taking exam

9:25-9:45 Brunch

**9:50-11:05 – Social Studies Exam**

8th grade taking exam

6th and 7th grade practicing studying and test taking skills

11:15 – Dismissal (Car Rider Pro in homeroom)

**Tuesday, December 20th, 2022**

7:20-7:55 – Homeroom and Assembly

**8:00-9:20 – Math Exam**

All students taking exam

9:25-9:45 – Brunch

**9:50-11:05 – Religion Exam**

7th and 8th grade taking exam

11:15 – Dismissal (Car Rider Pro in homeroom)

*Exam Schedule*

# Application & Enrollment Schedule

Application & Enrollment			
Process	Date	Fee	Includes
Online Application	11/9-11/30	\$125 (non-refundable)	Only new students apply. This includes existing PK students at MBS.
Re-Enrollment	1/9-1/15	\$360 (non-refundable) \$100 late fee	All existing students who will remain at MBS the following year. Tuition is NOT deducted during January. This excludes existing PK students.
Screening	1/9-1/15	NA	All prospective new students (PK-8). Existing PreK students are NOT screened.
Acceptance Letters	2/20	NA	Letters are emailed to those students who have been accepted.
Enrollment	2/20-3/3	\$360 (non-refundable)	All newly-accepted students must enroll. This includes existing PK students accepted into K program.

All are invited to the MBS Band/Choir Concert  
**December 6, 2022**

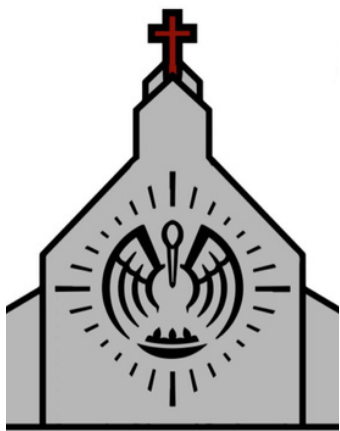
**5:30-6:30**

**St. Ursula Hall**

## Congratulations!

MBS Council of Education Chair,  
Rachel Carroccio, for being named to the  
2022 Class of Top Forty over Forth. We  
are grateful for you and what you bring  
to the Council of Education





# Office of...

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## Missionaries of Charity Project

A young couple, their first child due to arrive any day, is traveling far from home, unable to find shelter... until a kind stranger gives them help...

In that same spirit of giving, St. Teresa of Calcutta came to Baton Rouge in 1985 to establish her community of Sisters, the Missionaries of Charity, responding to Christ's plea that they make Him known to the poorest of the poor by their humble service of love. By the generous gift of their lives, they care for those who, like the Holy Family at that first Christmas, are homeless in our city.

Our 2nd Graders are leading us in providing a monetary gift for the Missionaries of Charity to support the shelter.

We are requesting a **\$2.00 donation from each student** and we encourage families to allow their children to earn this money so it may be truly a gift from them. They are doing God's work through their generosity, by giving joy to those in need throughout the year.

The collection will take place from **Monday, Dec. 5th to Monday, Dec. 12th.**

As a thank you to those who participate, you may have **free dress on Tues. Dec. 13th.**

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# Christian Formation

# OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION



**According to the Safe Environment Policy** promulgated by the USCCB and 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. 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.

## **2022-2023 Chaperone and Volunteer Agreement**

All volunteers with active files must complete and submit this school year's Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement and the Code of Ethics Acknowledgement Form (page 5 of CoE document). Please find the **agreement** [here](#) and **Code of Ethics** [here](#). Please scan/email the completed paperwork to [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org). One service hour may be counted in FACTS for updating the agreement and CoE.

**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 once the child protection process is completed.

# 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
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- **\$3150** has been donated to MBS through November 2022.
- Click [here](#) for more information.



