



# Mary Help of Christians Tampa's Salesian Parish

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## Administered by the Salesians of St. John Bosco

Fr. Steve Dumais, S.D.B. Pastor

Fr. Franco Pinto, S.D.B. Center Director

Fr. John Bosco Lee, S.D.B- Korean Ministry

Deacon Ed Ancia

## Mass Schedule

**Daily: Monday-Friday**  
**6:45am(Chapel)** *not livestreamed*

**Monday & Wednesday**  
**7pm (Church)** *livestreamed*  
*Note: 1st Wednesday of month Mass at Chapel\**

## Saturday Vigil

**5pm-(Church)**  
*not livestreamed*

## Sunday

**11am-(Church)**  
*livestreamed*

## Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday (Church)\*

- ◇ 4:00pm-6:45pm Silent Adoration  
*not livestreamed*
- ◇ 8-9pm Praise/Worship Adoration  
*livestreamed*

*\*Note that 1st Wed of month Adoration is continuous from 4-9pm, 7pm Mass is in the Chapel, & Adoration is not livestreamed.*

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 minutes prior to Weekend Masses

## Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick

By appointment

**Contact the parish office for  
information on how to prepare for  
the Sacraments**



## Mission Statement

Our Parish here in Tampa, FL, a Catholic Church dedicated to the Mother of God under her title as Help of Christians, is a place of joy, worship, welcome, evangelization and reconciliation. As a Salesian Parish in the Diocese of St. Petersburg we commit ourselves to having a deep-seated preference for the young, especially those who are poor, while striving to minister to the corporal and spiritual needs of all our members and visitors as well. We pray and work for peace, love, truth, and social justice through active stewardship and service - notably with the assistance of our advocate Mary Help of Christians, and her great devotee St. John Bosco. We hope to provide an opportunity for everyone who worships with us to be transformed into people courageously living the Gospel.

## Pastor's Message

Weekend of March 28, 2021

Dear People of God,

As Jesus entered Jerusalem, just four short days before He would be arrested, He was received with great joy. The crowds spread their cloaks, strewed palm branches before Him and cried out, "Hosanna to the Son of David; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord; hosanna in the highest." Jesus, the King of Kings was certainly given a kingly welcome.

He entered this city of David as King and Priest, and He died as the Sacrificial Lamb. He was greeted by shouts of "Hosanna", only to soon hear "Crucify Him, crucify Him!"

What a shock to all the minds and hearts of his faithful followers. How could this happen? How could something so glorious become so painful in such a short time? Rationally, it doesn't seem to make any sense...but from a divine perspective it was the beginning of the most glorious act ever known.

In our own lives, we often do all we can to avoid even the slightest amount of sacrifice. But sacrifice is capable of the greatest good when united to the one Sacrifice of Jesus.

Jesus entered Jerusalem with perfect determination to begin the Sacrifice that would conquer sin and death and defeat the evil one. And that is exactly what He did.

How willing are we to embrace sacrifice in our own lives? Our sacrifices might not be able to save the world by their own merit, but if we face our crosses in life, be they big or small, and if we intentionally unite them to the actions of Jesus that first Holy Week, then we can be certain that we will suffer with the Lord...but we can also be certain that our suffering will be transformed by the power of this Holy week and lead us all to a glorious sharing in His triumph over all sin and suffering.

Don't forget to join us for our Holy Week services and events!

Many thanks to those generous souls who undertook the ministry of reaching out to and calling all those registered with us here at MHC. I know that your efforts will benefit, in a positive way, parish life and its morale in the long run.

As usual please remember to pray for all the Salesians in our presence here at MHC . . . especially those at St. Philip Residence. Be assured we will be doing the same for you.

Peace and Joy Always!



Fr. Steve Dumais, SDB.

Pastor



**FASTING** is to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday by all Catholics between the ages of 18 to 59 years (inclusive). On days of fasting, one full meal is allowed. Two smaller meals, sufficient to maintain strength, may be taken according to one's needs, but together they should not equal another full meal. Eating between meals is not permitted, but liquids are allowed.

