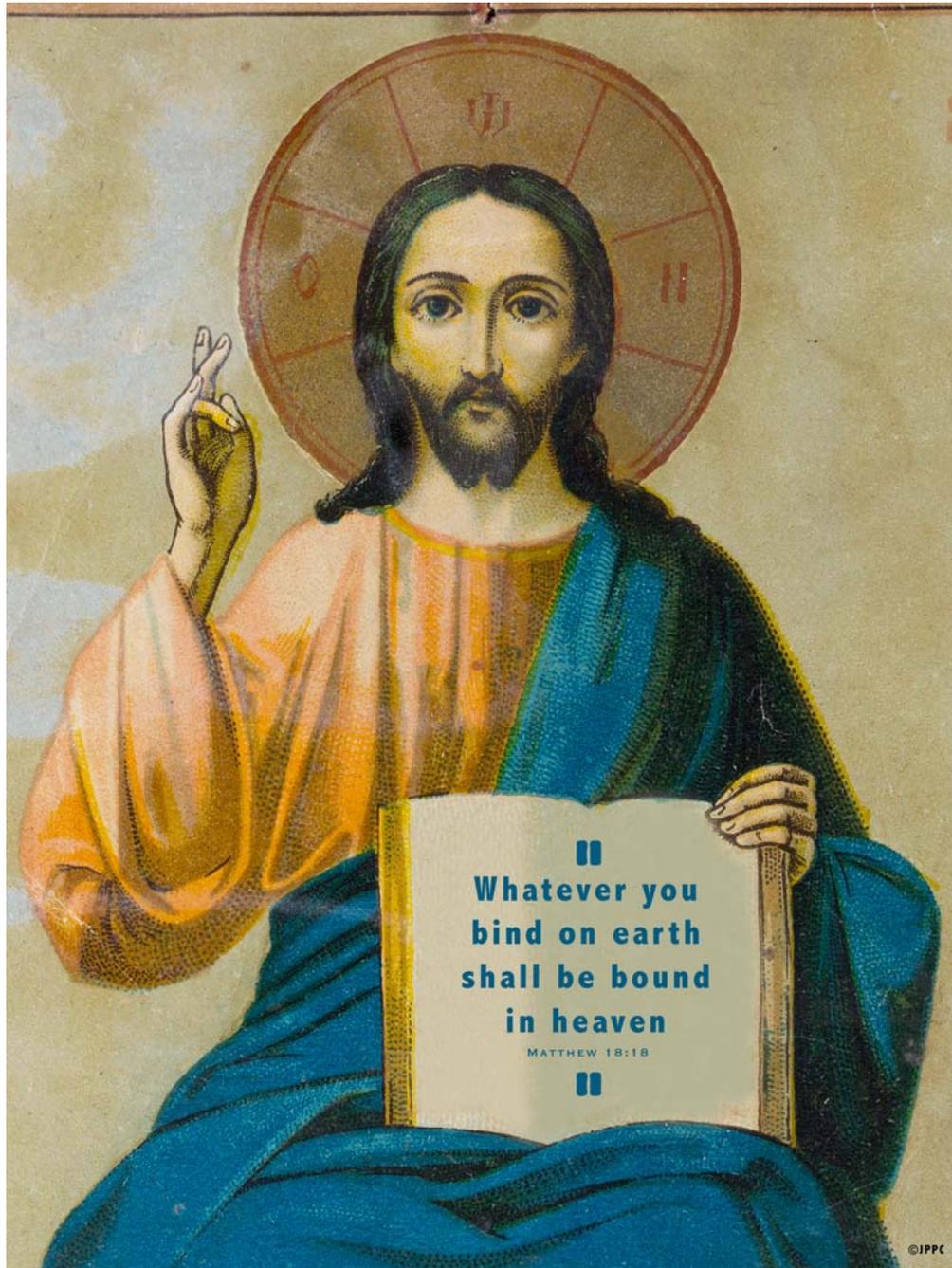


# Most Blessed Sacrament Roman Catholic Church

Franklin Lakes, New Jersey



**Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 6, 2020**

## ABOUT OUR PARISH

**REVEREND JOHN R. JOB,**  
Pastor

**MOST REVEREND JOHN W. FLESEY,**  
Pastor Emeritus

**REVEREND JOSEPH O'BRIEN, O. CARM.,**  
Weekend Assistant

**SISTER ROSE MARIE KEAN, S.S.J.,**  
Pastoral Associate

**LEO CONWELL,**  
Principal

**KRISTA M. PASTOR,**  
Director of Religious Education, Grades 1-9  
Local Safe Environment Coordinator

**DIANE TRIOLO,**  
Religious Education Coordinator  
Grades 1 - 6 & Confirmation

**PAT WUENSCH,**  
Religious Education Coordinator  
Junior High Grades 7 & 8

**DOREEN ALLAGHI,**  
Business Administrator

**BARRY DONNELLY,**  
Director of Communications  
and Public Relations

**DAVID MAIULLO,**  
Music Director: Choirs and Organist

**VALERIE TORKELSON,**  
Music Director: Programming and Cantor

**LAUREN LONGO, Ph.D.,**  
Office of the Auxiliary Bishop Emeritus

### MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT CHURCH PARISH OFFICE

787 Franklin Lake Road  
Franklin Lakes, NJ 07417

Phone: 201-891-4200

Fax: 201-891-4243

Website:

[www.mostblessedsacrament.ws](http://www.mostblessedsacrament.ws)

Hours:

Monday through Friday: 9:00 am to 4:00 pm

***Most Blessed Sacrament Parish is a welcoming community which comes together to implement Christ's mission. We join to teach, to evangelize, to accept and to encourage ourselves and others in ongoing spiritual growth. Serving and supporting those within and beyond our parish remains a major focus as we recognize that each of us is called to be a witness to God's love in our world.***  
***Parish Mission Statement***



## STAY CONNECTED WITH MBS



Be sure to stay connected with us. For Mass broadcasts, prayerful resources and updates on our rebuilding process, log on to our **website**:

[www.mostblessedsacrament.ws](http://www.mostblessedsacrament.ws)

and our **Facebook** page:

<https://www.facebook.com/Most-Blessed-Sacrament-Church-969215356503252>

For Facebook, you can also connect using the link on our website. Remember, Jesus is the vine and we are the branches...let's stay connected!

## PARISH CENTER

**The Most Blessed Sacrament Parish Center will be open to the public Monday to Friday from 9 am to 1pm.** We can assist you with Mass cards, memorial offerings, copies of sacramental records, and religious education inquiries and registration. **We encourage you to call to make an appointment (201-891-4200, x150 or x180).** Masks must be worn, and social distancing will be observed. Please do not visit if you are ill or have a fever. **In observance of Labor Day, the Parish Center will be closed on Monday, September 7th.**

## MASSES

Saturdays:	5:30pm
