The Pelican Express

October 8, 2026

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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 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

Unexcused Absences – Middle School

- Absences for vacations, non-school athletic events, concerts, etc. are considered unexcused and not an extenuating circumstance. It is the responsibility of the student and/or family to gather information pertaining to missed work via Google Classroom or a peer. Students are still responsible for completing missed assignments and assessments.
- Students should bring all materials home with them before such an absence and check Google Classroom daily for assignments. Teachers are not required to gather work ahead of time and will not bear undue burden.
- Students missing school for vacation, athletic events, concerts, etc. must turn in all missing work upon their return to school in order to receive credit.
- If a due date falls within the time of their absence for a multi-day assignment, and a student was notified of the assignment before their absence, the assignment must be turned in on time electronically or the late work policy applies.
- Students must also be academically prepared to make up any missed assessments on the day of their return.
- It is the student's responsibility to turn in completed missed work by the deadlines outlined

Important Links

- My School Bucks
- ClassLink
- Student Health
- Academic Support
- Tuition Policy

Time & Talent Opportunities

Wine Pull for Fair - donations needed Signup
October Cafeteria Volunteer Sign up
Middle School Dance help & donations Sign up
Fair Volunteer opportunities Sign up
Fair Sweet booth donations Sign up
November Cafeteria Volunteer Sign up

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SAINT OF THE WEEK

October 8, 2026 – Our Lady of the Rosary



Our Lady of the Rosary is a special title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of Jesus. The Catholic Church honors her under this title because of the important connection between Mary and the Holy Rosary, a prayer that helps us think about the life, death, and Resurrection of Jesus.

The Rosary is a prayer that Mary has encouraged Catholics to pray as a way of growing closer to
Jesus. As we pray the Hail Mary, we meditate on important events in Jesus' life, called the Mysteries of the Rosary. Mary always leads us toward her Son, Jesus, and helps us follow Him with greater love.

The feast of Our Lady of the Rosary is celebrated on October 7. This feast reminds us of the power of prayer and the importance of turning to God with trust. Catholics around the world pray
the Rosary for peace, for their families, for those who are suffering, and for the needs of the Church and the world.

Our Lady of the Rosary reminds us: Pray, trust in God, and follow Jesus.

A simple prayer:

Our Lady of the Rosary, pray for us. Help us to love Jesus, pray faithfully, and follow Him every day. Amen.

MONTHLY ASSEMBLY PRAYER - Hail Holy Queen- October



Hail, Holy Queen, Mother of Mercy,
our life, our sweetness and our hope.
To you do we cry,
poor banished children of Eve.
To you do we send up our sighs,
mourning and weeping in this valley of tears
Turn then, most gracious advocate,
your eyes of mercy toward us,
and after this exile
show unto us the blessed fruit of thy womb,
Jesus.
O clement, O loving,
O sweet Virgin Mary.

DAILY ASSEMBLY PRAYER



Saint Michael the Archangel, defend us in battle. Be our protection against the wickedness and snares of the devil; May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; And do thou, O Prince of the Heavenly Host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and all evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

UPCOMING EVENTS

October 8
- No Mass
- Picture Retakes - students taking photos must wear dress uniforms
- 5th grade trip to SVDP
- Cheer Practice, 3:00-4:30, St. Ursula
- LEGO Robotics, 3:00-4:00, Art Room
- Dance Practice, 3:15-4:30, St. Ursula

October 9
- First Nine Weeks ends
- No Buses - Carpool only
- Spirit Shirt Day
- Mercedairian Sisters - Adoration

October 10
- Pelican Tennis at Americana YMCA
- Cross Country at Highland Road Park

October 11
- 4th Grade, 6th grade, 8th grade football at STM

October 12
- 2nd 9 weeks begins
- No Buses - Carpool Only
- Chess Club, 3:15-4:15, Room 11
- Louie's Little Pelicans, HFH, 3:15-4:00
- Sacramental Prep for 2nd grade - St. Ursula, 6-7pm

