



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

FEBRUARY 8, 2024

CALENDAR

February 9

- No Buses
- Wear Red/Pink/Mardi Gras or Spirit Shirt with uniform bottoms
- K/4th Grade Mardi Gras Parade

February 12-16

- No School - Mardi Gras Break

February 14

- Ash Wednesday Mass & Distribution of Ashes:
 - 8:45am
 - 12pm
 - 6pm
- Confession is available an hour before each Mass

February 22

- Beta Convention
- School Mass, 8:15, Dress Uniform Required
- Math Club Meeting

February 23

- Faculty Professional Development Day - no school for PK-5 grades
- Lenten Dinners begin - see page 2

February 24

- MBS Parish Forward in Faith Gala/Auction

February 25

- First Eucharist Prep for Students - Cafeteria
- First Eucharist Prep for Parents - St. Ursula

February 26

- Faculty Professional Development Day - no school for 6-8 grades.

No buses tomorrow!

MBS Lenten Dinners

Fridays during Lent

All are invited to purchase a Lenten Dinner in the Ott Center adjacent to the MBS GYM.

Doors open at 5:00pm

Dine-in or Take-out available. No Drive-through this year.

MBS LENTEN DINNERS

FRIDAYS
FEB 23 - MAR 22
5:00 - 7:00

DINE-IN OR TO-GO
MBS OTT CENTER

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

<u>WEEKLY SPECIALTY ENTREE</u>	
FEB 23	Shrimp & Corn Soup
MAR 1	Crawfish Casserole
MAR 8	Shrimp Fettuccine
MAR 15	Shrimp Stew
MAR 22	Crawfish Etouffee

Forward in Faith Gala

February 24, 2024

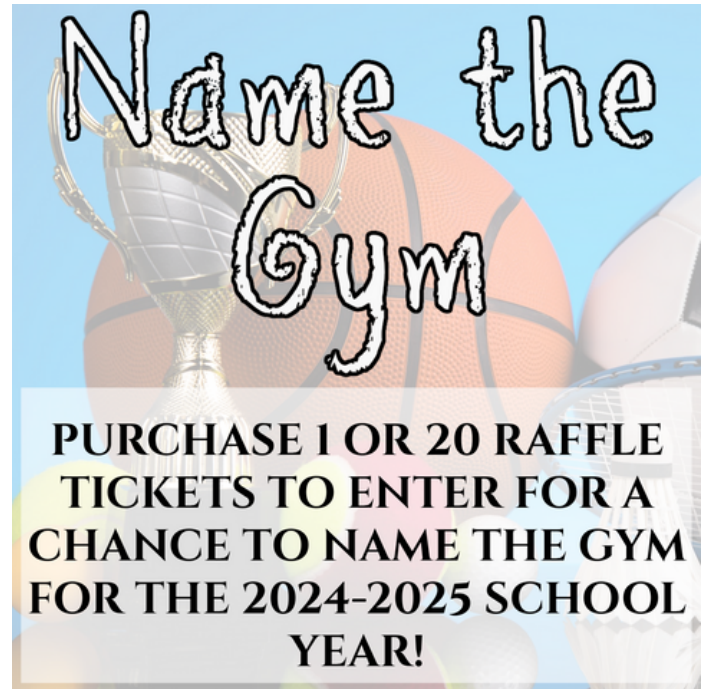
- The Gala is the largest fundraiser for the Church Parish and is put on by MBS School Parents.
- For more information on how to buy a ticket, click [here](#).
- For more information on how to donate an item for our Silent Auction, click [here](#).
- Items will be available online to start bidding one week prior to the Gala. Auction will close at the Gala.

GALA TICKETS
ARE ON SALE
NOW!

WWW.MBSAUCTION.COM



Instabuy for the Auction



- Friday, February 2, visit the Auction Website by clicking [here](#).
- The two items that are available to purchase and “instantly buy” are
- **Free Dress Pass for a week** - For \$25 per family, MBS students are able to wear free dress during a week in the Spring, excluding Mass day. The week will be determined by School Administration.
- **Raffle ticket to name the gym** - For \$5/raffle ticket, families can purchase a ticket for a chance to name the Gym. You can give it a creative name, or name it after someone. A sign will be displayed with the winning name. Final approval by Mrs. Gioe is required.

FACTS 2023 Tax Statement

- Login to FACTS Family Portal
- Financial (Financial Home)
- View Details
- View Payment Summary
- Choose 2023
- Print button is located at top right.

