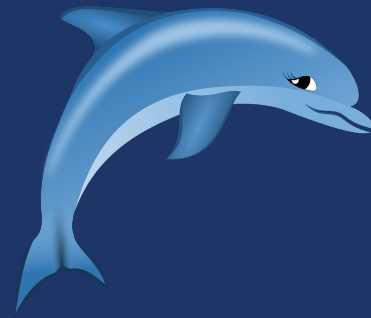


# Dolphin Days



IT'S A GREAT DAY TO BE A  
DOLPHIN!  
March 5, 2020

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## MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

We have some fun events planned for the month of March:

3/13 Middle School Dance 6:30-9:30 p.m.

3/17 St. Patrick's Day - Green Tag Day  
\$1.00

3/18 Twilight Retreat for Teachers

3/23 HSA Ally Oops Dine and Donate

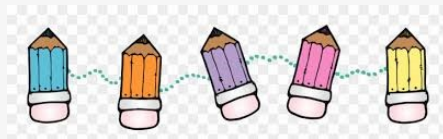
3/26 Family Reading Night 6-7:30 p.m.  
Scholastic Bookfair Night

3/27 12:10 Dismissal - Teachers  
Professional Development

## SPRING FORWARD

This Sunday, March 8th Daylight  
Savings Time begins!

## A Note From Mrs. Manns...



Congratulations goes out to our Knights of Columbus Essay winners 1st Place: Katelynn King and Grace Short. 2nd Place: Nicholas Nowakowski. 3rd Place Wesley Simmons.

Congratulations also to all of our winter athletes who were recognize by our Athletic Association last Friday - a job well done by Mr. Haskell, coaches and all involved, particularly our athletes.

During the Sports Recognition, MBS also revealed the winning name for our MBS Dolphin, FINN - Welcome to MBS Finn!

A reminder T-2 grades end today.

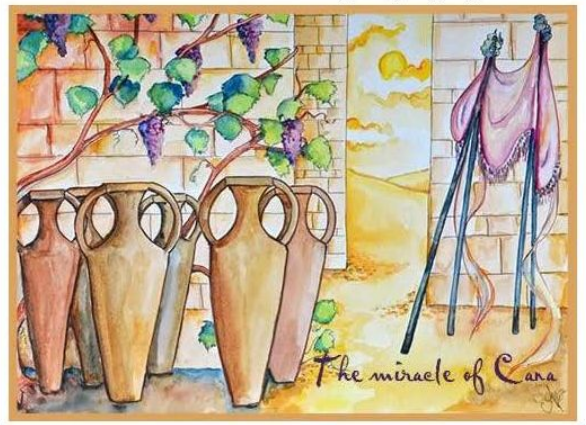
A special thank you to those who have generously donated to our "MBS at Play" playground. We deeply appreciate your generosity and thoughtfulness.

A reminder that during this Lenten Season our school is working toward special acts of kindness. Offering kindness is a great way to show God that we want to change our ways. I encourage your family to start and end the day in prayer during Lent. Praying the rosary, attending Stations of the Cross or doing extra chores at home are all ways to show our love to God. May these days of Lent to follow bring us peace and love to all our MBS families.

It's a great time to be a MBS Dolphin.

*Mrs. Manns*

*Believe and see the glory of God.*



## SEASON OF LENT

Wednesday, February 26th began the Season of Lent.

1. The Season of Lent is a time of atonement, reflection and preparation.
2. Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence.
3. All Fridays in Lent are days of abstinence only.

Church Law requires:

- The abstinence (not eating meat) obliges those who have completed their fourteenth year.
- The law of fast (only one full meal each day, nothing between meals) obliges those who have completed their eighteenth year until the beginning of their sixtieth year.
- Proportionately grave inconvenience excuses from the laws of fast and abstinence.

The substantial observance of these laws is a grave obligation.

- Anyone who neglects all forms of penance violates divine law and is guilty of grave sin.
- Anyone who occasionally violates the law of fast and/or abstinence is not guilty of sin.

## RICE BOWL

During Lent, our church encourages us to build a closer relationship with the Lord through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. In order to provide an opportunity to our families to join us in almsgiving, our school will participate in the Operation Rice Bowl program that is sponsored by the Catholic Relief Services. In doing so, we join Catholic families across the globe in responding to God's people who are in need. Each family is received a "rice bowl" box in last week's folder. We ask that you fill it with change and plan to return it to MBS during Holy Week. Thank you, in advance, for whatever you can do in this regard. May God bless us with a holy Lenten Season as we move forward to the Triduum and the glory of Resurrection.

## Join our MBS Welcoming Committee

We are establishing a welcoming committee for all school events and for morning drop off. Please call or email Amanda Evans if you would like to join us on this mission to spread cheer to all of our MBS families and our community. It's an easy way to earn your FIP hours and have fun! There are plenty of upcoming events to help. Each morning, your family could easily earn 20 minutes of FIP hours helping our students get out of their cars and wishing their family member or caregiver a great day!