October 13
- No Buses - Carpool Only
- 8th Grade Bake Sale
- Cheer Practice, 3:00-4:30, St. Ursula
- 4H Club Meeting, 3:15-4:15, Room 1
- Sacrament of Confirmation, 7pm, MBS Church

October 14
- Kindness Club Meeting, 7:15-7:45am, Library
- 8th Grade Bake Sale
- Pelican Tennis, Forest Park
- Pelibots, 2:45-4:00, St. Ursula
- Pep Squad Practice, 3:00-4:30, HFH
- Dance Practice, 3:15-4:30, St. Ursula
- 7th Grade Girls Basketball, SJV

October 15
- First 9 weeks Report cards are emailed through FACTS.
- Mass, Dress uniforms required, 8:15
- Dance Set up- HFH
- Cheer Practice, 3:00-4:30, St. Ursula Hall
- LEGO Robotics, 3:00-4:00, Art Room
- Dance Practice, 3:15-4:30, St. Ursula Hall
- 4th & 5th grade Girls Basketball, MBS

October 16
- Carlo Acutis Day
- Middle School Dance, 7pm, HFH
- Swim Meet at Crawfish Aquatics

October 17
- Last day to order weekend unlimited ride bracelet for fair
- Parish/Instramural Sports, Basketball
- Pelican Tennis, Independence Park
- Cross Country, Port Hudson

October 18
- PSR/Sacramental Prep
- Special Olympics
- 7th & 8th Grade Confirmation Prep

October 19
- Fair Carpool, which is different than regular carpool. Instructions in this newsletter.
- Drama Club, St. Ursula
- Louie's LIttle Pelicans, 3:15-4:00, HFH
- 4th, 6th Grade Football at Mercy

October 20
- Fair Carpool
- Cheer Practice, 3:00-4:30, HFH

October 21
- Fair Carpooll
- Math Club Meeting, 7am-7:45, Room 11
- Praise & Worship Meeting, 7:20, St. Ursula
- Pelibots, 2:45-4:00, St. Ursula
- Pep Squad Practice, 3:00-4:30, HFH
- Girl Scouts Meeting, 3:05-4:15, Room 7
- Dance Practice, 3:15-4:30, St. Ursula

October 22
- Fair Carpool
- School Mass, 8:15, Dress uniforms required, first nine weeks awards after Mass. Students who bought a fair shirt may wear it to mass. Beta induction after Mass
- Pep Rally, 1:45, Gym
- Cheer Practice, 3:00-4:30pm, St. Ursula
- Dance Practice, 3:15-4:30, St. Ursula

October 23
- Conference Day - no school for students

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

Middle School Dance - October 16

When shopping for Neon outfits for the Dance these UPDATED dress guidelines should be followed:

Tops:

- Shirts must have sleeves or thick straps (spaghetti straps and sleeveless are not allowed.)
- Cutouts of any kind (arms, midriff, back, etc.) are not allowed
- Shirts may not have offensive or political pictures, advertising, or slogans

Bottoms:

- Properly fitting long jeans
- Properly fitting shorts - mid-thigh length - shorter bottoms are not allowed
- NO pajama bottoms
- If leggings are worn, tops must cover their bottoms

Dresses

- Modest, properly fitting, mid-thigh length
- Must have sleeves or thick straps (spaghetti straps and sleeveless are not allowed.) Shorts should be worn under dresses.

Shoes:

- NO boots

Student Fair Performances

If your child is performing on Saturday at the Fair, please have him/her wear the spirit shirt with any bottoms. The peformance schedule is here.

