

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.

5th Sunday of Lent

Friday evenings during Lent

Friday evenings will begin at 6:00 p.m. in church with Stations of the Cross. After the Stations of the Cross, there will be Benediction.

Saturday mornings during Lent

On Saturday mornings the Divine Chaplet will be recited at 8:00 a.m. followed by the Rosary, Benediction, and a Communion Service. All are encouraged to attend this service during Lent.

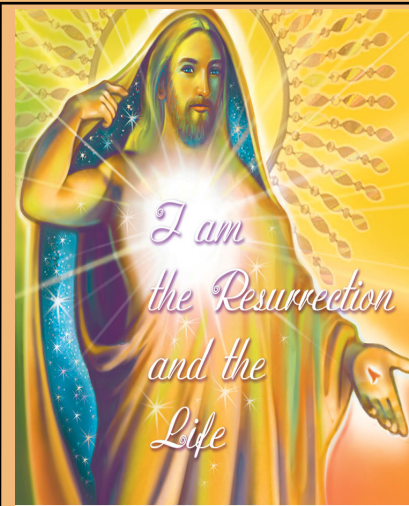
TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the LORD GOD: I will open your graves, have you rise from them, and settle you on your land. (Ezekiel 37:12-14).

Psalms — With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption (Psalm 130).

Second Reading — If Christ is in you, the spirit is alive even if the body is dead because of sin (Romans 8:8-11).

Gospel — Lazarus, dead for four days, came out of his tomb when Jesus called his name. Many of those who had seen what had happened began to believe in Jesus (John 11:1-45 [3-7, 17, 20-27, 33b-45]).



HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

April 9-15, 2017

Palm Sunday: April 9 Regular weekend Mass schedule
Monday: April 10 8:45 a.m. Communion Service
Tuesday: April 11 8:45 a.m. Mass
Wednesday: April 12 8:45 a.m. Mass (Confessions: Refer to "Light is On For You" in bulletin)
Holy Thurs: April 13 7:00 p.m. Mass of the Lord's Supper (includes the Washing of the Feet Ceremony) followed by Adoration until 10:00 p.m.
Good Friday: April 14 12:00 Noon– celebration of the Lord's Passion (Liturgy of the Word, Veneration of the Cross, and Holy Communion). This is the primary Good Friday Service, thus there will not be a regular Stations of the Cross devotion.
Holy Saturday: April 15 Easter Vigil at 8:00 p.m.
No 4:30 p.m. Saturday vigil Mass or confession.
Easter Sunday: April 16 8:00, 9:45, & 11:30 a.m. Masses.

PARISH LIFE

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]; Ps 23:1-6; Jn 8:1-11
 Tuesday: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21; Jn 8:21-30
 Wednesday: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42
 Thursday: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9; Jn 8:51-59
 Friday: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42
 Saturday: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10, 11-13; Jn 11:45-56

Collections — March 18-19, 2017

Identified Contributions	\$23,397.00
March 15th Bank Drafts	\$ 5,099.00
Unidentified Contributions	<u>\$ 2,527.00</u>
Total	\$31,023.00

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat. 1	4:30 pm	Mark Andrew Smith William Hardee Michael & Sophie Yurik Sims Gauthier Jill Fontaine Theophile Perrault Emily Perrault Mary Ann Bilowich Fr. Mike Collins
Sun. 2	8:00 am	Will Lorino Keith Romero Nell Landry Marla Coutee` Thurman Lena Godso Mildred Aymond Bill Borne William de la Cruz
	9:45 am	Ed & Rosemary Evans The Cantey Family Henry Prochaska Laura Capozzoli Leland & Alberta Hevert Corinne LeBlanc George & Mary Pecoraro Nell Comeaux For the People
Mon. 3	11:30 am	8:45 am Communion Service
Tue. 4	8:45 am	Elaine Arceneaux Thuy Joseph Nguyen
Wed. 5	8:45 am	Anna Mae & Emmanuel Lemoine
Thurs. 6	8:15 am	Roger Dale Clark Joyce Stoner Kelly Clark
Fri. 7	8:45 am	Phu Andrew Do Jacquin & Brun Families

Good Timers

The Good Timers will gather on Wednesday, April 19th at 11:30 a.m. in the St. John Room.

Please bring a dish to share for a pot luck meal.

All parishioners age 50 + are invited and you may bring a friend.

Dear Parishioners of Most Blessed Sacrament,

As of March 25th, my internship as a Diaconate Candidate ended here at MBS. Although I didn't get to meet all of you, I have enjoyed my brief time here in service to the parish. When I started my internship last July I had no idea that my family and I would face the devastation like so many others with the great flood of 2016. Because of this I had to take a short leave to get things in order for my family which lasted a couple of months. I am very grateful to Fr. Phil, Deacon Don, and Deacon Mark for their patience during those couple of months. In my time here I was gracious in assisting the Deacons with many Baptisms that touched my heart tremendously to be a part of the children's acceptance into the Catholic Church. I was also able to assist Deacon Don with a funeral service and a couple of Communion Services which gave me not only special grace but more insight of my future service as a Deacon in the Catholic Church. My most blessed opportunity was when I was able to spend time with the RCIA Candidates, the RCIA Team, and Deacons Don and Mark. What a blessing and privilege to assist in teaching the Gospel to the Candidates and Catechumens.