Sundays:	8:00am, 10:00am & 12 Noon
Holy Days:	Consult Bulletin for Times
Week Days :	6:45 & 9:15am
Saturdays:	9:00am

### SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Contact the Parish Center in advance to make arrangements for the date of instructions for parents.

### SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Following the daily 6:45 am Mass & the 9:15 am Mass, 4:30 - 5:00 pm. Saturday and also by appointment. (Additional times during Advent and Lent.)

### SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Couples contemplating marriage should contact the Parish Center one year before the desired date.

### PASTORAL CARE FOR THE SICK

Please notify the Parish Center when a family member is ill, whether in the hospital or at home. Holy Communion will be brought regularly by appointment to those confined to the home. The sick or chronically ill should receive the Sacrament of Anointing. In an emergency, call the Parish Center at any time.

## **The 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time** **Worship Aid**

### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat  
your servant in accord with your merciful love.

*(Ps 119 (118): 137, 124)*

### **GLORIA**

Glory to God in the highest,  
and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you,  
we bless you,  
we adore you,  
we glorify you,  
we give you thanks for your great glory.  
Lord God, heavenly King,  
O God almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son,  
Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,  
you take away the sins of the world,  
    have mercy on us;  
you take away the sins of the world,  
    receive our prayer;  
you are seated at the right hand of the Father,  
    have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One,  
you alone are the Lord,  
you alone are the Most High,  
Jesus Christ,  
with the Holy Spirit,  
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

### **THE RESPONSORIAL PSALM (95):**

If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

### **THE CREED**

I believe in one God, the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.

I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God, Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;

through him all things were made.  
For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,  
and by the Holy Spirit  
was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,  
and became man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.