Saturday Fair Performances

	Line Up Backstage	Performance Start
FRIDAY		
Dance Team	5:45PM	6:00PM
Cheer	6:00PM	6:15PM
SATURDAY		
Band	9:50	10:00
Choir	10:05	10:15
Kindergarten	10:20	10:30
1st Grade	10:35	10:45
2nd Grade	10:50	11:00
3rd Grade	11:05	11:15
4th Grade	11:20	11:30
5th Grade	11:35	11:45
Pep Squad	11:50	12:00

Fair Weekend Ride Bracelet

If your child wants to ride all fair rides unlimited throughout the weekend, then you can purchase an "all weekend pass" starting on September 21. Click **here** to purchase. This bracelet is for pre-sale only. You cannot buy them at thefair. Deadline to order is October 17. There will be "session" times bracelets that you can purchase at the fair. See the fair document on page 12.

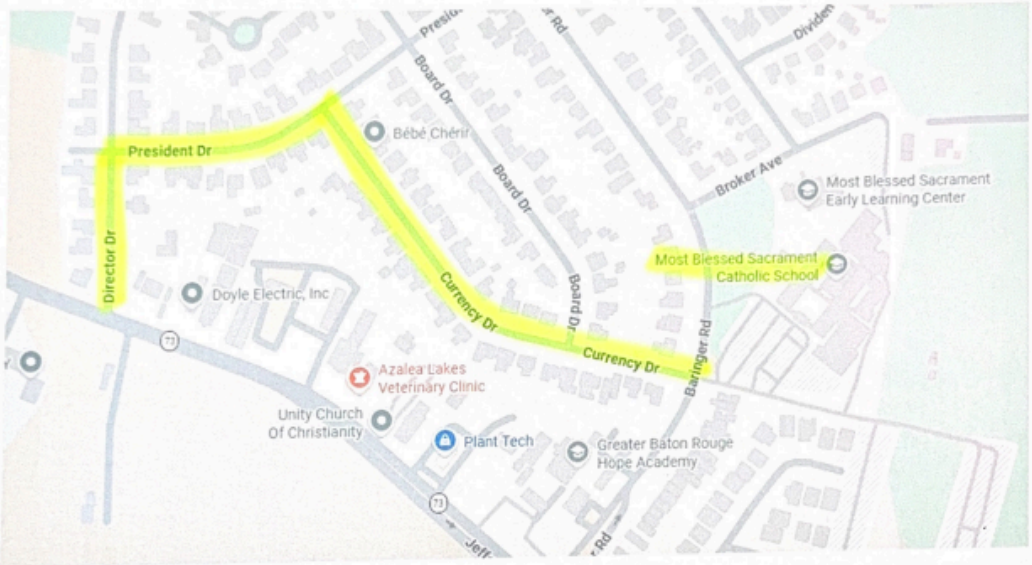
Bake Sale

On Tuesday and Wednesday, October 13th and 14th , our 8th Grade students will be having their annual Bake Sale during recess. Each grade level sponsors a grade level project that supports an organization that serves those in need within our community. The 8 th Grade sponsors the Queen of Peace Shelter & Soup Kitchen, which is affiliated with the Missionaries of Charity Sisters. All money raised will go to supporting soup kitchen.

Please help support this project! All goodies will be .50 cents for each individually wrapped serving. Donations of cash or checks (made payable to Queen of Peace Soup Kitchen) will also be accepted. Thank you for your support!