My prayer is with all of you on your journey to becoming good and faithful servants of the Church. I also give thanks to God for allowing me to spend some time here at MBS as part of my Deacon preparation. I give special thanks to Fr. Phil Spano and the Deacons for giving me the opportunity to serve here. I will keep you in my prayers wherever I am assigned and will never forget my internship here. I ask that you all keep me in your prayers.

*Your friend in Christ,
Kirk W. Duplantis*

Friday Night Lenten Dinners

Dinners are served in the M.B.S. Bishop Ott Center. TO GO orders only may be picked up beginning at 5:00 p.m., and from 6:00-7:30 p.m., you may DINE IN.

The fried fish or fried shrimp dinners are \$7.00/plate and crawfish pies are \$2.00 each. A "combo plate" of catfish & shrimp will also be offered for \$7.00/plate. Each week a special entre` will be offered and this week (Friday, March 31st) will be Crawfish Etouffee.

Any men in the parish willing to give a helping hand, you may call the parish office at (225) 752-6230 for more information.

Catholic Daughters - Court of Divine Mercy

Court of Divine Mercy (MBS's Catholic Daughters) will hold their next meeting on Tuesday, April 4th at 7:00 p.m. in St. John Room. All ladies of the parish are invited. Please feel welcome to come early and visit with us.

Vacation Bible School Canceled

After much consideration, the decision has been made to cancel Vacation Bible School this summer, 2017.

The reasons for this cancellation involve courtyard changes taking place this summer on the school campus, as well as the fact that many of our VBS Volunteer Staff and families are still in the process of rebuilding their homes from last year's flooding.

In preparation for VBS in 2018, a committee will be formed to look at possible new formats that would enhance the VBS experience for our parish families.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact the Office of Christian Formation at (225) 751-5867.

PARISH LIFE

Congratulations

Congratulations to Camryn Brouillette and Daniel Ourso (high school seniors and MBS parishioners) for being selected as the Diocesan representatives for the Christian Youth Leadership Award (CYLA) presented by the Knights of Columbus. Both Camryn and Daniel will now compete for the State CYLA Scholarship award. It's the very first time the selected Diocesan candidates are from the same nominating council. The award is based on their contributions to their community, church parish, and to their school. Camryn is the daughter of Rob & Sherry Brouillette and Daniel is the son of Darrell & Angele Ourso. We again congratulate both Camryn and Daniel and wish them good luck in the state competition.

Beaded Rosary Bracelets

Beaded Rosary Bracelets will be available in the church office for sale beginning Wednesday, April 5th and will continue until the weekend of May 6th-7th where they will be sold after all Masses. These bracelets make the perfect First Communion and Mother's Day gifts. They are made by our very own Court Divine Mercy Catholic Daughters of America. The bracelets will range in price from \$5 to \$10. Contact Mona Braud 335-5589 or Marian Munro 751-1641 for more information.

Living Stations of the Cross

Most Blessed Sacrament School 8th graders will prayerfully perform a living Stations of the Cross for our parish family at **7:00 p.m. on Wednesday, April 12th**. This event will be held in the St. Ursula Hall on the school campus. This lovely tableau is done in period costumes of the time of Jesus and is a powerful devotion for our families to witness. We hope you will join us and bring your children to pray the stations of the cross with our 8th grade students.

Divine Mercy Chaplet Every Tuesday During Lent

Lent has begun and we are offering the Divine Mercy Chaplet sung on Tuesday nights at 6:45 p.m. with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and end with Benediction. Please join us this week on April 4th at 6:45 p.m. in the church.

Celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during Lent

THE LIGHT IS ON FOR YOU

The priests of our area parishes assist one another to make the Sacrament of Reconciliation/Penance/Confession more accessible during "The Light Is On For You" diocesan program. Please see places, dates, and times below where several priests will be available for confession in our area:

- **St. George Church (7808 St. George Dr., Baton Rouge, LA 70809) from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday - April 5th.**
- **St. Jean Vianney (16166 S. Harrell's Ferry Road Baton Rouge, LA 70816) from 6:00-7:00 p.m. on Monday - April 3rd (from 5:00-6:15 p.m.) Communal Penance Service at St. Jean Vianney Church on Tuesday, April 4th at 7:00 p.m.**
- **St. Thomas More (11441 Goodwood Blvd. Baton Rouge, LA 70815) from 6:00-7:30 p.m. on Wednesday - April 5th.**

You may also attend confession before the Saturday vigil mass at M.B.S. from 3:00 - 4:00 p.m.

Mass Time - April 1-2, 2017	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

April 1-2, 2017 5th Sunday of Lent

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	A Pousson, B Burleigh, A Southard	A Ransome, T Hollis	C Edelen, B LaBorde, C Chiasson, V Chiasson, B Magill, C Rabalais, Deacon Don, R Rinaudo
8:00 am	J Breaux, M Hasenkampf, M Gauthier	S Werling, M Werling	L Bayhi, A Blount, J Catanzaro, B Braud, M Braud, D Broussard, Deacon Don, C Chandler
9:45 am	M Albano, I Wyble, L Averette	A Celestine, J Balencie	K Johnson, J LaBar, B LaSalle, C LeBlanc, J Stevens, M Messina, P Mistretta, L Pierrotti
11:30 am	I Duplantis, H Barnett, K Landry	S Long, B Ragusa	V Webre, A Arledge, K Aucoin, K Bell, A Byrne, B Gallaty, C Garbutt, D Gremillion