



The Pelican Express

Let Go...Let God

MARCH 20, 2025

CALENDAR

March 20

- 8th Grade Youth Legislature
- Food Bank Collection, see page 2
- School Mass, 8:15 Dress uniform required
- PK/K Donuts with Dad. Dads are invited to attend Mass.
- Report Cards available online
- Volleyball (6,7,8 Junior Varsity) Games

March 21

- Conference Day for Middle School Parents/Teachers. Grades 6-8 do not attend school. PK-5 attend school
- Men's Club Fish Fry
- Food Bank Collection, see page 2

March 24

- Conference Day for PK-5 Parents/Teachers. Grades PK-5 do not attend school. 6-8 attend school
- Cheer/Dance Tryouts Parent Meeting
- Food Bank Collection, see page 2

March 25

- Give Back to MBS at Firehouse Subs, Prairieville - see page 7

March 26

- Spring Picture Day, see page 5
- Pelibots, St. Ursula
- EcoClub, Room 53
- Volleyball Home Games

March 27

- School Mass, 8:15, Dress uniforms. 9 weeks awards given after Mass
- Volleyball Home Games

March 28

- Mercedarian Sisters visit with 6&8 grades
- Wax Museum, Parents are welcome, please sign in at the office to receive visitors pass
- PK Field Trip - PK students may wear spirit shirts with uniform bottoms.
- Men's Club Fish Fry

April 2

- Second Grade Field Trip - 2nd graders may wear spirit shirts with uniform bottoms.
- Pelibots, St. Ursula

April 3

- School Mass, 8:15, Dress Uniforms required
- 7th Grade Retreat - 7th Graders may wear spirit shirts with uniform bottoms

April 4

- Pelican Games - Students may wear spirit shirts with uniform bottoms
- Men's Club Fish Fry

Greater BR Food Bank Drive

March 17-24, please help the 7th grade with their ministry project, the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank Drive. We are asking students to bring in items according to their grade levels. Thank you for your generosity. The GBRFB will also accept monetary donations made payable to "Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank"

Grade	Food Item
Pre-K	Rice
Kindergarten	Pasta
1 st	Peanut Butter
2 nd	Canned Fruit/Fruit Cups
3 rd	Plastic Jars or Can Spaghetti Sauce Canned Ravioli, Spaghetti O's...
4 th	Tuna Fish
5 th	Canned Soup
6 th	Canned Vegetables
7 th	Jelly
8 th	Dried Beans
Faculty / Staff	Flour, Sugar, Oil

School Supplies 2025-26

MBS is excited to announce a new school supply partnership with 1st Day School Supplies - a Catholic owned and operated company, that has been highly recommended by several, local Catholic schools. We believe that 1st Day School Supplies will provide high quality, affordable products and offer stellar customer service.

You can now begin purchasing supplies for the 2025-2026 school year. We know it seems early, but before you know it, summer will be here. Why not ensure that your child starts the school year with the exact supplies your teacher requested, and give your child the confidence they need to conquer next year! Get them today before it's too late!

A few notes about school supplies:

1. PK, K, and 1st Grade Supplies are included in the yearly grade level fee. Kits are purchased for every child enrolled in these grades. You DO NOT need to order.
2. The cost of kits in grades 2nd - 3rd include an up-charge for supplies that are ordered in bulk for the grade levels.
3. If your child is participating in Band, Choir, or both next year, they will need to purchase a Band Kit, Choir Kit, or both kits.
4. Firm deadline for ordering school supplies is **June 15, 2025**.

CLICK [HERE](#) TO ORDER!

The **BEST** Way to Buy Back-To-School Supplies!



- ✓ The Exact School Supplies Your Teacher Requested
- ✓ Name Brand Products Like:



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Order by:
June 15th

1stDaySchoolSupplies.com

HEY PELICANS!



