

Dear People of God,

Preparing for the Thanksgiving/Advent/Christmas Seasons, once again I have taken time to seriously reflect on how blessed my life has been and continues to be.

This past September I began my seventh year of pastoral service to this wonderful faith family here at Mary Help of Christians. I remember how welcoming everyone was when I first came upon the scene. I remember all of the sacraments administered; the baptisms, first communions, first penance, confirmations, marriages, annulments, funerals, and anointing of and visit to our sick/homebound. I’ve had the honor of serving at the wide variety of church functions offered here. I remember the heartfelt conversations that took place in my office or at the so many homes that I was privileged to be welcomed into. I remember the countless acts of kindness and charity that I was the beneficiary of through your hearts and your hands.

Today, as we are all approaching these Seasons, I am simply writing to say thank you. I only wish you could see our parish, our people, in the same light that I do. What an amazing congregation! It has been a blessing to be your pastor. We are small, but we are mighty. I am continually amazed by your compassion, generosity, and willingness to serve and to do for other.

I need to offer a great debt of gratitude to our Deacon and friend Ed Antcil who often takes up the slack whether I’m here or away. Ditto to the rest of our parish office staff (Pam, Rosa, Clara, Suzanne, Ann Marie, Steve) who faithfully carry on their duties no matter what challenges lie before them. You should be as proud of them all as I am.

Many heartfelt thanks to Margaret Brown, Susan Picarro, for moving our many and varied Christmas preparations forward and on time, Julie Fameree and all the ladies of our Mama Margaret Women’s Guild, Tony Marincovich, Edwin Celeiro and all the Knights of Columbus who support just about every activity our parish sponsors.

On top of this abbreviated list are heart-felt thanks to so many of you who have uplifted and encouraged me with your prayers and many kindnesses.

Is there any wonder why I feel the importance of each of you sharing your faith, your compassion, your kindness, your joy, and your love of God and other. We all need to be on fire with how blessed we are with the gift of each other!

We might not know what the future brings us, but we know the One we follow is faithful. We know that the One who is Lord of us all loves us immensely. How will he not graciously give us all good things?

Let us, therefore, walk forward with faith in God and love for one another. Please continue to pray for me. Be assured I’ll be doing the same for you.

Peace and Joy Always!



Fr. Steve Dumais, SDB
Pastor

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pete & Mary Gallar, Janice Murphy, Vivian Diaz, Sandra Oliva, Joe Brocato, Imogene Rodrigues, Della Sarsfield, Tom Costa, David & Rosie Gratz, Leo & Lillie Letourneau, Lisa Franz, Patti Capitano, Fran Johns, Betsie Welch, Laura Munoz, Bobby Ryder, David Netel, Larry Walsh, Mylyssa Forenczy Zampano, Fernando Romero, Akers family, Jay Samman, Rose Gabriel, Francis Briones, Julia Kelly, Barbara Dahl, Martha Catul, Elaine Jones, Barbara Robles. Patricia Hauser, Ricky Dixon, Bernadette Schoppman, Joann Johnson, Beverly Fernandez, Bob & Marge Fallon, Rene Zarte, Joe Branson, Dennis Bender, Kathy Cortez, Jean Nichols, George Hernandez, Jack Walsh, Joann Bliss, Joshua Keleske.

For those who have asked you to pray for them.

2023 Mass Intentions:

November 25, 2023 to December3, 2023

Sat, November 25, 2023, 5:00pm + James Marshall req. by Patricia Marshall
Sun November 26, 2023, 8:00am: +James Monte Kruse req. by Scallon Family
Sun, November 26, 2023, 11:00am + Joseph & Dolores Antcil req. by Deacon Ed and Lorraine
Mon, November 27, 2023, 6:45am: + Mate Cosic and Family req. by Sanja Cosic
Mon, November 27, 7pm: Special intention for the health of Larry Taylor Req, by Pam Brewer
Tues, November 28, 2023, 6:45: Jessica Von Drak req. by Diane Kinnee
Wed, November 29, 2023, 6:45am: +Mate Cosic & Family req. by Sanja Cosic
Wed, November 29, 2023, 7:00pm: +Walter Shinko req. by Chet Shinko
Thurs, November 30, 2023, 6:45am: Ana Lulic & Family req. by Sanja Cosic
Fri, December 1, 2023,6:45am: +Regina Sparks & Family req. by Sanja Cosic
Sat, December 2, 2023, 5:00pm + Luella Rockway req. by Sean & Ann Rockway
Sun, December 3,2023 8:00am: +Mary Viteri req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine
Sun, December 3, 2023,11am : +Polly Say requested by Maggie Brown

WHO IS DON BOSCO



John Melchior Bosco, SDB, popularly known as Don Bosco, was an Italian Catholic priest, educator, writer and saint of the 19th century. While working in Turin, where the population suffered many of the ill-effects of industrialization and urbanization, he dedicated his life to the betterment and education of street children, juvenile delinquents, and other disadvantaged youth. He developed teaching methods based on love rather than punishment, a method that became known as the Salesian Preventive System.

