



MATER DOLOROSA CATHOLIC SCHOOL

1/14/22 Eagle Bulletin

Saturday, 1/15

Let's unite in prayer today to ask for God's will to be done in and through our school for the students.

Monday, 1/17

- Martin Luther King, Jr. Holiday!
- Monday January 17, 2022 6:00pm Steak Dinner Committee Meeting
All parents are encouraged to attend the meeting to plan this important event.

State Scholarship Program Deadline is Friday, 1/28/22

Please read the attachments to learn more about the State Scholarship Program.

Next, click [Louisiana Scholarship Program - Online Student Application](#).

Finally, forward the email that this bulletin is attached to parents who would like to join our MDCS family and may qualify for the scholarship.

Wednesday, 1/19

- 8:00 Mass
- 4th Graders will go to the Tangipahoa Parish Landfill after Mass.

Thursday, 1/20

4H meeting is after school until 4:15. If students are not picked up by 4:15, then they will be sent to aftercare and charged a fee.

Friday, 1/21

Spirit Day! Students may wear blue jeans or uniform bottoms with their MDCS spirit shirts. School shoes must be worn. No rips, tears, or holes are allowed in the blue jeans.

Wednesday, 1/26

8:00 Mass

Friday, 1/28

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January 31st

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year will begins!

Catholic Schools Week Begins!

Wednesday, 2/2

8:00 Mass

Friday, 2/4

- Progress Reports Sent Home
- Spirit Day! Students may wear blue jeans or uniform bottoms with their MDCS spirit shirts. School shoes must be worn. No rips, tears, or holes are allowed in the blue jeans.

Tuesday, 2/8

Picture retakes, group pictures, Kinder and 8th grade pictures

Wednesday, 2/9

8:00 Mass

Friday, 2/11

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Saturday, 2/12

Steak Dinner! (See attachment)

Wednesday, 2/16

8:00 Mass

Friday, 2/18

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Wednesday, 2/23

8:00 Mass

Friday, 2/25

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Reflection

The Draw of Jesus

Friday of the First Week in Ordinary Time

When Jesus returned to Capernaum after some days, it became known that he was at home. Many gathered together so that there was no longer room for them, not even around the door, and he preached the word to them. [Mark 2:1-2](#)

There were so many people coming to Jesus that there was no room for everyone, not even around the door to the house He was in. This is an interesting situation. On a practical note, why wouldn't Jesus have noticed this dilemma and done something about it? Why not move out into a larger area where everyone could see and hear Him?

It's hard to answer that question but there is one thing of which we can be certain. We can be certain that those who came to listen to Him, even if they could not get in, were greatly rewarded for their faith. This passage reveals a very important spiritual principle. It reveals that the spiritual longing to be near Jesus was, in and of itself, transforming.

Often times we will have a similar experience. We may find that we long to hear Jesus speak to us, but we cannot seem to hear Him. It may be that He appears silent to us or that we do not know where to find Him. But do not be disheartened if this is your experience. The fact of the matter is that your desire to be with Him is itself a great gift and has potential to transform your life.

Reflect, today, upon what may be termed "the silence of God." There may be times in your life when God seems to be distant and is nowhere to be found. When this happens, you should realize that this is a way for God to call you even closer to Himself. It's a way for God to whisper so as to gain your full attention. If this is a "struggle" that you experience at times, turn your attention to our Lord all the more intensely and allow the desire for Him to grow. It is this desire to be near Jesus that may actually produce much greater fruit in your life than if you were to hear Him loud and clear.

My silent Lord, please increase within me a desire to be near You. Help me to long for You with all my heart. In that longing, help me to shed all that is not of You and to give You my full attention. Jesus, I trust in You.