

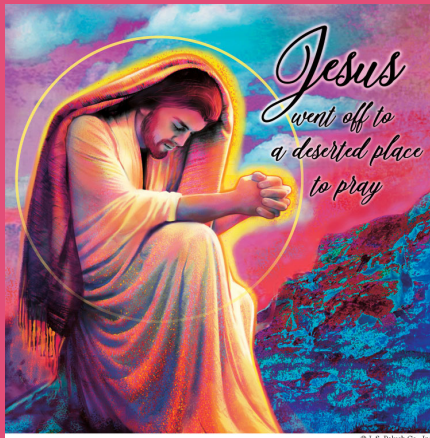
Most Blessed Sacrament Parish News

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Job experienced months of misery and troubled nights (Job 7:1-4, 6-7).

Psalm — Praise the Lord, who heals the brokenhearted (Psalm 147).

Second Reading — I have become all things to all, to save at least some (1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23).

Gospel — Jesus cured many who were sick with various diseases (Mark 1:29-39).

TIRELESS DISCIPLESHIP

The stories we've been hearing these weeks come from the very first chapter of Mark, and they show us the public ministry of Jesus in its infancy. Today's account shows some of the strain or adjustment of his new life of preaching the reign of God, healing the sick, and casting out demons. Notice that after sunset, when darkness ended the workday, people brought the sick and possessed to Jesus. The following day he rose before dawn to get away by himself to pray, but to no avail. Simon Peter and the others don't just look for him, they pursue him, filled with the fervor that his ministry has incited. With the self-sacrificing example he gave until the end of his earthly life, he tells his followers that this is his whole purpose. Through Mark, he is also telling the early church, and he is telling us, that this is our purpose, our vocation: to be tireless in our pursuit of proclaiming the Good News, and in bringing the healing, reconciling touch of Christ to the world.

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

MBS SCHOOL

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

Extended Care: Sheena Gauthier 751-0023

MBS Early Learning Center

Director: Laurina Conger 752-8829

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:** 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.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Ps 132:6-7, 8-10; Mk 6:53-56
 Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Ps 84:3-5, 10-11; Mk 7:1-13
 Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Ps 37:5-6, 30-31, 39-40; Mk 7:14-23
 Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Ps 106:3-4, 35-37, 40; Mk 7:24-30
 Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Ps 81:10-11ab, 12-15; Mk 7:31-37
 Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Ps 106:6-7ab, 19-22; Mk 8:1-10

Collections — January 20-21, 2018

Identified Contributions	\$19,145.00
January 15th Bank Drafts	\$ 4,997.00
Unidentified Contributions	\$ 2,197.00
Total	\$26,339.00

Mass Schedule and Intentions		
Sat. 3	4:30 pm	Leroy Lovas Donald Vidrine Vita & Gene Taylor
Sun. 4	8:00 am	Culross, Lubrano, and Rodgers Families
	9:45 am	Kathryn Menard
	11:30 am	For The People
Mon. 5	8:45 am	Communion Service
Tue. 6	8:45 am	
Wed. 7	8:45 am	
Thurs. 8	8:15 am	
Fri. 9	8:45 am	



M.B.S. Book Fair

Please feel welcome to attend the **Most Blessed Sacrament School Book Fair**. The Fair will be held in the Most Blessed Sacrament School Library from Monday, February 5 - Thursday, February 8 during school hours and Friday, February 9 until 12:30 pm. **Most Blessed Sacrament School and Parish families are also invited to attend on Sunday, February 4 after all Masses from 9:00-1:30.** Please contact Jenny Ortego, Most Blessed Sacrament School librarian, at Jortego@mbsbr.org with any questions you may have.

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
 Jeremy Ferguson

Andrew Barksdale
 Trey Perault
 Craig Dardenne
 Alex Grantier
 Brian Primeaux
 Will Howland



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

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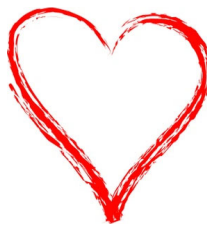
Pelican In Her Piety



With the changing of our MBS parish and school logo, we look ahead to our church parish, our MBS Catholic School, and our MBS ministerial outreach in so many ways.

In looking at our school mascot, the wings of the pelican reminds us of the monstrance in which The Most Blessed Sacrament is placed, protected, and displayed during Adoration/Benediction. The bolded strokes represent how we as Catholics are called to radiate the love of Christ in the practice of our faith when we receive Him during the Eucharist. The baby chicks represent our children and youth regardless of the schools they attend and the privilege we have to protect and teach them in the Catholic Faith.

