

# The Pelican Express

August 21, 2025

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**MBS**  
Most Blessed Sacrament

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School serves our Church, its families, and the community by nurturing Gospel values, academic excellence, and a lifetime of prayer and service.

## School Hours August - May

7:20 - Morning Carpool, office opens  
7:45 - School Assembly, Gym  
2:50 - Afternoon Carpool  
3:30 - Office Closes

## School Calendar

The school calendar is an active, live site. Click [here](#) for a full calendar.

## Social Media



## Attendance Reminders

- When a student is absent due to illness, parents are asked to verify the absence by either emailing the school office at [MBSabsent@mbsbr.org](mailto:MBSabsent@mbsbr.org) or calling the school office before 9:00am.
- Students who arrive at school after 7:45am must be walked into the school office by a guardian who will sign the student in. The student will be given a tardy slip to admit to class.
- Students who check out of school due to illness cannot return to school until they have been fever-free without medication for 24 hours. Children with a fever at school must be picked up immediately.
- Early check-out procedures are similar. Parent/guardian must report to the school office who will sign the student out. The latest time to check out a student is 2:15pm.

## Handbook Reminder (updated weekly)

### Code of Honesty

Students are expected to respect a Code of Honesty regarding all schoolwork. Plagiarism and cheating are unacceptable violations and include but are not limited to:

- copying answers for tests, homework, or any graded assignment from a resource or another student with or without their knowledge. If with another student's knowledge, both students will be issued a consequence.
- forgery
- using another person's work on any assignment, project or report
- plagiarism, a violation of copyright laws, includes the copying of exact words, rephrasing, or paraphrasing words of another author using an encyclopedia, magazines, books, and/or the internet without proper documentation.
- Use of artificial intelligence (AI) without permission or in place of their own work (copying and pasting AI answers).

Students should complete their own work. Violations of the Code of Honesty will result in academic and/or behavioral consequences. Consequences include, but are not limited to, redoing the assignment for 50% of the grade, retaking the test, loss of conduct points, and detention/suspension, depending on the number of incidents. Students who assist other students with incidents of academic dishonesty will receive the same consequences.

## Important Links

- [My School Bucks](#)
- [ClassLink](#)
- [Student Health](#)
- [Academic Support](#)
- [Tuition Policy](#)

## Time & Talent Opportunities

- Cafeteria Volunteers - September - Click [here](#)
- Join the MBS Fair Committee. Inquiries: [mbsparishfair.com](http://mbsparishfair.com)

The weekly Pelican Express is published on Thursdays and is posted on the website under "News."

## UPCOMING EVENTS

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### August 21

- Mass 8:15, Bible Blessing for new middle school students and 6<sup>th</sup> graders
- Varsity Cheer - Ursula
- Girls Basketball Practice - Gym
- Room Coordinator Meeting, 6pm

### August 22

- 2024-25 yearbooks distribution
- Last day to order a spirit shirt

### August 25

- Buddy Activity
- Girls Basketball Practice - Gym

### August 26

- Girls Basketball Practice - Gym
- JV Cheer/Dance Practice - Ursula

### August 27

- Kindness Club, 7:20am - Library
- Girls Basketball Practice - Gym
- JV Cheer/Dance Practice - Ursula
- Pep Squad Practice - HFH

### August 28

- Mass, 8:15, Altar Server Training after Mass
- Girls Basketball Practice - Gym
- Varsity Cheer - Ursula

### August 29

- Mercedarian Sisters visit campus
- Spirit Shirt day - wear your new spirit shirt with uniform bottoms.

