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"To you who hear I say,
love your enemies,
do good to those who hate you,
bless those who curse you,
pray for those who mistreat you."

Luke 6:27

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Mass Assistance……...Fr. Donald Blanchard
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Jeanne Mancuso, Parish
Celeste Rabalais, School

Child Protection Coordinator……Roslyn Landry
Child Protection office - (225) 753-5526

Parish Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 p.m.
(Closed 12 p.m. - 1 p.m.)
Friday: 8:00 a.m. - Noon

•***BAPTISMS:*** Currently, baptisms are handled privately. Please call church office during pregnancy to sign up and for class information.

•***MARRIAGE:*** Law of Diocese requires 6 month preparation period prior to wedding. Call church office for more information.

•***FUNERAL:*** Please call the priest for prayer and before setting date/time.

•***RCIA:*** If interested in becoming Catholic, call the church office.

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 4:30 p.m./Confessions 3:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:45 a.m., & 11:30 a.m.
Monday: 8:45 a.m. - Communion Service
Tuesday - Friday: 8:45 a.m. except during school year when Thursday Mass is at 8:15 a.m.

MBS School

8033 Baringer Road
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Principal: Cheri Gioe
School Phone 751-0273 / Fax: 753-7259

Extended Care: Sheena Gauthier
751-0023

MBS Early Learning Center

7853 Broker Avenue
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Director: Laurina Conger 752-8829



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LOVE AS GOD LOVES

Our Gospel today continues Jesus' Sermon on the Plain, in which we heard Luke's version of the Beatitudes. This week, Jesus gives us new "commandments," telling us how to live and act in the world as his disciples, rooted in the radical love of God for humanity. It reminds us of his later speech about loving one another as he loves us, in other words with a God-like love, the kind we see in today's psalm about God's mercy. How else could we do as Jesus tells us by loving our enemies, which seems impossible, until we remember that God gave us the example of Jesus, who is like God but also like us? David understands this merciful love when he spares the life of his enemy in the first reading. Finally, Paul tells us that we will become like Jesus if we act as he did, as God does.

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Important News from Fr. Phil...



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February 10, 2022

Dear Fellow Parishioners & Friends,

It may be public knowledge (or I've shared it at certain times) that in the Diocese of Baton Rouge priests are eligible for retirement when 68 years old, which for me would be this September. Bishop Duca, in consultation with the Clergy Personnel Board, begins assessing clergy assignments (priests/deacons) after the first of the year in hope of official changes taking place by mid-summer. Even though it has weighed heavily on me, I have made known my intention to accept retirement in recent talks with Bishop Duca.

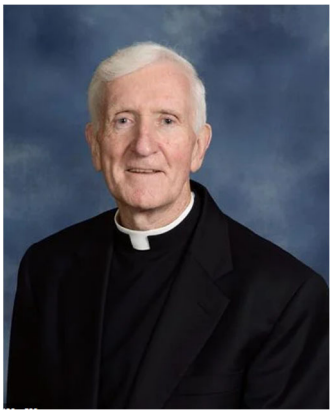
I've been asked to make the announcement to the MBS Family now so that the discernment of replacements can begin in the Diocese. The target date of changes is usually early July but that will be determined in the next few months.

The difficulty for me is not just because I am at "the age", but because your MBS spirit, acceptance, faith, and generosity as a Church family makes it so. As for now, we'll keep going ***Forward In Faith***…Thank you for being who you are to me.

Sincerely,

Rev. Philip F. Spano
Pastor

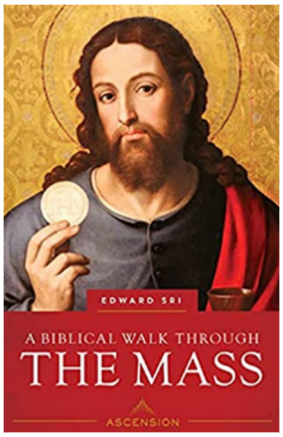
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We Have Been Challenged

Following the announcement at the *Forward In Faith Gala* to begin making your pledges, we have one week remaining for the challenge discussed. The challenge being that the MBS Finance Committee has decided to have a two-week pledge request totaling $500,000 for the new parish hall to be in the name of Fr. Mike Collins. The pledge challenge lasts for 14 days (one day for every year Fr. Mike served at MBS) with the end date of February 26th.