**ABSTINENCE** from meat is to be observed by all Catholics who are 14 years of age and older. Ash Wednesday, all the Fridays of Lent, and Good Friday are days of abstinence. If a person is unable to observe the above regulations due to ill health or other serious reasons, they are urged to practice other forms of self-denial that are suitable to their condition.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, March 27,  
5pm † **Pedro & Edna Gallar**-Pete & Mary Gallar-  
Sunday, March 28,

11am † **Phyllis Ytuarte**-Cynthia Spano  
11am † **Ray Alessandrini**-Deacon Ed & Lorraine  
Anctil

Monday, March 29,  
6:45am **Retired Salesian Priests & Brothers**  
7pm † **Catherine Ann Joyce**-Angie & Shane

Tuesday, March 30,  
6:45am **In Thanksgiving to God**-Angie & Shane  
Wednesday, March 31,

6:45am **Special Intentions of Priests**-Chet Shinko  
7pm † **Dorothy Picard**-Pete & Mary Gallar

**Holy Thursday**, April 1,  
6:45am **World Peace**  
7pm † **Lucy & John Costa**-Ann Marie, Tom, Carl, &  
Shane

**Good Friday**, April 2,  
6:45am **Sick & Homebound**

**Holy Saturday**, April 3,  
8pm † **Pedro & Edna Gallar**-Pete & Mary Gallar

Readings for  
Holy Week



**Holy Thursday**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Exodus 12:1-8, 11-14  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 1 Corinthians 11:23-26

**Good Friday**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Isaiah 52:13-53:12  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading Hebrews 4:14-16; 5:7-9  
Passion: John 18:1-19:42

**Easter Vigil (Saturday Evening)**

1<sup>st</sup> Reading: Genesis 1:1-2:2  
2<sup>nd</sup> Reading; Exodus 14:15-15:1  
3<sup>rd</sup> Reading: Isaiah 55:1-11  
Epistle: Romans 6:3-11  
Gospel Mark 16:1-7

**Easter Sunday (During the Day)**

1st Reading: Acts 10:34a, 37-43  
2nd Reading: Col 3:1-4  
Gospel John 20:1-9

PRAYER LIST

Beverly Wiebeld, Leamy Family, Lew Swick, Ofelia Posada, Nick Piesco, Lorraine Anctil, Thomas Epp, Pete & Mary Gallar, Josie Martinez, Richard Ratke, Vivian Diaz, Sandra Oliva, Cathy Nagel, Theresa Fitzgerald, Carol Ryan, Mary Ann Clark, Brune Ortiz, Julie Bianchi, Mark Foster, Joe Brocato, Elaine Jones, Tony Franz, Kerrigan Family, Gilles Ducharme, Melissa Ritter, Mary Ellen Riley, Juanita Vilal, Imogene Rodrigues, Zenaida Torres, Tom & Liz Riley, Carroll Family, Della Sarsfield, Tom Costa, Oliver Rodrigues, Mike Riley, David & Rosie Gratz, Leo & Lillie Letourneau, Henrietta Hlinka, Bass Family, Zarate Family, Alfonso Family, Mungai Family, Gabriel Family, Rossiter Family, Strauss & Alessandrini Families, Lisa Franz, Mike Murphy, Fortson Family, Bartolotti Family, Heidi Moe, Broad Family

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions  
for March



**Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Let us pray that we may experience the sacrament of reconciliation with renewed depth, to taste the infinite mercy of God.



# Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion



As we celebrate Palm Sunday of the Lord's Passion, we are reminded that Lent is coming to close and the Resurrection is nearing. In one week, we will celebrate Easter Sunday. Pray that the Lord allow you to accompany him serenely during these Easter mysteries and you may emerge from them renewed in faith, hope and charity.

