

Most Blessed Sacrament Parish News

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

M.B.S. Mission Appeal... This Weekend

This weekend, Fr. Leo Tinkatumire, a USA Representative for the Mission Cooperative Plan (MCP) 2018, will preach at all masses for the annual mission appeal.

Fr. Leo Tinkatumire, PhD, comes from the Archdiocese of Mbarara which was created in 1999 in Southwestern Uganda in East Africa. It has a population of about 2,300,000 people with about 1,150,000 being Catholics. The Archdiocese has 165 priests, 155 are indigenous. It has 56 parishes and 150 Missions.

Projects/Challenges in the Archdiocese include:

Spreading the Good News of Jesus Christ: Great need to reach the people. The funds will help in the work of evangelization to all areas of the Archdiocese.

High level of poverty: Help to alleviate the low levels of living. The average annual per capita income of an average family is equivalent to US \$200.00!

Lack of safe water in rural areas: The Archdiocese helps by building safe water centers in rural areas.

High rates of controllable and curable diseases: The Archdiocese helps by building Health Centers and supporting Community Based Health Care.

HIV/AIDS scourge have claimed lives of many parents leaving behind many widows, widowers and orphans. The Archdiocese supports them.

Islamic Fundamentalism and other Pentecostal Churches are targeting Africa promising good education and health services. The Catholic Church must stand against them with better services to the people especially the youth, the women and the poorest of the poor.

On behalf of Archbishop Paul K. Bakyenga, the priests, the religious and all people of God in the Archdiocese of Mbarara, thanks a million for accepting us to participate in MCP 2018.

The special 2nd collection this weekend will be for this mission appeal. We encourage your generous response. If contributing by check, please make payable to Most Blessed Sacrament with the notation "Mission Appeal" and place in the 2nd collection.

All contributions will be forwarded to the Diocese of Baton Rouge and then to the Archdiocese of Mbarara. Please don't give directly to the priest or society. It must go through the proper Church channels. **Thank You.**

Parish Staff

Pastor.....Fr. Phil Spano
Mass Assistance.....Fr. Donald Blanchard
Parish Life Coord.Deacon Don Musso
Permanent Deacon..... Deacon Mark Berard
Receptionist.....Andrea Leger
Secretary.....Caryn Didier
Bookkeeper.....Darlene Moscona
Director of Music.....Kathy Duplessis
and Ministry
Youth Director.....West Giffin

Director-Christian Form.....David Planché
Christian Formation phone...(225) 751-5867
Secretary-Christian Form...Theresa LeBoeuf
Child Protection Office.....Roslyn Landry
(225) 753-5526

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 - Friday - 8:45 a.m. except during
School year, Thursday 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.

FAITH-FILLED COMMUNITY OF MERCY, BLESSINGS, & SERVICE

MBS Parish School of Religion (PSR) Registration 2018-2019 **Grades K-10 Registration, 2nd Grade First Reconciliation, 2nd Grade Communion Preparation and 11th Grade Confirmation Registration**

All Catholic children are called to deepen their relationship with God and His Church. In the Parish, children are invited to grow in the understanding and knowledge of their faith in either a Parish School of Religion (PSR) program or in a Catholic school.

MBS parish offers faith formation and sacramental preparation in our **Parish School of Religion (PSR)** program. These programs meet on designated Sundays during the school year. We welcome new families and returning families to join us in all our faith formation areas.

Registration for all these programs will be held the weekends of August 4th-5th and August 11th-12th after all Masses in the St. John Room of the parish office. Please note that there are pre-requisites that must be met for both First Reconciliation/Communion and Confirmation preparation.

If your family is new to MBS parish, please bring a copy of your child's Baptism certificate to registration.

PSR GRADES K-8: Classes meet approximately two Sunday mornings a month from 9:15 a.m. – 11:00 a.m. in the MBS school classrooms. Kindergarten is offered as a Religion readiness program but **FIRST GRADE** becomes **mandatory** in order to prepare for Sacraments in the Second Grade.

FIRST RECONCILIATION/COMMUNION: Second grade is a sacramental preparation year. In order to be eligible for sacramental prep, a child **MUST HAVE** received a **FIRST GRADE** religion curriculum in PSR or a Catholic school.

