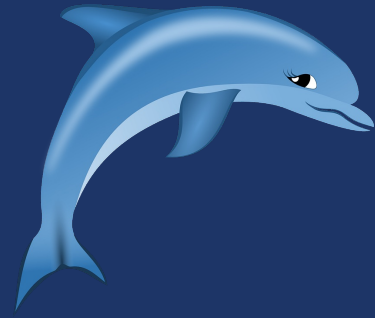


# Dolphin Days



IT'S A GREAT TIME TO BE AN  
MBS DOLPHIN!  
February 11, 2021



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## Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School

Educating the **Mind**, Strengthening the **Body**, Nurturing the **Soul**

### February is Black History Month

Please join us in a prayer from the *Sister of Mercy of the Americas*

Good and gracious God, you invite us to recognize and reverence your divine image and likeness in our neighbor. Enable us to see the reality of racism and free us to challenge and uproot it from our society, our world and ourselves.

This we pray.

#### Covid-19

We have had no reported positive cases of Covid-19 this week.

We encourage you to continue:

- Continue wellness checks every morning.
- Sanitized.
- Wash hands the proper way with soap and water and dry your hands.
- Wear a mask when not in the company of those you live with.
- Stay 6 feet apart.

#### Updates

- We called the Richard A. Henson Cancer Center to set-up a time to drop our donations off at

the center. They were overwhelmed with gratitude and appreciation.

- We will also be sending home our Operation Rice Bowl: *FOR LENT FOR LIFE*. In this bowl, we ask you to place your daily Lenten sacrifices. We will collect your Rice Bowl after we come back from our Easter break.
- Our MBS employees have been sent a link to sign up for their second Covid-19 vaccination. Thank you to AGH for their support of our employees!
- Although CSW is officially over, we still participated in our career day this past Monday. It was wonderful to see so many creative outfits and variety of careers chosen.
- This week we also held picture day. We brought the classes to the gym, in small groups and they waited, with their masks on and 6 feet apart, until their turn. It went smoothly and we got to see so many bright smiling faces! If your child(ren) were absent, Mrs. Evans will be taking their pictures when they return. The photographer is able to add the same background.

### **Ash Wednesday**

This coming Wednesday, February 17, is Ash Wednesday. Due to Covid-19 restrictions, our school children will not be going over to Mass as a school community to receive ashes.

As the Diocese reminds us, receiving ashes is not required, as they are an external sign of the internal desire to repent. Individuals who do not receive ashes can still enter Lent with a repentant heart.

I encourage you to check your parish bulletin for distribution times of ashes in your individual parishes.

Our school children will watch the Ash Wednesday Mass, from the Catholic channel, on Wednesday at 9:00 a.m.

### **The Year of St. Joseph**

The Holy Father wrote *Patris corde* (With a Father's Heart) against the backdrop of the Covid-19 pandemic, which, he says, has helped us see more clearly the importance of "ordinary" people who, though far from the limelight, exercise patience and offer hope every day. In this, they resemble Saint Joseph, "the man who goes unnoticed, a daily, discreet and hidden presence," who nonetheless played "an incomparable role in the history of salvation." Let us continue to pray for all the "ordinary people" who have worked hard for others during this pandemic and pray that we will see the end in the extremely near future.



Our students had a fun time celebrating Catholic Schools Week!



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 Teacher Appr. Day Career Day 8:45 Prayer Ser Spotlight grs. 8 & 3 Thank you cards to teachers	2 Student Appr. Day Pajama Day 8:30 Pancake Breakfast 1:30 Bingo Spotlight grs. 7&2	3 MBS Service Day Wacky Wed Spotlight grs. 6&1	4 Community Appr. Day 1:00 Live Stream Mass Spotlight grs. 5 & PK Cards & letters to parish shut-ins	5 Volunteer Appr. Day Student Council: Meet & Greet Spotlight grs. 4 & K Spirit & Shirt Day Spiritual bouquet to seniors Noon Dismissal	6
7	8	9 Picture Day Grades PK3-2	10 Picture Day Grades 3-8	11	12 Valentine's Day N.U.T. Day	13
14	15 President's Day School Closed Virtual Book Fair	16 Renaissance Testing Virtual Book Fair	17 Mass Live Stream Ash Wednesday Renaissance Testing Virtual Book Fair	18 Renaissance Testing Virtual Book Fair	19 Renaissance Testing Virtual Book Fair	20
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### *Upcoming Date Reminders:*

February 12 NUT day for Valentine Day

February 15-28 Virtual Book Fair

February 17 Ash Wednesday, Virtual Mass 9:00 a.m.

February 16-26 Star Renaissance Testing Weeks

February 22 Read-a-Thon

### **REMINDER**

We are still in need of and thankful for donations of Lysol wipes, sprays and baby wipes. Thank you for thinking of us as you are out and about today.

Have a great week!!