Please make your pledge at www.MBSForward.com



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5:00 - 7:00

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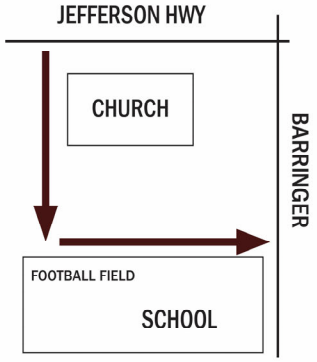
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MAR 18	Shrimp Stew
MAR 25	Shrimp & Corn Soup
APR 1	Crawfish Etouffee
APR 8	Shrimp Fettuccine

DRIVE-THRU





MBS Book Fair

Mark your calendars for our upcoming **Most Blessed Sacrament School Book Fair**. The fair will be held in the Most Blessed Sacrament School Library from Monday, February 21 - Thursday, February 24 during school hours and Friday, February 25 until 12:30.

Most Blessed Sacrament School and Parish families are also invited to attend on Sunday, February 20 after all Masses from 9:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m..

Please contact Rebecca Miller, Most Blessed Sacrament School Librarian, at **rmiller@mbsbr.org** with any questions you may have.



Ministry Job Opening
St. Jean Vianney Church
Director of Religious Education

St Jean Vianney Church is seeking to fill a full time position of parish Director of Religious Education. Information about this position can be found on the parish website www.stjeanvianney.org or by contacting Deacon Dan Borne (dborne@diobr.org or 225.753.75950. Resumes will be accepted until March 2, 2022.

PRAYING FOR ALL MILITARY

Please keep the following in your daily prayers:

Andy Blum
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Caleb Burris
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Chris & Ali Jones
Connor Ryan
Adam Girior
Tyler Phelps
Jorge Vega
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Most Blessed Sacrament Church Mission Statement

The mission of Most Blessed Sacrament Church is for members to witness the real presence of the Lord in word and sacrament, and that they may live out the message from the gospel and serve one another as followers of Jesus Christ.

Mass Schedule and Intentions		
Sat. Feb. 19	4:30 pm	For The People
Sun. Feb. 20	8:00 am	Matthew Guillot Donna Kimble
	9:45 am	The Arthur Aucoin Fmly Florence Bottger Denk Peter Bottger Warren & Doris Naquin Herbert Aaron Michele Austin Deese
	11:30 am	William S. Cook Irene Berthelot Linda White J.L. Tucker, Sr. Family Phillip Paternostro Bernard Hahn Mr & Mrs Adam McGee Joseph & Paula McGee Ann & Stacey Dickens
Mon. Feb. 21	8:45 am	Communion Service
Tues. Feb. 22	8:45 am	Suzanne May
Wed. Feb. 23	8:45 am	
Thurs. Feb.24	8:15 am	Dutch Spekschate
Fri. Feb.25	8:45 am	

Grant, we pray, almighty God,
that, always pondering spiritual things,
we may carry out in both word and deed
that which is pleasing to you.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading — David found Saul in a deep sleep, but would not harm him (1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23).
Psalm — The Lord is kind and merciful (Psalm 103).
Second Reading — We shall bear the image of the heavenly Adam (1 Corinthians 15:45-49).
Gospel — Give to everyone who asks of you. Lend expecting nothing back (Luke 6:27-38).

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:Jas 3:13-18; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 9:14-29
Tuesday:1 Pt 5:1-4; Ps 23:1-3a, 4-6; Mt 16:13-19
Wednesday:Jas 4:13-17; Ps 49:2-3, 6-11; Mk 9:38-40
Thursday:Jas 5:1-6; Ps 49:14-20; Mk 9:41-50
Friday:Jas 5:9-12; Ps 103:1-4, 8-9, 11-12; Mk 10:1-12
Saturday:Jas 5:13-20; Ps 141:1-3, 8; Mk 10:13-16

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING
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Identified Contributors	$37,119.00
Feb. 1st Bank Drafts	$32,430.00
Unidentified Contributors	$ 1,525.00
Total	$71,074.00
Feb. Building & Develop.	$ 9,860.50

Masses - February 19-20, 2022	4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant - Subject to Change	Fr. Phil Deacon Don	Fr. Phil Deacon Don	Fr. Phil Deacon Mark R	Fr. Phil Deacon Mark R

February 19-20, 2022 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	N/A	C Bourgeois, C Adolph	J Culivan, B Magill, R Rinaudo, E Wright
8:00 am	N/A	M Gallo, E Daugherty	E Daugherty, S Daugherty, J Dietrick, M Authement
9:45 am	N/A	A Wilson, S Menard	J Stevens, M Messina, B Shedlof, M Berthelot
11:30 am	N/A	C Ryan, L Duplantis	C Garbutt, D Gremillion, J Johnson, K Browning



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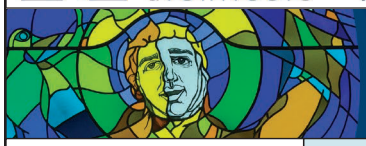


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