

Most Blessed Sacrament

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Parish News

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Weekend 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.

Weekday Mass Schedule:

Communion Service - Monday 8:45 a.m.
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday - 8:45 a.m.
Thursday School Mass - 8:15 a.m.

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

MBS Early Learning Center

Director: Laurina Conger 752-8829

MBS SCHOOL

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

Extended Care: Sheena Gauthier 751-0023

•**BAPTISMS:** Twice a month, after 11:30 Mass. Call 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.

4th Sunday of Advent

4th Sunday of Advent
Saturday, Dec. 23, 2017

Vigil Mass at 4:30 p.m.

4th Sunday of Advent
Sunday, Dec. 24, 2017

Mass Times are:
8:00 a.m. and 9:45 a.m.

Note: NO 11:30 Mass

MBS Parish Christmas Party



*Let's get together for some Jingle and Mingle!
Everyone is invited to our parish
Christmas Party on Thursday, December 28th
at 6:00 p.m. in St. Ursula Hall.
Come join us for a special evening of family
fun for everyone.*

Holiday Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve
Sunday, Dec. 24, 2017

Mass Times:
4:00 p.m. - Fr. Blanchard
6:30 p.m. - Fr. Phil
11:00 p.m. - Fr. Phil

*We will have a special musical prelude
30 minutes before each Mass.*

Christmas Day
Monday, Dec. 25, 2017

Mass Time:
9:45 a.m. only - Fr. Phil



The Holy Family
December 30-31, 2017

Regular Weekend
Mass Schedule

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Monday, January 1, 2018

The obligation to attend mass has been lifted. This Holy Day of obligation is dispensed when it falls on a Saturday or Monday. With this being the case, there will be no masses on New Year's Eve evening or on New Year's Day. There will be a regular 8:45 a.m. Communion Service.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27-29; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 [18-25]
 During the Night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-3, 11-13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12; Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12; Ti 3:4-7; Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 [1-5, 9-14]
 Tuesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6, 8ab, 16bc, 17; Mt 10:17-22
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
 Thursday: 1 Jn 1:5-2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7cd-8; Mt 2:13-18
 Friday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
 Saturday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40

Collections — Dec. 9-10, 2017

Identified Contributions \$29,580.00
 Unidentified Contributions \$ 1,973.00
 Total \$31,553.00

St. Joseph Abbey Collection \$7,878.00

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat. 23 4:30 pm Bonnie Trude
 Eleanor Berta
 Richard Berta
 Susan O'Rourke
 William Swift
 Jeanne McManus
 Julia Calvaruso
 Carl Robichaux

Sun. 24 8:00 am For The People
 9:45 am Duane Brunet
 Mark Andrew Smith
 Leland & Alberta Hebert
 Bill & Thelma Bailey
 Jeanne McManus

4:00 pm Christy & Gabriel Gonzales
 Jacqueline & Robert LeBlanc
 Lorraine Cary
 Sam & Patricia Pruet
 Butch Golson
 John & Elaine DeLatin
 Jenny Hymel
 Jennifer Gauthier
 Carol Gauthier
 Donald Vidrine
 Thelma & Bill Bailey
 Norma & Norman Laborde
 William G. Bailey, III

6:30 pm Jeremi Gary
 Nell Landry
 Keith Romero
 Gary Simms
 Peter Lombardo
 Ciro Gulino
 Dennis Esteve
 Josephine Lombardo
 Annie Gulino
 Angelina Barthel
 Henry Toluoso
 Howard Chiasson
 Wilda Chiasson
 Dennis Debate, Sr.
 Laura Harbour
 Sims Gauthier
 Jill Fontaine
 Warren & Doris Naquin
 Grace Gary
 Janice Sweeney

PARISH LIFE

MBS Rosary Garden

Our beautiful Rosary Garden, which was developed recently, is between the church and office building. It is the Eagle Scout Project of Thomas Hodgson from Troop 888 that MBS sponsors along with St. Andrew's Methodist Church. Thomas, the son of Isabel & Robert Hodgson, is a graduate of MBS School and is currently a freshman at Catholic High School. The unique outdoor setting and walkway makes it a lovely place to pray the rosary.



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — I will fix a place for my people. I will plant them so that they may dwell in their place without further disturbance (2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16).

Psalm — For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord (Psalm 89).

Second Reading — To the only wise God, through Jesus Christ, be glory forever and ever (Romans 16:25-27).

Gospel — Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word (Luke 1:26-38).

Adoration Hours Available

If you would like to participate by attending an hour of adoration at Most Blessed Sacrament, please call Arlene Robichaux at (225) 931-2221. The chart below is a list of time slots available. We hope to hear from you.

