

Most Blessed Sacrament Parish News

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V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.

*R. Be it done unto me
according to Thy word.*



*Hail Mary,
full of grace.
The Lord is with thee.*

©Diocesan - The Annunciation - Luca Giordano, 1672

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.

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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**: Please call the church office during pregnancy for information and to register for a Baptism seminar.

•**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.

Confession:

Confessions: Fridays 7:45 a.m., Saturdays 3:00 p.m.
and Mondays 7:45 a.m.

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. & 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8:00 a.m., 9:45 a.m., & 11:30 a.m.
Monday - 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
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MBS Early Learning Center

7853 Broker Avenue
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Director: Laurina Conger 752-8829

Respect Life News . . .

Pregnancy Crisis Help

If you or someone you know is experiencing a crisis pregnancy, STOP and call the parish office (225) 752-6230 to be put in touch with a member of the Respect Life Committee.

We can provide love and compassion, support and multiple resources available to help you through this challenging time. You are not alone.



The Immaculate Conception (December 8)

December 8 we celebrate the patronal solemnity of the United States and the greatest of Mary's Advent festivals. On that day we remember Mary's conception in the womb of her mother (and nine months later, on September 8, we celebrate Mary's birth). In this liturgy, we affirm our belief that God prepared Mary to be the mother of the son of God by allowing her a share, from the moment of her conception, in the salvation that would be won for all by Christ.

Five mothers make their presence felt on December 8. The first is Eve, the mother of all the living. The second is Mary's mother, who conceived, brought to birth, and nurtured an "immaculate" daughter who would become the mother of the Word made Flesh. The third is Elizabeth, who conceived her son John "in her old age." The fourth, of course, is Mary herself. Finally, the letter to the Ephesians and the texts of the Mass for this feast remind us that the Church has been "chosen" to be a spiritual mother. We pray: "The image of the Virgin is found in your Church . . . Trace in our actions the lines of her love, in our hearts her readiness of faith."

In this Advent time, we are called, as Mary was, to make room for Christ in our hearts. What will it take, what will be the cost for us to become, as Mary became, real "bearers of the Word?" Let us be open to the intercession of Mary on our behalf, that we may become more and more like her beloved Son.

A New Face at M.B.S.

No you are not seeing double! We have a new face on campus! Believed by many to be Fr. Todd's Brother, Fr. Todd, himself, or maybe even Fr. Todd's Stunt Double (all of which are good guesses but incorrect), we would like to officially introduce West Giffin to the MBS Community!



West Giffin is the new Director of Christian Formation for our Most Blessed Sacrament Church Community. West grew up in Baton Rouge and was an active participant in youth ministry programs during middle and high school and it was through the encounters and fellowship experienced here that allowed him to find true community and foster a personal encounter with Christ. West has worked in youth ministry for over 8 years bringing his love for fostering faith-based communities to MBS in 2014 and the Diocese of Baton Rouge in 2018. He returns back to his home parish to accompany young people once more on their own exciting journeys to a personal relationship with Jesus.

"It has been my greatest passion to walk with young people and provide a place of true encounter for them to be who they are truly meant to be. My greatest inspiration for what I do comes from Pope St. John Paul II's personal ministry during his time as Campus Chaplain in Poland, which he dubbed the "*Srodziwisko*" which he translated to "*Zone of Freedom*" where he was able to provide an environment that allowed our Lord to transform the lives of young people to be truly FREE to choose the good that He desires for them in order that they may be FULLY ALIVE!"

West is the proud dad to his son, Mason. He recently graduated (pictured above) from Notre Dame Seminary Graduate School of Theology in New Orleans, La with a Masters Degree in Pastoral Leadership/Theology.

With Appreciation . . .

We are thankful and sending lots of appreciation for the many years of service from Mrs. Jeanne Mancuso who has recently resigned from the Office of Christian Formation—Parish Coordinator. Jeanne has volunteered and served as an employee in many areas of stewardship at MBS including Lector, Vacation Bible School, School Room Coordinator, School Substitute Teacher, Sacramental Preparation, and Youth Ministry. We wish her well in her new endeavors.



Thursday, Dec. 8th

Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary



A reminder that Thursday, December 8th is a **Holy Day of Obligation** celebrating The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

We will have **3 masses** that day for those who would like to attend; one at **8:15 a.m.** with the school children, **12:00 noon**, and **6:30 p.m.**

This Weekend!

Catholic Daughters Candy Sale



The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Divine Mercy will be having their annual Fudge/Candy Fundraiser after all Masses on the weekend of December 3-4, 2022.

All proceeds will help Catholic Daughters with all of their charitable work. Help them continue their good works in our community!

K.C.'s Santa Claus Home Visits



The Knights of Columbus Most Blessed Sacrament Council 10455 is sponsoring its annual Santa Claus Home Visit fundraiser. Santa Claus will be available to visit with your child or children in your home for approximately 10 minutes between the hours of 6:30 p.m. and 8:30 p.m. on December 9th through the 17th. There is a \$30 donation for the visit. The funds raised from this activity will be used to support the charitable work of the MBS Knights of Columbus within our parish community. For more information or to schedule a visit, contact Mark Adamski at (225) 752-4545 (day) or (225) 335-4311 (night) .



Consecration of M.B.S. School

On November 16th, students from Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School completed a nine day novena to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and Immaculate Heart of Mary. On Thursday, November 17th, following school Mass, Jesus and Mary were enthroned and Father Todd Lloyd led the students in Consecrating Most Blessed Sacrament School, and all those who enter, to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and the Immaculate Heart of Mary.



