

Most Blessed Sacrament Parish News

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SOLEMNITY OF *Mary* MOTHER OF GOD She is exalted, yet still one of us.



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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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

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MBS Early Learning Center

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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.

Living Rosary

All are welcome to participate in a Living Rosary which will be dedicated to Life. Special intentions to the March For Life and all Respect Life causes.



Date: 1/22/2023

Time: After 11:30am Mass

Place: In front of M. B. S. Church



January 1, 2023

Let us strive to be pure and holy like our Heavenly Mother. All mothers want their children to inherit or acquire their good qualities. Our Heavenly Mother is no exception. With Joseph, she succeeded in training the Child Jesus, so that He grew in holiness and in "favor before God and man." Hence, our best way of celebrating this feast and honoring our Heavenly Mother would be to promise her that we will practice her virtues of Faith, obedience, purity and humble service. In this way, we will be trying to become the saintly sons and daughters of our Heavenly Mother, the Holy Mother of God.

In Christ,

Next weekend, January 7/8, we will celebrate The Epiphany. This feast celebrates God's revelation to the nations through Jesus, and commemorates the Magi's visit to the new born Christ as the first of the gentiles to come to Him. In relation to their visit and the gifts they brought, this feast has many customs associated with it. Several blessings are proper to this feast, such as the special blessings of salt, water, chalk, homes, gold and incense. The Epiphany blessing of water is a beautiful ritual. It is believed that Epiphany water is a strong sacramental to be used against works of evil and illness.



The blessed chalk is traditionally used for the blessing of homes on Epiphany. The blessing is written above the main entrance of the home. It recalls the visit of the Magi to worship the Christ Child in the presence of the Holy Family. The inscription that goes above the door calls on the Magi by name – *Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar* – by placing their initials within the year of that blessing: 20+C+M+B+23. *It is also popularly believed that the Magi's initials stand for "Christus mansionem benedicat" ("Christ bless this house").*

This is an ancient tradition that places God at the entrance of your home, and places your entire family under his protection. It is also believed that the blessing brings many graces upon those who practice it and is an added protection against spiritual enemies.

After the 4:30PM Mass on Saturday January 7th I will be doing the ritual blessing of Epiphany water and chalk. Everyone is invited to join us for this beautiful blessing that will include singing of psalms. You may bring your own salt and water if you would like. Small bags with the salt, water, and chalk will be made available after the blessing. It will include directions on how to bless your own homes with the Epiphany prayers.

Totus Tuus,
Fr. Todd Lloyd

New Years Eve - Solemnity of Mary
Saturday, December 31, 2022

3 p.m. Confession
Mass Time: 4:30 p.m.

After Mass, the Blessed Sacrament will be exposed and we'll pray the Rosary concluding with benediction to end the year and start the new.

New Years Day - Solemnity of Mary
Sunday, January 1, 2023

Regular Mass Schedule:
8 a.m., 9:45 a.m., and 11:30 a.m.

Thanks to my Most Blessed Sacrament Family. As many of you know, I have retired effective Dec. 31st. You will still see me at Mass because I am just retiring from my job in the office. I have been ordained a Deacon for 16 years and all of them have been assigned to Most Blessed Sacrament parish. All of you have made my diaconate a pleasant and holy time. Thanks for all the wonderful years I've had the pleasure of assisting you in the office. Many things go on that most are not aware of. The office at MBS is a very efficient one because of the dedicated people. I will miss all of them, but they will let me come drink coffee with them and pray with them. Thanks again for the wonderful family of parishioners at MBS.

Deacon Don

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A New Year's Prayer

*Lord, You make all things new.
You bring hope alive in our hearts
and cause our spirits to be born again.
Thank you for this new year and
for all the potential it holds.
Come and kindle in us a mighty flame
so that in time, many will see
the wonders of God
and live forever to praise
Your glorious name.
Amen.*



Date: January 22, 2023

Time: After 11:30 a.m. Mass

Place: In front of M. B. S. Church

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Living Rosary dedicated to Life.
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and all Respect Life causes.***



The Roman Catholic Diocese of
BATON ROUGE

RESPECT LIFE MASS

St. Joseph Cathedral

Saturday, January 21, 2023 | 8:30 a.m.

Please join Bishop Duca as he celebrates a special "Respect Life Mass" offering prayers for mothers and children, for all those who have lost their lives to abortion, and for an end to abortion.