God Bless our Families,  
Mrs. Manns

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# New virus variants that spread more easily could lead to a rapid rise in COVID-19 cases

NOW, more than ever, it is important to **slow the spread**

## In the U.S.



New cases are extremely high



Some health care systems are at or near capacity



New variants are emerging that spread more easily

MORE SPREAD

MORE CASES

MORE DEATHS



Wear a mask



Stay at least 6 feet apart



Avoid crowds



Get vaccinated when available to you

CDC.GOV

[bit.ly/MMWR11521](https://bit.ly/MMWR11521)

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I am very happy to report that we have had no new COVID cases this week at MBS. We continue to encourage social distancing of at least 6 feet apart, mask wearing and frequent hand washing. Please keep doing your daily morning checks before school. If you or any family members are exhibiting signs of COVID-19 stay home. If anyone in your household is getting tested for COVID-19 symptoms, all MBS students must stay home until the negative PCR results are obtained. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me at school via phone (410-208-1600) or via email ([attendance@mbscs.org](mailto:attendance@mbscs.org)) Stay safe and healthy!

Mrs. Mumford R.N.

Please read the following links and contact me if you have any questions at [attendance@mbscs.org](mailto:attendance@mbscs.org)

Daily Health Assessment

COVID Rules for Parents



## VISION for the FUTURE

The Diocese of Wilmington is now accepting tuition assistance applications for the 2021-2022 school year. Each year through its Vision for the Future Education Fund, the diocese offers financial aid to a number of families who desire a Catholic education for their children but who cannot afford the full cost of tuition. Families with children in grades K-12 registered at Most Blessed Sacrament Catholic School who believe they are in need of assistance are encouraged to apply. The deadline to apply is March 4, 2021. Please refer to the flyer link below, for details.

To be considered, parents must first submit an application to FACTS Grant & Aid Assessment for evaluation. Please note that it is the policy of the diocese that tuition assistance will be granted only to those families whose children are officially registered in one of our schools. For this reason, enrollment must be official before tuition assistance can be offered.

**Families currently receiving tuition assistance from the diocese must reapply for 21/22 consideration. Assistance is not automatically renewed from year to year.**

**[Letter to Parents](#)**

**[Online Application](#)**

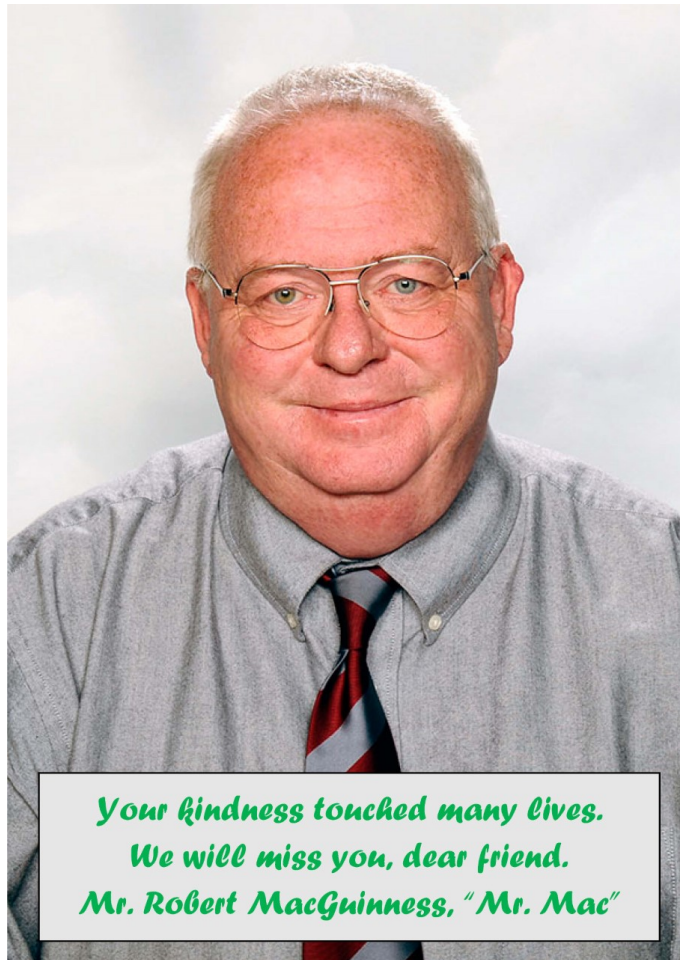
**[2021-2022 Tuition Assistance Flyer](#)**

## REMEMBRANCE

This week our MBS community lost one of its beloved teachers, Robert MacGuinness, affectionately known as "Mr. Mac". He was a long-time middle school teacher as well as yearbook editor for us at Most Blessed Sacrament School. Mr. Mac came to us from St. Hedwig in 2003. He was one of our founding teachers.

As a school community we will celebrate his life with a prayer service and invite you to

join us. We will share the link in a future Constant Contact email.



