



# The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

MARCH 2, 2023

## CALENDAR

### March 2

- School Mass, dress uniforms required, 8:15am
- Baton Rouge Food Bank Guest Speaker

### March 3

- 7th Grade Wax Museum - Seventh grade students dress up and pretend they are "wax museum" figures. All students visit the "Wax Museum" during school hours and learn a bit of history from the 7th graders.
- Lenten Dinners begin, see page 6

### March 6-7

- Beacon Interim Testing: Want to know more about this test? Click [here](#).

### March 6-13

- Baton Rouge Food Bank Collection, see page 4

### March 8

- Kindness Club Meeting, 7:20am, Library
- Mason's Night at MBS, see page 2

### March 9

- School Mass, dress uniforms required, 8:15am
- Mandatory Parent Meeting for Cheer & Dance Tryouts, see page 8

### March 13 - 17

- Cheer Tryouts for 5th-8th Grade, see page 8
- Dance Tryouts for 6th-8th Grade, see page 8

### March 14

- End of 3rd Nine Weeks

### March 17

- Middle School Wear Green Shirts with Uniform Bottoms
- Parent/Teacher Conferences PK-5, No School for Grades PK-5

### March 20

- PK-5 Wear Green Shirts with Uniform Bottoms
- Parent/Teacher Conferences 6-8 Grade, No School for Grades 6-8



Have your child get a  
good night  
sleep and eat a  
nutritious  
breakfast before  
testing.



**MBS  
Mason's Grill  
give back  
event!**

**Wednesday March 8th**

Come out and support MBS and a locally owned restaurant anytime on March 8th. Enjoy lunch with friends or have a family night out. Just let them know you are there to support MBS and 15% will be given back.

Turn in receipts labeled with your children's home room class on Thursday March 9th. The class with the most participation to win a surprise.



13556 Jefferson Hwy  
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225-756-8815

11:30 am- 9:30 pm

# 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
  - 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](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.

*Volunteer Opportunities are posted here weekly.*

## VOLUNTEER

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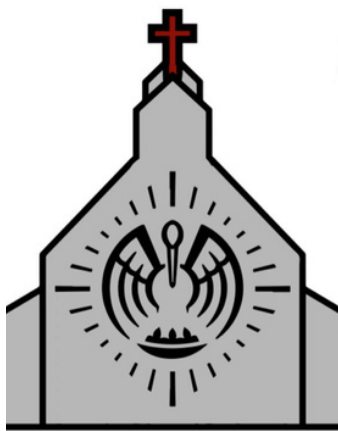


[Cafeteria Volunteers](#)

[Items to Donate](#)







# Office of...

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## 7th Grade Food Drive

Monday, March 6th – Monday, March 13th

Please help 7th grade with their ministry project, the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank Drive. We are asking the students to bring in items according to their grade levels.

Thank you for your generosity.



Grade	Food Item
Pre-K	Rice
Kindergarten	Pasta
1 <sup>st</sup>	Peanut Butter
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Canned Fruit/Fruit Cups
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Plastic Jars or Can Spaghetti Sauce Canned Ravioli, Spaghetti O's...
4 <sup>th</sup>	Tuna Fish
5 <sup>th</sup>	Canned Soup
6 <sup>th</sup>	Canned Vegetables
7 <sup>th</sup>	Jelly
8 <sup>th</sup>	Dried Beans
Faculty / Staff	Flour, Sugar, Oil

This is a great opportunity to practice almsgiving during this Lenten Season. GBRFB will accept monetary donations made payable to Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank.

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# Christian Formation



# 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 LENTEN DINNERS

**FRIDAYS**  
**MAR 3 - MAR 31**  
**5:00 - 7:00**

**NEW THIS YEAR**

**NO DRIVE-THRU**

**FRIED SHRIMP IS BACK**

Due to construction, we will go back to selling dinners inside the Ott Center (next to the gym).

**DINE-IN or TO-GO**

**FISH DINNER \$10**  
**SHRIMP DINNER \$10**  
**WEEKLY ENTREE \$10**  
**CRAWFISH PIE \$3**

**WEEKLY SPECIALTY ENTREE**

MAR 3 Shrimp & Corn Soup  
MAR 10 Shrimp Stew  
MAR 17 Crawfish Etouffee  
MAR 24 Crawfish Casserole  
MAR 31 Shrimp Fettuccine

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Cards Accepted

Dinners begin the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
week of Lent (March 3)

## Professional, Joyful Educators Wanted

### Requirements

- Ability to work as a team, maintaining a growth mindset.
- Degree from an accredited university and a valid Teaching Certificate or be eligible for one.
- The ability to carry out the mission of MBS - to serve our Church, its families, and the community by nurturing Gospel values, academic excellence, and a lifetime of prayer and service - as well as promote the teachings of Catholicism.