GRADES 9-10: Classes meet once a month on Sunday evenings from 5:30 p.m. – 8:00 p.m. in the MBS school classrooms. Both 9th and 10th grade religious education classes are required **to enter Confirmation in the 11th grade.**

CONFIRMATION: Confirmation in our Diocese is celebrated in 11th grade. In order to be eligible, a Candidate must have both 9th and 10th grade Catholic religious education in a PSR program or Catholic high school. Classroom sessions are held once a month on Sundays from September to January. Our Candidates are required to participate in our **group service project** and **weekend retreat** in preparation for the reception of the Sacrament in January.

*For additional information, please visit the **Office of Christian Formation** website at <http://mbsocf.weebly.com> or email us at mbspsr@gmail.com or call us at **751-5867**.*

Volunteers Needed for PSR Elementary/High School Classes

With plans to open our PSR program in mid-September, we are in need of approximately 10 faith-filled **ADULTS** to teach **and** assist in the Elementary and High School grades. Classes for elementary PSR are on Sunday mornings twice a month and high school PSR classes are once a month (on Sunday evenings.)

For those who volunteer, the Diocese of Baton Rouge requires **ALL volunteers** to complete an **Application**, have a **background check**, abide by a **Code of Ethics** and **watch an online training video *BEFORE*** being accepted as a PSR Teacher.

MBS will provide teacher training for our PSR volunteers to assist those who have never taught religious education. Our Catholic teaching materials are volunteer friendly. While most of our volunteers are *non-professional teachers* and *parents* of children in our program, it would also be a great asset to have the assistance of any *retired* or *currently practicing educators* for our program. Please consider this rewarding ministry opportunity!

If you are interested in serving the children of MBS parish as a PSR Teacher/Catechist or Classroom Aide, please contact **Judy Carr at 225-335-6563**. A meeting for new Teacher/Catechists/Aides is scheduled for **Wednesday, August 22nd at 6 p.m. in the MBS School library**.

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Ministry Spotlight for July

The ministries of MBS parish will be spotlighted each month through social media, church bulletin, and face-to-face communication. We are hoping to emphasize our mission to serve one another as followers of Jesus while sending out the message from the gospel. In the spotlight this month is **CHALLENGE** and **CONQUEST**.

CHALLENGE is a Catholic Youth Ministry program for girls in 5th-12th grade to get to know and love their Catholic faith through team activities, learn to live out their Christian virtue, and make a positive difference in the world around them through service projects.



The Challenge group meets on Mondays from 6-8 p.m. in the St. Ursula Hall on the MBS School campus. For more information or to register, contact Robin Ours at robinours@cox.net.

Thank You For A Super VBS Week

On behalf of the Parish we want to thank Mrs. Judy Carr and her team of volunteers for a wonderful **Shipwrecked** Vacation Bible School 2018 week. We are grateful for all the adults and teens who offered their joy, faith, time, and talent to make the week possible for our 88 children who attended VBS. The children learned about their faith through story, song, activities and crafts and it was a fulfilled week for everyone. **CONGRATS JUDY AND THE VBS TEAM FOR A GREAT WEEK!**

SUNDAY READINGS

First Reading — I shall gather the remnant of my flock and bring them back to their meadow (Jeremiah 23:1-6).

Psalms — The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want (Psalm 23).

Second Reading — In Christ Jesus you who were once far off have become near by the blood of Christ (Ephesians 2:13-18).

Gospel — When Jesus saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, and he began to teach them many things (Mark 6:30-34).



CONQUEST is a Catholic Youth Ministry Program for boys in K-12th grades designed to instill virtue, develop character, and encourage spiritual growth all in an atmosphere of fun and adventure. Conquest helps boys to reach their leadership potential and equip them to face and overcome the challenges of the world while making a positive difference.



Conquest Father and Son Program (Ages 5-7)

The Father & Son Program provides an opportunity for fathers to participate in their sons' formation and to introduce young boys to God the Creator and Father. Stories of Biblical heroes demonstrate how God's heroes assist Him in His work. The boy is thereby motivated to become one of God's heroes.

Conquest Junior Program (Ages 8-10)

In the Junior Boys Program, the theme of Jesus as our Brother and Friend is used to inspire each boy to establish a natural relationship with Christ. Christ taught us how to love through his example of obedience to his Father. Using this example, the boy learns that obedience is good and that being obedient out of love for God will help him to become a better person. The program reinforces basic elements of friendship, such as trust, loyalty and sincerity.

