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Let Go...Let God

JANUARY 26, 2023

CALENDAR

Friday, January 27

- Father/Daughter Dance
- Last day for volunteers to sign up for PALS, see page 7

Saturday, January 28 and Sunday, January 29

- Wear your uniform to weekend Mass to begin Catholic Schools Week

Monday, January 30

- MBS Parish Confirmation at church.

Tuesday, January 31

- Progress Reports Online
- Catholic Schools Week Free Dress, see page 3

Thursday, February 2

- School Mass, Dress Uniforms required
- CSW Basketball, see page 4

Friday, February 3

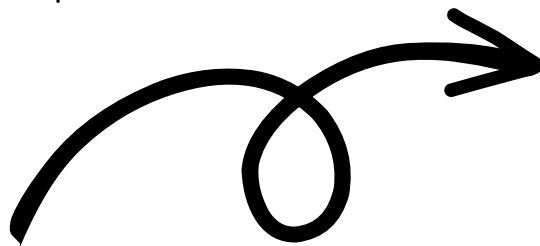
- PALS Luncheon
- Spirit Shirt Day
- Blessing of the Throats in classrooms honoring St. Blaise

Saturday, February 4

- MBS Parish Gala

Monday, February 6

- Group/Club Pictures - Dress Uniforms Required for ALL students



**Did you get your free dress pass
for a week?
How is your bid doing?
Scan to participate!**



AN ENCHANTED EVENING AWAITS



MBS
Father Daughter
Ball

The Galchouse
13469 South Harrells Ferry Rd.

January 27th 2023
7:00 pm

\$40 per couple
\$10 per additional daughter

Butterflies of Hope photography

Dessert bar

Tickets may be purchased [here](#).

2023 CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Sunday, January 29th – Saturday, February 4th

Theme: 2023 Catholic Schools: Faith, Excellence, Service



Saturday/Sunday, January 28th & 29th : Celebrating Your Parish

- Students attend ANY weekend Mass wearing their school uniform. They sit with their family.
- MBS families speak at Mass
- MBS Choir sings at 4:30 pm Mass

Monday, January 30th: Celebrating Vocations

- Speaker at Assembly & CSW Trivia
- CSW posters in Cafeteria
- Each grade level makes cards
- King Cakes delivered to Church office, Sheriff's office, & Fire Dept.

Tuesday, January 31st : Celebrating Your Students

- Speaker at Assembly & CSW Trivia
- Students have Free Dress @ no cost
- Students get a surprise at Recess

Wednesday, February 1st : Celebrating the Nation

- Speaker at Assembly & CSW Trivia
- Names of active servicemen located in Cafeteria
- Catholic Diocese Catholic Schools Week Mass (offsite)

Thursday, February 2nd : Celebrating Your Community

- School Mass: Service Awards, Neighbor's Way Awards, Jill Peno
- MBS BOYS VS. EBRSO: Basketball Game in gym: Doors open at 5:30pm: Donations taken at the door

Friday, February 3rd : Celebrating Faculty & Staff

- Speaker at Assembly & CSW Trivia
- PALS luncheon for faculty & staff
- Spirit Shirts with uniform bottoms

Saturday, February 4th : Celebrating Families

- MBS Gala
- "Why I love MBS" notes in pews at Church

CELEBRATING OUR MBS COMMUNITY

MBS BOYS V. EBRSO

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK BASKETBALL GAME



THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 2ND

Doors open at 5:30 · JV game starts at 6:00
performances by the Cheerleaders & Dance Team
and the Varsity game to follow

Donations will be taken for Catholic Charities.

Concessions will be sold.

