

# Most Blessed Sacrament Parish News

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“Behold, the  
Lamb of God.”

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

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## Parish Office Hours:

Monday – Thursday: 8:00 a.m. - 3:30 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: One hour before Weekday Masses and Saturdays at 3:00 p.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 & Tuesday 8:45 a.m., Wednesday 6:00 p.m.,  
Thursday & Friday 8:45 a.m. except during school year when Thursday Mass is at 8:15 a.m.

## MBS School

MBS School does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, or national origin.

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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  
Baton Rouge, LA 70817

**Director:** Laurina Conger 752-8829

## Respect Life Ministry News . . .

We will resume our monthly meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. in the St. Mark Room, finishing in time for our monthly Parish Adoration at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome to join and find out what's going on in our ministry. Our weekly rosary for respect life issues is every Monday after the 8:45 a.m. Mass in the church. Please join us when you can.



Respect Life Ministry of MBS invites you to participate in our Rosary for Life on Sunday, **January 21, 2024** on the March for Life weekend after 11:30 mass. The location is yet to be determined and will be announced at masses that weekend.

## Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Just before our first reading it says that “the word of the **LORD** was rare; there were not many visions.” (1Sam 3:1) I imagine most people today would think that was true. Do you think God has stopped talking? People apparently felt that way in Samuel’s time. Let’s look at the reading to see what Samuel’s experience can teach us.

At first Samuel thinks it is Eli calling him. It is not unusual for people to miss a sign from God. If you have a talent that you are proud of, perhaps it is a sign that God wants you to use that talent to help others. Or if a friend tells you she is concerned about your health, it could be God’s way of telling you to get help. Try to see God speaking in whatever happens to you and you may hear a lot more than you think.

Samuel also gets help from Eli. Eli began to recognize that the **LORD** was speaking to Samuel. Sometimes we need help discerning what the Lord is telling us. A good spiritual director can help. He or she will probably ask how often you pray. In our reading Samuel finally speaks directly to God, instead of going back to Eli. So if you wonder what God plans for your life, try spending more time in prayer with him. I bet we have all had times where we didn’t know if we are doing God’s will because we didn’t take time to pray. But don’t do all the talking. Give God some quiet time to hear his response. For God hasn’t stopped talking; we just stopped listening.

- Tom Schmidt



### Traveling Mary Statue Ministry

MBS has two beautiful blessed statues of Mary available for home visits. Keep her for a week to pray the rosary with her. Invite family & friends to join you. To schedule a visit, contact Claudia Cormier at 225-362-4508.

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IN FAITH  
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## Habitat Starting Date Changed

Due to some construction obstacles, the new starting date for our Habitat Catholic building project is now **Saturday February 3rd**, with a follow-up work date of February the 7<sup>th</sup>. We are sorry for any inconvenience this may cause. All volunteers will receive a detailed map and parking instructions.

### Contact information

🔗 Volunteers still needed 📧  
Work hours will be 7:30 am TO 3:00 pm  
Contact information/sign up  
Barry Landry, [bglandry45@gmail.com](mailto:bglandry45@gmail.com)  
MBS Habitat Coordinator  
Cell 225.571.7866



The Roman Catholic Diocese of  
**BATON ROUGE**

# RESPECT LIFE MASS

Celebrated by Bishop Michael Duca


**January 20, 2024 | 8:30 a.m.**

**St. Joseph Cathedral**  
401 Main Street, Baton Rouge LA

Join us, following Mass, for fellowship, coffee and hot chocolate before we join thousands of others for the Louisiana Life March.

Walking with Mems in Need

RESPECT LIFE  
radical solidarity



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### 25th & 50th Wedding Anniversary Celebration

On **Sunday, March 3, 2023 at 2:00 p.m.**, Bishop Michael Duca will celebrate a Mass at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church (15615 Jefferson Hwy. Baton Rouge, LA 70817) honoring couples who have celebrated their 25th, 50th, or 65th and longer wedding anniversary during the year of 2024. The families of the honored couples are also invited to attend the liturgy and reception afterward.