**MARK YOUR CALENDERS...HSA has a few new FUNDRAISERS to finish out the year!**

**SAVE THE DATE:**

**MARCH 23<sup>rd</sup> 5 p.m.-8 p.m. DINE & DONATE at ALLY OOPS**

**MARCH 27<sup>th</sup> READ-A-THON KICK OFF**

**APRIL 24<sup>th</sup> TRIVIA NIGHT**

**Join us for a FUNTASTIC night at Ally Oops for a Dine and Donate. Monday March 23 5pm-8pm. Ally Oops will give MBS 15% of total sales. Bring your family and friends and the Dine and Donate flyer. Please see this week's Thursday folder for Ally Oops flyer.**

We are going to have a READ-A- THON this year. The READ-A-THON will be a way for the students to participate in raising money for the school. Look for more details next week.

\*\*\*\* NEW\*\*\*\*

We are excited to announce a NEW fundraiser at MBS!! TRIVIA NIGHT Friday April 24<sup>th</sup> 6pm-10pm. This is going to be a fun casual event you don't want to miss. The evening will feature a taste of the town menu, libations, money wheel, games, and a 50/50 raffle, and a full game of Trivia sponsored by Delaware Trivia Company. The top 3 teams will receive PRIZES!! Reservations will open next week!

**We are canceling the Bull and Oyster Roast!**

If you are interested in volunteering for Trivia Night please contact Nichole Behornar at [n.behornar@verizon.net](mailto:n.behornar@verizon.net). This is a great way to get your FIP hours for the spring.

Please consider donating your time, talent, or treasure. If you have any questions or want to volunteer, please contact Nichole Behornar at [n.behornar@verizon.net](mailto:n.behornar@verizon.net).

Joining HSA is a great way to get your FIP HOURS!!

Thank you for all your continued support!

## SAVE THE DATE!

Save the date for the MBS Spring Play! This year our students will be performing *Frozen, Jr.* on April 3rd, 4th and 5th.

## Middle School Social

We are very excited to add the MBS Middle School Social to the calendar this year! The 8th Graders will be honored with their superlatives (Best All-Around, Most Likely to Succeed, etc...). Thank you to alumna, Emily Selba, for volunteering to be our DJ! If you have any questions, would like to volunteer to chaperone, donate supplies or have special dismissal notes for your student, please contact Amanda Evans.



MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

**NEON NIGHTS**

MIDDLE SCHOOL SOCIAL

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**Friday, March 13th**

6:30 PM - 9:30 PM

**Let's Honor our 8th Graders!**

**Tickets are \$5 for 6th & 7th Graders.  
No Charge for 8th Graders!**

Ticket Price Includes:  
DJ, Glow Necklaces, Pizza, Ice Cream Sundae, Refreshments  
and Photobooth with One Souvenir Photo!

## Lent is here!

What a perfect time to make Jesus a priority. The Tabernacle in the Divine Mercy Chapel has the presence of Jesus and he is waiting for a visit from you. Take a few minutes in your busy day and visit him. The graces will fill your soul!

Every Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. is rosary hour, please come pray, even if just for a decade or for 5 minutes! What a beautiful sacrifice to make during this Lent season.



**Spring Book Fair 2020 is going to be *WILD!!* March 23-27<sup>th</sup>. Please contact Mrs. Gunther for Volunteer opportunities to help with Book Fair during the week. [cgunther@mbscs.org](mailto:cgunther@mbscs.org).**

**You're Invited to our *First Annual Family Reading Night*.**

**This family event will take place on March 26<sup>th</sup> from 6-7:30. Please bring your family to this special event and shop the Book Fair.**

**Enjoy *arts & crafts, face painting, storytelling, refreshments, prizes* and much, much more! Look in this week's take home folders for your invitation and RSVP card. Cost is \$5 per family. Students need to be accompanied by an adult. Each family will be entered into a raffle drawing when they turn in their RSVP.**



### **FROM THE NURSE:**

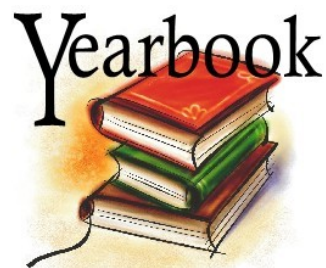
We are in full swing of the flu season. **Doctors say the best way to prevent getting the flu is to get the flu shot.** It takes two weeks after receiving the vaccination for the body to fully develop the antibodies to fight the flu virus. Health officials state it is still **NOT TOO LATE** to get the flu shot. Multiple pharmacies and health clinics offer this vaccination for free or for a minimal fee. Some symptoms of the flu may be abrupt fever that can last 3-4 days, complaints of feeling achy and having the chills and unusual weakness and fatigue. If your child is ill and you suspect the flu, please have the child evaluated by their physician. Children who test positive for the flu virus are usually out of school for a week. If you do not have your child evaluated and they return to school too early, you are putting your child at risk for contracting other viruses and exposing other school children to the flu virus. If your child tests positive for the flu, please notify the school nurse before the

student returns to school. As always we recommend thorough hand washing, getting enough sleep and eating correctly to help your body fight any infection.