IT'S TIME FOR CHEER AND DANCE TRYOUTS

MBS SPIRIT SQUADS

5TH-8TH GRADE GIRLS FOR 25-26 SCHOOL YEAR

MANDATORY PARENT MEETING

March 24 @ 6pm
Classroom #1



Volunteer Positions

We have several openings for parents to volunteer their time and talent. Some openings are for the following committee co-chairs:

- **Fun Run** - This is the school's largest fundraiser. You would work with the existing Co-chair to design and execute the components of the fun run day. You will also help to hand out prizes over a two-week time frame. If you love MBS and want to pump the kids up for prizes and a fun run, then this committee is for you! It takes place in November.
- **Hospitality Committee** - This Committee of three is responsible for Grandparents Day. You will brainstorm with Mrs. Gioe on what activities can be held and food served to make this event memorable for the grandparents. You will also create a signup genius to help recruit volunteers for the day. It happens in November. Committee is also responsible for planning Back to School Night. Gathering door prizes, setting up refreshments, setting up the tables. This happens in August. This committee is also responsible for providing refreshments for the 8th grade science fair judges.
- **May Crowning** - This Chairperson will work closely with Office of Christian Formation to coordinate this special Mass. You will create sign-up genius to recruit flower gatherers, and organize the staging of the flowers around the statue of Mary. It takes place in May.
- **Spirit Store**. This is a new committee we plan to pilot next school year. This committee will manage orders for the spirit store, come up with potential items to sell, and with the help of the executive board set up a table to sell items at certain MBS events. Committee chairs will have the opportunity to make it their own and shape how we want to make the spirit store available to the MBS community. **The executive board will be available to the chairs next year to develop this committee**

The poster is a blue square with a white double-line border. At the top, the text 'Home and School' is written in a white, cursive font. Below it, 'Looking to get more involved?' is in a white, bold, sans-serif font. A large purple circle in the center contains the text 'MBS is Looking for those interested in becoming Home and School Board Members for the 2025-2026 school year.' in white. Below the circle is a white icon of a dove with wings spread, surrounded by a sunburst. Underneath the icon, it says 'If interested, contact Lauren Stelly, Home and School President at lwstelly@gmail.com' in white. At the bottom, the text 'Positions available:' is in white. Below this are four red rounded rectangles with white text: 'Hospitality Chair (3 open positions)', 'Spirit Store Chair (2 open positions)', 'Fun Run Co Chair (1 open position)', and 'May Crowning (1 open position)'. A red starburst with the word 'NEW' in white is placed between the Spirit Store Chair and May Crowning boxes.

Spring Picture Day

MBS will have the Spring Picture Day on March 26. The yellow online Pre-Order form went home this week. Barberito also emailed parents on Wednesday. Parents, this is a pre-paid program. Only those who have paid online or with an order form will be photographed. All online orders must be placed 48 hours before picture day. MBS's ordering will be shut down 48 hours before picture day (12am) so they can generate a list of participants. Only those participants are allowed to dress in Spring outfits for the day. All others are to wear regular uniforms.

- To purchase online, visit barberitophotographers.com
- Click on "order now"
- Enter school code in all CAPS: MBSSPR25
- Enter the school code again for the gallery password (all caps), your email and click login

If you prefer to use the traditional order form, they were sent home this week. Students are to bring those the day of the pictures and hand to the photographer.

Pelican Games - April 4

Pelican Games, MBS Student Field Day, will be held on Friday, April 4. The event runs on volunteers. Volunteers are needed the evening before the event and the day of the event.

If you would like to volunteer for a station, please click [here](#) for the Sign-up Genius.

The last day to sign up to volunteer is Thursday, March 27. All volunteers must have current MBS Child Protection credentials. It takes approximately one week to get your credentials in order, so reach out to Ms. Branscum at childprotection@mbsbr.org today.

MBS LENTEN DINNERS

FRIDAYS

MAR 14 - APR 11

5:00 - 7:00

DINE-IN OR TO-GO

HOLY FAMILY HALL

FISH DINNER \$10

SHRIMP DINNER \$10

WEEKLY ENTREE \$10

CRAWFISH PIE \$3

WEEKLY SPECIALTY ENTREE

MAR 14 Shrimp Stew

MAR 21 Crawfish Casserole

MAR 28 Shrimp & Corn Soup

APR 4 Crawfish Etouffee

APR 11 Shrimp Fettuccine



REMINDER

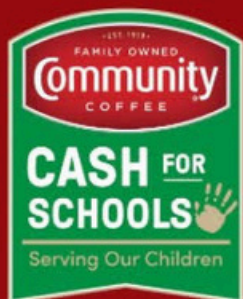
Collectibles



REMINDER

THIRD 9 WEEKS COLLECTION REMINDER

We are collecting
Community Coffee
Labels this year!



