



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

SEPTEMBER 26, 2024

CALENDAR

September 26

- School Mass, 8:15 - next week dress uniform will be required going forward.
- 3rd grade retreat
- Thursday Robotics
- 5th grade girls basketball

September 27

- Conference Day - PK-5; *No School for PK-5*; Middle School attends school
- Swim Meet at Crawfish Aquatics

September 28

- Cross Country Meet - Highland Road Park

September 30

- Conference Day - Middle School; *No School for MS*; PK-5 attends school
- 5/6 and 7/8 football games

October 1

- 8A Field Trip to St. Agnes
- Tuesday Robotics

October 2

- 8B Field Trip to St. Agnes
- Pelibots, St. Ursula
- Girls Basketball Games

October 3

- School Mass, 8:15 - dress uniforms required - pet blessing, PK attends Mass
- Math Club Tournament, Catholic High
- Thursday Robotics
- 3/4 Football Game

October 4

- PK Field Trip
- Mercedarian Sisters Adoration
- Girls Basketball Tournament

October 7

- Last Day for SVDP Collection

October 9

- Praise & Worship Meeting

In the Life of a Pelican



Swim Meet



Kindness Club



Science Class



Cross Country



Pep Squad



PK Visit

Upcoming Charges on FACTS account

- Due to accounting, all fees will no longer be dispersed over 11 months with tuition, but will be withdrawn at Enrollment. Enrollment takes place in January of each year. As a reminder, there is no tuition deducted in January.
- **Security Fee** is applied to families to staff a Baton Rouge sheriff Office deputy on campus from 6am to 6pm while the students are present. Custom Security 24/7 cameras to monitor the campus is also included in the fee. This fee will be drafted in October and November for the 2024-25 school year. \$137.50 will be deducted in October; \$137.50 will be deducted in November as an “incidental fee.”
- Effective January 2025, all 2025-2026 fees will be due at enrollment. In January, the following 25-26 fees will be drafted:
 - **Enrollment fee \$375.** After the enrollment deadline, the enrollment fee increases to \$475 per student for returning students.
 - **Technology fee of \$275** . This fee is assessed to students to cover all technology, which not only applies to the cost of student chrome books, but also to online textbooks licenses, subscriptions to ClassLink and all its components.
 - **Security fee of \$275.** see above for explanation of this fee.
 - **Facts fee of \$55.** A Facts payment plan must be set up during enrollment process.
 - **Capital Maintenance Fee of \$400** per family if applicable. This fee is assessed to families who are not identified offertory givers of MBS Church, those who are registered at another church parish, and/or those who are non-Catholic.
- The PK - First Grade Fee and the 8th Grade Class Fee will be drafted with the first tuition payment for the 2025-2026 school year, which will be in June of 2025.

Conference Days

As needed conferences are scheduled with parents of students in grades PK-8th grade. If a child’s teacher does not request a conference, and the parent would like to meet, a conference may be requested. Students do not attend school on their scheduled conference day.

Please take note of the no school days.

On Friday, September 27, PK-5 grade will have parent/teacher conferences, so those students will not attend school. Middle School students will attend on this day.

On Monday, September 30, Middle School will have parent/teacher conferences, so those students will not attend school. Students PK-5 grade will attend on this day.

No Buses

We will not have Bus Service on Thursday, October 10 and Friday, October 11.

Flamingo Night

Flamingo Night has been rescheduled to Thursday, October 10. Doors open at 6. Donations accepted for entry. Game begins at 6:30. Kids must be supervised by a parent.

CARNIVAL RIDES

WEEKEND BRACELET \$60

Pre-Order Online ONLY

SESSION TIME BRACELET \$25

FRI 6-10	SAT 12-4	SAT 6-10	SUN 12-4
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Good for One Time Listed Only

Purchase at the Fair

Individual Ride Tickets are also Available for Purchase at the Fair

SIGN-UPS & PURCHASES

Fair T-Shirt Orders Aug 24 - Sep 12

Family Tent Sales Sep 17

Ride Bracelets Sep 23 - Oct 11

Volunteer Sign-Up Sep 23

Bake Sweets Sign-Up Anytime

FAIR SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 18

6:00 Fair Opens

7:00 LAUREN LEE BAND

10:00 Fair Closes

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 19

10:00 Fair Opens

10:00 Student Performances

2:00 Bingo Under the Tent

5:30 Tent-Or-Treat

7:00 THE CHASE TYLER BAND

8:00 Game Booths Close

10:00 Fair Closes

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 20

9:45 Mass in Church

10:45 Fair Opens (after mass)