The Conquest Club (Ages 11-16)

The Conquest Club uses a program of formation called ECYD (Education, Culture and Youth Development). In ECYD the adolescent finds a happy, healthy and attractive environment, where they will form themselves in the fundamental aspects of their personality. In order to complement the family, ECYD develops an internal dynamic of intensive team life, made up of a natural group of friends. Through this environment they develop Catholic leadership and project themselves in works of social and cultural volunteerism, according to their age.

The Conquest groups meet on Mondays from 6-8 p.m. in the St. Mark & St. Luke rooms of the parish administration building. For more information or to register, contact Mitch Leger at MitchLeger@att.net.

Most Blessed Sacrament hosted the St. George Fire Department's 11th Academy Class during a graduation ceremony on June 30th.

Seated: Deacon Don Musso, Training Coordinator Matt Ard, Training Officer Tommie Walters, and EBR Sheriff Sid Gautreaux. Standing: Fire Chief Gerard Tarleton addressing the new firefighters.

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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. July 21	4:30 pm	Bonnie Trude Carl Dietrich Mike Lloyd Leander Melancon, Sr. Francis Van Mol Irene Berthelot Linda White Janet Altimus John Bourque Peter & Verdi Couvillion Audrey & Cleveland Banquer Jill Fontaine Sims Gauthier Lester Sutherland
Sun. July 22	8:00 am	Zachary Miller Nora Eckert Jeff Lamana Lester Sutherland Arthur T. Rumney Sara M. Bourgeois
	9:45 am	Henry Tolusso Janice C. Stein Ray Fleniken Joseph Khanh Do Vivian Huth Theresa Fontenot JoAnn Balencie Rick Larriviere
	11:30 am	For The People
Mon. July 23	8:45 am	Communion Service
Tues. July 24	8:45 am	
Wed. July 25	8:45 am	
Thurs. July 26	8:45 am	
Fri. July 27	8:45 am	

PRAYING FOR ALL MILITARY

Please keep the following in your daily prayers:

Andy Blum
Scott & Jamie French
Don Ellen, Jr.
Caleb Burriss
Nathan Colter
Jeremy Ferguson
Brett Gilbert
Chris & Ali Jones
Eric Schweitzer



Andrew Barksdale
Trey Perault
Craig Dardenne
Alex Grantier
Brian Primeaux
Will Howland
Landon Bourg
Matthew Bourgeois

STEWARDSHIP OFFERING - July 7-8, 2018

Identified Contributors	\$21,788.00
Unidentified Contributors	<u>\$ 2,341.00</u>
Total	\$24,129.00

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Mi 6:1-4, 6-8; Ps 50:5-6, 8-9, 16bc-17, 21, 23; Mt 12:38-42
 Tuesday: Mi 7:14-15, 18-20; Ps 85:2-8; Mt 12:46-50
 Wednesday: 2 Cor 4:7-15; Ps 126:1bc-6; Mt 20:20-28
 Thursday: Jer 2:1-3, 7-8, 12-13; Ps 26:6-7ab, 8-11; Mt 13:10-17
 Friday: Jer 3:14-17; Jer 31:10-13; Mt 13:18-23
 Saturday: Jer 7:1-11; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Mt 13:24-30

Masses - July 21-22, 2018	4:30 p.m.	8:00 a.m.	9:45 a.m.	11:30 a.m.
Celebrant - Subject to Change	Fr. Tinkatumire	Fr. Tinkatumire	Fr. Tinkatumire	Fr. Tinkatumire

July 21-22, 2018 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	H Barnett, B Burleigh, L Leger	C Lieux, S Culivan	B Willis, J Culivan, C Canale, E Wright, C Willis, T Hollis, Deacon Don, J Didier
8:00 am	S Castelluccio, M Castelluccio, O Castelluccio	J Blackwell	K Hollier, E Barber, D Broussard, J Dietrick, CL Mendoza, L Bayhi, C Rabalais, W Rabalais
9:45 am	B Fox, B Fox, K Fox	W Gauthier, K Andress	W Golden, J Gutierrez, J LaBar, S Wilson, T Fox, B LaSalle, Deacon Don, C LeBlanc
11:30 am	JP Manasseh, K Wilkerson, T Oudit	J Mancuso, S Long	J Ruh, B Wallbillich, K Browning, L Pierrotti, A Arledge, S Gremillion, Deacon Don, V Webre

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