

For the Weekend of January 21, 2024

Dear People of God

In his “Motu Proprio” of September 30, 2019, Pope Francis declared that “the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time is to be devoted to the celebration, study, and dissemination of the word of God. This Sunday of the Word of God will thus be a fitting part of that time of year when we are encouraged to strengthen our bonds with the Jewish people and to pray for Christian unity . . . [We] urgently need to grow in our knowledge and love of the Scriptures and of the risen lord, who continues to speak his word and to break bread in the community of believers.”

January 24th is the annual Feast day of St. Francis De Sales. St. John Bosco chose him as a model for the Salesians of Don Bosco and we are named in his honor. Francis was born into the noble family of the Duchy of Savoy in the Chateau De Sales on August 21, 1567. He was the first of six children and enjoyed a privileged education at the best schools possible. His spiritual education was entrusted to the Jesuits. In 1592, Francis ended his studies with the title of “Doctor”, certified in both law and theology. He chose the priesthood over an arranged marriage and a military career chosen for him by his father. This was a difficult choice for his father to accept.

In 1602 Francis was consecrated Bishop of Geneva in Switzerland, which was a hotbed of Calvinist control. He acquired a reputation as a spellbinding preacher. He was known as a friend of the poor, and a man of almost supernatural kindness and understanding. In his “Introduction to the Devout Life” he counseled charity over penance as a means of progressing in the spiritual life.

We Salesians of St. John Bosco are proud to have St. Francis as our namesake and model. As we prepare to celebrate the Feast of St. John Bosco Wednesday, January 31st, (and officially on February 4th at the 10:00am Mass in the gymnasium), may we all prepare to draw closer to Christ through continued random acts of kindness and charity to and for others.

In this week of Prayer for Christian Unity, prayer for the Legal Protection of the Unborn, let’s also remember to pray for UNITY and PEACE in the world, in and for our country and in and for our own families.

As usual please remember to pray for all of 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



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, Beverly Fernandez, Bob & Marge Fallon, Rene Zarte, Joe Branson, Dennis Bender, Kathy Cortez, Jean Nichols, George Hernandez, Jack Walsh, Joann Bliss, Joshua Keleske, Victor Pichardo, David Schwaller, MaKayla Jennings, Paytin Hampton.

For those who have asked you to pray for them.

2024 Mass Intentions:
January 20, 2024 to January 28, 2024

Sat, January 20, 2024 5:00pm: + Maria “Connie” Slade req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine
Sun, January 21, 2024, 8:00am: Respect for Life req. by Parish
Sun, January 21, 2024, 11:00am: +Grace Bartolotti req. by Katie Bartolotti
Mon, January 22, 2024 6:45am Protection of unborn children req. by Parish
Mon, January 22, 2024 7:00pm: Peace in the world req by Parish
Tues, January 23, 2024 6:45: Intentions of Deacon Ed and Lorraine req. by Family
Wed January 24, 2024 6:45am: Salesian Family req. by Parish
Wed, January 24,2024, 7:00pm: +Donovin Rodriquez req. by Peter & Mary Gallar
Thurs, January 25,2024, 6:45am: Healing for Fr Dennis Donovan req. By Deacon Ed & Lorraine
Fri, January 26,2024,6:45am: Intentions of Parishioners of Mary Help of Christians req. by Parish
Sat, January 27,2024 5:00pm + George Keane req. by Anonymous
Sun, January 28,2024 8:00am: +George Keane req. by Deacon Ed and Lorraine
Sun, January 28,2024,11am : + Adrien & Mark Kimball req. by Joe Tomaino

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.

January 2024

01/21 Religious Ed Classes
01/22 Don Bosco Novena—30th
01/22 Finance Council Meeting 5:30pm
01/23 K of C Meeting 7pm
01/24 Adoration silent 4-7pm praise & worship 8-9pm
01/24 Youth Ministry 7pm
01/28 Religious Ed Classes
01/31 Adoration silent 4-7 praise & worship 8-9pm
01/31 Youth Ministry 7pm
02/03 Mass 5pm / Don Bosco Yard Sale 8-12pm
02/04 No 8am or 11am Mass only 10am Mass in gym
02/07 Don Bosco Festival 11-3pm

Don Bosco Festival Annual flea market/yard sale.

February 3rd & 4th 2024

We are accepting clothes, shoes, books, household items, furniture, home décor, games, toys and much more! We will NOT accept TVs and electronics!

Watch for a trailer near the church starting in January to place your Items or for more information please contact:

Steve Jarosz at sjarosz@mhctampa.org
Jerry Pederson at jerrypederson1958@gmail.com
Mary Sverko at msverko@mhctampa.org

Thanks, and God Bless! Mark your calendar for the Don Bosco Family Festival Sunday 2/4/24 with the Flea Market both Saturday 2/3/24 and Sunday 2/4/24!



**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
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- Chef Boyardee, spaghetti, ravioli, canned food
- Peanut butter and Jelly any flavor
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- Ramon Noodles
- Gift Cards are very important \$15
- Diapers

Next Outreach is 02/17/2024 meet at Mary Help at 8am to load Cars and trucks. All are welcome to join us.

Take advantage of those BOGO’S one for YOU, one for MHCP!

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of January 13, 2024 to January 14,2024

<u>Attendance</u>	<u>189</u>	<u>Envelopes</u>	<u>24</u>
Mass Offertory	\$	2,390.00	
Loose Checks	\$	000	
Online Giving	\$	943.00	
Candles	\$	44.00	
TOTAL	\$	3,333.00	

We were ask about the QR code for on line giving and we do not have that available at present time. We do have Text giving .

You will text to 813-669-7588 and put in give and it will take you to the website to make your on line payment.

RCIA & Religious Ed

Sunday at 9:15am

Adult Formation—
Sunday 9:30am

We have classes for all

ages, youth and adults please consider joining us for one of the classes.



ROSARY WARRIORS

This Sunday after 11am Mass

We will be praying this Sunday for the protection of all life especially for the unborn.



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The Third Sunday in Ordinary Times January 21, 2024



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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) *livestreamed*

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

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.