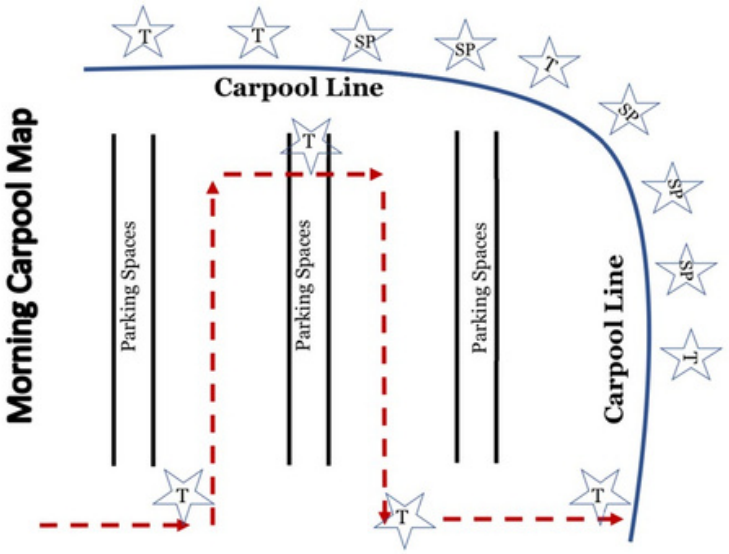
Fair Carpool

- The week of October 19, we will run our Alternate Fair Carpool. This means you will NOT enter through the church lot.
- From Jefferson Hwy, turn onto Director by Smartee Pants/Animal Crackers Learning Center.
- Turn right onto President.
- Turn right onto Currency. This street will feed directly into the school parking lot entrance.
- Cross Baringer and enter the lot. Please do not block Baringer.
- Please do not block driveways or ride in the neighborhood yards.