I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead  
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

### **THE COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

Like the deer that yearns for running streams,  
so my soul is yearning for you, my God;  
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.  
(Cf. Ps 42 (41): 2-3)

### **THE ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most  
Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You  
into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment receive You  
sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart.  
I embrace You as if You were already there and unite  
myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

*(continued...)*

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP

*"You, son of man, I have appointed watchman for the house of Israel..." -Ezekiel 33:7*

Many of us are generous with our gifts. However, many of us are not generous in proportion to the gifts we have been given. How often do we give at the minimum level required? Remember, the Lord calls us to **Stewardship**, where we nurture and develop our gifts. He calls us to be generous with all the gifts He has given us, especially the one that means the most to us.

Most Blessed Sacrament is always grateful for the weekly stewardship that our parishioners offer the parish. Your contributions fund the necessary day to day operations of the parish, its ministries and outreach programs, and the critical expenses associated with them.

The following information summarizes the parish's weekly stewardship for the weekend of August 29-30, 2020. The income represents contributions made through the mail, by dropping off envelopes through the mail slot on the Franklin Lake Road side of the Parish Center, contributions offered through Parish Giving; donations made on PayPal, and in-person basket offerings at our weekend Masses.

We trust in God's providence and in your commitment to Most Blessed Sacrament. May God bless you and your families as we respond in faith, rely on hope, and share the love of Christ in our hearts.

Sincerely yours,

*Father John Job*  
Pastor

**August 29-30, 2020 Stewardship: \$13,896**

## MBS RESTORATION FUND

Needless to say, everyone in our parish family has been stunned and heart-broken by the fire at MBS, but we are united in our resolve to build again and to move forward as a Catholic community.

A number of parishioners have already come forward to offer their financial support to these rebuilding efforts. Should you wish to support the parish in this effort, we invite you to make a tax-deductible contribution to the MBS Restoration Fund.

Please make your checks payable to *The Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament* (write MBS Restoration Fund on the memo line). Mail to the MBS Parish Center, 787 Franklin Lake Road, Franklin Lakes, New Jersey 07417.

God Bless You,  
*Father John*

## SHINING THE LIGHT OF CHRIST: THE 2020 ANNUAL APPEAL UPDATE

The 2020 Annual Appeal is well underway. We have about \$76,800 already pledged. This is approximately **96% of our goal** of \$80,000. The outpouring of support helps sustain the important ministries across the Archdiocese of Newark. These programs help to make our own parish a more vibrant place of worship.

I am also happy to remind you that **100% of every dollar raised above goal will be returned to our parish**. Therefore, if we achieved \$100,000, MBS would receive a rebate in the amount of \$20,000.

I encourage you to join me in prayerfully considering making a gift or you may choose to make a pledge instead, which can be fulfilled through the end of the year. Please use the pledge form that was mailed to you or you can visit [www.rcan.org/sharing](http://www.rcan.org/sharing). As always, your generosity is greatly appreciated. Thank you for your continued prayers and ongoing support.

Peace,  
*Father John*  
Pastor

## FIRST COMMUNION



Logan Gomes celebrated his First Holy Communion at Most Blessed Sacrament at the Noon Mass on Sunday, August 30th. Pictured with Logan are Father John, Logan's grandparents, younger sister, and his parents, Jorge and Jannine. God bless you, Logan!



(Photos courtesy of Liz Harkins)

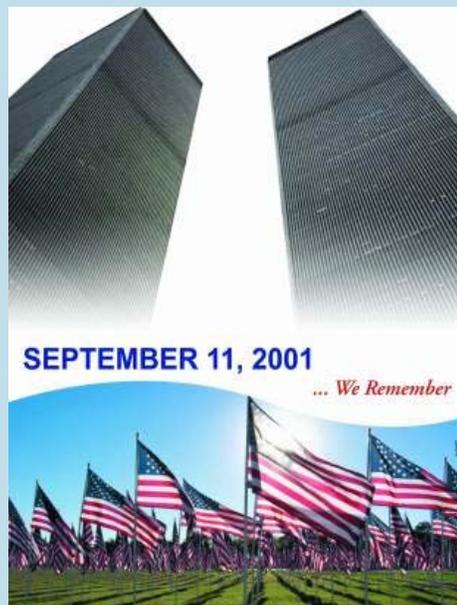
## A RECENT BAPTISM

Harper James Annitti was baptized on Saturday, August 22nd at Most Blessed Sacrament. Pictured with Harper and Father John are (l. to r.): Dimitri Dimitropoulos (godfather), Francis and Brianne Annitti (parents), and Cailey Dimitropoulos (godmother). Welcome, Harper James, to the family of faith!



