

The Pelican Express

AUGUST 17, 2023

CALENDAR

August 17

- Back To School Night for Parents only, St. Ursula, 5:30-8:00. This event is for all parents to enjoy introductions and presentations from your child's teacher(s). See agenda next page.
- · Give Back Day at Five Guys, Village Market location.

August 18

- Spirit Shirt Day with uniform bottoms
- Student Council Sign-up Deadline (7 & 8 graders)

August 21

Concert Choir Sign-up Deadline

August 21-Sept 1

Circles of Grace Lessons, Sponsored by Office of Child Protection

August 22

- Second Grade Class Mass. This Mass is in addition to Thursday Mass. For this Mass, Second Grade Parents are invited to sit with their children.
- Classroom Coordinator Meeting for those invited to serve as Coordinators

August 23

School Pictures - Dress Uniforms are NOT required.

August 24

- School Mass, 8:15 Dress Uniforms are NOT required.
- 6th Grade Bible Blessings

August 31

Deadline for Altar Server Forms





Back to School Night Schedule

What: MBS Back to School Night

When: Thursday, August 17, 2023

Where: St. Ursula Hall and Classrooms

Time: 5:45 p.m. – 7:45 p.m.

5:45 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. - Registration and Refreshments

6:00 p.m. - Introductions and Presentations

6:45 p.m. - Class Presentations

Elementary – 1st –5th - Homeroom Classes

- 6:45 p.m. 7:10 p.m. Session 1
- 7:15 p.m. 7:40 p.m. Session 2 (Repeat of Session 1)

Middle School - 6th - 8th Grade - St. Ursula

- 6:45 p.m. 7:45 p.m. Middle School Presentations
 - Enrichment/Activity
 - Grade Level Expectations
 - Grade Level Routines
 - Subject and Grade Level Expectations

Grace Notes

Grace Notes, the company that offers string lessons, is not available this Fall.



MBS Pelibot Club

Middle School Students-

- Learn to program and control Lego Spike
 Robots
- Compete locally
- Thursdays after school2:45-4 starting Sept 5
- \$25 (covers competition costs and shirts)
- Click <u>here</u>

4H

All 3-8 grade students
are invited to join 4H for
another year of fun with public
speaking, leadership, nutrition,
agriculture and small farm
animals again as key activities.
They meet every second
Tuesday of the month
after school.

EF - Education First is seeking to place three high school students from for the 2023-2024 school year. EF offers one of the nation's leading educational exchange programs for students. The students are from Germany, The Philippines. Students come with health insurance and spending money. If you and your family are interested, please contact Candace Melancon at candace.m.melancon@gmail.com.

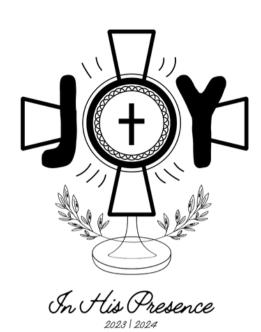
Come join MBS Concert Choir!

4th-8th Graders Invited:
We meet Tuesday and Thursday
mornings at 7 am in the music
room. The Concert Choir sings
for Mass, Fair, and Concerts.
Permission slips are outside the
music room in a folder.
Sign up deadline is Monday,
August 21st!

STUDENT COUNCIL

7th and 8th graders interested in running for an office for Student Council meet in Mrs. Berry's room during recess on Friday 8/18/2023. It will not take the whole recess time.

SPIRIT SHIRTS



23-24 Spirit Shirts with this logo are the only acceptable "Spirit Shirt" to wear on Spirit Shirt Days.

ALTAR SERVERS

Please encourage your 3rd-8th grade student to sign up for this Ministry.

Deadline for applications: August 31.



Volunteerism - Time & Talent

- In order to volunteer on school or church campus, you must go through the Office of Child Protection to update your credentials.
- Opportunities to volunteer and get service hours will be placed here in the newsletter.
- Upcoming Events:
 - MBS Parish Fair October 27-29
 - MBS Fun Run November 10
 - Pelican Games April 26

OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

Circle of Grace- Safe Environment Training Program

The USCCB Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People requires that all children enrolled in Catholic Schools and Parish Schools of Religion receive Safe Environment training. The Diocese of Baton Rouge will provide such training for grades K-12 utilizing the program, Circle of Grace.

The Circle of Grace lesson(s) for your child's grade level is scheduled on the following dates.

