



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

JANUARY 23, 2025

CALENDAR

January 25

- Catholic Schools Week Mass, 4:30, MBS Church
- Catholic Schools Week Reception, 5:30, Our Lady of the Eucharist Room

January 27-31

- Catholic Schools Week - see flyer in this newsletter for daily activities

January 27

- Catholic Schools Week - dress like your favorite teacher or staff member
- 5th Grade Maroon Basketball Game
- 5th Grade Grey Basketball Game
- 6th Grade JV Basketball Game
- Mason's Grill Give Back Night - save your receipt - see page 8

January 28

- Catholic Schools Week - wear your favorite neon colors
- Religion Fair
- Tuesday Lego Robotics - Art Room
- Chess Club

January 29

- Catholic Schools Week - wear red, white, and blue
- Pelibots - St. Ursula

January 30

- Mass, 8:15am, dress uniforms required
- Neighbors Way, Jill Peno Awards
- Thursday Lego Robotics, St. Ursula

January 31

- Catholic Schools Week - dress in your favorite MBS colors or MBS attire
- Middle school boys basketball game vs EBRSO
- PK - 5th grades do not attend school. Middle School attends school (Professional Development)
- Father/Daughter Dance "In My Daddy's Girl Era"

February 3

- Middle School students do not attend school. PK-5th grade attend school (Professional Development)
- 4th Grade Class Mass, 8:45. Parents are invited to attend Mass and sit with their children.

February 4

- Progress Reports online
- 6th Grade Class Mass, 8:45. Parents are invited to attend Mass and sit with their children.
- Tuesday Lego Robotics - Art Room

February 5

- 5th grade confessions - St. Ursula
- Pelibots - St. Ursula

February 6

- Mass, 8:15, dress uniforms required.
- Thursday Lego Robotics - St. Ursula

Distinguished Graduate

Congratulations to our 2024-2025 MBS Distinguished Graduate, Kali Aucoin. Kali was nominated by Mrs. Brett Kyle. Kali is married to Steven Aucoin, who is also an MBS Graduate. Kali and Steven who have three children who attend MBS, Avery (K), Jaiden (5th), and Korinne (7th). In her email, Mrs. Kyle, stated that Kali is a life-long parishioner of Most Blessed Sacrament Parish and gives back the MBS Community by entrusting her children with us each day and donating her time, talent, and treasure to both the Church and School. She is a devoted and loving mother who models what it means to be a well- rounded Christlike person for all, but especially her three children. It is obvious that Kali has a strong Catholic faith as she lives as Jesus calls us to in all facets of her life.



When Kali was asked about her philosophy of Catholic Education she shared the following:

“In Matthew 7:24-27, Jesus tells us we need to build a strong foundation of rock, not sand. I feel attending MBS Catholic school helped start building my foundation in faith. I have loved watching how MBS has progressed and evolved in developing children’s foundations in their faith. I feel my three children are getting an even more advanced religious experience in school than I had, which has come right back home to my husband and I and our everlasting journey to be closer to God.”

We are Pelican Proud of you Kali!



CHS Cheer Clinic

The Catholic High School Cheerleaders will be hosting cheerleader clinics on Sunday, March 9 and Sunday, March 16 from 1:00 pm until 3:00 pm. The clinics are open to all girls in first through fifth grades. The cost to attend a clinic is \$30 per girl and includes a t-shirt and snack. Please register at mychs.catholichigh.org/cheer/clinic or you may contact Jennifer Thibodeaux or Carey Lauret at chscheer@catholichigh.org. The registration deadline is February 6, 2025.

Stuffed Animals

As you are cleaning out your closets, save those stuffed animals for the Prize Booth at the MBS Parish Fair. We use them each year and welcome the new donations. Have some already? Bring to the School Office.

PALS Luncheon - volunteers needed! Help!



It's time to prepare for PALS, which is Thursday, January 30! This is our annual luncheon in honor of all the church and school faculty and staff. This year's theme will be "Breakfast at MBS". In order to make this event a success, we need help from you! Please take some time to look at the Signup Genius links. The first one is a request for donations. The second is a request for volunteers. If you are Child Protection certified and able to watch a few classrooms, please consider signing up. Last year we barely had enough volunteers to cover all of the classes. Allowing the teachers to have a relaxed lunch period is part of what makes this event so special. Any help you can offer is appreciated!

Donation Signup:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4FACAB2CA1F85-54189335-pals#/>

Volunteer Signup:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0F4FACAB2CA1F85-54189055-pals>

Remember, donations of items and time count toward your Time & Talent hours. Please consider helping us out!

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

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Forward

in faith

Gala

2.15.25

Country Club of Louisiana

WWW.MBSAUCTION.COM



**WE NEED:
SPONSORS
AUCTION ITEMS**

Save the Date



**IN MY "DADDY'S GIRL" ERA
MBS SCHOOL
FATHER-DAUGHTER DANCE**

January 31, 2025

6:00 PM

Holy Family Hall

Featuring Juliette Luizza as Taylor Swift

Tickets are available on the Home & School [website](#).

To volunteer or donate items, click [here](#).

