

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.

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

TODAY'S READINGS

First Reading — Thus says the LORD: “Stand firm in justice; do what is right” (Isaiah 56:1, 6-7).

Psalm — O God, let all the nations praise you! (Psalm 67).

Second Reading — The gifts and the calling of God are unable to be revoked (Romans 11:13-15, 29-32).

Gospel — Jesus told the Canaanite woman of great faith, “It shall be done as you wish” (Matthew 15:21-28).



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M.B.S. Ministry Fair

Next Weekend!!

Saturday, August 26th

Sunday, August 27th

AFTER ALL MASSES

**Most Blessed Sacrament is BUZZing
with ministries!**

**Come join us at our Ministry Fair
next weekend after each mass!**

Refreshments will be served!

All are welcome...

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19; Ps 106:34-37, 39-40, 43ab, 44; Mt 19:16-22
 Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a; Ps 85:9, 11-14; Mt 19:23-30
 Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15; Ps 21:2-7; Mt 20:1-16
 Thursday: Rv 21:9b-14; Ps 145:10-13, 17-18; Jn 1:45-51
 Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22; Ps 146:5-10; Mt 22:34-40
 Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; Ps 128:1b-5; Mt 23:1-12

Collections — August 5-6, 2017

Identified Contributions	\$25,891.00
August 1st Bank Drafts	\$20,217.00
Unidentified Contributions	\$ 2,526.00
Total	\$48,634.00

August –Bldg. & Develop. Fund \$4,034.50

Mass Schedule and Intentions

Sat. 19	4:30 pm	Bonnie Trude John Bourque Joseph Hayden Tucker Henry Tolusso Peter & Verdie Couvillion Audrey & Cleveland Banquer Rabalais Family Madeline Davillier John Rinaudo Sam & Mary Lou Crifasi Corine LeBlanc Alfred Smith
Sun. 20	8:00 am	Marie & Royce Firmin Jeremi Gary Rudy Marquise Marla Coutee' Thurman Joseph Gabriele Elizabeth Gabriele Patricia Pruet Manette Waguespack Althea Caro
	9:45 am	Leland & Alberta Hebert Richard E.C. Miller Jervis & Rena Daigle Tom LeBlanc Donald Vidrine Christy Gonzales Grace Taylor
	11:30 am	For The People
Mon. 21	8:45 am	Communion Service
Tue. 22	8:15 am	Mr & Mrs Joseph Vince, Sr.
Wed. 23	8:45 am	Phong Do Lester Graves
Thurs. 24	8:45 am	
Fri. 25	8:45 am	Edmonia Bernard

PARISH LIFE**M.B.S. Flag Football - Grades K - 2nd**

Flag Football is open to boys and girls in grades K-2. You may register by going to the MBS School website at www.mbsbr.org and click on Parish Athletics. The fee to play is \$65.00 per child (for MBS parishioner) and \$75.00 (for any non-parishioners). Deadline is Friday, August 25th.

ATTENTION ADULTS: To be able to volunteer or assist in sporting events, you must complete the Diocesan mandatory Child Protection workshop and background check. For more information please call Mike Connors, Asst. Athletic Director, at (225) 252-0175.

**Announcing Walking with Purpose Women's Catholic Bible Study**

Do you desire to grow in your Catholic faith? Would you like to connect with other women in our parish community? Do you feel that you are doing so much but none of it very well? We invite you to consider joining Walking with Purpose this fall at MBS. Weekly group sessions are starting on Thursday, September 7th. *Keeping in Balance*, our study for this Fall through Spring, focuses on creating balance within. No previous Bible study experience is necessary and you are welcome to come as you are as we explore Biblical ways we can manage life's pace and pressure while living with calm and steadiness.

Walking with Purpose is a women's Catholic Bible study that aims to bring women to a closer relationship with Christ. Personal study and small group discussions at WWP each week link our everyday challenges with the solutions given to us through the teachings of Christ and the Catholic Church.