## Meet Me in the Desert

Lord of Lent, Lord of Easter, As you went into the desert So do I follow Putting aside that which distracts me Grabs at me Falsely claims me. To search inside To confront myself My best, my worst My good works and my sins.

And each time, I find you there To call to me again With words of challenge and words of mercy. And as I fall to my knees, in prayer, in fasting In sacrifice and penitence Somehow, you have it in yourself to reach out and gently lift me To renew me To claim me as nothing of this world can claim me.

Meet me in the desert, Lord. Claim me anew.

**Amen.**

## The Easter Triduum

The summit of the Liturgical Year is the Easter Triduum—from the evening of Holy Thursday to the evening of Easter Sunday. Though chronologically three days, they are liturgically one day unfolding for us the unity of Christ's Paschal Mystery.

The single celebration of the Triduum marks the end of the Lenten season, and leads to the Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord at the Easter Vigil.

**Holy Thursday—April 1, 2021**

**Good Friday—April 2, 2021**

**Easter Sunday—April 4, 2021**

Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord





**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**  
Friday, March 26th at 7pm  
MHC Church

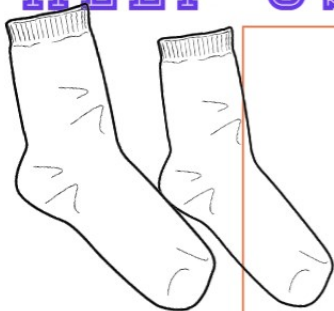


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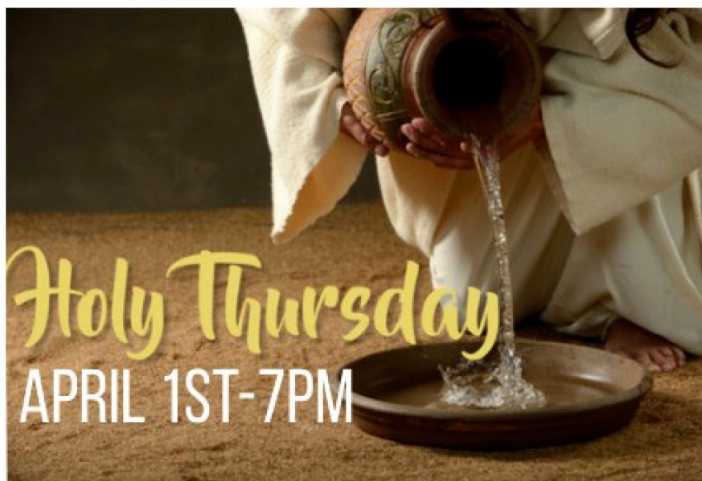


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*2021 Holy Week Schedule*

MHC Faith Formation Youth  
PRESENT

**LIVE**

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS**

FRIDAY APRIL 2ND AT 7PM  
AT MHC CHURCH

COME, JOURNEY TO THE  
FOOT OF THE CROSS



# Stewardship

## Stewardship Reflection

### **Palm Sunday**

*“Pilate again said to them, ‘Then what shall I do with the man whom you call the King of the Jews?’ And they cried out again, ‘Crucify him.’” – MARK 15:12-13*

Jesus told us “whatever you do for the least of my brothers, you do for me.” Every day we are presented opportunities to help someone. Every day we have the opportunity to see the face of Jesus in others and be the face of Jesus to others. Every day we pass by someone in need. Pray for the strength and courage to be the answer to someone’s prayer..  
~St. Louis Archdiocese

## On-line & Text Giving

**SAFETY.** In times when there are concerns about exposures to disease or spreading of a virus, Online Giving is a convenient option to continue to support your church and its mission. Whether you are attending weekly Mass at the Parish or worshipping at home, your vital support can still happen, regardless of where you are.

**FORGET YOUR ENVELOPE?** Use Online Giving or Text Giving to keep up on Offertory. Your support throughout the year helps sustain our Church.