## 9/11 - A PRAYER OF REMEMBRANCE

May all of us remember with love and compassion this day.  
May we grieve with those who still mourn,  
And share memories with those who cannot forget.  
May we draw strength from those who bravely responded,  
And gave their lives to save others.  
May we stand with strangers who became neighbors that day,  
And remember their generosity and hospitality.  
Above all God, may we remember your faithfulness,  
And learn to trust in your unfailing love.



For all those who died in the attacks of September 11, 2001, we especially remember those close to our parish community: *Thomas Harold Bowden, Jr., Thomas Cahill, Francis Deming, Steven Schlag, and Salvatore Zisa.*

**Most Blessed Sacrament will livestream Mass at 9:15 am on Friday, September 11th. It will be available on the parish Facebook page. The Mass may also be viewed later in the day on the parish Facebook wall and the parish website.**

## RESERVING A TICKET FOR MASS...

If you are interested in attending a Mass at M.B.S., please follow these steps to reserve a ticket...

1. Visit [www.mostblessedsacrament.ws](http://www.mostblessedsacrament.ws)
2. Locate the **Reserving a Ticket for Mass** article on the parish website homepage.
3. Click on the link of the Mass time that you are interested in attending, for example: **Saturday Evening Mass at 5:30 pm.**
4. The link will take you to Eventbrite—once on the site, click on the orange **“Select a time”** button.
5. Click on the orange **“Tickets”** button to confirm your Mass time choice.
6. Select the number of tickets that you would like to reserve and then click on the orange **“Register”** button.
7. Eventbrite will then ask you to type in your name and email address. Click on the orange **“Register”** button again to complete your order.
8. You will receive a confirmation email from Eventbrite. You may **print your ticket from Eventbrite** or **show your confirmation email** at the door to the Ministers of Hospitality.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK



**Monday:** 1 Cor 5:1-8; Ps 5:5-6, 7, 12; Lk 6:6-11

**Tuesday:** Mi 5:1-4a; Ps 13:6ab, 6c; Mt 1:1-16, 18-23 or 1:18-23

**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 7:25-31; Ps 45:11-12, 14-15, 16-17; Lk 6:20-26

**Thursday:** 1 Cor 8:1B-7, 11-13; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 23-34; Lk 6:27-38

**Friday:** 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22b-27; Ps 84:3, 4, 5-6, 12; Lk 6:39-42

**Saturday:** 1 Cor 10:14-22; Ps 116:12-13, 17-18; Lk 6:43-49

**Sunday:** Sir 27:30 — 28:7; Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12; Rom 14:7-9; Mt 18:21-35

## MASS LIVE STREAM TECHNICIANS

**Sunday, September 13:** Quinn Burns

**Sunday, September 20:** Joseph Mazzola

**Sunday, September 27:** Phil Dragonetti

## LECTORS

**Saturday, September 12**

5:30 pm: Vince Hartung

**Sunday, September 13**

8:00 am: Toni Gennarelli

10:00 am: Michael Dudas

12:00 pm: Michael DeMarco



## MASS INTENTIONS

**Saturday, September 5**

5:30 pm Joseph Valenti (Maureen Bivona)

**Sunday, September 6**

8:00 am Our Parish Family

10:00 am Peggy Fiorarancio (Emil & Kathie Grosso)

12:00 pm Tony Lazzarich (Daughter)

Frank Sparano (Wife & Children)

Vincent Panzarino (Opila Family)

Rebecca Klenk (Katherine & Emily Bonini)

Louis T. Bello (Gemma & JoAnn)

**Monday, September 7—Labor Day**

9:15 am Charles Bilotti (Friend)

**Tuesday, September 8**

6:45 am John Francis Mamone, Jr. (Family)

9:15 am Sr. Eileen Kean (Lorraine Schroers)

**Wednesday, September 9**

6:45 am Matthew Hogan (Brian & Mayen Hogan)

9:15 am Michael Rybak (Wife & Family)

**Thursday, September 10**

6:45 am Patrick Heeney (Cornerstone Sisters)

9:15 am Matthew Smith (Bernice Smith)

**Friday, September 11**

6:45 am Michael Guerrasio (Grandchildren)

9:15 am Anne Loiacono (Family)

**Saturday, September 12**

9:15 am Victor & Dorothy Viggiano (Family)

5:30 pm Carol Dowd (Thomas & Debra Cronin)

**Sunday, September 13**

8:00 am Our Parish Family

10:00 am Elaine Murray LaGuardia (Marie Pastore)

12:00 pm Sal & Mary Cosentino (Grandchildren)

THE BREAD & THE WINE  
*In Memory of John Francis Mamone, Jr.*  
*Requested by Pizzo Family*

THE SANCTUARY CANDLE  
*In Memory of Salvatore Zisa*  
*Requested by Josephine Zisa*

## SACRAMENTAL LINENS

**Wednesday, September 9:** Jo Delaney

**Wednesday, September 16:** Sharon Nall

## LOCAL PARISH NEWS

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE

A peaceful vigil to help unborn babies and put an end to abortion. For more information or to sign up contact: Margaret at 201-805-0937/scullyfam@yahoo.com.



