

# Most Blessed Sacrament Parish News

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"Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed."

John 20:29



APRIL  
**24**  
2022

SECOND SUNDAY  
OF *Easter*  
(OR SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY)

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# FAITH-FILLED COMMUNITY OF MERCY, BLESSINGS, & SERVICE

## Parish Staff

Pastor.....Fr. Phil Spano  
Mass Assistance.....Fr. Donald Blanchard  
Parish Life Coord. ....Deacon Don Musso  
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Permanent Deacon.....Deacon Mark Reynaud  
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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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## DIFFICULTY, SURVIVAL, AND GLORY

In Revelation, John the Evangelist tells us what we can expect as followers of the risen Jesus: distress, endurance, and a kingdom. Although we are only eight days into our fifty-day Easter feasting, we cannot ignore the distress weighing down our daily lives. Jesus' resurrection does not erase individual suffering, but his glorious triumph over death cultivates endurance in our hearts. We remember that Jesus did not spare himself, and we ask for the strength to endure as he did. Imitating Christ helps us grow as members of God's royal family. As beloved citizens of the Kingdom of God, we recognize our kinship with all people. Peter demonstrates his care for others as he heals multitudes of broken, suffering people. In the Gospel, Thomas accepts his own spiritual healing when Jesus helps him to believe. In times of difficulty, survival, and glory, we borrow Thomas' declaration of faith: "My Lord and my God!"

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## FAITH-FILLED COMMUNITY OF MERCY, BLESSINGS, & SERVICE



### Thankful During This Easter Season

Our parish community is deeply thankful for all who serve with such dedication on our parish staff. We thank Deacons Don Musso, Mark Berard, and Mark Reynaud for their faithful service as well. We also thank those who are a part of our

beautiful and talented choirs/musicians, and the behind-the-scene people who conduct live-stream service.

As I've shared at Mass recently, Fr. Donald Blanchard extends his prayers and blessings to all of you as we walk through this Easter Season. He is grateful for your prayers and support as he continues in working through his health issues.

Happy Easter!  
Fr. Phil



### Divine Mercy Celebration

**Sunday, April 24th**

**M.B.S. Church**

**3:00 p.m.**

Divine Mercy Sunday was established by Pope John II to enhance the devotion to Jesus. St. Faustina had revelations from our Lord to pray for the world and pray for the salvation of all.

A special prayer service will be held on **Divine Mercy Sunday, April 24th at 3:00 p.m.** in M.B.S. Church. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung and benediction will follow. All are invited to attend.

*Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified."*



### Baptisms

Please welcome with your prayers the children who were baptized into the family of Most Blessed Sacrament Church during April, 2021.

**Elizabeth Paisley Marie Mulder**

Daughter of Gene & Monique Mulder

**Lainey Renee Morgan**

Daughter of John & Ashley Morgan

**Danielle Elizabeth Kearley**

Daughter of Daniel & Lauren Kearley

**Elise Claire Vaccaro**

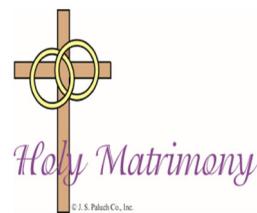
Daughter of Seth & Samantha Vaccaro

**James Oliver Ysidron**

Son of Nicholas & Bridget Ysidron

**Carley Frances Freeman**

Daughter of Lance & Kelli Freeman



### Weddings

*Congratulations to these couples who recently celebrated the Sacrament of Marriage at MBS.*

Kristen Davis  
Patrick Schelah

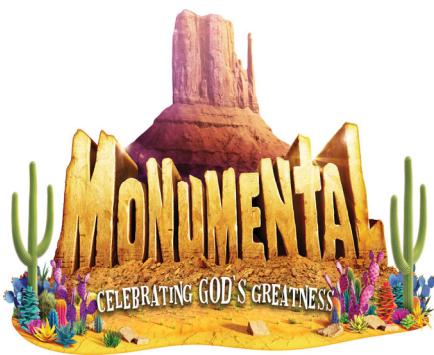
**March 12, 2022**



Please pray for the soul of:

Donald Militello

Let us also remember his  
family and loved ones  
in our prayers.



**VBS 2022  
JUNE 20-24  
9AM—NOON**

**REGISTRATION  
OPENS MAY 2**

We are in need of adult volunteers over 21 years of age! Before we can open registration, we need more adult volunteers. All adults must complete the Diocesan Child Protection certification process. For more information or to volunteer call/text Judy Carr (225)335-6563.

*Teen volunteers will be able to sign-up beginning May 2.*

### **Stephen Ministers: The After People**

Are you struggling with:

- Divorce/Separation
- Loss of a loved one
- Job Loss/Retirement
- Aftermath of natural disaster
- Pregnancy
- Miscarriage
- Chronic Illness
- Caregiver for a loved one with a chronic illness

MBS Stephen Ministers can help. Stephen Ministers are members of our congregation who listen, care, encourage, and provide emotional and spiritual support to people going through a crisis or change in their lives. Our volunteers have gone through 50 hours of training and are available to walk with you on your journey. All contacts and conversations are confidential.