Grades K-8 August 21-25, 2023, and August 28 - September 1, 2023

The Circle of Grace lesson plan for your child's grade level may be reviewed at the following link. https://learncat.diobr.org/circle-of-grace

Password: CareSafeChurch.

Please note that many of the lessons have a parent letter explaining the grade-level content. Parent letters will be sent home. The information in the parent letters is meant to be discussed between parents and students at home. The parent letter will not be discussed in class. Some lessons require a parent to sign and return the letter or activity page for documentation.

Parents have the right to opt their children out of receiving Safe Environment training. If you choose not to have your child participate in the training, it is required that you sign and submit the Circle of Grace Opt-out form for grades K-8 to: Roslyn Landry in the Office of Child Protection by Wednesday, August 16, 2023.

*Please note that opt-out forms will not be accepted after August 16, 2023.





Items Needed to
Donate. Click <u>here</u> to
sign up.

Fime & Talent (Service Hours

Parent's Commitment to Church and School

Enrollment and/or continued enrollment at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School requires a commitment to ALL of the following:

- <u>Prayer and Mass</u> Families must commit to daily prayer at home. Catholic families must attend weekly, Sunday, Mass on Holy Days of Obligation. Non-Catholic families must attend Sunday services at their home church.
- <u>Service</u> Twenty (20) hours of Time and Talent 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.

Definition of an hour of Time and Talent: an actual hour of volunteer work or donation purchases of \$10

• <u>Weekly Church Offering.</u> – As an Identified Offertory Giver (IOG), a minimum amount of \$325.00 must be donated, yearly, to the Most Blessed Sacrament General Offertory or Building Fund to support the Church stewardship program. Church members who meet the IOG requirement will receive inparish tuition. Donations will be verified by December 15 unless otherwise authorized by the Pastor or Principal. Any offerings thereafter will count towards the next school year.

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.

We are happy to have all our students back on campus. Our coaches and volunteers have been working hard to prepare for the Fall sports programs.

Fall sports will include:

Swimming, Cross Country, Girls Basketball and Football. "Parish Sports" will also take place in the fall, more information coming soon.

Parish Sports will start in September for students K-3.

Football Schedules are posted on our website www.mbsbr.org Athletics tab...

Athletics can be an important part of a young person's life. It teaches discipline and self-pride while helping one realize the importance of cooperation.

Athletics are a component of, and interact with, the spiritual, social and academic components of the overall school program. MBS recognizes that support from the administration, faculty, staff, coaches, parents and fans are necessary in providing a positive Catholic athletic experience for the student-athlete. Athletes, parents, and fans are a direct reflection of MBS and should adhere to the philosophy of the school by always acting in a dignified manner.

I look forward to meeting all of you! Go Pelicans!

Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director MBS Athletics tkrysan@mbsbr.org





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> **MBS Daughter:** Vivian - 8th Grade









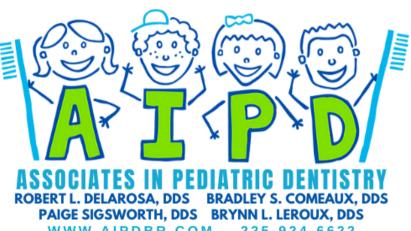
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MBS Children: Olivia Ostrander 1st grade **Kylie Ostrander ALUM** Jerry Ostrander ALUM

MBS Children:

Tristan - alum, Paisley - K

MBS Children: Bentley - 6th grade Addison - Alum '22







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Parker- 4th grade

Riley - 1st grade

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MBS Children: Ava Santos - 1st Grade Mia Santos - PK



MBS Children: Knox, 3rdd grade Luca, PK

www.nguyendentalcare.com



www.HendersonAuctions.com

MBS Children: Beau Henderson - 7th grade Anne-Claire Henderson - 3rd grade





Facebook Page

Instagram Account

MBS Children: Felicity - 4th grade, Henry - K



MBS Children: Mary Commander - 4th grade Maggie Commander - K

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Kids eat free Mondays

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MBS Students: Ryan Verinder - Alum Luke Verinder - 8th grade Brianna Vince - 8th grade

- all-natural rotisserie chicken
- dry-rubbed chicken
- fresh, never frozen
- slow-roasted over real wood
- salads & sandwiches
- family meals & catering
- order through app for rewards, discounts, and other deals

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MBS Children: Flynn - 5th grade, Hayes - 2nd grade

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MBS Children:

Hayes - 2ndgrade, Emorie - 8th grade

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https://riverparishpt.com/

MBS Son: Brady Pitre - 8th grade



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MBS Children: Luke - 3rdgrade; Drew - PK