Most Blessed Sacrament Parish invites our parishioners, families, and friends to join us at our annual

Forward in Faith



Saturday, February 4, 2023

Goodwood Library

7711 Goodwood Blvd, Baton Rouge, LA 70806

7:00–10:00 pm

Semi-formal attire preferred

The Evening Will Include:

Open Bar

Heavy Hors d'oeuvres

Silent & Live Auctions

Live Music by



For tickets, visit www.mbsauction.com

How to Participate in the Auction

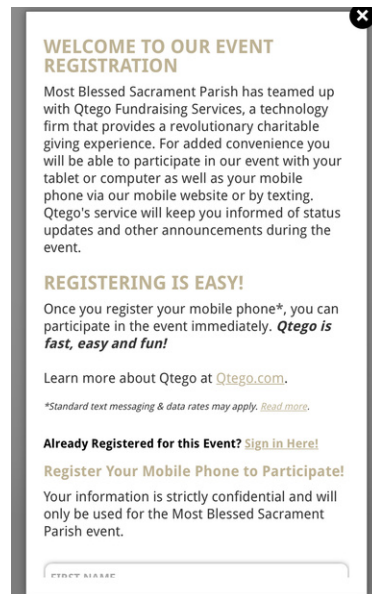
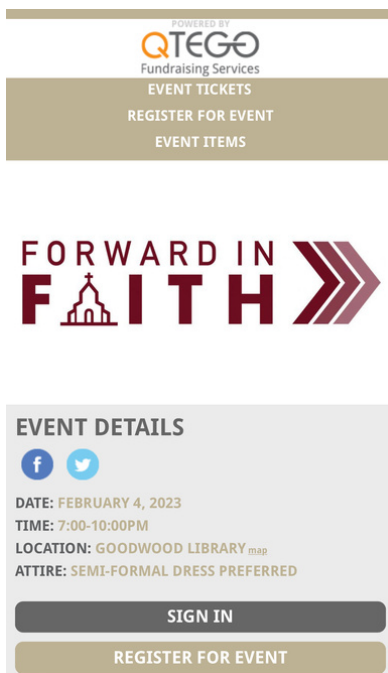
1. Items will be live on Qtego site
January 21-February 4.

<https://qtego.net/qlink/mbsbr>

2. Visit the provided link



3. Register for the Event. All bids are digital,
so credit card information is required.



Your information is strictly confidential and will only be used for the Most Blessed Sacrament Parish event.

Registration form fields:

- FIRST NAME
- LAST NAME
- MOBILE PHONE NUMBER
- EMAIL
- ADDRESS
- CITY
- SELECT YOUR STATE (dropdown)
- ZIP
- CREDIT CARD NUMBER
- EXP DATE (01 / 2020)

4. Begin bidding the afternoon of the 21st.
Bidding will close at 8:30pm on Saturday, February 4.

5. You do NOT need to attend the GALA to participate in the Auction or the Raffle.

6. You will receive a text on any item you are awarded. Items should be picked up the night of the Gala or at the Church Office on Monday, February 6.

How to Participate in the Auction

Volunteerism

- In order to volunteer on school or church campus, you must go through the Office of Child Protection to update your credentials.
- Upcoming Events where volunteers are needed:
 - Grade-level retreats - ongoing
 - Cafeteria Helpers - ongoing
 - Book Fair - February 12-17
 - 4th Grade Restaurant - February 16-17
 - Pelican Games - April 21
- Monitor the Newsletter for opportunities as they arise.

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 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. 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. Please note that five hours may be entered in FACTS for "Time and Talent" service hours once the child protection process is completed.

VOLUNTEER

opportunities



Help is needed for PALS Luncheon Click [here](#) for info.

See next page for Book Fair Sign up!

2 DAY COURSE

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6 HOUR COURSE INCLUDES

- Certification in infant CPR/AED/Choking
- Education and information on child development
- Safety, business, and life skills
- Certified RN with 20+ years of experience

\$250 PER PERSON

FRIDAY, MARCH 3RD 4:00PM-6:00PM
AND
SATURDAY, MARCH 4TH 9:00AM-1:00PM

FOR REGISTRATION AND MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE VISIT OUR WEBSITE AT
[HTTPS://PAYIT.NELNET.NET/FORM/EOUXXG64](https://payit.nelnet.net/form/EOUXXG64)

Click [here](#) to register.

HELP WANTED



Volunteers are the motivators to help any Book Fair become a success. We hope that you share with us your skills to help students discover the power of reading.

Volunteers get to:

- be the first to see the books as they are unpacked and displayed
- can set aside books to purchase later
- earn free books
- earn hours toward the Time and Talent Requirement



Please note that all volunteers must be Child Protection Certified.