*Your kindness touched many lives.  
We will miss you, dear friend.  
Mr. Robert MacGuinness, "Mr. Mac"*

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed, rest in peace. AMEN

## LIBRARY NEWS

In anticipation of our Read-a-Thon beginning February 22, we will be sponsoring a Scholastics Virtual Book Fair February 15-February 28. All orders over \$25.00 will receive free shipping. Please visit, [www.scholastic.com/bf/mostblessedsacramentschool.com](http://www.scholastic.com/bf/mostblessedsacramentschool.com) to place your orders beginning Monday. Thank you for your support.

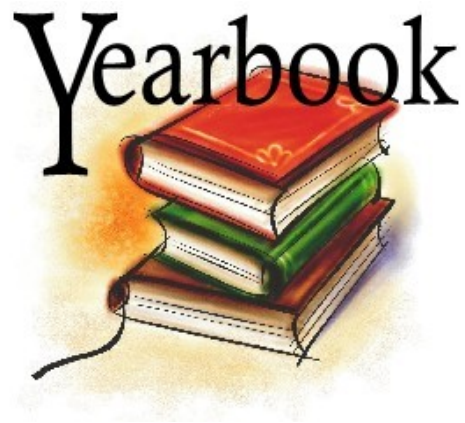
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## SWEATSHIRTS ARE BACK BY POPULAR DEMAND

We are opening the sweatshirt sales up again after many request for the new quarter zip style. It looks great with the students' uniforms. They come in both navy and grey in children and adult sizes. Order yours today!

<https://mbssweatshirtsale.itemorder.com/sale>

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## **Advertise in our Yearbook and Leave a Mark for Generations to Come!**

If you wish to advertise in the 2020-2021 MBS yearbook, please contact Amanda Evans at 410-208-1600 or [aevans@mbscs.org](mailto:aevans@mbscs.org). We would love to see our family businesses showcased as we move forward into the future. One thing is for sure, we will certainly look back at this year.

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### **Attn: 8th grade Parents**

The time has come...High School is right around the corner. Please look for emails from me as I inform you of High School information and dates to be aware of.

Parents, this is a good time to start looking at the High School websites for information and to get familiar with your child's future school.

If you have any questions and need guidance, please contact me by email at [tgabbard@mbscs.org](mailto:tgabbard@mbscs.org) or call me at MBS M-Th. This is an exciting time for your 8th grader. Let's work together so they are prepared to take this next step with confidence!

Love and Prayers,  
Theresa Gabbard

## **ST. VALENTINE**

**St. Valentine is the Patron Saint of lovers, epileptics and beekeepers. His feast day is celebrated on February 14th. By some accounts he was a Roman priest and physician who suffered Martyrdom around 270.**

Love is in the air! That is the theme of the second-grade hallway. What a beautiful job the second graders did with their messages of love and kindness. Beautiful hearts of antonyms and acrostic poems formed from the word “HEART”. I especially liked the poster sharing “Why we love MBS!” Great job second grade, your hall always looks fabulous!



## THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

On behalf of the Class of 2021, thank you for your support of our recent sub sandwich

fundraiser. We appreciate it and trust you enjoyed your yummy subs!

Special Thank you

Paul & Vinny's for your donation of rolls

La Donne Cucina and Anonymous Donor for the meats & vegetables

Mrs. McTavish for your donation of bags

Mr. Rutzler for his time & talent in making meatballs, sausage & peppers, sauce and assembling all the subs

Mrs. Manns and Mrs. Selba for granting permission to have our sale

THANK YOU

MBS Class of 2021

Frankie B, Gianna D, Blake E, Katie E, Isaiah F, Brandon F,

Theresa H, Layla L, Sophia M, Issy M, & MaryAnn R

## SCHOOL DELAYS/CLOSINGS

**Should it be necessary to delay, cancel or dismiss children early due to weather or any other emergency situation, parents will be notified by the School Messenger Notification System. Due to bus schedules, those calls informing of cancellation or delay must be made BEFORE 6:00 a.m. Please be sure that we have your current phone number at which you wish to receive the notification calls. IT IS NECESSARY THAT THE PERSON WHO ANSWERS THE PHONE SPEAK IN ORDER TO ACTIVATE THE MESSAGE.**

**REMEMBER: YOU CAN ALWAYS CHECK WBOC TV OR WBOC WEBSITE FOR CLOSINGS!**

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## PARISH NEWS

### St. John Neumann

1st Reconciliation completed assignments due February 14th.

Parents of 1st reconciliation students need to schedule a meeting with DRE prior to Feb 14, as well. Email him:

Jsturgill@stjnrcc.com

Confirmandi need to turn in saint papers on Feb 21. Confirmation students will also have the opportunity to receive the sacrament of reconciliation on March 6.

### St. Luke

We hope you will join us in our Lenten workshop with Father Jennings, as we go

deeper into Scripture through the lens of Lent! Classes will be held on Tuesdays (beginning Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>) both in the morning (immediately following 9am daily Mass at St. Luke's, and in the evenings at St. Andrew's at 6pm. We look forward to seeing you and together preparing ourselves for this Lenten journey.

### **St. Mary Star of the Sea**

Our bookstore is open Monday-Thursday from 9 am - 3 pm. Find all of your Catholic gifts and books right in Ocean City!