## Yearbook Sale

There are a limited amount of yearbooks, so be sure to order yours today. Please click on the link below:

[Yearbook Order Form](#)



## Counseling Corner

Parents, for the next few weeks I will be talking to all grades about some very important topics. We are required to teach lessons from the Diocese program “For the Sake of God’s Children”. I will be focusing on topics such as, Life is a Gift From God, Trusted Adults,

Safe Environments, Appropriate Boundaries, Good Touch- Bad Touch, and Secrets. I will do this in each grade with age appropriate resources and dialogue. I visited grades 2, 1 and K this week. Parents, feel free to reach out to me if you have any questions [tgabbard@mbscs.org](mailto:tgabbard@mbscs.org).



## Sports Corner

### WINTER SPORTS RECOGNITION- AWARD WINNERS:

Congratulations to the following individual athletes who were recognized at our winter sports assembly:

Laila Pascucci (6<sup>th</sup>)- Coach’s Award- JV Girls Basketball  
Danielle Windon (7<sup>th</sup>)- Rookie of the Year- JV Girls Basketball  
Lauren Lynch (7<sup>th</sup>)- Most Valuable Player- JV Girls Basketball

Jack Bradley (6<sup>th</sup>)- Most Improved Player Award- Boys Basketball  
John Fohner (6<sup>th</sup>)- Coach’s Award- Boys Basketball  
Brody Lynch (6<sup>th</sup>)- Rookie of the Year- Boys Basketball  
Gabriel Failla (8<sup>th</sup>)- Most Valuable Player- Boys Basketball

Lauren Lynch (7<sup>th</sup>)- Rookie of the Year- Varsity Girls Basketball  
Brooke Delahanty (8<sup>th</sup>)- Coach’s Award- Varsity Girls Basketball  
Grace Short (8<sup>th</sup>)- Coach’s Award- Varsity Girls Basketball

### KOC FREE THROW CHALLENGE- QUALIFIERS:

Congratulations to the following students who qualified for the higher-levels of the Knights of Columbus Free Throw Challenge:

**STATE QUALIFIERS:** Dominic Marinelli, Alexander Behornar, Helena Udinski, Katelyn Chuvala, Gianna DePietro.

**DISTRICT QUALIFIERS:** Octavio Castellanos, Maximo Castellanos, Betsey Mihaly, Isaiah Failla, Kevin Myers, Alicia Walker and Brooke Delahanty.

**RETURN OF BASKETBALL JERSEYS:**

Please return any remaining basketball jerseys. Inside the gym is a grey box with a sign-off sheet. Please have your child place their washed jersey in the grey box and sign off their name.

**GIRLS SOFTBALL- FIRST PRACTICE:**

Our girls softball team will have their first practice on Monday, March 23<sup>rd</sup> from 3:30-5:00pm. Our practices take place across the street at Showell Park on Field #1 (first field on the left as you enter the park).

## HONK!

A musical tale of the Ugly Duckling to play at Saint Thomas More Academy March 13 to 15. The Midnight Dreary Players of Saint Thomas More Academy invite the community to come on down to the farm for fun, laughter, tears and joy as we present HONK! A musical tale of the Ugly Duckling. Performances will be 7:30 p.m. Friday, March 13; 2 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. Saturday, March 14; and 2 p.m. Sunday, March 15, at Saint Thomas More Academy, 133 Thomas More Drive, Magnolia, Del. Written by George Stiles and Anthony Drewe (dubbed “the brightest hopes for the future of the British musical” by The London Daily Telegraph), HONK! is the story of Ugly, whose odd, gawky looks incite prejudice from his family and neighbors. Separated from the farm and pursued by a hungry cat, Ugly must find his way home. Along his rollicking and harrowing journey, he not only discovers his true beauty and glorious destiny, but also finds love and acceptance in all its forms. Witty and hilarious, but also deeply moving, HONK! will treat you to equal amounts of laughter and tears. The cast of HONK! includes 16 Saint Thomas More Academy and Holy Cross School students from third through twelfth grade. They will be accompanied by a live orchestra composed of students and community musicians. Purchase tickets in advance online at <https://www.eventbrite.com/e/honk-the-musical-tale-of-the-ugly-duckling-tickets-92053694077?aff=ebdssbdestsearch> or at the St. Thomas More Academy school office. Advance tickets are \$11 for adults and \$8 for students. Tickets purchased at the door are \$15 for adults and \$12 for students.