Sign up [here](#) to volunteer!



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.

CHS CHEER

The Catholic High School Cheerleaders will be hosting cheerleader clinics on Sunday, March 5 and Sunday, March 12, from 1:00pm until 3:00pm. The clinics are open to all girls in first through fifth grades. The cost to attend a clinic is \$25 per girl and includes a t-shirt and a snack. Please register at mychs.catholichigh.org/cheer/clinic or you may contact Jennifer Thibodeaux or Carey Lauret at CHSCheer@catholichigh.org
Registration Deadline is February 8, 2023



We're Hiring

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Most Blessed Sacrament School
Mother Seton Award Nomination Form
Due February 13, 2023

Each year Most Blessed Sacrament seeks to recognize a deserving candidate from our school family as the recipient of the Mother Seton Award.

The Mother Seton Award was created by the Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge to honor those individuals whose volunteer service and dedication to home and school, and church has been exemplary. This individual should be recognized as an outstanding volunteer and cannot be a paid employee of the school or currently serving on the Most Blessed Sacrament Executive Home and School Board. Strong Catholic values and a selfless dedication to others should be core values of the honoree chosen by our community. The honoree should have at least three years of involvement at Most Blessed Sacrament and must be an active member of the church parish.

With these criteria in mind, we ask that you prayerfully consider submitting a candidate for consideration. All nominations should be submitted in a sealed envelope at the school office or via e-mail to Cheri M. Gioe, Principal. God bless you and your families!

Sincerely,

Ali Branigan, President
MBS Home and School Association

Cheri M. Gioe, Principal
Most Blessed Sacrament School

Mother Seton Award Nomination Form

Candidate's Name: _____

Volunteer Service Commitments:

Please explain why you believe your candidate is deserving of this honor.
(Feel free to attach an additional letter.)

MBS Home and School General Membership Meeting

Who: Louisiana State Police

What: Cyber Crimes and Youth – Pornography, social media, bullying, teen suicide, internet trafficking, drugs, and weapons

When: Wednesday, March 1, 2023

Where: St. Ursula Hall

Time: 6pm

Why: Children have access to the internet through televisions, I-pads, games, and phones. It is not only likely but probable that your child has encountered questionable content and/or participated in questionable content. MBS uses BARK as a tool to monitor the online use of our students. While some of the reports received happen during school hours, the majority happen at home with students using their school email address. We wanted to share some of the statistics to highlight that inappropriate use of the internet affects all ages and all grades.

Bark Results - August, 2022 – January 23, 2023

- 1448 Reports
 - 863 Alcohol Related Reports
 - 172 Weapon Reports
 - 161 Sexual Content Reports
 - 1 Severe
 - 97 Unkind Behavior
 - 3 Bullying
 - 58 Violence
 - 43 Anxiety
 - 37 Self-Harm or Suicidal Content
 - 6 Severe
 - 7 Depression
 - 5 Profanity
 - 5 Hate Speech
- Grade Level Breakdown
 - 8th Grade – 42%
 - 7th Grade – 26%
 - 6th Grade – 9%
 - 5th Grade – 6%
 - 4th Grade – 6%
 - 3rd Grade – 5%
 - 2nd Grade – 4%
 - 1st Grade – 2%

Kindness Club is sponsoring an animal shelter donation drive!



January 23-31 we will be collecting items for Companion Animal Alliance.



We hope you'll help us bring joy and happiness to the shelter!