November

11/26 No Faith Formation Classes youth or adult
11/27 Finance Council Meeting 5:30pm
11/28 Knights of Columbus meeting 7pm
11/29 Adoration silent 4-7pm praise & worship 8-9pm
11/29 Youth Ministry 7pm
11/29 Novena Immaculate Conception-Dec. 7

December

12/02 1st Sat Marian Devotion 9:30am
12/03 1st Sunday of Advent-blessing of wreath at every Mass
12/06 Adoration silent 4-7pm / Youth Ministry 7pm
12/06 Advent Penance service 7:30-9pm
12/07 Parish Staff meeting 6:15/ Parish Council 7pm
12/08 Immaculate Conception Mass Holy Day Masses 6:45am-12:10pm small chapel/7pm Church
12/09 Advent Retreat 9:30-2:30 info in bulletin
12/09 Friendsgiving 6-8pm
12/10 Angel tree gifts due
12/13 Adoration silent 4-7pm praise and worship 8-9pm
12/13 Youth Ministry 7pm

A Special Thanks goes out to the Knights of Columbus and the Mama Margaret for all there hard work to make the Chicken Dinner a big success. We had great food and great company and even was able to do some bidding on the fantastic baskets. It was a great success to everyone who worked and participated.

Newly added to our on line Donations

If you would like to donate gift cards and forget to get them when you go to the store you can now go on line to the web site mhcptampa.org and go to Stewardship –online giving—go under outreach Charity and go under Sub fund and you will see gift cards donation. Please consider giving some this is very much needed for our Outreach every month.

FRIENDSGIVING

You are invited

All Volunteers, Parishioners, and Friends of the Mary Help of Christians Tampa community are invited!

MHC 6400 Chelsea St. Tampa, Fl 33610

Saturday December 9, 2023 6-8PM

RSVP Chioma Okoye @ cokoye@mhctampa.org or call at 813-626-6191

**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
PARISH OUTREACH**

- Chef Boyardee, spaghetti, ravioli, canned food
- Peanut butter and Jelly any flavor
- Tuna Fish canned, Soup (any kind)
- Ramon Noodles
- Gift Cards are very important \$15

Next Outreach is 12/16 meet at Mary Help at 8am to load Cars and trucks.
Take advantage of those BOGO’S one for YOU, one for MHCP!

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of November 18,2023 To November 19, 2023

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>171</u>	<u>Envelopes</u>	<u>28</u>
Mass Offertory	\$	2,540.00	
Loose Checks	\$	225.00	
Online Giving	\$	1,376.00	
Candles	\$	00	
Special Collection	\$	570.13	
<u>TOTAL</u>	\$	4,141.00	

PARISH ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

Dec. 06,2023 @ 7:30-9pm

PARISH ADVENT RETREAT

7 Sins vs 7 Virtues

Dec. 9,2023 9:30-2:30PM

**Lunch will be served
please sign up at the back
of church .**



ANGEL TREE

Please consider taking an ornament or two from the Angel Tree for our annual toy collection for those in need. We have added Fast Food Gift Cards for the older youth. Please put all gift cards in the gift card box. Please bring all gifts un wrapped with the ornament attached . **PLEASE RETURN BY DEC 10.** Thank you for your love and generosity.

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Deacon Edmond Anctil

Solemnity of Christ the King November 26, 2023



Mass Schedule

Daily: Monday-Friday
6:45am (Chapel)

12:00 Noon (Chapel)

Monday & Wednesday

7pm (Church)

Saturday Vigil

5pm-(Church)

Sunday

8am (Church)

11am (Church) *livesreamed*

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday (Church)*

- ◇ 4:00pm-6:45pm Silent Adoration
- ◇ 8-9pm Praise/Worship Adoration

*Note that 1st Wed of month Adoration is continuous from 4-9pm, 7pm Mass is in the Chapel

Sacrament of Reconciliation

30 minutes prior to Weekend Masses

Korean Ministry

Sun 9:20am Mass

Staff Directory and Ministry

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Contact the parish office 813 626 7588
for information Annulments, Baptisms,
Weddings, Home Visits, Hospital
Visits. Sacrament of the Sick or
Reconciliation. We are available Mon
thru Thursday, from 9am to 3pm. Call
for appointments.

For information on the various venues,
use of the Church and any areas of our
property available contact Mary Sverko
at 813 297-4872

MISSION STATEMENT

Our Parish here in Tampa, FL, is 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 working with 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.