

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.

The Holy Family-Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

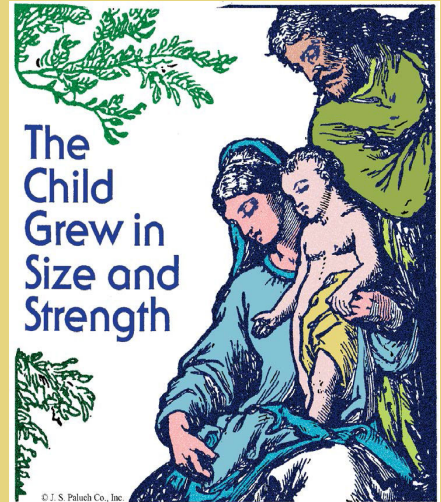
TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Those who honor their parents will be greatly blessed and will atone for sins (Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14) or *Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3.*

Psalm — Blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways (Psalm 128) or *Psalm 105.*

Second Reading — Be thankful; do everything in the name of the Lord Jesus (Colossians 3:12-21 [12-17]) or *Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19.*

Gospel — The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom (Luke 2:22-40 [22, 39-40]).



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.

BEARERS OF THE WORD

The Church has placed a number of notable feast days immediately after Christmas. The feasts of Stephen, John the Evangelist, and the Holy Innocents form a summary of the life lived in Christ, the Word made flesh. What do these have to do with the feast of the Holy Family, which crowns the Octave of Christmas? These feasts remind us that suffering will occur in fulfilling the mission of Christ, and that we are all called to be bearers of this Word whose birth we celebrate.

We also see this manifested in the lives of Joseph and Mary, both of whom took social and religious risks in obedience to the will of God, and both of whom were open to the word of God sent to them from on high. In these ways they prefigured the life of Jesus himself.

Most likely, few of us found ourselves at Mass this past Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday, but the essence of these feasts and the essence of the holiness of Joseph, Mary, and Jesus remain central, a holiness we celebrate today.

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READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
 Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 1:19-28
 Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:29 — 3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-6; Jn 1:29-34
 Thursday: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-9; Jn 1:35-42
 Friday: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-5; Jn 1:43-51
 Saturday: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 [23, 31-34, 36, 38]

Collections — Dec. 16-17, 2017

Identified Contributions \$22,310.50
 Dec. 15 Bank Drafts \$ 5,397.00
 Unidentified Contributions \$ 2,323.00
 Total \$30,030.50

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat. 30 4:30 pm Louis & Inez Fox
 Fred Young
 Jarrod Kimble
 Peter & Verdie Couvillion
 Audrey & Cleveland Banquer
 Julia Calvaruso
 Sun. 31 8:00 am Florance Durand
 Amy Cutrer Heroman
 9:45 am For The People
 11:30 am Dan Elglert
 Ethel Duffy
 Chip Sulik, Jr.
 Mon. 1 8:45 am Communion Service
 Tue. 2 8:45 am
 Wed. 3 8:45 am
 Thurs. 4 8:15 am
 Fri. 5 8:45 am



Please pray for the soul of:

Jeanette Mire

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

January 6th -

1st Saturday Prayer Service

We will have a first Saturday prayer service for January. It will consist of the Chaplet of the Divine Mercy Rosary, Benediction, and Communion Service. We will begin at 8:00 a.m. and will end at 9:00 a.m.

Everyone is invited to attend. For more information, please call Deacon Don Musso at the parish office, (225) 752-6230.

**Progress Report on our Former Pastor, Fr. Young**

Fr. Young continues to recover from the recent automobile accident. He is at St. James Health and Wellness Center, 333 Lee Drive, Room 219. While he is making progress physically, his cognitive abilities are still difficult. However, visitors are allowed. The best times are in the afternoon.

PARISH LIFE**PRAYING FOR ALL MILITARY**

Please keep the following in your daily prayers:



Andy Blum
Scott & Jamie French
Don Ellen, Jr.
Caleb Burris
Nathan Colter
Brian Primeaux

Andrew Barksdale
Trey Perault
Craig Dardenne
Jeremy Ferguson
Alex Grantier

Brett Gilbert
Chris & Ali Jones
Eric Schweitzer
Landon Bourg
Matthew Bourgeois

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 | |

MBS Catholic Daughters

"Catholic Daughters would like to thank all of you for making our holiday fudge sale a great success. The charities we support will greatly benefit from your generosity."

