



# The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

MARCH 9, 2023

## CALENDAR

### March 6-13

- Baton Rouge Food Bank Collection, see page 3

### March 9

- School Mass, dress uniforms required, 8:15am
- Mandatory Parent Meeting for Cheer & Dance Tryouts, see page 7

### March 13

- Last day to test for Accelerated Reading, Third Quarter

### March 13 - 17

- Cheer Tryouts for 5th-8th Grade, see page 7
- Dance Tryouts for 6th-8th Grade, see page 7

### March 14

- End of 3rd Nine Weeks
- Gradebook in FACTS disabled for parents
- AR Free Dress and donuts for students who met their goal (Grades 3-8)

### March 16

- School Mass, dress uniforms required, 8:15am

### March 17

- Report Cards emailed & available in FACTS.
- Middle School Bowling Field Trip - wear spirit shirts (different from last week's communication)
- 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

### March 22

- Praise & Worship, 7:20am, St. Ursula, no breakfast, bring a rosary

**2023-24 EXTENDED CARE  
REGISTRATION IS OPEN!**

**Click [here](#) to register.**

# 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.*

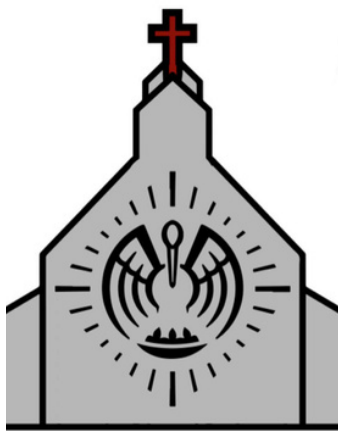
## VOLUNTEER

*opportunities*



[Cafeteria Volunteers](#)





# 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**

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

**NEW THIS YEAR**

**NO DRIVE-THRU**

**FRIED SHRIMP IS BACK**

**WEEKLY SPECIALTY ENTREE**

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

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

**DINE-IN or TO-GO**

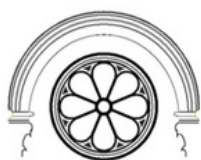
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Dinners begin the 2<sup>nd</sup>  
week of Lent (March 3)



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No cost to you. Meals provided, beds provided

(bring bed linens, pillow, towels and personal items), prayer provided.

All Men 16 years and older are eligible to attend.

**March 31st - April 2nd**

**Contact:**

Your local Diocesan Vocations Director

*Reserve your spot today.*



# Upcoming Jazz Band Events

March 22, 6:00pm-7:30pm

- Siegen Lane Community Coffee House
- 6971 Siegen Lane
- MBS Jazz Band & MBS Jazz Combo will perform

March 31, 10:30am-11:15am

- Bill Evans Jazz Festival at Southeastern in Hammond
- Pottle Hall
- MBS Jazz Band will perform

All are invited to attend

## PK & K Parents:

2023-24 Dates

### *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.



**WATCH THE CHURCH BULLETIN AND  
THE SCHOOL NEWSLETTER FOR VBS  
REGISTRATION IN MAY.**



# 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

## Coffee Talk with Principal

Come on in and chat with Mrs. Gioe and  
get updates on school happenings and  
coming events!

**March 22, 9:00-10:00 am**

**April 5, 12:00-1:00pm**



St. John Room of  
Church Office  
15615  
Jefferson Hwy

**RSVP:**

**225.266.2162**

## Babysitting & Child Care Training

Students will be  
trained & certified  
in First Aid  
CPF/AED as well  
as Red Cross  
Babysitting &  
Child Care.

**Saturday, April 29**

**9am-2pm**

**\$250**

includes cost of  
training,  
equipment, and  
official certificaton

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register

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**MBS kids:**

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



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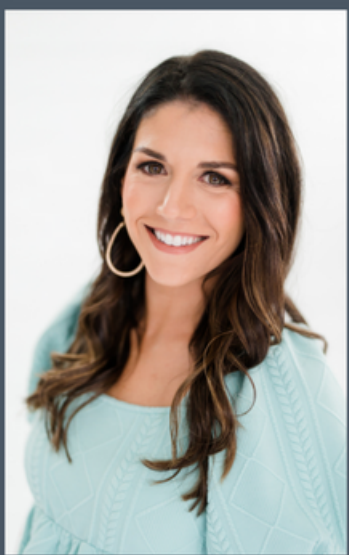
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**James Davis -**