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*With Deepest
Sympathy*

Please pray for the soul of:

Patricia LeBlanc

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



Lay Apostles Of The Returning King

All are invited to attend our
prayer group on **Sunday,
December 11th at 6:30 pm** in
the St. Mark room. Join us for
the rosary and a reading with
reflection. Lay Apostles of the
Returning King is a ministry
seeking to support lay people
to authentically reflect Christ's
light and love to those around
us.



If you would like more information, call Claudia
Cormier (225) 362-4508.

Catholic Daughters

Catholic Daughters of the Americas will hold its
December meeting and Christmas social on
December 6 at the home of one of our members.

If you are not currently a member, but would like to
attend please contact Regent Mary Poole at 225-
938-2750.

**Items in
Lost & Found**

There are several items in
our lost and found area in
church.

Items such as Sunday
Missals, New American
bibles, children's bibles,
rosaries, umbrellas and
children's items.



Our lost and found area is in the rear of
church right beside the rest rooms where
the Altar Servers get dressed for Mass.

Worldwide Women's Rosary Announced for Thursday, December 8th

An initiative to hold a public women's rosary that originated in Colombia has taken off worldwide with interested women connecting through Instagram. With the purpose of honoring the Blessed Virgin Mary on the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, the Worldwide Women's Rosary will be held for the first time on Dec. 8. This initiative aims to publicly unite women in defense of churches (often vandalized by abortion advocates in Latin America), life, motherhood, the family, and to proudly say to the whole world "we are daughters of the Blessed Virgin Mary and we want to follow her example," the organizers said. Another aim of this rosary effort is to express the search for peace that only God can give and the firm conviction that every human person is equal in dignity.

Women from more than 25 countries have already confirmed their participation, including women from Argentina, Australia, Bolivia, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Colombia, Costa Rica, Ecuador, El Salvador, Spain, the United States, the United Arab Emirates, Guatemala, Honduras, Italy, Mexico, Nicaragua, Panama, Paraguay, Peru, Puerto Rico, the Dominican Republic, Uganda, Uruguay and Venezuela.

"It was the Virgin (Mary) who wanted this initiative to spread worldwide," said Juliana Illario, coordinator of the effort in Argentina. "We're happy because we lay people are responsible for cooperating with the truth of Our Lord, and we have to comply with the utmost diligence with everything that Our Mother asks of us, especially praying the holy rosary that gives us so many graces," she added.

***Most Blessed Sacrament Parish will honor this event after the morning Mass
on Thursday, December 8th at 9:30 a.m. in the church***



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Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat. Dec. 3	8:00 am		
	4:30 pm	Stuart Benjamin Bill Hebert M.J. LaBorde Curney LeBlanc Rosalie & Abel Mendoza C.L. Eichelberger Family St. Anthony Class of 1965 Alumnae Harry & Aloysia Simoneaux Andrew & Ida Bourgeois Verna Englert Judith Ann Perrault Michael McKey Louis Turner Butch Burton Lester Sutherland	
Sun. Dec. 4	8:00 am	Kasey Kidder Dale Clark Joyce Stoner Skeet Clark Irma Melancon Doris Macgowan Rosalie Mistretta Tassin Family Irene Beary	Dan Dietrick Cassie Sheehan Jim Cliburn Carolyn Tiger Derrick Tiger Diez Rick Tiger James Turpin Sallie Mae Turpin
	9:45 am	The Arthur Aucoin Family Ed & Rosemary Evans The Cantey Family Claire Mumford Rocky & Louanne McCann Sam C. Barbera, Jr. Sam C. Barbera, III Ronny Amoroso Francis Guillory Todd Goodfellow Butch Golson Herman D. Strohm	
	11:30 am	For The People	
Mon. Dec. 5	8:45 am	Lindsay Perniciaro Andrew Phu Do	
Tues. Dec. 6	8:45 am	Barbara P Boudreaux Judy Hartmann	
Wed. Dec. 7	8:45 am	Joe & Joyce Culivan Joseph Thuy	
Thurs. Dec. 8	8:15 am	Jacquin-Brun Fmaily Fr. Joseph Vu Than	
Fri. Dec. 9	8:45 am	Joseph Ira Landry Fr. Joseph Vu Lam	

SUNDAY READINGS

(1st) Is 11:1-10;
 (Psalm) Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17;
 (2nd) Rom 15:4-9;
 (Gospel) Mt 3:1-12

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday-Is 35:1-10; Ps 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14; Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday-Memorial of Saint Nicholas, Bishop

Is 40:1-11; Ps 96:1-2, 3 & 10ac, 11-12, 13; Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday-Memorial of Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

Is 40:25-31; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 & 10; Mt 11:28-30

Thursday-Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38

Friday-Memorial of Saint Juan Diego

Cuahtlatatzin Is 48:17-19; Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6; Mt 11:16-19

Saturday-Memorial of Our Lady of Loreto

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11; Ps 80:2ac & 3b, 15-16, 18-19; Mt 17:9a, 10-13

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING November 26-27, 2022

Identified Contributors	\$18,493.00
Unidentified Contributors	\$ 1,700.00
Total	\$20,193.00

Masses-- December 3-4, 2022	4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant - Subject to Change	Fr. Raj Deacon Don	Fr. Todd Deacon Don	Fr. Todd Deacon Mark R	Fr. Todd Deacon Mark R

December 3-4, 2022 2nd Sunday of Advent

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	Z Torregrossa, A Loya	J Larson, K Larson	M Weger, E Yurik, E Lee
8:00 am	D McKay, K Huynh	G Burns, K Simon	E Barber, M Authement, L Bayhi
9:45 am	L Verinder, C Webb	L Evans, A Welch	M Messina, F Fleniken, L Evans
11:30 am	L Miller, E Laudun	A Fields, C Ryan	M Duplantis, D Passman, T Passman



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