Interested in learning more? Please join us to find out what Walking with Purpose is all about! Bring a friend to meet us at Most Blessed Sacrament at 6:30PM on Thursday, August 31st in the St. John Room. For questions or to RSVP, contact Donna Rhodes by email at: donnarhodes1@cox.net or visit Walking with Purpose online at www.walkingwithpurpose.com for more information. We hope to see you!

M.B.S. Early Learning Center Class Openings - 2 year olds

The Early Learning Center operates from September through mid-May and the daily hours are 9:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. This is a mother's day out educational learning program. Two year olds attend two days a week. Children must be of age by September 30th of this calendar year to enroll in the program. For more information, please call (225) 752-8829 or via email at earlylearningcenter@brcoxmail.com.

Lay Apostolate Prayer Group

Our Lay Apostle prayer group meets the 2nd Sunday of every month at 6:30 p.m. and the following Monday at 10:00 a.m. As lay apostles, we serve Jesus by saying "yes" to Him each day in our duties. We serve Jesus by cooperating with Him in the process of personal holiness. Jesus never leaves us but sometimes we leave Him. We strive to remain with Jesus more completely in each moment so that He can use us to bring light to others. Meetings will begin on Sunday, September 10th at 6:30 p.m. in the St. Mark Room and Monday, September 11th at 10:00 a.m. in the St. Mark Room.

PARISH LIFE



Games

Save The Date!

Rides

MBS Parish Fair
October 27-29, 2017
Friday 6 p.m.-10 p.m., Saturday 10 a.m.-10 p.m.,
and Sunday after 9:45 a.m. Mass - 4 p.m.

Food

Bands

What is RCIA?

RCIA is a process for adults interested in becoming members of the Catholic Church. The process is one of *sharing, believing, praying and learning* with other members of our parish community.



The 2017-2018 Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) sessions will begin in September and end in the Easter season. If you are thinking about joining the Catholic Church or would like more information about the Catholic faith, please call Deacon Don Musso in the parish office at (225) 752-6230. You are invited to attend an informal meeting on **Tuesday September 12th at 7:00 p.m.** in the **St. John Room** at the parish office. We welcome and encourage you, but please know that there is no obligation, commitment, or pressure to join.

CALLED TO ACT IN GOD'S NAME

"Let all the nations praise you!" (Psalm 67:4) today's psalm response exclaims. In the psalms and other Hebrew scriptures, this kind of invocation is actually an invitation to God to act, to intervene in human lives in a manner that will cause everyone—not just the Chosen People—to give praise. Stated a bit more strongly, it is something of a "put up or shut up" challenge to God, the sort of strong statement the psalmists of Israel, trusting in their intimate and loving relationship with God, were not afraid to make.

The Gospel has its own exclamation, announcing the appearance of the Canaanite woman with "Behold!" (Matthew 15:22) "Behold!" is a scriptural flag that tells us that God is about to act or announce something through an individual or a situation. In the case of Jesus, God was going to act through this woman, whom nobody among Jesus' followers would have believed to be an agent of the divine will. Like the psalmists, we might passively inform or perhaps even actively challenge God to do something so that everyone will come to belief, but God will always turn the tables on us. It becomes our calling, our duty (as it was for Jesus) to behold the situations and persons of our daily lives so that God can act through us, so the Kingdom can be announced through our living.

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Mass Time - August 19-20, 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

August 19-20, 2017 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

	Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers
4:30 pm	A Southard, A Torregrossa, J Torregrossa	A Ransome, M Gaudet	B Magill, C Rabalais, R Rinaudo, J Sutherland, G Ward, M Weger, Deacon Don, E Wright
8:00 am	B Ryan, G McClinton, P Hines	G Burns, T Cormier	S Vermaelen, M Vermaelen, B Webre, J Webre, M Authement, E Barber, Deacon Mark, C Bargas
9:45 am	M Lubey, A Martin, C Lubey	W Gauthier, S Menard	J Gutierrez, C Heath, M Hiller, K Johnson, J LaBar, B LaSalle, C LeBlanc, J Stevens
11:30 am	K Landry, G Duplantis, R Fuselier	D Gordon, C Ryan	K Bell, K Browning, A Byrne, B Gallaty, C Garbutt, D Gremillion, S Gremillion, J Johnson

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