Couples should contact their church parish office and let them know they will be attending. **The registration deadline is Thursday, February 1, 2024.** (Names received after this may not have certificates ready, but will still be able to attend the Mass). The longest married couple in our diocese will be recognized and honored after the liturgy. The Bishop will be available for picture taking at the reception, but please bring your own personal camera. Again, as previously mentioned, **please call Most Blessed Sacrament Parish at (225) 752-6230 if you wish to be a part of this celebration.**


# YOUTH News

## UPCOMING ABIDE NIGHTS




JAN 21    FEB 04    FEB 18

SUNDAY EVENINGS  
6:00-8:00  
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ADORATION CHAPEL PILGRIMAGE  
JANUARY 15, 2024- AUGUST 1, 2024



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## ADORATION CHAPEL PASSPORT PILGRIMAGE

Pick up a passport from our chapel or any participating church anytime between JANUARY 15, 2024 – AUGUST 1, 2024 and hit the trail to visit Jesus in the most blessed sacrament. There are 17 participating chapels in our diocese and M.B.S. is one of them!! Go as a group or on your own, but make the pilgrimage to a deeper relationship with Jesus in the Eucharist!! If you visit at least 5 chapels by August 1, 2024, you can enter your passport for a pilgrimage prize!!

## HOW IT WORKS

WELCOME TO A PILGRIMAGE WITH JESUS IN THE MOST HOLY EUCHARIST! WE ENCOURAGE YOU TO ADORE IN AS MANY CHAPELS AS POSSIBLE. AS YOU VISIT EACH, CHECK OR STAMP THE GRAY BOX ON THE PASSPORT FOR THOSE VISITED. IF BY THE DEADLINE OF AUGUST 1, 2024, YOU HAVE VISITED AT LEAST 5 CHAPELS, MAIL OR PLACE YOUR PASSPORT IN THE DROP BOX IN THE LOBBY OF THE CHAPEL AT OUR LADY OF HOLY ROSARY TO BE ENTERED INTO A DRAWING FOR A PILGRIMAGE PRIZE!

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# March for Life in Baton Rouge!



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**LIFE MARCH SOUTH**

**10am Saturday, January 20**

**Meet at the Louisiana State  
Capitol lawn before 10am**

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**1-866-463-LIFE**



*With Deepest  
Sympathy*

Please pray for the soul of:

*Jacqueline Shelton*

*Joyce Dietrick*

*Blakeleigh Weems*

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



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

## 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. Jan. 13	8:00 am	
	4:30 pm	Mr. & Mrs. Harry Simoneaux Mr. & Mrs. Andrew Bourgeois, Sr. Andrew Bourgeois, III Sam Barbera, Jr. Sam Barbera, III Bill Hebert M.J. LaBorde Vivian Huth Sam D'Agostino Family Duffy & Dorin Porche Ashleigh & Alex Culivan Synthia Brock
Sun. Jan. 14	8:00 am	For The People
	9:45 am	Janice Sweeney Herbert Aaron Peter & Verdie Couvillion Cleve & Audrey Banquer Mike C. Freeman
	11:30 am	The Arthur Aucoin Family Herman & Emilda Ohordorff
Mon. Jan. 15	8:45 am	
Tues. Jan. 16	8:45 am	
Wed. Jan. 17	6:00 pm	
Thurs. Jan. 18	8:15 am	
Fri. Jan. 19	8:45 am	Mary Joy Freeman

### Scripture Readings

#### For the Week of January 14, 2024

#### Sunday Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

**Monday** 1 Sm 15:16-23; Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23; Mk 2:18-22

**Tuesday** 1 Sm 16:1-13; Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28; Mk 2:23-28

**Wednesday Memorial of Saint Anthony, Abbot** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10; Mk 3:1-6

**Thursday** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7; Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13; Mk 3:7-12

**Friday** 1 Sm 24:3-21; Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11; Mk 3:13-19

#### Saturday Memorial of Saint Fabian, Pope and Martyr and Saint Sebastian, Martyr

2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Ps 80:2-3, 5-7; Mk 3:20-21



### STEWARDSHIP OFFERING December 30-31, 2023

Identified Contributors	\$17,928.00
Unidentified Contributors	<u>\$ 2,349.00</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$20,277.00</b>
 Fwd. In Faith Campaign	 \$ 7,996.00

### January 13-14, 2024 - 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
<b>4:30 pm</b>	Z Torregrossa	J Shoptaugh, P Adolph	(Host) E Yurik, L Sulik, J Culivan (Cup) T Hollis, C Willis, B Magill
<b>8:00 am</b>		M Walsh, K Gora	(Host) A Blount, E Barber, S Vermaelen (Cup) M Vermaelen, K Hollier, V Browning
<b>9:45 am</b>	S LeBlanc, Z LeBlanc	, A Welch	(Host) B Shedlof, M Leger, L Evans (Cup) P Ryan, P Ryan, P Mistretta
<b>11:30 am</b>	S Millet, T Millet	L Duplantis, T Littlefield	(Host) M Taffaro, J Johnson, C LeBlanc (Cup) C Garbutt, C Edelen, MK Aucoin



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