Shirts may be purchased by clicking [here](#). They are \$20

Design is



front "pocket"  back of shirt

IN MY DADDY'S GIRL ERA

\$20





Venmo: Angela-Warren-16

<https://forms.gle/XJsvsgtyreHGgPZt6>



Most Blessed Sacrament CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

JANUARY 26 - FEBRUARY 1

<p>SAT JAN. 25</p>	<p>CELEBRATE OUR FAMILIES</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 4:30 MASS WITH SCHOOL CHOIR• RECEPTION FOR ALL MBS SCHOOL FAMILIES IN OUR LADY OF EUCHARIST HALL AFTER MASS 
<p>MON. JAN. 27</p>	<p>CELEBRATE OUR TEACHERS & STAFF</p> <p>DRESS LIKE YOUR FAVORITE TEACHER OR STAFF MEMBER</p> 
<p>TUES. JAN. 28</p>	<p>CELEBRATE OUR STUDENTS: OUR STUDENTS SHINE BRIGHTLY!</p> <p>WEAR YOUR NEON COLORS</p> 
<p>WED. JAN. 29</p>	<p>CELEBRATE OUR COUNTRY</p> <p>WEAR RED, WHITE, AND BLUE</p> 
<p>THURS. JAN. 30</p>	<p>CELEBRATE THE EUCHARIST & SERVICE</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• SERVICE AWARDS• NEIGHBORS WAY AWARDS• JILL PENO AWARD• MASS: DRESS UNIFORM REQUIRED• PRE K-5 OFFICER AND K9 PRESENTATION 
<p>FRI. JAN. 31</p>	<p>CELEBRATE OUR SCHOOL & COMMUNITY</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• DRESS IN YOUR FAVORITE MBS COLORS OR MBS ATTIRE• MIDDLE SCHOOL BOYS' BASKETBALL GAME VS. EBRSO• CONCESSIONS OPEN <p>MBS</p> 

MOTHER SETON AWARD NOMINATIONS OPEN

WHAT IS THE MOTHER SETON AWARD?

Every year the Diocese of Baton Rouge sponsors the Mother Seton Award Program. The Mother Seton Award honors an individual who exemplifies the qualities and service of Mother Elizabeth Anne Seton. Mother Seton was the founder of the Sisters of Charity of St. Vincent de Paul and a leader in Catholic education by establishing the first Catholic elementary school in the United States in Baltimore in 1808 as well as an orphanage in Philadelphia in 1814. Mother Seton became an exemplary role model and an inspiration to others who followed in her footsteps through her life as a wife, mother, widow, and member of a religious order. She was canonized in 1975 by Pope Paul VI.

QUALIFICATIONS

- Recognized as a volunteer, not an employee of the school.
- At least 3 years involvement within the local Home and School organization.
- Dependable, hard working, self-sacrificing, attuned to the needs of the children and the school.
- Enthusiastic, generous, supportive of the educators and the administration.
- Concerned and ready to go the extra mile for Catholic education.
- A model of living Gospel values.

KNOW SOMEONE DESERVING?

NOMINATION DEADLINE:

Use this QR code or link below to submit your nominee!



[Nomination Form](#)

Friday
January 31st

Questions - contact Lauren Stelly
lwstelly@gmail.com

THIRD NINE WEEKS GIVE BACK NIGHT

MASON'S GRILL
MONDAY, 1/27/2025
5 - 9 PM



13556 JEFFERSON HWY
BATON ROUGE, LA 70817

**THIS IS A CLASS COMPETITION! THE CLASS WITH THE HIGHEST
PARTICIPATION WILL GET A CLASS PARTY!**

REMINDER

SAVE YOUR RECEIPT AND SEND IT TO SCHOOL WITH YOUR
CHILD THE NEXT DAY - DON'T FORGET TO WRITE YOUR KIDS
NAME(S) AND HOMEROOM(S)!

RAIN WILL
BRING FLOWERS
FOUNDATION



Our Lady
of the Lake
Health

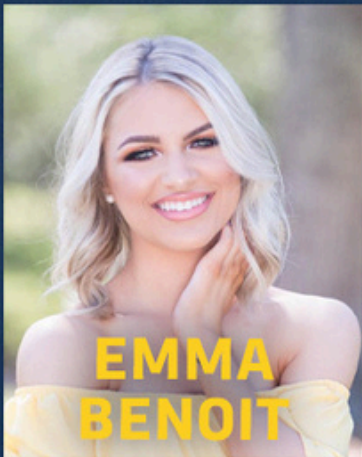
LCLUB
LSU

PLANTING SEEDS OF HOPE

HOSTED BY RYAN CLARK

6:00 PM • FEBRUARY 12, 2025

PETE MARAVICH ASSEMBLY CENTER



**EMMA
BENOIT**



**RYAN
CLARK**



**DJ
CLARK**

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.



January Cafeteria Help

PALS 2025 - donations

PALS 2025 - volunteers

Dad/Daughter Dance - items & volunteers



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



Volleyball Registration is OPEN! Girls 5th thru 8th Grade.

Deadline is TONIGHT, Thursday, January 16 ~ 11:45pm

Registration link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/PcX6IAcA>

Evaluations will Be Sat, Jan 18 10a-11a, Mon Jan 20 5:30p-6:30p, Players MUST attend one of the sessions! All players will be assigned to a team!

Parish Sports Tee Ball Registration is OPEN!! Girls & Boys PreK, K, 1st , 2nd

Deadline is TONIGHT, Thursday, January 16 ~ 11:45pm

Registration link: <https://payit.nelnet.net/form/e58rr16O>

Looking for “Louie” ~ we are looking for 7th or 8th grade students, girls and boys, who want to be “Louie” and wear the mascot uniform at HOME sports events in the spring. If interested, please contact Tommy Krysan: tkrysan@mbsbr.org

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

MBS Athletics

tkrysan@mbsbr.org



MBS ATHLETICS