MBS Catholic Daughters

Court Divine Mercy (MBS's Catholic Daughters) will meet on Tuesday, January. 9, 2018. All ladies of the parish are invited. Court Divine Mercy is a group of Catholic women who are dedicated to a unified faith in Christ as demonstrated through charitable good works to the community and the church.

**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.

Re-enrollment for current MBS students begins Monday, January 8, 2018 through January 21, 2018.

COMMUNITY LIFE

ST. GEORGE ANNUAL PARISH MISSION

You are invited to attend our Parish Mission that will be held from Monday, January 15th through Wednesday, January 17th. Our speaker is Deacon Art Miller from the Archdiocese of Hartford, CT. His topic is: "From an Informed Catholic to a Transformed Catholic". He will begin with an invitation to be a strong member of God's team, a challenge to walk by faith and finally to be open to God calling us to the action of love. It will be held at 7:00 p.m. in the church. For more information, contact Karen Fawley at karenf@st-george.org or call 456-5417.



Notre Dame Hospice is looking for volunteers to assist in the Baton Rouge area. Volunteers can provide companionship, caregiver relief, run errands, play music, or offer any talent that you have to share with our patients. If you are interested in volunteering and would like more information, please contact Melissa Meyers at (504) 920-8442 or by [email at mmeyers@arch-no.org](mailto:mmeyers@arch-no.org).

Entering Canaan: Day of Prayer and Healing for Those Touched by Abortion Saturday, February 17, 2018

Come begin your healing journey and experience God's love and mercy. You are not alone. There is hope. There is healing.

Join us Saturday, February 17, for Entering Canaan - A Day of Prayer & Healing for women and men who have been touched by abortion. For more information, confidential inquiries or to register, please contact Tara at 225-938-3858 or EnteringCanaanBR@yahoo.com. Sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Baton Rouge - Office of Marriage & Family Life.



CRISTO REY
BATON ROUGE
FRANCISCAN HIGH SCHOOL

Cristo Rey Baton Rouge Franciscan High School is a Catholic learning community that educates young men and women to become people of faith, purpose and service. A rigorous college preparatory curriculum, integrated with an innovative Corporate Work Study Program, prepares students for success in college and life.

Every Cristo Rey student takes a full course load of college preparatory coursework for four years, while also working five days each month in a Corporate Work Study Program to fund the majority of their tuition.

As a result of working in a business environment, students create positive relationships in the business and professional communities, build their resources, acquire valuable job experience and marketable skills, develop a network of business contacts and gain exposure to a wide range of career opportunities.

Cristo Rey Baton Rouge is currently accepting applications for hard-working, motivated 9th and 10th grade students for the 2018-2019 school year. To apply, or to discover ways you can support our school, visit www.cristoreybr.org or call (225) 615-7479.

**Save the Date for our Open House on January 30th as we move back to our home site in north Baton Rouge at 4000 St. Gerard Avenue. **

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| Mass Time - December 30-31, 2017 | 4:30 p.m. | 8:00 a.m. | 9:45 a.m. | 11:30 a.m. |
| Celebrant | Fr. Phil | Fr. Phil | Fr. Blanchard | Fr. Blanchard |

| December 30-31, 2017 The Holy Family - Jesus, Mary, & Joseph | | | | |
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| | Servers | Lectors | Extraordinary Ministers | |
| 4:30 pm | B Burleigh, M Gary, H Hotard | M Gaudet, A Wicker | B Landry, G Landry, B Magill, C Rabalais, R Rinaudo, G Ward, Deacon Mark, E Wright | |
| 8:00 am | J Breaux, A Button, A Betzeze | S Werling, M Werling | J Dietrick, S Daugherty, E Daugherty, S Gauthier, K Hollier, J Labbe', Deacon Don, S Labbe' | |
| 9:45 am | L Averett, P Dawson, C Adolph | A Welch, J Chapman | P Mistretta, L Pierotti, V Primeaux, T Rinaudo, R Rossi, Deacon Mark, L Stevens, B Shedlof | |
| 11:30 am | JP Bourgeois, H Barnett, M Edney | P Green, L Duplantis | L Pierotti, B Wallbillich, V Webre, A Arledge, K Aucoin, K Bell, K Browning, A Byrne | |

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