### ATTENTION 8TH GRADERS!

St. Joseph Regional HS is currently accepting qualified applicants for admission for the Class of 2024 and for the Knights Bridge Academy, a unique program that helps ensure academic success for graduating 8th graders who feel they could benefit from another year of preparation before starting 9th grade. Please visit [www.sjrnj.org](http://www.sjrnj.org) or email [admissions@sjrnj.org](mailto:admissions@sjrnj.org) to inquire about becoming a Green Knight!

## MBS COFFEE MUG SALE

Thanks to the efforts of Mrs. Agnes Benneh, the Church of the Most Blessed Sacrament is sponsoring a coffee mug sale to raise funds to support the parish in its efforts to rebuild the church. Mugs are now available for a minimum donation of \$10 each. One hundred percent of all proceeds will go directly to MBS Church Restoration Fund.

Given the Covid-19 pandemic, and with an abundance of caution regarding good health and safety practices, mugs are not being sold directly at the church or parish center at the moment, as was originally planned earlier on in the year.

Anyone interested in purchasing the mugs can contact Mrs. Agnes Benneh now via email ([aa\\_benneh@hotmail.com](mailto:aa_benneh@hotmail.com)) or can text/call her at 201- 704-5340. Mrs. Benneh will do a contactless delivery of all orders to each individual/family.

## PRAYER LIST

**“To everything there is a season, and a time for every purpose under heaven.” Ecclesiastes 3:11**

“A time to be healed”

**Parish Sick:** William Fellingner, Scott Brodzinski, John Gallagher, Miguel Gonzalez, Gene Velarde, Debbie Innocenti, Chris Dilenno, Theresa Hanes (sister of Stella Fellingner), Bill Schafer, Marion Goudy, Ivan Castellanos, Jackie Kobes, Patricia Pohns, James Gruber (brother of Judy Medeiros), Rylan Davidson, Anya Fagien, Baby Leah Cicchino, Margherita Chiciulla, Sara Culkin, Christine Wyllie, Mary Dilenno, Michael Maher, Rose McConway, Mimoo Khodadi, Linda Brown Gearity, Florence Gorsky, Marian Jakubik, Alice Peisch, Jeff Cotugno, Robert Cotugno and Those Dealing with Mental Illness and Addiction

“A time to mourn”

**Recently Deceased:** Agnes Gallagher, and all those who grieve them.

“A time for peace”

**For national and world leaders and those in the armed services:** especially Ronald Anzalone, Greg Mucks, Liam Berrett

## E-GIVING THROUGH PARISH GIVING!

Please sign up to give electronically through Parish Giving. Visit the parish website at:



**[www.mostblessedsacrament.ws](http://www.mostblessedsacrament.ws)**

and click on the Parish Giving button. We prefer the safe and secure Parish Giving program for collecting your weekend offertory. No more envelopes or last-minute check writing! Electronic giving is safe and easy for you. It is good stewardship which is appreciated by the parish. For additional information, please visit Parish Giving at **[www.parishgiving.org](http://www.parishgiving.org)**.

## BEEFSTEAK DINNER



Unfortunately, due to the continuing uncertainties caused by the Corona Virus and State-mandated restrictions on catering facilities, this year's *Annual Most Blessed*

*Sacrament School and Education Foundation* *scheduled for Monday, September 21, 2020 has to be cancelled.* **Arrangements are currently being made for a truly special Beefsteak Dinner to be held at the Brownstone in Paterson on Tuesday, March 23, 2021.**

VIRTUAL BEREAVEMENT GATHERING  
Sister Rose Marie and the Bereavement Ministry of Most Blessed Sacrament Parish are planning a Zoom gathering on Thursday, September 10th at 7:00 pm. If you would like to participate, please email Sister Rose Marie at [rosemariekean@gmail.com](mailto:rosemariekean@gmail.com) to let her know of your interest. The link for the gathering will then be emailed to you. God bless you!