**4th grade**

**Luke Davis - ELC, 3YO**

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

**Drew - ELC, 3YO**



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

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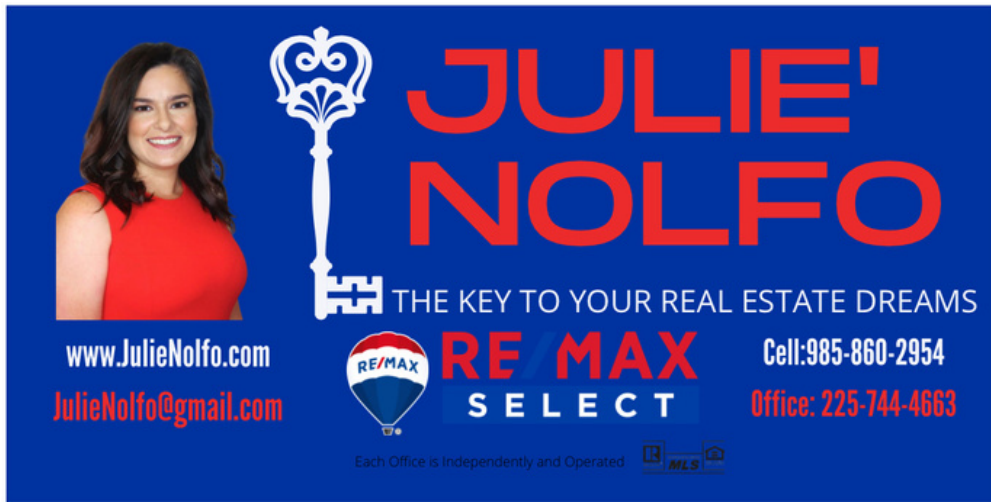
Angela, 241-7191

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

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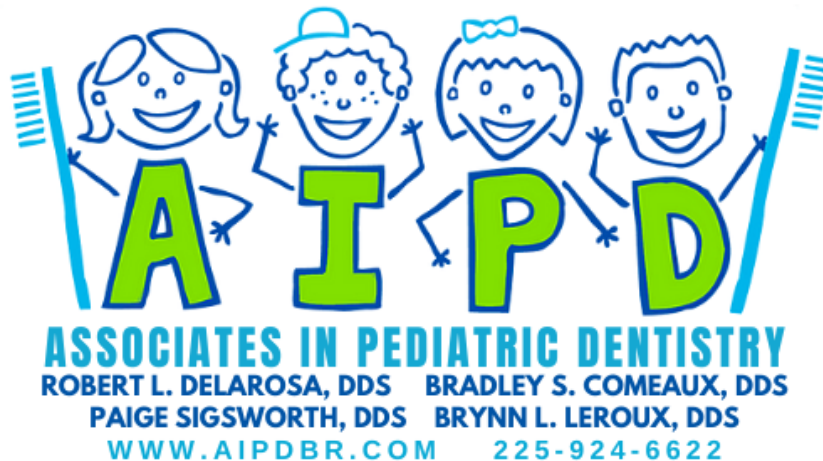
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**MBS Children:**  
Olivia Ostrander PK4  
Kylie Ostrander ALUM  
Jerry Ostrander ALUM

**MBS Children:**

Tristan - 8th grade, Paisley - PK

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



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

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**Hayes - 1st grade,**  
**Emorie - 7th grade**

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**MBS Son: Brady Pitre - 7th grade**



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**Clayton - 5th grade**

**Marilyn - 3rd grade**

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MBS Children: Felicity - 3rd grade



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DENTAL

MBS Children:

Knox, 2nd grade

Luca, ELC, 3YO

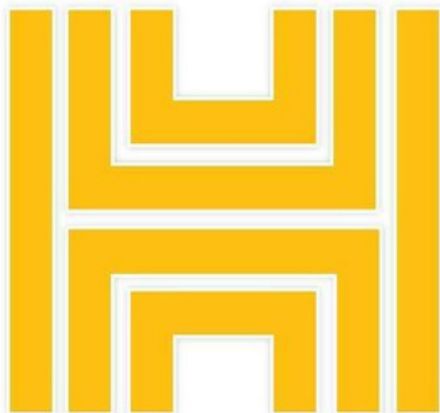
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**MBS Children:**

**Mary Commander - 3rd grade**

**Maggie Commander -PK**



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**MBS Children:**

**Beau Henderson - 6th grade**

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