**NEED HELP?** Contact us for a walk through of setting up your Online Giving or Text Giving account today!

## Our Gifts

<b>Weekend of March 20/21</b>	<b>Attendance Envelopes Donations</b>		
Mass Offertory (In Person Attendance)	99	13	1712
Online Giving Donations			1958
Other Donations			1505
<b>Total Donations Collected</b>			<b>5175</b>

## DID YOU KNOW...

**Stewardship & Development**  
planned and executed  
offertory outreach efforts  
for **21** parishes

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Annual  
Pastoral  
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**Statement of Activities**  
*Monthly P & L Summary*  
 January 31, 2021

	<u>Current Month Actual</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>
<b>Income</b>		
Offertory Revenue Totals:	15,920.00	114,377.76
Other Operating Revenue Totals:	1,750.00	24,404.78
Pastoral Leadership Totals:	1,100.00	1,688.19
Worship & Music Totals:	104.00	535.00
Faith Formation Totals:	150.00	845.00
Charity & Outreach Totals:	1,854.00	6,390.00
APA Assessment Totals:	70.00	30,115.04
School Support Totals:	156.85	1,097.95
Supplemental Operations Totals:	0.00	2,498.00
Dedicated/Restricted Rev & Exp Totals:	954.55	6,563.40
Income Totals:	<u>22,059.40</u>	<u>188,515.12</u>
<b>Expense</b>		
Pastoral Leadership Totals:	2,470.00	17,290.00
Worship & Music Totals:	2,565.25	15,065.03
Faith Formation Totals:	1,736.00	12,122.04
Charity & Outreach Totals:	563.01	2,637.67
APA Assessment Totals:	70.00	30,115.04
School Support Totals:	313.70	2,195.90
Administration Totals:	13,167.13	94,449.30
Facilities/PPE Totals:	500.00	3,866.10
Expense Totals:	<u>21,385.09</u>	<u>177,741.08</u>
<b>Income - Expense:</b>	<u>674.31</u>	<u>10774.04</u>

\*\*These figures are the actual amounts for the month ending 01/31/2021  
 If you have any questions regarding these figures, please feel free to contact  
 any of the members of the Finance Committee listed below.

Account details available upon request.

Edwin Celeiro                      Roland Rodriguez  
 Jody Fameree                      Deacon Ed Anctil



Statement of Activities  
*Monthly P & L Summary*  
 February 28, 2021

	<u>Current Month Actual</u>	<u>YTD Actual</u>
<b>Income</b>		
Offertory Revenue Totals:	16,700.00	131,077.76
Other Operating Revenue Totals:	664.32	25,069.10
Pastoral Leadership Totals:	0.00	1,688.19
Worship & Music Totals:	134.00	669.00
Faith Formation Totals:	0.00	845.00
Charity & Outreach Totals:	730.00	7,120.00
APA Assessment Totals:	0.00	30,115.04
School Support Totals:	156.85	1,254.80
Supplemental Operations Totals:	0.00	2,498.00
Dedicated/Restricted Rev & Exp Totals:	863.16	7,426.56
Income Totals:	<u>19,248.33</u>	<u>207,763.45</u>
<b>Expense</b>		
Pastoral Leadership Totals:	2,495.00	19,785.00
Worship & Music Totals:	1,812.77	16,877.80
Faith Formation Totals:	1,764.00	13,886.04
Charity & Outreach Totals:	3,500.00	6,137.67
APA Assessment Totals:	0.00	30,115.04
School Support Totals:	313.70	2,509.60
Administration Totals:	13,118.72	107,568.02
Facilities/PPE Totals:	560.86	4,426.96
Expense Totals:	<u>23,565.05</u>	<u>201,306.13</u>
<b>Income - Expense:</b>	<u>(4,316.72)</u>	<u>6457.32</u>

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### We Welcome New Members

If you are interested in registering as a member of Mary Help of Christians Catholic Church or if you would like more information about joining our parish

- Please visit us online at [www.mhcptampa.org](http://www.mhcptampa.org)
- Call us at 813-626-7588
- Visit the parish office

We are glad you are here!

