



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

OCTOBER 31, 2024

CALENDAR

November 1

- All Saints Day - 8:15 Mass, Dress uniforms, Procession of Saints
- PK attends Mass
- Middle School Ministry Night, Holy Family Hall, 6-7:30pm, all MS invited

November 3

- MBS Football games

November 4

- Professional Development; Grades PK-5 attend school; Middle School does not attend
- Fun Run registration - see blue handout that went home today.

November 5

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- No Buses

November 6

- Kindness Club, 7:20am
- Open House - ongoing tours until noon...Invite all prospective families to have a personalized tour with a parent and a Student Ambassador. There is no set schedule, come at your convenience.
- Pelibots, St. Ursula

November 7

- Mass, 8:15, dress uniforms required
- Beta induction after Mass
- Applications accepted online, includes existing PK who want to apply for Kindergarten. Applications accepted until November 22.
- 4th Grade Retreat

November 8

- World's Fair. The 6th grade students transform the gym into "Countries," where each grade travels to get some information about each country.
- Mercedarian Sisters on campus for Adoration, 4-8 grades

November 10

- First Reconciliation Prep - Parents & Students

November 12

- Progress Reports online
- 7th Grade field trip - Cypress Springs (girls) & Abby (boys)
- Kindergarten Class Mass, 8:45, parents are invited to sit with their children for Mass.
- 4H Club Meeting - Mr. Millet's classroom
- Chess Club, room 15

November 13

- Praise & Worship, 7:20am, no donuts
- 4th grade field trip - LASM
- Pelibots, St. Ursula
- Fall Athletic Banquet, Gym

November 14

- Mass, 8:15, dress uniforms
- 5th grade field trip - LA Renaissance Festival

November 15

- Math Club Meeting
- FUN RUN!
- Spirit Shirt or Fun Run Shirt Day with uniform bottoms.

Applications 25-26

Applications for the 2025-26 school year will open Thursday, November 7 through November 22. All existing PK students who want to attend Kindergarten must complete the application. See email from Penne Leier sent on 10/30/24

Tuition Rates

The deadline for Identified Offertory Giver (IOG) is December 15. Those donations must be made through weekly use of MBS church envelopes, automatic church deductions, or online giving through the church website. Church members who meet the IOG requirement (\$325 minimum) will receive the in-parish tuition. Donations will be verified by December 15 unless otherwise authorized by the Pastor/Principal. Any offerings thereafter will count towards the following year.

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>

St. Nicholas Kids Mini Market

Young Crafters & Entrepreneurs

SIGN UP TODAY!

We're excited to introduce the Kids Mini Market to our St. Nicholas Event. This is a special section just for young crafters and entrepreneurs! We are looking for more young vendors to exhibit their creativity. Mini vendor spaces are FREE. Email Ally Smith at asmith@mbsbr.org for more information or to sign up!



Fun Run 2024

Over the next two weeks, students gather pledges and earn prizes sponsored by [Dude Perfect](#). All students who donate \$50+ will be entered into a drawing. The winners of this drawing will receive \$250 towards a gift card.

We will have four drawings:

PK-1,

2-3,

4-5,

6-8.

Consult your blue handout that will go home on Monday and Tuesday for instructions and more prizes.

Remember to upload a picture of your child in the Student Star Video. Share on social and email grandparents to gather pledges. Our funds raised will go toward updating our school library.

Grandparents Day (11/22) Schedule

Group 1 - PK, Kindergarten, First Grade

- 8:30-8:45 - Sign in and refreshments in Holy Family Hall
- 8:45-9:15 - Activity with your grandchild in the gym
- 9:15-9:30 - Sign out your grandchild and stop by the Photo Stations in the courtyard

Group 2 - Second, Third, and Fourth Grade

- 9:15-9:30 - Sign in and refreshments in Holy Family Hall
- 9:30-10:00 - Activity with your grandchild in the gym
- 10:00-10:15 - Sign out your grandchild and stop by the Photo Stations in the courtyard

Group 3 - Fifth, Sixth, Seventh, and Eighth Grade

- 10:00-10:15 - Sign in and refreshments in Holy Family Hall
- 10:14-10:45 - Activity with your grandchild in the gym
- 10:45-11:00 - Sign out your grandchild and stop by the Photo Stations in the courtyard

The MBS Spirit Store will be open in the courtyard for purchase of MBS goodies.