### September 1

- Labor Day - no school
- Girls Basketball Practice - Gym

### September 2

- St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- JV Cheer/Dance Practice - Ursula
- Girls Basketball Practice - Gym

### September 3

- St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- JV Cheer/Dance Practice - Ursula
- Girls Basketball Practice - Gym
- Eco Club Meeting, 5-8 grades - room 53
- Pep Squad Practice - HFH

### September 4

- St. Vincent de Paul Collection
- Mass, 8:15
- Varsity Cheer - St. Ursula
- Girls Basketball Practice - Gym

## IMPORTANT INFORMATION

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### Spirit Shirts

Spirit Shirts were delivered to your student's homeroom last week. If you need to order another spirit shirt, click [here](#). Deadline is Friday, August 22.

### Catholic Bonding

Catholic Bonding is a Cultural Exchange Program for Middle School Students. Three MBS families have had the pleasure of hosting students in the past several years. Students are screened and participate in a course of study prior to placement. Students will arrive in Louisiana, October 18 and stay through December 13. Students will live with you as a family and attend MBS. The program covers the cost of their tuition, meals, insurance etc. and students bring spending money. The deadline to sign-up for potential placement is September 13.

For more information about Catholic Bonding, please visit their [website](#).

### Cardboard Boxes

Mrs. Schiebe is in need of cardboard boxes for one of her performances for the fair. If you have any used cardboard boxes that you want to donate, please send to school.

### Baton Rouge St. Jude Walk/Run

The Baton Rouge St. Jude Walk/Run is need of volunteers for the event that will take place on October 4, 2025. Volunteers can sign up by going to the [website](#) and selecting where you would like to volunteer. Thank you for supporting the St. Jude Children's Research Hospital.

### MBS Pelibots Club

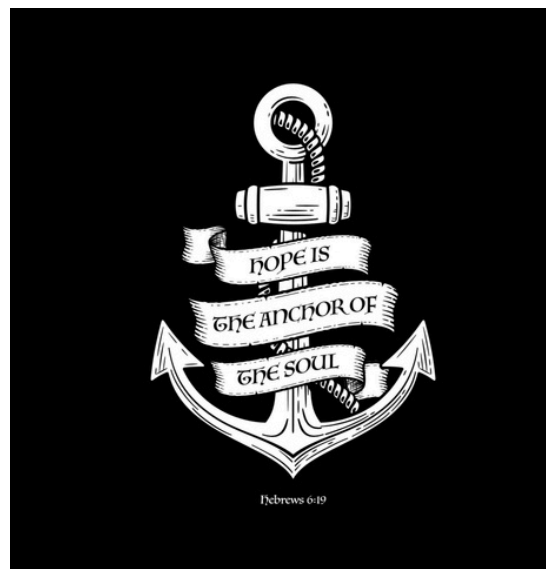
All students in grades 6-8 are invited to join Pelibots Club. Students will learn to program and control LEGO Mindstorm Robots and complete locally. The club meets on Wednesdays after school in St. Ursula. The cost is \$35 and covers competition cost and shirt. The link published last week did not work, so here is a new [link](#) to register. The first meeting is September 17.

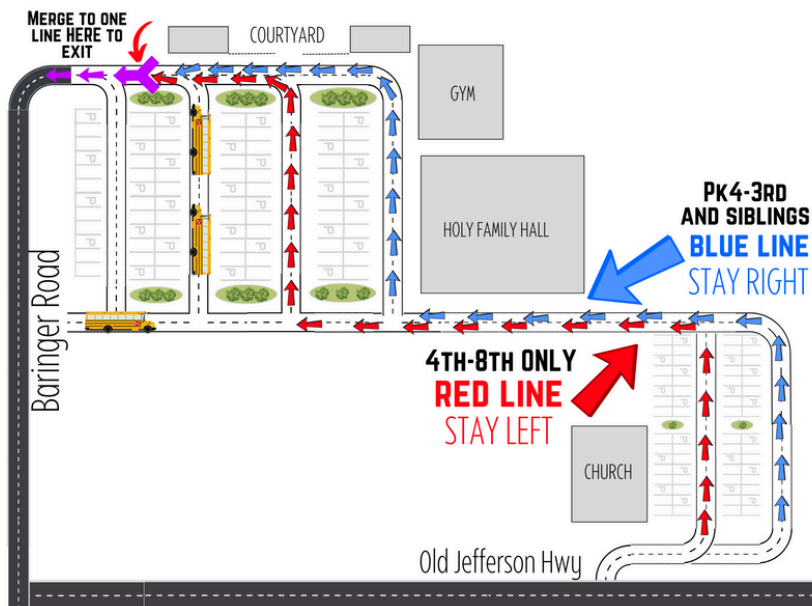
### Lego Robotics

Lego Robotics will begin the week after Labor Day. More information will be in next week's newsletter.