**3RD 9 WEEKS
COLLECTION:**

**March
19th-26th**

- Send labels to school in a plastic bag with your Childs name on it.
- Buckets will be placed in each classroom.

WINNERS

One child will be picked to win a family prize! The winner will be announced at the 3rd 9 weeks awards mass!

QUESTIONS?

For questions, please contact our Pelican Partners Committee Chair, Tricia Hollis! (triciaghollis@hotmail.com)

4TH NINE WEEKS GIVE BACK NIGHT

**TUESDAY, MARCH 25TH (4PM - 9 PM)
AIRLINE LOCATION IN PRARIEVILLE**

**THIS IS A FUNDRAISER FOR THE SCHOOL. 15% OF THE PROCEEDS
ARE GIVEN TO THE SCHOOL WHEN YOU MENTION MBS!**



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

**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)!**

If your child is going into 3rd or 4th for the 25-26 school year and is interested in joining Pep Squad, please submit this [form](#) before April 4, 2025.

MBS



Pep



Squad

SIGN-UP

MBS FAIR AND MEN'S CLUB
PRESENT:

Family & Bingo & Fish



IT'S A WINNING DISH!

FRIDAY APRIL | 11
5:30 PM* - UNTIL PRIZES RUN OUT

LOCATION: HOLY FAMILY HALL

*Men's Club Lent Dinners go on sale at
5:00PM

\$1 DONTATION PER CARD (CASH ONLY)

Prizes for every game!
Blackout Grand Prize-MBS Fair Basket



*We will announce the 2025 Fair Theme
after blackout game!!*



VBS AT MBS
JUNE 16TH - 20TH



9AM - 12PM



REGISTRATION OPENS **TUESDAY, APRIL 1ST**

FOR ALL STUDENTS ENTERING **GRADES K-5**

(FOR THE 25'-26' SCHOOL YEAR)

\$50 PER STUDENT OR **\$150** PER FAMILY

LIMITED TO **100** PARTICIPANTS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! ADULT & TEEN (9TH GRADE+)

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**SATURDAY,
MAY 3, 2025
3PM - 7PM**

Come join us for a day of
COMMUNITY, FUN, and FELLOWSHIP at the
**MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

BATTLE FOR THE PADDLE
CRAWFISH BOIL & FAMILY/PARISH PICNIC!

FOOD - INFLATABLES - BALLOON ANIMALS - FACE PAINTING

Music by **THE LEE SERIO BAND**

PRESENTING



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**SIGN YOUR
TEAM UP NOW**
*HURRY,
TEAMS ARE LIMITED!*

**TEAMS
OF
FOUR (4)**

**\$400
PER
TEAM**

**BOILING
4 SACKS
(MINIMUM)
PER TEAM**

**CRAWFISH
AND
ICE
PROVIDED**

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ADMISSION BRACELETS
ALL YOU CAN EAT CRAWFISH
FOOD TRUCK ITEMS, SNO-CONES & BEVERAGES SOLD SEPARATELY
★ KIDS UNDER 12 GET IN FREE! ★

\$30
IF PURCHASED
IN ADVANCE

\$40
IF PURCHASED
THE DAY OF THE EVENT

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FOR MORE
INFORMATION**



FOR
SPONSORSHIP INFORMATION
PLEASE CONTACT US AT



MBS.BattleforthePaddle@Gmail.com

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.



March Cafeteria Help

Pelican Games - April 4



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.

- CSAA Volleyball HOME matches TONIGHT Thursday March 20 (6,7,8 Junior Varsity) Go Pelicans! ALL 8 volleyball schedules are posted on MBS website – click ATHLETICS!

- Marcus Thornton Basketball Camp! This Summer at MBS!
June 2-5 Boys, June 9-12 Girls ~ High Level Instruction, Marcus played 10 years in the NBA and was SEC Player of the Year while at LSU! For registration link, please email: Tommy Krysan, tkrysan@mbsbr.org

- We are looking for LOUIE!!!! Any 7th or 8th graders who want to be LOUIS and wear the mascot costume at home sports events, please email: Tommy Krysan, tkrysan@mbsbr.org

- We are looking for high school students who want to earn some service hours. We have many HOME volleyball dates coming up! Email: tkrysan@mbsbr.org

- Parish Sports Soccer Registration is coming soon! Boys and Girls PreK thru 2 nd grade!

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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