12:00 PHAT HAT

4:00 Fair Ends



MISSION 2024: MBS FAIR



WATCH GAMES
AT THE FAIR



TENT-OR-TREAT
5:30 SATURDAY



LAUREN LEE
BAND

THE CHASE
TYLER BAND

Phat Hat

FOOD COURT

EVERY DAY

French Fries

Nachos

Cheese Sticks

Boudin Balls

Hot Dog

Corn Dog

Hamburger

Jambalaya

Pastalaya

Gumbo

SATURDAY & SUNDAY

Onion Mums

BBQ Chicken-on-a-Stick

Fried Chicken-on-a-Stick

Shrimp Stew

Pulled Pork Sandwich

Pulled Pork Nachos

FRI SPECIAL Fried Fish

SAT SPECIAL Sauce Piquant

RIDES

GAMES

FOOD

BINGO

LIVE BANDS

SWEET SHOPPE

WINE PULL

BASKET RAFFLES

RIDE BRACELETS



**Weekend Ride Bracelets
are sold only in advance online**

Sep 23 - Oct 11 \$60

Session Time Bracelets and Individual Ride Tickets will be sold at the fair

Click [here](#) to buy
a weekend ride
bracelet.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED



**Our fair runs on volunteers
and we need YOU to help!**

**Sign up with the link in this post
or via our website.**



Click [here](#) to sign up or
see next page. Donations
are also needed.

2024 Parish Fair

Want to help with the Parish Fair? There are many opportunities to donate items or your time.

- To sign up to help the weekend of the fair, click [here](#). Do you have a high schooler who needs service hours?

If you want to sign up to donate wine or cash donations for the Wine Pull or Bourbon Raffle, you can do so during carpool on Tuesday and Wednesday, October 8 & 9. Donations will also be accepted at church after all Masses on Saturday and Sunday, October 5 & 6.

- To help collect after Mass on October 5/6, click [here](#).
- To donate a bottle of wine or money for us to buy a bottle, click [here](#).
- To donate \$10 for the MBS Bourbon Raffle, click [here](#).

Fair Basket Donations Needed
[Lottery Tickets](#)
[Cash Prize](#)
[Boy Items Gift Cards](#)
[Girl Items Gift Cards](#)
[Restaurant/Store Gift Cards](#)



Student Performances

		<u>Line Up Backstage</u>	<u>Performance Start</u>
Kindergarten			
	We're Going on a Rocketship	9:50	10:00
1st Grade			
	Walkin' On Sunshine	10:05	10:15
2nd Grade			
	Sky Full of Stars	10:20	10:30
3rd Grade			
	Top of the World	10:35	10:45
4th Grade			
	Space Jam	10:50	11:00
5th Grade			
	Final Countdown	11:05	11:15
Choir			
	Fly Me to the Moon	11:20	11:30
Band			
	Space Journey	11:30	11:50
	Galactic Guardians		
Pep Squad			
		12:20	12:45

Students who perform:

- K-3 wear spirit shirts and any bottoms.
- 4-5 grades wear spirit shirts and any bottom OR a costume that correlates to their fair song.
- You will earn a free dress day which will be announced by Mrs. Gioe in the Sunday message.

St. Nicholas Christmas Market

Save the date for the 2024 St. Nicholas Market on December 7th from 4pm-8pm. Bring the family for Santa pictures, shopping, kids crafts, food, and fun!

This season, we're excited to introduce a Mini Market just for kid entrepreneurs! It's the perfect opportunity for young vendors to showcase their talents and sell their goods in a fun, festive atmosphere. Whether it's handmade crafts, sweet treats, or other small businesses, we'd love to have them join us! Spots are limited, so sign up today and let your kidpreneur shine this holiday season!

Vendor Registration- <https://forms.gle/jkWC4QT2o4MfdyPy9>



Honoring Our Lady of the Rosary & Respect for Life

The liturgical feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated annually on October 7th. The month of October each year is dedicated to the Most Holy Rosary. We encourage MBS families to pray the Rosary together, not just during the month of October, but throughout the year.

As a school community, we too will pray the Rosary. We invite our families to join us for our annual Living Rosary on Wednesday, October 9th at 8:15 am in MBS church. MBS is grateful to Ms. Britt Cochran and our 7th Graders for leading this beautiful prayer for our school community.