### Substitute Teachers

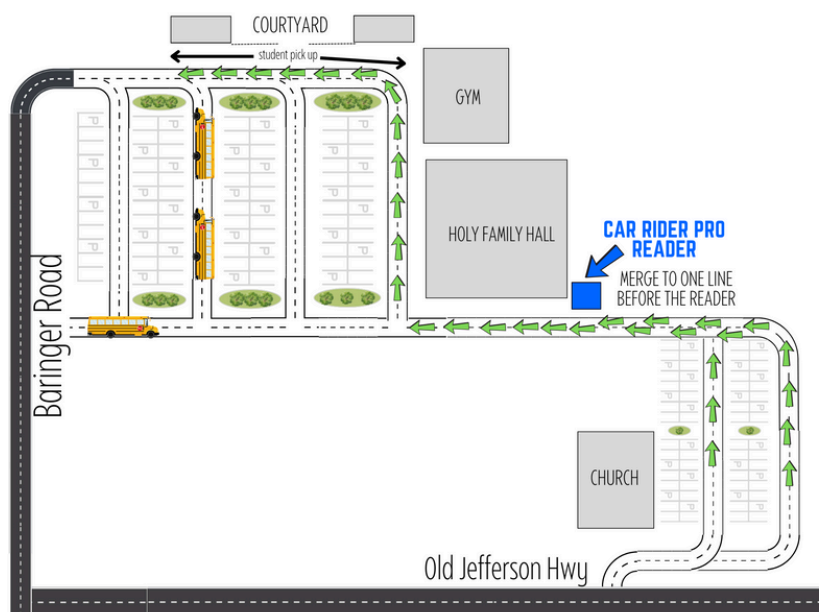
If you are interested in serving as a Substitute Teacher and are new to subbing at MBS, you must attend a Substitute Workshop. Please email Miss Vonnie at [VChiasson@mbsbr.org](mailto:VChiasson@mbsbr.org) if you plan on attending the workshop.





**Morning Carpool Map**

**Afternoon Carpool Map**



## OFFICE OF CHILD PROTECTION

According to the Safe Environment Policy promulgated by the Diocese of Baton Rouge, **all parish and school ministry volunteers/chaperones must complete a mandatory background check and child protection training.** Child Protection credentials allow the holder of these credentials the opportunity to chaperone/volunteer. All credentialed adults must abide by the sign-up and confirmation process for each event.

### New Volunteer Credentialing for the 2025-2026 School Year

New Volunteer Applications for parents/guardians are being accepted now. Please email your volunteer request to [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org) to get the process started.

### Update Your Volunteer File for 2025-2026

Please note that the [Code of Ethics](#) and the [Chaperone and Volunteer Requirements Agreement](#) must be reviewed by all volunteers of MBS School annually as required by the Diocese of Baton Rouge. Please complete and submit the Code of Ethics Acknowledgement form, page 5, and the Agreement form to the MBS Office of Child Protection to update your file.

For your convenience, you may scan and email the forms to [childprotection@mbsbr.org](mailto:childprotection@mbsbr.org).