February Lunch Menu

2025 Trip to Washington, D.C. & Williamsburg!



Are you interested in learning more about our trip? RSVP below to attend our meeting where we will discuss:

- Everything that we'll see and do
- Travel dates
- Safety and support
- Pricing and payment options
- All that's included when traveling with EF Explore America

Open to all students in middle school 2024-2025

Use the QR code to get meeting location and register to attend!

Meeting time & date:

RSVP for details

Trip Contact Information:

adouet@mbsbr.org



RSVP HERE:

<https://rsvp.efexploreamerica.com/3n6hfe2>

MBS Spirit Squad Presents:
EGG MY YARD
Fundraiser



- *Place an order and we will secretly come hide candy filled eggs in your yard along with a special note from the Easter Bunny!*
- *All orders must be placed before March 8th*
- *Delivery will be the weekend before Easter, March 23rd and 24th*



Register

Lent

By these solemn forty days of Lent the Church unifies herself to the mystery of Jesus in the desert.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence from meat for Catholics. The norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until 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. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence from meat. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon Catholics from age 14 onward.

Mother/Son Night

Friday, March 8

Movie & Game Night

- All Moms and their Sons are invited to attend the Mother/Son Movie & Game Night.
- Check in starting at 5:30pm at Celebrity's Theatres on George O'Neal.
- Payment for tickets can be found [here](#).

TO REGISTER AND PURCHASE TICKETS CLICK THE LINK BELOW.

TICKET SALES CLOSE FEBRUARY 28TH-PRE-PURCHASE ONLY. NO TICKETS SOLD AT DOOR



*Click link below
to purchase
your tickets!*

POPCORN

DRINKS

ARCADE GAMES

FRIDAY, MARCH 8TH

CHECK IN 5:30-6

MOVIE 6:30

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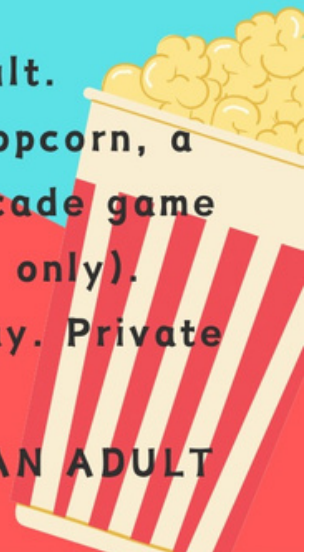
Mother & Son Movie Date Night

Admission: \$20 per child and \$10 per adult.

Ticket includes movie admission, one box of popcorn, a 12oz refillable drink and a 30 minute timed arcade game card (game card included for child admission only).

Doors open at 5:30 for check-in and arcade play. Private screening movie starts at 6:30.

***ALL STUDENTS MUST BE ACCOMPANIED BY AN ADULT
FOR ENTIRE EVENING**





*A
Special
Thank
You!!!*

The PALS Committee thanks everyone who volunteered and donated items to make this year's PALS a success! We are also thankful to Mi Padres Mexican Grill for providing the delicious food and Superior Grill for providing the drinks for our Mock Bar. Thank you MBS Community!



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:
 - Mother/Son Night
 - Pelican Games

OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION



**IMPORTANT
NOTICE**

The Safe Environment file database for the Diocese of Baton Rouge was terminated on December 31, 2023.

Due to unforeseen issues, the new database is currently in the testing phase and will not start in January as expected.

Your continued patience is appreciated throughout this process.



February Cafeteria Signup



THE GREATER
BATON ROUGE
LEARNING
DISABILITIES
COALITION
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CW AUSTIN LEARNING DISABILITIES CONFERENCE

Join us IN-PERSON on March 2, 2024 at the Goodwood Library in Baton Rouge for 5 free, live presentations by local experts! Free and low cost CEUs available!

And

Tune in VIRTUALLY March 2 - April 7, 2024 for free access to over 20 information-packed, one-hour pre-recorded virtual sessions! Free and low cost CEUs available.

Topics include ADHD, Dyslexia, Autism, and mental health, as well as behavior management and learning strategies.



Register at www.ldhelp.org



Time & 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:

- **Prayer and Mass** – 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.
- **Service** – 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

- **Weekly Church Offering** – 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 in-parish 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.

Be sure to check to School Facebook page as we post information about the Athletics Department frequently.

We hope everyone enjoys the Mardi Gras break!!
Go Pelicans!

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.

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Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director

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