The Church also dedicates the month of October to Respect for Life. As Catholics, we believe in the sacredness of ALL LIFE... from conception to natural death. Let us pray that everyone will come to support the dignity and sanctity of all human life.

MBS SUPPORTS ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

At Most Blessed Sacrament, we have a tradition of helping our communities' needs through grade level service projects throughout the year. Each year our third, fourth, and fifth graders' collections support the ministries of the St. Vincent de Paul Society. Once again, this year, we are combining our three collections into one HUGE two-week drive.

St. Vincent de Paul has always been able to depend on the generous people of MBS to help them serve the community.

When: Monday, September 23rd - Monday, October 7th

Where: MBS School

What:

- 3rd and 4th graders will be collecting toiletry items for the Men's, Women's, and Children's shelters.
- WE need Baby Items such as: diapers, wipes, shampoo, lotion, bottles, pacifiers, etc.
- We need Men & Women Items such as: shampoo/conditioner, shaving cream, razors/lotion, toothbrush/toothpaste, deodorant, soap, personal care items.
- 5th graders will be collecting your gently used clothing. Items needed are socks, shoes, shirts, shorts, pants, sweaters, scarves, dresses, jackets, and coats!!

CLEAN OUT THOSE CLOSETS!

If your donation is too large for your child to carry to school through bus or carpool, you may drop items off to St. Ursula on any day during the drive from 7:30am-2:30pm.

On behalf of the 3rd, 4th, and 5th grade students, we thank you for your generosity.

Jesus, I Trust in You
Proverbs 3:5-6

Celebrating Feast of St. Francis of Assisi

MBS will celebrate The Feast of St. Francis of Assisi on Thursday, October 3rd. We will take this opportunity to acknowledge the importance of pets in the lives of our families. To show our love for our pets, we will have a 'pet blessing' after our school liturgy.

While it would be exciting to bring our pets to school, live pets will not be allowed at school for the blessing. Instead, we invite you to send an UNFRAMED photo or photocopy of your family pet/pets for Father to bless after Mass. NO PHOTOS LARGER THAN 8X10, please. Students may bring the photos to school between September 30th - October 3rd.

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.

OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

According to the Safe Environment Policy promulgated by the Diocese of Baton Rouge, all parish and school ministry volunteers/chaperones must complete a mandatory background check and child protection training. Child Protection credentials allow the holder of these credentials the opportunity to chaperone/volunteer.

All credentialed adults must abide by the sign-up and confirmation process for each event.

Update Your Volunteer File

Please note that the Code of Ethics and the Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement must be reviewed by all volunteers of MBS School annually as required by the Diocese of Baton Rouge. Please complete and submit the Code of Ethics Acknowledgement form, page 5, and the Agreement form to the MBS Office of Child Protection to update your file.

For your convenience, you may scan and email the forms to childprotection@mbsbr.org.



Parish Fair Sweet Booth
Donations



October Cafeteria Help

Fair Wine Pull donations **Bourbon Raffle donations**

Red Ribbon Week- items to donate

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.

**HOME AND
SCHOOL**



FUNDRAISER!

We are partnering with Smoothie King
and will be selling smoothies for
3rd-8th grades!

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 8TH

 \$5 per smoothie and will
receive smoothie after lunch

 2 Flavors to pick from

 Order forms will be sent
home next week.



**ORDER FORM DUE
OCTOBER 4TH**

Smoothie King Day at MBS – Grades 3 - 8

October 8

Name: _____

Home Room: _____



Strawberry



Angel Food (strawberry & banana)

Smoothies are \$5 each.

**Return order form with CASH only to school by October 4.
No late orders will be accepted.**

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MBS Athletics has launched PELICAN POWER!



Pelican Power will be an athletic department support TEAM of individuals, students, families and businesses. The Team will support the athletic department with volunteer service hours, athletic projects, and generate funds to supplement the athletic department for all student athletes. Go Pelicans! #PelicanPower

Use this link to join Pelican Power: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/J7JvUMr0>

click [here](#) for more information

We have a new mascot costume, look for “Louie the Pelican” at home sports events!
Save the Date: Fall Sports Banquet scheduled: Wednesday, November 13

Fall Sports Schedules, including Tennis, are available on our school website!
Click “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.

Go Pelicans!
Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director
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