## PARENTS' COMMITMENT TO CHURCH & SCHOOL

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Enrollment and/or continued enrollment at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School requires a commitment to ALL of the following:

- **Prayer and Mass** – Families must commit to daily prayer at home. Catholic families must attend weekly, Sunday, Mass on Holy Days of Obligation. Non-Catholic families must attend Sunday services at their home church.
- **Service** – Twenty (20) hours of Time and Talent given to the school and/or Church each year. Hours must be completed between January 1 and December 31 *to receive the in-parish tuition rate*. These hours are reviewed each year. Definition of an hour of Time and Talent: an actual hour of volunteer work or donation purchases of \$10
- **Weekly Church Offering** – A minimum amount of \$325 will be donated to the Church to support the stewardship program as an Identified Offertory Giver (IOG). Those donations must be made through weekly use of MBS church envelopes, automatic church deductions, or online giving through the church website. Church members who meet the *IOG requirement will receive the in-parish tuition*. Donations will be verified by December 15 unless otherwise authorized by the Pastor/Principal. Any offerings thereafter will count towards the following year.

Families meeting these requirements will receive the in-parish tuition rate. Any families who have not met the stewardship commitment requirements will receive either the Catholic Out-of-Parish tuition or Non-Catholic rates.

### New Students

Time and Talent hours are prorated for new students. However, new families must still meet the IOG requirement of \$325.00 to receive in-parish tuition.

#### Log your Service Hours into FACTS.

**Go to Family > Family Home. You will see "Service Hours" in the middle of the screen. Click "add" to add the hours. You must type in a description. Select "type a custom value," and then type your description.**

#### Sending Items to School

**Please label your items that you send to school from a SignUp Genius:**

- **Parent Name** (signed up on the **SUG**)
- **Name of item**
- **Title of Sign Up** (ex: 5th Grade Auction Basket)

**This helps us match your hours in FACTS.**

Parish Sports Flag Football, Grades PreK thru 2 nd , Boys & Girls is open. Deadline to register is Friday, August 22

<https://payit.nelnet.net/form/cEv0fOTO>

Girls Basketball, Swim, Tennis and Cross Country Schedules are coming soon!  
Girls Basketball Jamboree, 6th Grade Team will be Wednesday, Sept 3 at MBS,  
more details coming soon!!

HOME CSAA Football Playing Dates are Sunday Oct 5 & Sunday Nov 2

Football Schedules are on the school website, “athletics” tab.

Lots of info on the school website ~ click “athletics” tab! Parish Sports and all sports!

LOUIE! Hello 7th and 8th graders! Are you interested in wearing the Louis mascot uniform for sports events?

If you are, please email Tommy Krysan, AD –  
tkrysan@mbsbr.org

Go Pelicans!

Athletics can be an important part of a young person’s life. It teaches discipline and self- pride while helping one realize the importance of cooperation. Athletics are a component of, and interact with, the spiritual, social and academic components of the overall school program. MBS recognizes that support from the administration, faculty, staff, coaches, parents and fans are necessary in providing a positive Catholic athletic experience for the student-athlete. Athletes, parents, and fans are a direct reflection of MBS and should adhere to the philosophy of the school by always acting in a dignified manner.

Go Pelicans!

Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director  
MBS Athletics  
tkrysan@mbsbr.org



**MBS ATHLETICS**





**Preorder Closes  
August 29, 2025**

[www.mbsbr.org/parents/spirit-store](http://www.mbsbr.org/parents/spirit-store)

**PELICANS  
SEQUIN TOP**

*By BOMB DESIGN*

**HATS AND  
MENS POLOS**





DOUBLE FEATURE WITH JASON EVERT



**PURIFIED** **AND** **GENDER**  
AND THE THEOLOGY OF YOUR BODY

Let's come together to discover the beauty of God's plan for human love. A life-changing event for teens & adults (ages 13+).