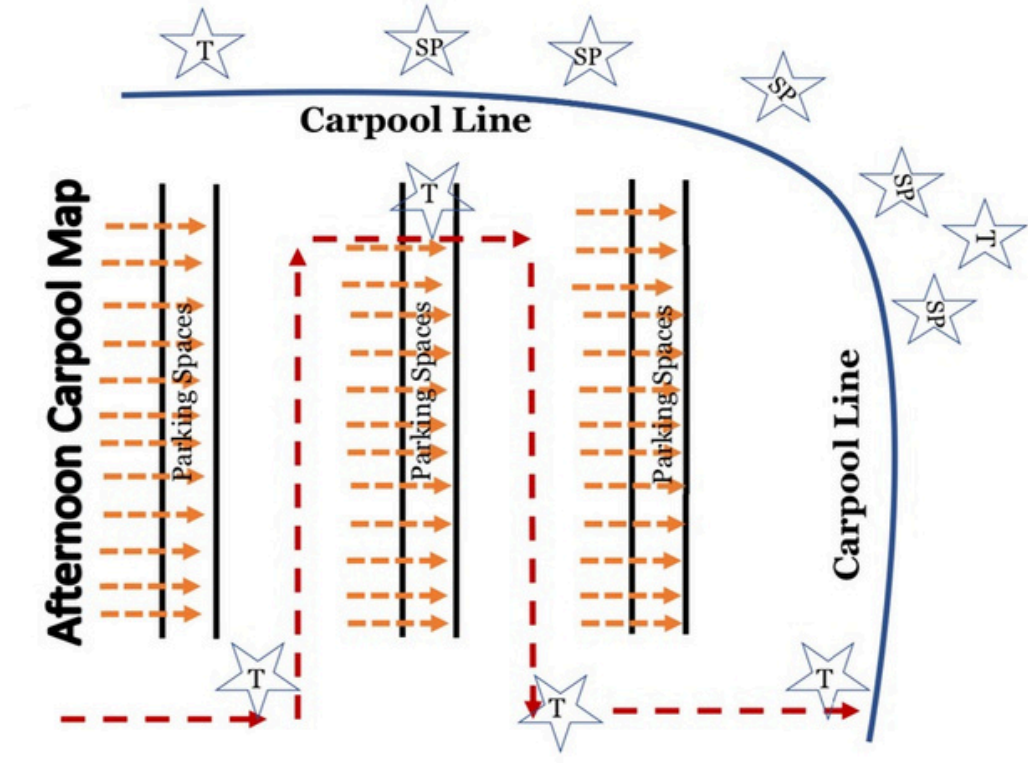
Morning Fair Carpool

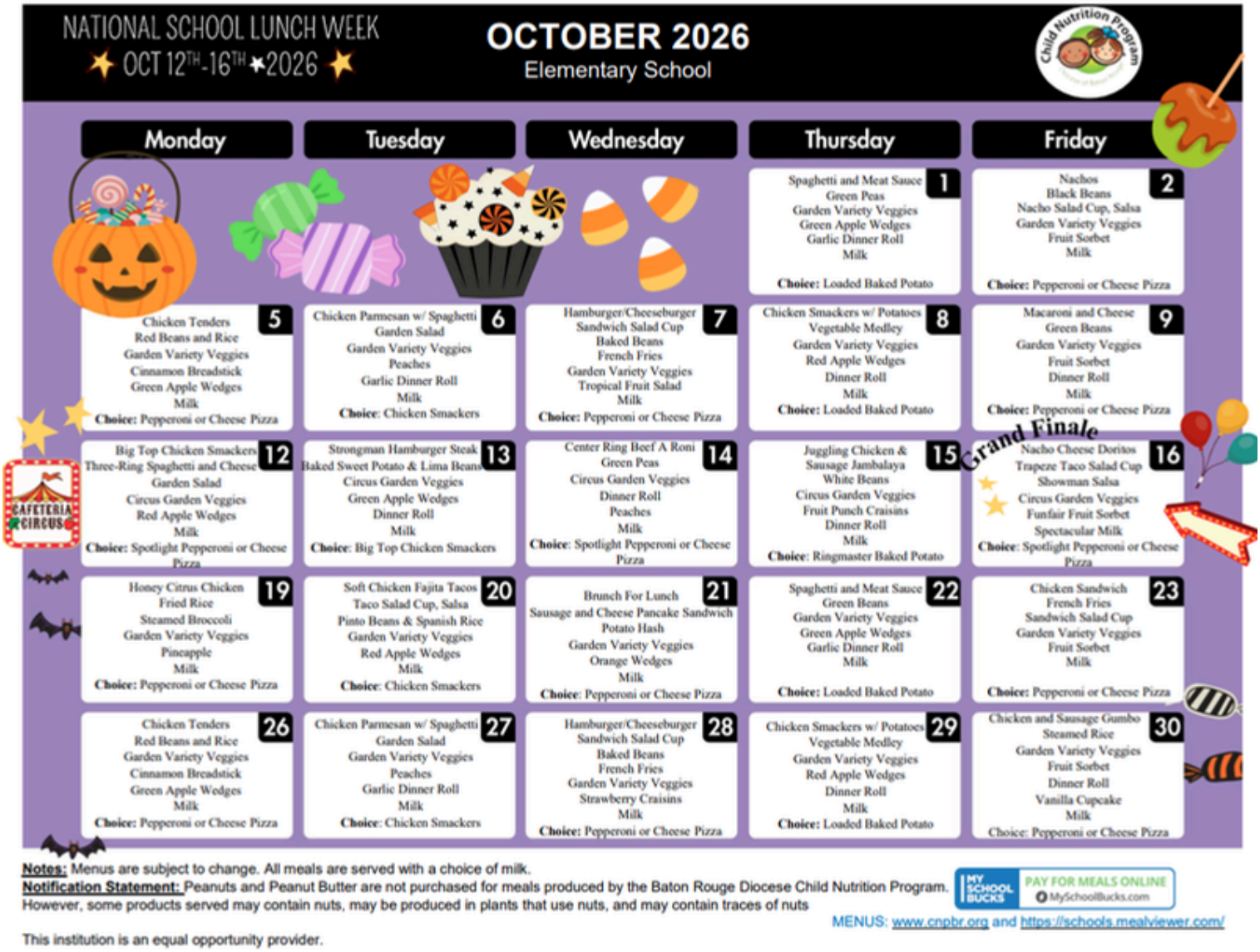
- Once in the parking lot, enter the second row of the parking lot and begin following the cones to “snake” through the parking lot. Teachers will be there to direct you.
- At the last set of parking spaces, you will enter the carpool line.
- Make sure your child is unbuckled and ready to exit the vehicle when you reach the Teacher (T) or Safety Patrol (SP) student.
- Exit the school parking lot as you normally would for carpool



Afternoon Fair Carpool

- Follow the cones through the parking lot and follow the teacher’s directions to enter the parking spaces.
- Pull into the parking lot so that you are facing the carpool line and can drive forward to enter the line.
- A teacher will then enter your Car Rider Pro tag number. All tags should be displayed on the rearview mirror and visible for the teacher will see.
- On the teacher’s motion, enter the carpool line and proceed as normal. Exit the parking lot as you normally would for carpool





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 2026-2027 School Year

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

Update Your Volunteer File for 2026-2027

Please note that the Code of Ethics 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, 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.