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
3am-4am	4am-5am	11am-noon	3am-4am	5am-6am
4am-5am	4pm-5pm	9pm-10pm	4am-5am	10am-11am
3pm-4pm	10pm-11pm		2pm-3pm	4pm-5pm
4pm-5pm			4pm-5pm	5pm-6pm
			6pm-7pm	9pm-10pm
			9pm-10pm	

Mass Schedule and Intentions (continued)

Sun. 24 11:00 pm Dusty Brouillette
 George & Mary Pecoraro
 Will Lorino
 Monica Faye Jeansonne
 Christy & Gabriel Gonzales

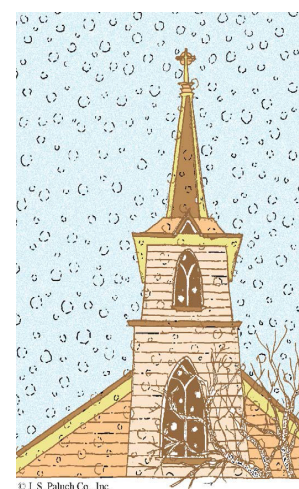
Mon. 25 8:45 am Gary Simms
 Hollis & Wilma Tate
 John, Margaret, and Blair Rinaudo
 Bill & Thelma Bailey
 Morris Family
 Nelson, Camilla, & Anne Morris
 Carol LeBlanc

Tue. 26 8:45 am Michael Myles Lloyd

Wed. 27 8:45 am

Thurs. 28 8:15 am

Fri. 29 8:45 am



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Christmas Greetings From Fr. Phil . . .

On behalf of Fr. Donald Blanchard, Deacon Don Musso, Deacon Mark Berard, and our entire parish staff, please be assured of our prayers and best wishes for all of you during these "holy days" of Christmas joy and the beginning of a New Year (which we also pray will be holy). If you are traveling to visit family, if you are homebound, if you are ill and won't be with the Church family at Masses... please know you will be in our prayer intentions. The spirituality of "joy" can embrace and integrate the realities of sorrow, suffering, and the difficulties of life at one and the same time as we can open ourselves to the joy of Emmanuel and the Incarnation... God with us... God one of us.

*Love,
Fr. Phil*

MBS Church Office Holiday Hours

The church office will close on Friday, December 23rd through Tuesday, December 26th for the Christmas holidays.

Note of Thanks

We would like to thank our Knights of Columbus for their beautiful Nativity Scene on the outside of church as well as Mr. Cal Balencie, who added some creative background artwork. Their effort really brings the nativity to life.

MBS School Registration 2018/2019 School Year

Most Blessed Sacrament School is accepting applications for grades PK4-8th for the 2018-2019. All new students, including siblings of current Most Blessed Sacrament School students, should register now. Visit the Most Blessed Sacrament School website at www.mbsbr.org. Click the "Apply Now" button on the home page to complete and submit your application online. The application period ends on January 3, 2018.

Reflecting on God's Word

The Bible offers us a rich variety of men and women who qualify as heroes, warriors, prophets, and wise men and women. And every so often it places before us a dreamer. Jacob had the first big dream, with that ladder connecting heaven and earth, bearing ascending and descending angels.

His son Joseph started off with dreams that put himself at the center, much to his brothers' chagrin, but later he saved himself by interpreting the dreams of others, including Pharaoh. However, the most important dreamer of all was Joseph, spouse of Mary and foster father to Jesus.

Joseph was asked to live out his dream. "Do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her," he was told in a dream (Matthew 1:20). And not only that, he was to name the child Jesus, which means "God saves." What all this cost him we don't know. All we hear is that when he awoke from the dream, he did what had been asked and took Mary into his home.

That wasn't the end of the dreams. "Joseph, take the mother and child into Egypt—Herod is trying to kill him." "Joseph, take the mother and child out of Egypt—Herod is dead." And Joseph did. Maybe once you begin to live God's dream it gets easier.

God's dream is that we live in the world as God's adopted and saved children, working to bring God's peace and justice, mercy and forgiveness into our world wherever they are needed.

—James A. Wallace, C.Ss.R.

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Mass Time - December 23-24, 2017	4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	
Celebrant	Fr. Blanchard	Fr. Blanchard	Fr. Phil	

December 23-24, 2017 4th Sunday of Advent				
	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	
4:30 pm	L Leger, JP Manasseh, T Oudit	G Landry, A Torregrossa	C Chiasson, V Chiasson, J Culivan, B Conner, J Didier, C Edelen, Deacon Don, J Sutherland	
8:00 am	S Castelluccio, M Castelluccio, O Castelluccio	J Blackwell, T Cormier	L Bayhi, A Blount, K Bourgeois, B Braud, M Braud, D Broussard, J Catanzaro, V Clause	
9:45 am	JC Cascio, A Esposito, J Cascio	L Evans, S Menard	J LaBar, D Decell, K Decell, E Moran, B LaSalle, C LeBlanc, J Stevens, M Messina	

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