**EVENT INCLUDES:**  
Eucharistic Adoration  
Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Free resources for every attendee!  
**Tickets \$25**

**September 8, 2025 | 6:00 PM - 9:15 PM**

**St. Michael the Archangel High School**  
St. Sebastian Gym  
17521 Monitor Avenue  
Baton Rouge, LA 70817

Tickets: [chastity.com/purified](https://chastity.com/purified)  
Info: [efroeba@smhsbr.org](mailto:efroeba@smhsbr.org)  
Doors open at 5:30 PM



Scan for tickets & info




**blaze**

**All 6th & 7th grade girls are invited to join us for BLAZE Bible Study!**

**Sundays at 4:00 pm**  
**Begins September 7th**

Moms are welcome to be a part of BLAZE with their daughters.

Priority Registration ends August 22nd!

**REGISTER HERE!**

For more information contact  
**Sarah Rico - [BLAZEatMBS@gmail.com](mailto:BLAZEatMBS@gmail.com)**

<https://forms.gle/LvpUWZfoiqaPwGVL8>



**MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC CHURCH**



**ALL 6<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup> GRADERS ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN MIDDLE SCHOOL MINISTRY AT MBS!**

SCAN TO BE ADDED TO OUR EMAIL LIST!



[HTTPS://FORMS.GLE/CHUVRPXCB36M7JFH7](https://forms.gle/CHUVRPXCB36M7JFH7)

**HOPE**

**YOUTH FEST**

OUR LADY OF HOPE  
3167 Old 51 S. Osyka, MS

**OCTOBER 11, 2025**  
**YOUTH GROUPS / CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**  
**8TH - 12TH GRADE**

Music by:



Deacon Michael Parker



**THE VIGIL PROJECT**  
MUSIC FOR THE CATHOLIC JOURNEY



COLIN AND AIMEE MACIVER



FATHER PAUL GROS



KATHLEEN HIGGINS

**REGISTER: [WWW.OURLADYOFHOPEMS.COM/YOUTH-FEST](http://WWW.OURLADYOFHOPEMS.COM/YOUTH-FEST)**



# CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF BATON ROUGE - PROVIDING HELP AND CREATING HOPE SINCE 1964

- 1 Impacts the lives of tens of thousands of people of all faiths each year in the 12 civil parishes comprising the Diocese of Baton Rouge
- 2 Through a partnership with the Greater Baton Rouge Food Bank, Feeding America and the Walmart Foundation, CCDBR distributes over \$1.2 million worth of food annually from prepared food boxes and rescued retail food
- 3 Offers opportunities in the community to help neighbors through volunteer service
- 4 Provides adoption services for over 60 years
- 5 Offers transitional housing for pregnant women, new mothers, families with children, and formerly incarcerated individuals
- 6 Welcoming the stranger for over 45 years
- 7 Through case management, direct assistance, and resource linkage, Catholic Charities addresses the root causes of poverty
- 8 Known as a national leader in disaster recovery and the primary long-term recovery service provider for disaster survivors
- 9 Primarily funded by grants, contracts, donations, and fees
- 10 Populations & services include:
  - Families & individuals
    - Adoptions
    - Diaper bank
    - Early childhood intervention
    - Faith-Full Food Pantry
    - Families First Housing
    - Foster Grandparents
    - Homelessness prevention
    - Employment services
  - Disaster survivors
    - Case management
    - Relief supplies
  - Immigrants & refugees
    - Legal services
    - Resettlement for refugees
  - Pregnant women in crisis
    - Housing at Sanctuary for Life & St. Patrick's House
    - Transportation
  - Formerly incarcerated individuals
    - Joseph Homes for formerly incarcerated men
    - Support groups

## OUR MISSION

We proclaim the gospel vision of Jesus Christ as our mission by serving the needs of individuals and families, especially the poorest, and working with Church and community for justice, peace, and compassion in society.

[CATHOLICCHARITIESBR.ORG](http://CATHOLICCHARITIESBR.ORG)

## HOW YOU CAN HELP



PRAY



DONATE



OFFER EMPLOYMENT



SPREAD THE  
GOOD NEWS



VOLUNTEER



BEQUEST OR  
MEMORIAL INTENTION



SPONSOR OR  
MENTOR A FAMILY



SCAN TO DONATE