PARENTS' COMMITMENT TO CHURCH & SCHOOL

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. Catholic 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.

Catholic students whose families meet 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 (10 hours) for new students. New Catholic students must also meet the IOG requirement of $325.00 to receive in-parish tuition the following school year.

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.

ATHLETICS

We post lots of athletic information on the school Facebook page, be sure to LIKE and Share!!
Click the “Athletics” tab on the school website. We have revised it and it includes a calendar and a picture gallery! Lots of information!

XC - Cross Country ~ Mercy Invitational – Highland Road Park
Saturday October 10, 9:00am

Tennis ~ Saturday October 10, Match vs. Zachary at Americana YMCA 10:00am

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CSAA Football ~ Sunday October 11 at St. Thomas More
8 th Birds vs. Titans 12noon
6 th Birds vs. Titans 1:30pm
4 th Birds vs. Crusaders 3:00pm
Parish/Intramural Sports Flag Football (PreK thru 2 nd) & Boys Basketball (3 rd thru 8 th grade) registrations are coming soon!

If you are interested on a carpool line sign or gym sign, please email Tommy Krysan: tkysan@mbsbr.org

If you are interested in joining Pelican Power, please email Tommy Krysan: tkrysan@mbsbr.org

Go Pelicans!
Tommy Krysan, Athletic Director: tkrysan@mbsbr.org

MBS ATHLETICS



Office of Christian Formation: The Book of Life

On Thursday, October 29th, we will continue the tradition of remembering our loved ones in a special way, celebrating the Feast of All Saints and All Souls. Our ***Book of Life*** will be displayed during School Mass. This book has been a special tradition here at MBS School and contains all the names of our deceased relatives and friends submitted over the last seventeen years.

If you have lost a loved one **since November 2025**, fill in the form below and we will add it to the ***Book of Life*** for this year. ***To have the Book of Life ready for Mass, we will need to have ALL names submitted by Monday, October 19th***. Have your child return the form to their homeroom teacher, and it will be forwarded to my office.

The Book of Life contains all the names previously submitted over the years. Please do not send names that already have been placed into the Book of Life. **If you have any questions, please call the Office of Religious Education at 751-5867.**

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Detach and return by Monday, October 19, 2026

Please add the following names to the MBS School BOOK OF LIFE for 2025:

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_____ _____

Name (*Please PRINT*) **Phone Number**

MBS PARISH FAIR

CARNIVAL RIDES

WEEKEND BRACELET $60
Pre-Order Online ONLY

SESSION TIME BRACELET $25

FRI 6-10	SAT 12-4	SAT 6-10	SUN 12-4

Good for One Time Listed Only
Purchase at the Fair

Individual Ride Tickets are also Available for Purchase at the Fair

SIGN-UPS & PURCHASES

Fair T-Shirt Orders	Aug 24 - Sep 11
Family Tent Sales	Sep 14
Ride Bracelets	Sep 21 - Oct 16
Volunteer Sign-Up	Sep 21
Bake Sweets Sign-Up	Anytime

FAIR SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 23

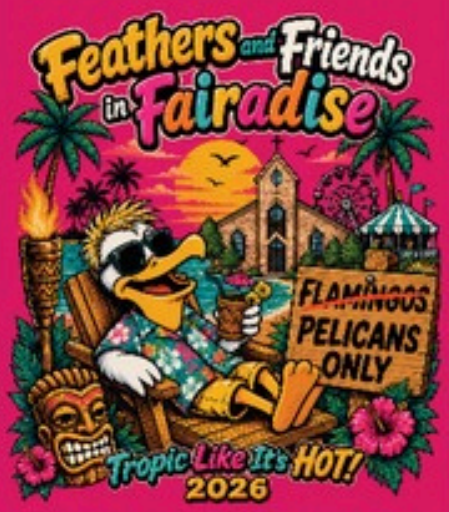
6:00 Fair Opens
7:00 PAPERCHASE
10:00 Fair Closes