Give Back Night - Thank you

Thank you to our MBS Community for Give Back Nights.

Five Guys in August was a hit with MBS making \$220 just by you not cooking that night!

Thank you to a successful Cane's Night and to all who participated. Homeroom 7B, Mrs. Armanini's class was the participation winner. They will celebrate with an Ice Cream Party tomorrow.

November Lunch Menu

The November Lunch Menu is available on the mbs [website](#).

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.

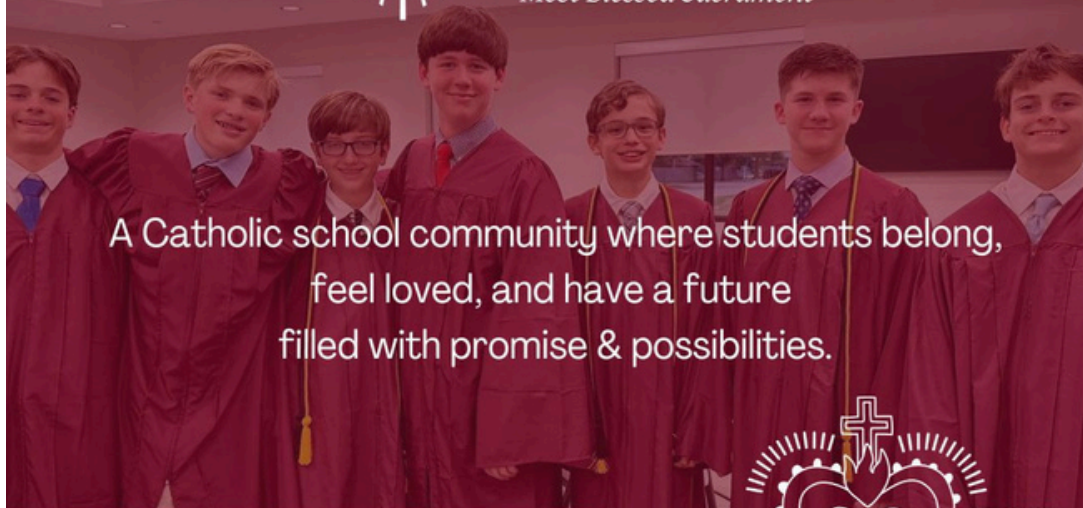
For your convenience, you may scan and email the forms to childprotection@mbsbr.org.



Grandparents Day - Items to donate

November Cafeteria Help





A Catholic school community where students belong,
feel loved, and have a future
filled with promise & possibilities.

Open House

November 6, 8am-12pm

Applications Accepted

November 7-22



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MBS does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national origin.

PRAY FOR AMERICA

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 4
6:00 PM ROSARY IN CHURCH

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5
8:45 AM MASS
9:15 AM-8:00 PM ADORATION

**Our MBS Boys are all smiles inviting you to
their Open House...**

**OPEN HOUSE
NOVEMBER 14**





SMHS Warriorettes Fall Dance Camp

November 25-27, 2024

9:00 am - 2:00 pm

K-5th Grade

\$75



*Join us for dancing,
games, crafts, and
lots of fun!*



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.

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>

Please direct questions to: Tommy Krysan, tkrysan@mbsbr.org



We have started posting a “weekly” athletics schedule on the school Facebook page. It will be posted approximately 12 noon (repeat post on Tuesday).

Parish Sports Basketball (PK thru 2nd grade) registration DEADLINE is TONIGHT! Boys & Girls, PreK thru 2nd grade! If you or anyone you know is interested in coaching please email Monica Southard msouthard@mbsbr.org Coaches must be Child Protection Certified. We can get you through that process.

Registration link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/zOPEjfH2>

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. Banquet details are coming soon. FMM is again our banquet sponsor!

HAPPY HALLOWEEN!

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 manner.



MBS ATHLETICS

Go Pelicans!

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