### Job Expectations

- Planning & implementing an instructional program aligned with grade-level standards.
- Maintaining accurate and complete records of students' academic progress and development.
- Managing student behavior by establishing and enforcing procedures in accordance with policies of the school.

### Apply

- [mbsbr.org/about/employment](https://mbsbr.org/about/employment)



# LENTEN FASTING

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection.

For those interested, the MBS Cafeteria serves meatless meals on Fridays, year-round.

-Taken from the USCCB Website

[March Lunch Menu](#)

## PK & K Parents:

### *Save the Dates*

#### **Donuts with Dad**

Thursday, March 16<sup>th</sup>

Mass with refreshments to follow in the school courtyard (St. Ursula if rain).

#### **Muffins with Mom**

Thursday, April 20<sup>th</sup>

Mass with refreshments to follow in the school courtyard (St. Ursula if rain).

#### **Kindergarten Prayer Service**

Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

8:30am in St. Ursula

#### **Pre-K Picnic**

Friday, May 12<sup>th</sup>

10:30am Location TBD

Formal Invitations will be sent later.

**MBS Girls going into the 3rd and 4th grade for the 23-24 school year are eligible for Pep Squad.**

**If your child is interested, please email Megan Frank [MFrank@mbsbr.org](mailto:MFrank@mbsbr.org)**



# CHEER & DANCE TRYOUTS



**MANDATORY  
PARENT MEETING  
THURSDAY, MARCH 9TH  
6:30PM IN ST. URSULA**

**CHEER**   
**5TH-8TH GRADE FOR 23-24**  
**CLINIC MARCH 13-15**  
**TRYOUTS MARCH 16**



**DANCE**  
**6TH-8TH GRADE FOR 23-24**  
**CLINIC MARCH 13-16**  
**TRYOUTS MARCH 17**

**\$10 at the door!**  
**6th 7th 8th grades!**

**@ St. Michael**  
**Main Gym**

**March 10th**  
**@ 6:30-9:15!**

# Living Water



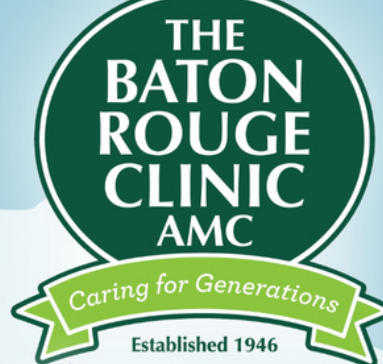
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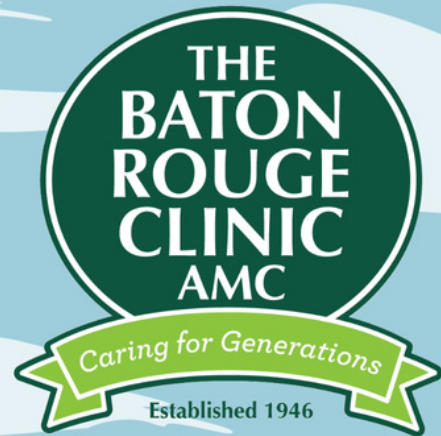
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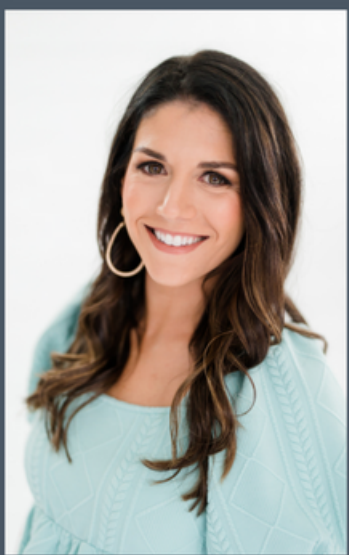
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**MBS Children:**