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 24

10:00 Fair Opens
10:00 Student Performances
2:00 Bingo Under the Tent
4:30 PECAN PRALINES
5:30 Tent-Or-Treat
7:00 SEMI-CHARMED
8:00 Game Booths Close
10:00 Fair Closes

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 25

9:45 Mass in Church
10:45 Fair Opens (after mass)
12:00 WHERE Y'ACHT
4:00 Fair Ends









MBSPARISHFAIR.COM

PAPERCHASE

PECAN PRALINES

SEMI-CHARMED

Where Y'acht

FOOD COURT

EVERY DAY
French Fries
Nachos
Cheese Sticks
Boudin Balls
Chicken Nuggets
Hot Dog
Corn Dog
Hamburger
Jambalaya
Pastalaya
Gumbo

SATURDAY & SUNDAY
Onion Mum
BBQ Chicken-on-a-Stick
Fried Chicken-on-a-Stick
Shrimp Stew
Pulled Pork Sandwich
Pulled Pork Nachos

FRI SPECIAL Fried Fish

SAT SPECIAL Sauce Piquant

RIDES GAMES FOOD BINGO LIVE BANDS
SWEET SHOPPE WINE PULL BASKET RAFFLES

MBS MIDDLE SCHOOL DANCE

WEAR YOUR BEST NEON OUTFITS!

OCTOBER 16, 2026
7PM – 9PM

HOLY FAMILY HALL

$35 DISCOUNT FOR MULTIPLE CHILDREN!
$40 AT THE DOOR

ONLINE TICKET SALES WILL END ON 10/14/26

PHOTO BOOTH | DIRTY SODA BAR | SNACKS | DJ | AND MORE!

SCAN TO BUY TICKETS

APPROPRIATE GLOW FACE PAINT AND ACCESSORIES ENCOURAGED! FOR 6TH-8TH GRADERS

OUTFITS MUST MEET MBS MODESTY EXPECTATIONS FOR LENGTH AND COVERAGE.

MBS
Most Blessed Sacrament

Help Us Fill Our amazon Wish List!

Our Extended Care program is in need of supplies, and we have created an Amazon Wish List to make it easy for you to help!

Shop our Amazon Wish List

Every item makes a difference!



Time and Talent Hours Available for each $10 spent!

Together we can support our students and our school!

Thank you for being a part of our MBS family!

ECO Club

Reduce Reuse Recycle

SMALL STEPS. BIG IMPACT.

Join EcoClub and help make a difference in our school and community! This club is open to all 5th–8th grade students who are interested in learning more about environmental issues, sustainability, and conservation efforts.

MEETING DATES

- October 7th
- November 11th
- December 9th
- January 20th
- February 17th
- March 24th
- April 21st

MEETING DETAILS

One Wednesday each month

7:10 A.M. – 7:45 A.M.

Room 53 in Holy Family Hall (classroom of Mrs. Minvielle)

Work on projects, lead environmental initiatives, build leadership skills, and make a positive impact!

$10 CLUB FEE

for materials to be used throughout the year, as well as for our Earth Week activities.

REGISTER HERE

Click the link to complete the registration form.