MBS PRESENTS

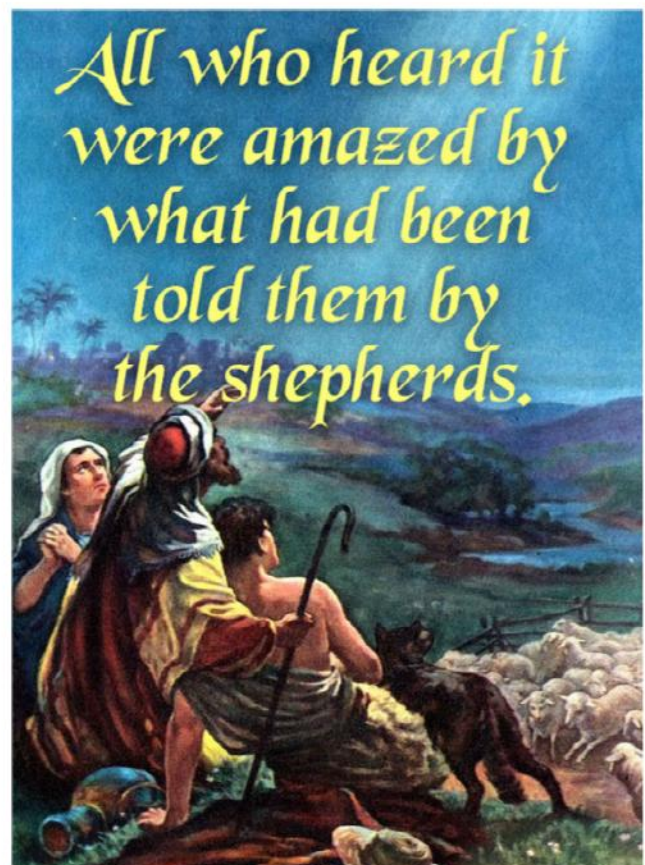
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Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat. Dec. 31	8:00 am	
	4:30 pm	Anita Alvarez Geraldine Saucier Dr. C.G. & Dorothy Whitley
Sun. Jan. 1	8:00 am	Dan Dietrick Joseph Dawson Butch Burton The Tassin Family Timothy Paul Stevens William "Bill" Johnson Irma Melancon Mrs. Daisy C. Allen
	9:45 am	For The People
	11:30 am	Don Fontaine Thomas Wallbillich, Jr. Shirley Gallo Albert Kolar The Lucas Family Patricia Ann Kelley Patricia LeBlanc John Acaldo
Mon. Jan. 2	8:45 am	
Tues. Jan. 3	8:45 am	
Wed. Jan. 4	8:45 am	
Thurs. Jan. 5	8:15 am	
Fri. Jan. 6	8:45 am	Francis Guillory James & Shirley Zeringue Jacquin-Brun Family

SUNDAY READINGS

(1st) Nm 6:22-27;
(Psalm) 67:2-3, 5,6,8;
(2nd) Gal 4:4-7;
(Gospel) Lk 2:16-21

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday-

1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday-

1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3CD-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday-

1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42

Thursday-

1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51

Friday-

1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147: 12-13, 14-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11

Saturday-

1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 & 6a & 9b; Jn 2:1-11

*With Deepest
Sympathy*

Please pray for the soul of:

Richard Jackson

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



STEWARDSHIP OFFERING December 24-25, 2022

Identified Contributors	\$
Unidentified Contributors	\$
Total	\$

*Due to early submission of bulletin,
there is no collection yet to report*

Masses— Dec. 31—Jan. 1, 2023	4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant - Subject to Change	Fr. Todd Deacon Mark R	Fr. Todd Deacon Mark R	Fr. Todd Deacon Don	Fr. Raj Deacon Don

Dec. 31-Jan. 1, 2023 Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God			
	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	A Loya, Z Torregrossa	K Larson, J Larson	C Willis, J Culivan, E Wright, T Hollis, M Weger
8:00 am	A Norris,	M Walsh, K Gora	L Bayhi, W Rabalais, E Barber, S Daugherty, E Daugherty
9:45 am	C Webb, L Davis	S Menard, B Alcon	W Golden, P Mistretta, J Stevens, M Berthelot, T Fox
11:30 am	B Meek, I Garbutt	C Ryan, B Ragusa	C Garbutt, T Passman, M Taffaro, K Browning, D Gremillion



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