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION



### CCD Registration 2020-21

An updated registration form was emailed home to all families to reflect our revised plan for a Virtual Fall Program. If you have not yet registered for Religious Education, please contact Diane Triolo at [dtriolo@mbschurchnj.org](mailto:dtriolo@mbschurchnj.org) to receive more information. Registration forms are now past due.

### ATTENTION AMBS ALUMNI!

Have you checked out our new Academy of the Most Blessed Sacrament? Our new website is [www.ambs.org](http://www.ambs.org). We will be adding an alumni page and would love some information from you for our page. We would love to spotlight the wonderful accomplishments of graduates of the Academy of the Most Blessed Sacrament and plan to include such items as high school honor roll, high school accomplishments, college graduations, college dean's list, weddings, births, anniversaries, awards received, etc. Please email us your news and photo at [alumni@rcmbs.org](mailto:alumni@rcmbs.org) and please also include if you would like to be part of a growing alumni association database to receive news about AMBS and to get involved in your alma mater.

## ACADEMY OF THE MOST BLESSED SACRAMENT



**A 2016 NATIONAL BLUE RIBBON SCHOOL!!!**



Interested in learning more about the Academy of the Most Blessed Sacrament? We are ALWAYS OPEN to exploring the possibility of enrolling at AMBS for the 2020 - 2021 school year with interested families!

We offer Pre-K programs for 2, 3, and 4 year old children! We also have a Transitional Kindergarten full day class and, of course, Grades K - 8! Be part of the excitement here - call and leave a message...201.891.4250, extension 4. You may also reach us by sending an email to [admissions@rcmbs.org](mailto:admissions@rcmbs.org). *We are very proud of our school and would love to hear from you!!!*



**DON'T DELAY - take advantage of the generous \$500 grants available from the Most Blessed Sacrament School & Education Foundation to be applied to tuition for next year!!! For further information, please visit our website: [ambs.org](http://ambs.org).**

*May God continue to bless our school!*

## SCAM ALERT

If you receive an email that appears to be from Father John, Bishop Flesey, or any staff member of the Parish or Academy asking you to take some kind of unusual action (e.g. click a link or download an attachment you didn't request, wire money to a specified account, purchase gift cards and reply with the serial numbers, or simply to reply quickly), **DO NOT RESPOND OR ENGAGE THE SENDER.**

## AMBS TO OFFER FULL IN-SCHOOL PROGRAM

The Academy of the Most Blessed Sacrament, a national Blue Ribbon School of Excellence, is very excitedly looking forward to the start the 2020-2021 school year! Despite the challenges posed by the Covid-19 pandemic, AMBS remains committed to its mission of ensuring that each student receives “a superior education in a caring Catholic environment in order to reach their God-given potential to become individuals capable of success in a changing and complex society.”



The school will be offering a full program of in-school instruction starting on September 14. This includes a Pre-K program, transitional kindergarten and grades K-8. The Academy’s operating hours will be from 8:45 AM till 1:00 PM, Monday through Friday for the first six weeks of school. The school staff and administration will evaluate that schedule at the end of October.

Parents who feel that their children will be more comfortable learning from home, may opt for a remote learning option through which students will have the opportunity to connect with their teachers virtually.

“We have been planning carefully for a successful start to the school year since the beginning of the summer,” said new AMBS Principal Mr. Leo Conwell. “The most important message I want to relay to all our families is that the children will be learning in a safe, nurturing atmosphere. Our classes are small enough so that social distancing can be maintained at all times, and our staff and teachers have been working hard to develop policies and procedures that will ensure the safety of every student and faculty member.”

Outside, the school has received a complete face-lift in preparation for the 2020-21 school year, including new exterior painting and the installation of new school signs at the front entrance and on the lawn fronting Franklin Lake Road. Inside, every classroom has been cleaned and sanitized.

“If you need any information about the upcoming school year, or if you would like to take a tour of the school, please do not hesitate in contacting me,” said Mr. Conwell, “and I will be more than happy to answer any questions you might have about our school.”

The \$500 tuition grants offered by the MBS Education Foundation remain in place.

The phone number for the Academy of the Most Blessed Sacrament is 201-891-4250. The school’s offices will be open from 8:00-2:00 Monday through Thursday for the balance of the summer.



# MBS FUNDRAISER

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 14th

20% of all orders will be donated directly to

Most Blessed Sacrament Church  
Restoration Fund

Please mention MBS when ordering  
pickup or delivery  
201-485-8840