♥ MBS ECOCLUB ♥

JOIN US FOR OUR
4TH ANNUAL

ST. NICHOLAS Christmas Market

SANTA | GIFTS | CRAFTS | FOOD | ACTIVITIES

DECEMBER 5TH, 2026
3PM - 7PM

MBS GYM & HOLY FAMILY HALL

CLICK HERE TO SUBMIT A VENDOR INTEREST FORM

Hosted by the MBS Cheer & Dance Teams


St. Michael
Open House
October 21st, 2026
WARRIOR FAMILY
Register Now at www.smhsbr.org


CHS STUDENT COUNCIL
TRUNK OR TREAT
WEDNESDAY
OCTOBER 28TH
KENMORE PARKING LOT
5:30 - 7:00PM
PLEASE PARK IN THE WESTMORELAND PARKING LOT
TRICK OR TREAT


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CATHOLIC HIGH SCHOOL
OPEN HOUSE
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St. Joseph's Academy
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OPEN House

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 15 | 3:30-7 p.m.
For Girls in Grades 6-8 and Their Parents

We can't wait to meet you!

Tours offered between 3:30 and 7 p.m.

Please note that you must register for a specific tour time.

To reserve your family's time, please go to Visitsja.org.

Visits begin in Mother Alice Hall (3080 Kleinert Avenue).

Our Admissions Team is ready to answer your questions. Contact them at admissions@sjabr.org or (225) 388-2243.

U.S. Department of Education National Blue Ribbon School

FIVE-TIME WINNER

BAND & BRUINETTE NIGHT

BRUIN BAND

MEMORIAL STADIUM | OCTOBER 30TH | 7:00PM
CATHOLICHIGH.ORG/BANDNIGHT



Collectibles

REMINDER

FIRST 9 WEEKS COLLECTION REMINDER

We are collecting Community Coffee Labels this year!

Community Coffee — Cash for Schools — Serving Our Children

1ST 9 WEEKS COLLECTION:

OCTOBER 5-9

- Send labels to school in a plastic bag with your childs name on it.
- Buckets will be placed in each classroom.

WINNERS

One child will be picked to win a family prize! The winner will be announced at the 1st 9 weeks awards mass!

QUESTIONS?

For questions, please contact our Pelican Partners Committee Chair, Tricia Hollis! (triciaghollis@hotmail.com)

The fair is going CASHLESS

WHAT'S NEW?

The money booth will only accept credit and debit cards



WHAT'S STILL THE SAME?

- You will still purchase MBS Tickets at the money booth
- MBS Tickets will still be used at the fair booths



** BINGO WILL BE CASH ONLY ** *(due to state laws)*

ST. GEORGE FIRE PROTECTION DISTRICT CLASS 1

FIRE SAFETY FRIDAY

Learn
Explore
HAVE FUN!



WHEN? Friday, October 9, 2026 3:30–5pm

WHO? Children of ALL ages!

WHERE? St. George Fire HQ
14100 Airline Hwy

SAFETY FIRST



Dear Middle School Parents:

October 27-30 is Red Ribbon Week. During Red Ribbon Week, middle school students will participate in a national campaign focusing on positive, healthy choices to remain drug-free. October is also National Bullying Prevention Month. Red Ribbon Week will include lessons and messages to promote kindness and prevent bullying.

Submitted by 8th grader, Elena Rico, our winning theme for this year is: “We are wild about being drug-free and bully-free!” This year will be MBS’s 20th and final Red Ribbon Week! Middle schools across the country and our Diocese have begun phasing out this practice to allow time to focus on other goals, and MBS already supports - and will continue to support - drug prevention via the D.A.R.E. Program in both 5th and 8th grade.

We look forward to a great, last Red Ribbon Week! As the week progresses, ask your children about our themed activities, such as the poster contest, student presentations, and any other “wild” surprises along the way! We will also have one “dress up” day. On Wednesday, October 28th, middle school students will participate in Wear Red Day. Your 6th-8th graders can wear red shirts, red socks, and other red accessories, with their uniform bottoms.

Thank you for partnering with us in these prevention goals for your children, for our community, and for our future! Let’s be “wild about being drug-free and bully-free” for safe, kind, and healthy kids!

Blessings,

Michelle DiBenedetto, LCSW
School Counselor

We are WILD about being DRUG AND BULLY FREE!

October, 27-30,2026
All 6th, 7th & 8th Grades

Let's make our FINAL MBS Red Ribbon Week one to remember!!
Click the link below to donate!

Click here to donate!