**MBS 2018  
Alumnus  
US Navy Sailor  
Carson  
Warren**

**(brother to Bella Rose  
Warren, 6th grade)**



# Welcome to MBS, West!

No you are not seeing double! We have a new face on campus! Believed by many to be Fr. Todd's Brother, Fr. Todd, himself, or maybe even Fr. Todd's Stunt Double (all of which are good guesses but incorrect), we would like to officially introduce West Giffin to the MBS Community!

West Giffin is the new Director of Christian Formation for our Most Blessed Sacrament Church Community. West grew up in Baton Rouge and was an active participant in youth ministry programs during middle and high school and it was through the encounters and fellowship experienced here that allowed him to find true community and foster a personal encounter with Christ. West has worked in youth ministry for over 8 years bringing his love for fostering faith-based communities to MBS in 2014 and the Diocese of Baton Rouge in 2018. He returns back to his home parish to accompany young people once more on their own exciting journeys to a personal relationship with Jesus.

“It has been my greatest passion to walk with young people and provide a place of true encounter for them to be who they are truly meant to be. My greatest inspiration for what I do comes from Pope St. John Paul II's personal ministry during his time as Campus Chaplain in Poland, which he dubbed the “Srodiwisko” which he translated to “Zone of Freedom” where he was able to provide an environment that allowed our Lord to transform the lives of young people to be truly FREE to choose the good that He desires for them in order that they may be FULLY ALIVE!”

West is the proud dad to his son, Mason and he recently graduated from Notre Dame Seminary Graduate School of Theology in New Orleans, La with a Masters Degree in Pastoral Leadership/Theology.



# MBS Yellow Pages



## Kids eat free Mondays

6555 Siegen Ln, Baton Rouge, LA 70809

**MBS Children:**  
**Ryan - Alum**  
**Luke - 7th grade**

- all-natural rotisserie chicken
- dry-rubbed chicken
- fresh, never frozen
- slow-roasted over real wood
- salads & sandwiches
- family meals & catering
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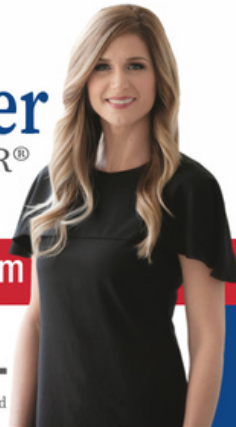
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**MBS Children: Flynn - 4th grade, Hayes - 1st grade**

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logos

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Angela, 241-7191

**MBS Children:**  
**Carson - Alumnus,**  
**Bella Rose - 6th grade**

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MBS Children: Melody - 2nd grade, Margo - PK4



MBS Children:  
Hayes - 1st grade,  
Emorie - 7th grade

[prairievilleanimalhospital.com](http://prairievilleanimalhospital.com)



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MBS Son: Brady Pitre - 7th grade



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**MBS Children:**  
Olivia Ostrander PK4  
Kylie Ostrander ALUM  
Jerry Ostrander ALUM

**MBS Children:**

Tristan - 8th grade, Paisley - PK

**MBS Children:**  
Bentley - 5th grade  
Addison - Alum '22



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**MBS Children:**  
Parker- 2nd grade  
Riley - 1st grade

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**MBS kids:**

**Arden 6th grade, Ryker 7th grade**



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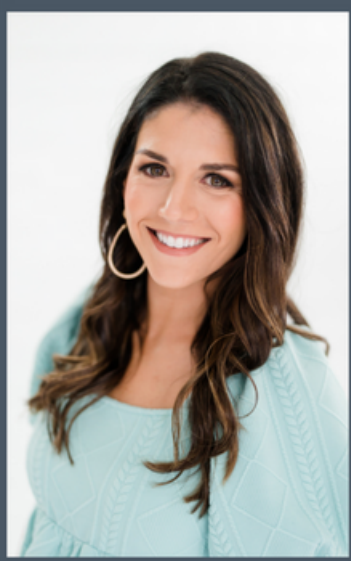
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**MBS Children: Luke - 2nd grade; Drew - ELC, 3YO**

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