For more information call 302.697.8100 or email [drama@saintmore.org](mailto:drama@saintmore.org).

**Non-MBS Flyers**  
River Soccer Club Registration

[Click this button to register](#)

# Parish News

## St. Ann

Sunday, March 8th is Donut/Coffee day after the 9am (at Our Lady of Guadalupe) and after the 10:30am (at St. Ann's). Join your fellow parishioners for some delicious donuts from Hocker's Bakery and fresh brewed coffee. We are looking for a family to help set up at St. Ann's so please contact Anne (Vogel) Flaherty: annemvogel@aol.com You may earn FIP hours, too.

### **USO Drive :**

In cooperation with USO Delaware, the Parish of St. Ann is again seeking donations for the USO located at the Dover Air Force Base. The airbase is a hub for flights carrying our service men and women and their families to and from military bases and installations around the globe, as well as flights bringing home our fallen heroes.

All donations received will help stock the shelves, pantries and locker rooms and will serve as a bit of home away from home for those weary travelers, and to comfort our grieving families.

So if it is a hot shower that is needed, or snacks to refresh and remind them of home, it has been made possible through your generosity. Please bring your items to Delaney Hall, St. Ann Catholic Church, 651 Garfield Parkway, Bethany Beach, Monday thru Friday, 9-2, March 2nd through March 31st. **If you would like to donate and are not able to deliver your items, please contact Anne (Vogel) Flaherty and I will pick up items at MBS and deliver on your behalf.**

We are particularly in need of the following types of items:

- Keurig Cups (Coffee and Hot Chocolate)
- Personal hygiene items for men and women  
(such as Soap – Shampoo – Deodorant –  
Shaving Cream – Disposable Razors – Body Lotion)
- Tooth Paste – Tooth Brushes – Foot Powder
- Cotton Socks – Baby Wipes – Sunscreen
- Ziplock Freezer Storage Bags (Gallon Size)
- 13-gal Kitchen Garbage Bags – Paper Towels
- Writing Paper – Pens – Puzzles – Playing Cards
- Individually Packaged (Pretzels – Chips – Crackers  
Teddy Grahams – Breakfast Bars) Bottled water
- Individually Packaged (Nuts – Slim Jims  
Peanut Butter – Hard Candy – Cookies – Gum  
Small cans of Fruit – Oatmeal)

## St. John Neumann

**Parents of 2<sup>nd</sup> Graders:** Our next gathering will be for our last newbie Parent ONLY session beginning 10 AM Sunday March 8<sup>th</sup> at MBS.

**Confirmation 2020:** Our next gathering will be a **retreat on March 7** beginning at 9:15AM in the SJN library. All candidates must attend.

**Confirmation 2020:** Our gathering this Saturday will begin at 9:15AM. We encourage you to attend the 8:30AM Mass that morning. To show our respect and care for the environment please bring your favorite mug, drink container or whatever is used to drink from when out and about. We will be having pizza for lunch.

**Witnesses to the Faith** – Come watch a video presentation by Bishop Robert Barron on Venerable Fulton J. Sheen and Flannery O'Connor spread over 4 Wednesdays: 4, 18, 25 March and 1 April 2020. It will run approximately 45 minutes beginning at 5:30PM in the SJN Parish library.



**Come Join US - LENTEN DINNER** - Soup, Salad, Pizza, and Fellowship!

March 20, 2020 beginning 5:00 PM and ending 6:30 PM

Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School

Admission: \$10 (\$5 children under 12)

Please make your reservation at the Parish Office 410-208-2956

## **St. Jude the Apostle**

Throughout Lent, Confessions will follow the 8 a.m. Mass, and will also be every Friday afternoon from 2-4 pm in the Church. Stations & Benedictions will follow from 4-5 pm.

Then, come have a Lenten Fish Dinner with the Knights each Friday evening during Lent in the Church Hall from 5:15 to 6:15 pm. The first of six dinners will be on Friday, Feb 28th and run through April 3rd. All Dinners include Coffee & Desert - Cash Bar - Adults \$12 & Kids \$6.

A **Ladies Lenten Day of Reflection** has been scheduled for **Friday, March 27** from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. **Marie Joseph**, the Executive Director of the *Legacy of Life Foundation* with 17-years in Catholic education, will be the day's highlighted guest speaker.

Participants will have the opportunity to attend Confession as well as Mass as well as time for group and personal reflection and adoration.

Retreatants will also be offered a light continental breakfast and boxed lunch.

Participants are required to register as space is limited and a suggested donation of \$25 is requested to defray the cost of the event. Registration info will be forthcoming in an upcoming bulletin.

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