### Thanks Phone Ministry!

Thank You to all our Volunteer Callers for using your time and talents to serve the Church!



We appreciate all that you do.

### Mass Intentions for 2021

To have a Mass said in honor of your loved one, Email us at [parish@mhctampa.org](mailto:parish@mhctampa.org)

The suggested donations for Mass Intentions are as follows:

**Weekday—\$10**

**Weekend & Holy Day—\$15**

*Note: Masses are scheduled based on availability, and the date preferred may not be open.*

*One name per Mass unless a married couple or family (Ex: Jane & John Smith or Smith Family). Except Sundays at 11am where 2 intentions are accepted.*

### PACK THE CHAPEL

PRAISE AND WORSHIP

JOIN US

Wednesday, March 31st

for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament including Praise & Worship Music, Confession, & Benediction.

### Could you not watch with me for one hour?

Every Wednesday (Church)\*

- ◇ 4:00pm-7:00pm Silent Adoration *not livestreamed*
- ◇ 8-9pm Praise/Worship Adoration *livestreamed*

*\*Note that 1st Wed of month Adoration is continuous from 4-9pm, 7pm Mass is in the Chapel, & Adoration is not livestreamed.*



Your gift to the Annual Pastoral Appeal helps us courageously live the Gospel. Learn more at [www.dosp.org](http://www.dosp.org).



As we reflect on our many blessings during this season of prayer, fasting and almsgiving, let us be mindful to give God thanks and praise. Father Steve would like to extend his personal gratitude to all who have generously supported the Good Works of our Church. As we pray on the Life, Death and Resurrection of our Lord, remembering the unconditional sacrifice He made for us and our salvation, may we remember those in most need throughout our diocese, and courageously respond with grateful hearts and generosity.

*Thank you for your generosity!*

### Wednesday Words with Fr. Steve

Every Wednesday Night, Fr. Steve makes a YouTube Video to connect with everyone in our faith community. The video is on our Parish website & YouTube.



We need volunteers to take the Vocations Chalice home and pray for Vocations.

We are all called to pray for vocations.

Not just vocations to the Priesthood, but also Consecrated Life, and Married Life...Especially Holy Families.

If you are interested in signing up to take the Vocations Chalice, sign up on the calendar in Church or see an Usher.

### Easter is around the corner...

Visit our MHC Gift Shop  
Sundays from 9:30-10:45 AM  
Wednesdays from 2-7 PM  
or

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### **There are Seven Sacraments of the Catholic Church.**

The sacraments of initiation into the Body of Christ are Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist.

The sacraments of healing and peace are Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick.

The sacraments of vocation are Marriage and Holy Orders.

### **The Sacrament of Baptism**

Are you interested in having your baby/child Baptized? Through baptism, your child will receive new life in Christ and become a son or daughter of God! We look forward to welcoming your precious child into our parish family and the Holy Catholic Church. Contact the Parish Office for information on how to begin.

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### **The Sacrament of Holy Communion**

Holy Communion is one of the three Sacraments of Initiation. Eucharist means thanksgiving. We believe Christ's body and blood are truly present in the consecrated host and wine. With profound thanksgiving, we consume the Body and Blood of Christ and remember the sacrifice He made for our sins. The Eucharist nourishes us spiritually, providing food for our faith journey. If you are interested in enrolling your child in preparation for this sacrament, contact the parish office for a registration packet.

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### **RCIA**

Interested in the Catholic Church and Faith? Already a Catholic adult but not yet Confirmed? If you would like to know more about the Catholic Church or about how to become Catholic, or you have already been baptized and would like to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation, contact us for more information.

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### **The Sacrament of Holy Matrimony**

Recently engaged? Congratulations!

The Sacrament of Marriage is a sacred covenant made by the bride and groom with God. It is a Sacrament of Vocation. We care about you and your marriage, and we look forward to sharing the journey with you! Contact the Parish Office for information on how we can help you with preparing for your wedding.

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