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**4th grade**

**Luke Davis - ELC, 3YO**

**MBS Children: Luke - 2nd grade;**

**Drew - ELC, 3YO**

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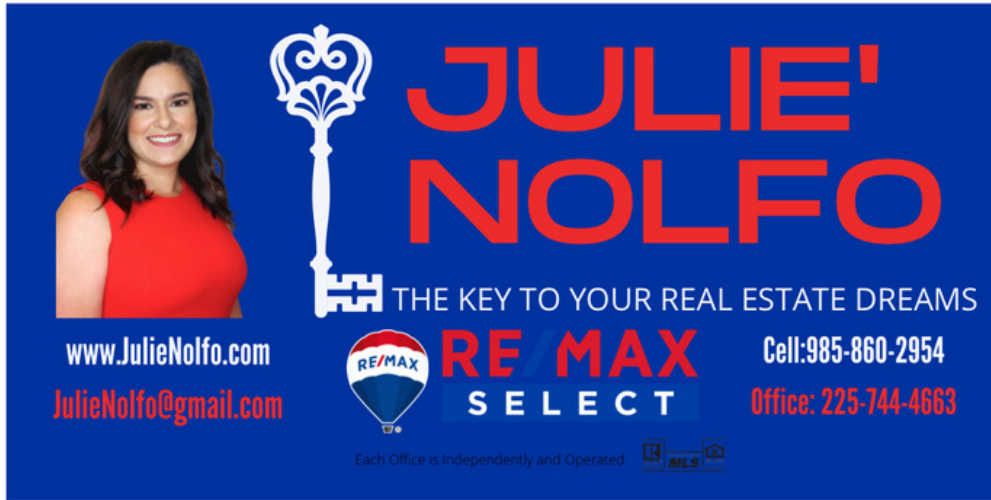
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**MBS Children:**  
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**Bella Rose - 6th grade**



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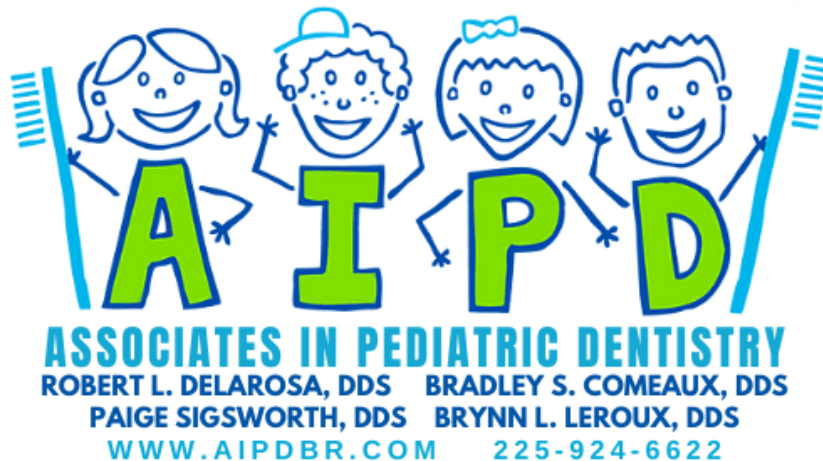
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**MBS Children:**  
Olivia Ostrander PK4  
Kylie Ostrander ALUM  
Jerry Ostrander ALUM

**MBS Children:**

Tristan - 8th grade, Paisley - PK

**MBS Children:**  
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Addison - Alum '22



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

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

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MBS Son: Brady Pitre - 7th grade



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MBS Children: Felicity - 3rd grade

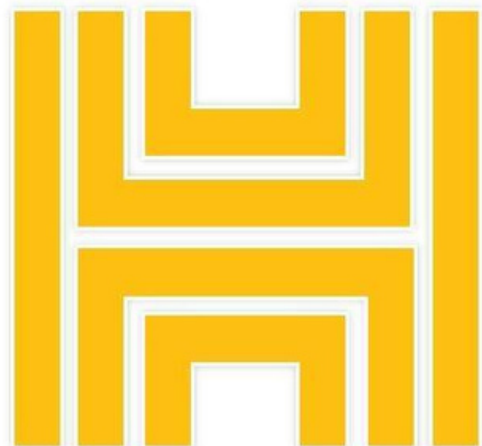


MBS Children:

Knox, 2nd grade

Luca, ELC, 3YO

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**MBS Children:**

**Beau Henderson - 6th grade**

**Anne-Claire Henderson - 2nd grade**



**MBS Children:**

**Mary Commander - 3rd grade**

**Maggie Commander -PK**