It is important that we know the symbol behind the Pelican (our mascot). In times of a shortage of nourishment, the mother pelican would pierce her own chest and give her own flesh and blood to her chicks. Thus, the pelican symbol in Christianity, called Pelican In Her Piety, symbolizes the sacrifice of Christ on the cross because he gave his body and blood for others that we celebrate in every Eucharist. We are nourished in the Real Presence of Christ in Word and Sacrament so that we in turn may give our body and blood to serve the kingdom of God, our local MBS church family, and our world.



Good Timers

February is the month of "Love For Family and Friends". All Good Timers are invited to join us for some good ole comfort food, great friendships and musical entertainment! Bring a friend and join us on Wednesday, February 21st at noon in the St. John Room.

The following are prayer services MBS will be offering during the season of Lent:

- Divine Mercy Chaplet will be sung on Tuesday evenings during Lent beginning February 13th at 6:30 p.m. in church and will include Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction.
- The Stations of the Cross will be on Friday evenings at 6:00 p.m. in church beginning on Friday, February 16th and continue throughout the season of Lent.
- Lenten Prayer Service will be held every Saturday during Lent at 8:00 a.m. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be recited followed by the Rosary, Benediction, and a Communion Service.

PARISH LIFE

DATE NIGHT WITH YOUR SPOUSE



Want to fulfill your resolution to nourish your marriage? What better way than to renew your wedding vows?!?

All married couples are invited to join us for an evening of reflection and renewal at MBS:

- Wednesday, February 7, 2018.
- 6:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.
- Holy Mass with renewal of wedding vows
- Complimentary dinner & enrichment talk
- Registration required by February 4, 2018

Dating and Discerning Marriage?

Feel free to join us!



REGNUM CHRISTI

To register, send email to: rsvp@eternalmission.org

Sponsored by Regnum Christi
The love of Christ impels us ... 2 Cor. 5:14
caritas Christi urget nos

A Note of Thanks...

Thank you for all of the prayers and contributions to the recent Baby Bottle Campaign here at MBS to raise money for the Woman's New Life Center. We collected over \$4,700 to show our support for Life!

CONFIRMATION This Tuesday, February 6th

This Tuesday night Bishop Muench will preside at the Confirmation ceremony of our MBS young adults who attend the various Catholic, public, and private schools that serve our community. They have been in special preparation for this 3rd Sacrament of their Initiation this year under the leadership of our Christian Formation Director, David Planche, his secretary, Theresa LeBoeuf, The Peer Ministry Team, and so many other MBS Adult Volunteers who assist with this process. Please pray for the candidates and feel welcome to attend the Mass.

COMMUNITY LIFE

Busy Person Retreat

St. Joseph Spirituality Center in Baton Rouge is sponsoring a Busy Person Retreat for five consecutive days, February 19th through the 23rd. Feel renewed in the midst of busy life with this at-home retreat. Spend thirty minutes in prayer at home each day then visit with a Spiritual Director from the Center who will offer prayer prompts and scripture. The Spiritual Director will schedule convenient times for your daily visits.

The fee is \$100. The daily commitment is thirty minutes of prayer and thirty minutes with a Spiritual Director. To register, go to www.stjocenter.org or call (225) 383-3349.

Mass Time - February 3-4, 2018	4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant	Fr. Blanchard	Fr. Blanchard	Fr. Phil	Fr. Phil

February 3-4, 2018 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time			
	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	HG Vautrot, C Ransome, C Ransome	A Ransome, C Lieux	M Young, C Rabalais, R Rinaudo, B Landry, J Sutherland, J Didier, Deacon Don, B Magill
8:00 am	R Kidder, K Huynh, E Lacombe	T Cormier, K Hollier	C Bargas, K Hollier, B Braud, M Braud, S Peters, T Peters, Deacon Don, J Catanzaro
9:45 am	E Waguespack, S Harvey, J Huff	N Zeringue, W Gauthier	K Talbot, S Wilson, T Hollis, M Delafield, W Golden, R Rossi, L Stevens, J Gutierrez
11:30 am	K Landry, R Fuselier, C Rico	H Powell, T Littlefield	S Pecue, A Arledge, MK Aucoin, R Miller, S Keagle, M Leger, M Miller, B Wallbillich

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