Here are the items needed:

Dog and cat treats

Used or new large bath towels

Amazon [wishlist](#):

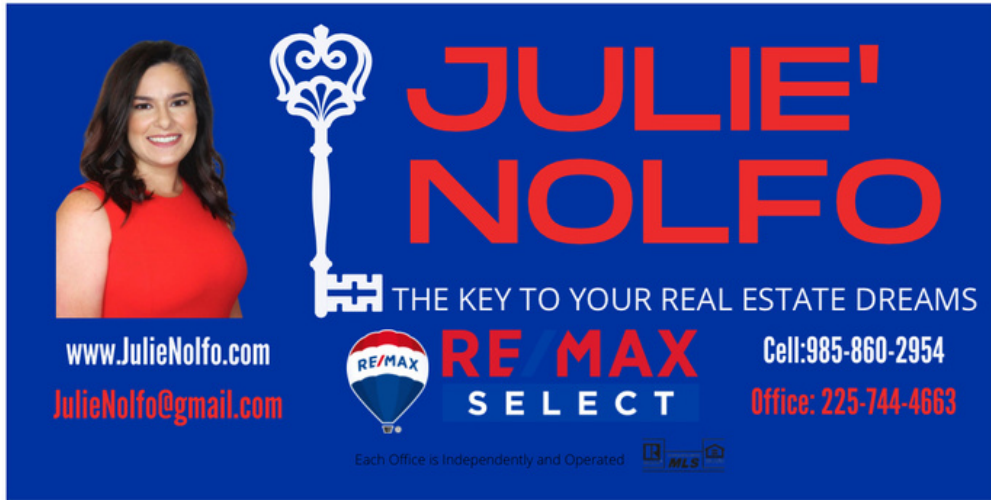
(office supplies, cleaning supplies, animal cages, cat food, storage items, dog beds, air purifiers, grooming supplies, medications, cat litter, leashes, and more!)



*Items may be shipped directly to MBS or the shelter!
Many of the Amazon items listed can be purchased at local stores, as well. [Email](#) Michelle DiBenedetto with any questions.

THANK YOU!

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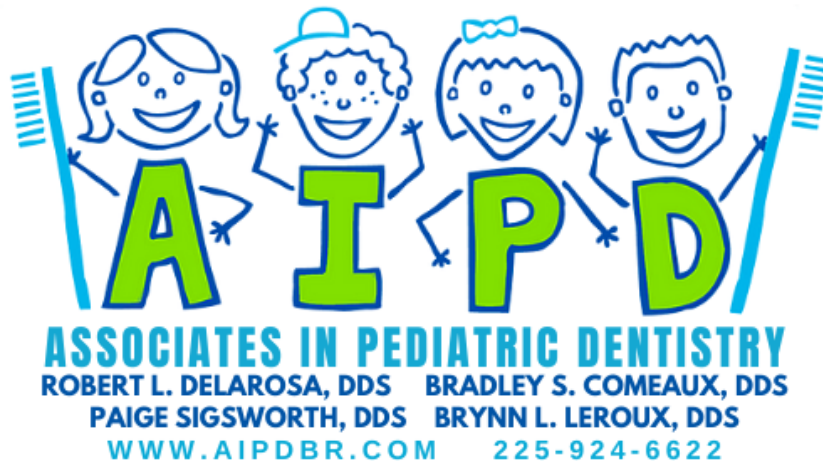
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MBS Children:
Olivia Ostrander PK4
Kylie Ostrander ALUM
Jerry Ostrander ALUM

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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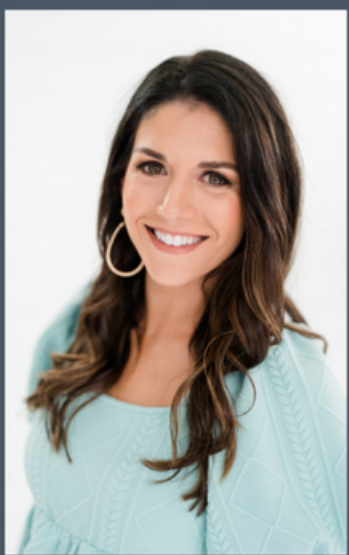
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MBS Children:

James Davis -

4th grade

Luke Davis - ELC, 3YO

MBS Children: Luke - 2nd grade;

Drew - ELC, 3YO

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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
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MBS Children: Flynn - 4th grade, Hayes - 1st grade

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Designs*

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customize designs and
logos

Facebook

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

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MBS Son: Brady Pitre - 7th grade



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MBS Children:
Clayton - 5th grade
Marilyn - 3rd grade
Gwendolyn - K

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Amelia Jane - 2nd grade*



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Capri Godso - Kindergarten