For more information contact Deacon Mark Berard at [mark.berard@yahoo.com](mailto:mark.berard@yahoo.com) or call the parish office at (225) 752-6230.

### New Garden Mausoleum in St George Cemetery

We are pleased to announce that arrangements have been completed with American Cemetery Consultants, LLC to build the beautiful new Garden Mausoleum in St. George Cemetery. The program has the full approval of His Excellency, Most Reverend Michael G. Duca, Bishop of Baton Rouge.

Sales Representatives of American Cemetery Consultants will be contacting the families of St. George, St. Jude the Apostle, St. Patrick and Most Blessed Sacrament Parishes over the next few weeks to answer questions about the mausoleum and determine who is interested. The number of crypts selected before construction will determine the size of the mausoleum. Spaces are reserved on a first come basis; therefore, anyone seeking information about either mail in the postage paid reply card from the brochure mailer that was mailed to your home or call (225) 650-7513.



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### MBS Respect Life Committee

Anyone is invited to join our newly formed ministry at Most Blessed Sacrament Church supporting the activities of Louisiana Right to Life Association and Pro Life efforts in our community. **Our first meeting is scheduled for Monday, May 16th in St. Mark Room beginning at 6:30 p.m.**

We will seek to inform the parishioners of MBS parish of Pro Life activities available locally where our support and participation are greatly needed. Some of these activities and events are: 40 Days For Life prayer vigil at the abortion clinic, Born To Run annual event, Woman's New Life Center support, Giving Tuesday, Together for Life March, and many more. If you would like to be a part of this group or need more information, please call Tess Chustz at (281) 685-4014 or email at [tesschustz@gmail.com](mailto:tesschustz@gmail.com).



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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.***

<b>Mass Schedule and Intentions</b>		
Sat. April 23	4:30 pm	Marty Christensen St. Anthony Class of 1965 Alumnae Rayburn & Martin Families Melvena Francise Buddy & Mollie Lemoine Family Adelaide Wise Rudy & Betty Serio
Sun. April 24	8:00 am	Mrs. Daisy C. Allen Judy Hartmann Joyce Marie Vince Dodds Deborah M. Mannino Eric E. Triche
	9:45 am	For The People
	11:30 am	William S. Cook The Arthur Aucoin Fmly Joseph Hayden Tucker Tom Virnich The Thibodeaux Family, Irene, Jim, and Paul
Mon. April 25	8:45 am	Communion Service
Tues. April 26	8:45 am	Sal Gallo Sam Cascio
Wed. April 27	8:45 am	Sal Gallo Sam Cascio
Thurs. April 28	8:15 am	Sal Gallo
Fri. April 29	8:15 am	Sal Gallo

### **SUNDAY READINGS**

**First Reading** — The apostles perform many signs and wonders among the people. Many are added to their numbers (Acts 5:12-16).

**Psalm** — Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting (Psalm 118).

**Second Reading** — John, caught up in the spirit, envisions the glorified Lord, the first and the last, the one who lives (Revelation 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19).

**Gospel** — The risen Christ comes to his disciples with peace and the Spirit. The absent Thomas doubts (John 20:19-31).

### **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

Monday:1 Pt 5:5b-14; Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17; Mk 16:15-20

Tuesday:Acts 4:32-37; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday:Acts 5:17-26; Ps 34:2-9; Jn 3:16-21

Thursday:Acts 5:27-33; Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36

Friday:Acts 5:34-42; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15

Saturday:Acts 6:1-7; Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21

### **STEWARSHIP OFFERING April 9-10, 2022**

Identified Contributors	\$22,282.00
Unidentified Contributors	\$ 2,085.00
Total	\$24,367.00

<b>Masses - April 23-24, 2022</b>	<b>4:30 p.m.</b>	<b>8:00 a.m.</b>	<b>9:45 a.m.</b>	<b>11:30 a.m.</b>
<b>Celebrant - Subject to Change</b>	Fr. Phil Deacon Mark R	Fr. Phil Deacon Mark R	Fr. Phil Deacon Mark B	Fr. Phil Deacon Mark B

### **April 23-24, 2022 2nd Sunday**

	<b>Servers</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Extraordinary Ministers</b>
<b>4:30 pm</b>	N/A	C Adolph, S Culivan	M Weger, L Sulik, E Lee, B Magill
<b>8:00 am</b>	N/A	T Schexnayder, G Burns	B Braud, M Braud, C Rabalais, K Hollier
<b>9:45 am</b>	N/A	B Alcon, D Ourso	M Messina, B Shedlof, F Fleniken, P Mistretta
<b>11:30 am</b>	N/A	L Duplantis, T Littlefield	MK Aucoin, M Duplantis, L Landry, K Browning



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