

Weekend of June 14, 2026

Dear People of God,

On my Annual Salesian Retreat this past week here at Mary Help, I've had some time to do a bit of reflecting on what has been going on in the world, our country, our parish community and in my life during these past years. We seem to have been bombarded on a daily basis from every level of social media with war, violence, intolerance, rudeness, lack of civility, fear, anger, hate, racism, bigotry, and every other possible form of evil. It seems we have been bludgeoning into a sense of dark, faithless, negativism. Pope Francis and now Pope Leo have both given us all a reminder of what our faith calls us to, and a direction to see our way clear of this ugly swamp of hopelessness. They have reminded us that for us as Catholic Christians, "there must be zero tolerance for racism, bigotry, hatred, malice or evil in our lives". If any among you feel that I have not been direct enough in speech about these issues let me try to speak plainly today.

As Catholic Christians and as citizens of our country, as members of our faith community, we have been engaged in deadly combat and confronted with a "new Godless reality". It has become a fight not only for our bodies, but our minds, hearts, and souls as well. It is of critical importance that we decide what our faith means to us and on what side of these issues we stand.

This "new reality" has also undermined the confidence and trust that our Bill of Rights promises to everyone who lives in our country. Do we really believe that the inalienable right to Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness is open equally to every single person in our country?

We just celebrated the Feast of the Sacred Heart on Friday. It was Jesus who showed us the power of love and the consequences of living our lives without it. It was St. Paul who told us "There are in the end three things that last, faith, hope and love . . . but the greatest of these is love." May we challenge ourselves to being more committed and more courageous Disciples, Witnesses, Peacemakers, Kingdom builders!

Peace and Joy Always!

Fr. Steve Dumais, SDB.
Pastor

**** Be strong in your faith; Be courageous and unflinching in your knowledge and belief that Jesus loves you . . . and He always will!**

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pete & Mary Gallar, , Tom Costa, David & Rosie Gratz, Lisa Franz, Patti Capitano, Betsie Welch, Laura Munoz, Bobby Ryder, David Netel, Jay Samman, Rose Gabriel, Elaine & Alan Jones, Barbara Robles, Ruth Maund, Dan & Beverly Fernandez, , George Hernandez, Victor Pichardo, David Schwaller, Mary Hodge, Lauren Lynch, Rosa E. Alvarez, Georgene & Dennis Bender, Daniel Wiles, David Russell, Maria De Guzman, Eduardo Sanchez , Mike Kelly, Victor Fernandez, Paul Gabriel, Joseph Marecki., William Villegas, Anthony Marte, Jaquelin Nunez, Liam Newcomb, MaKayla Jennings. , Cheryl Christensen

2026 Mass Intentions:

June 13, 2026 - June 21, 2026

- Sat, June 13, 2026, 5:00pm:** +Rudy Toth req. by Toth Family
- Sun, June 14, 2026, 8:00am :** For healing for Reginald Unanka req. by Okoye family
- Sun, June 14, 2026 11:00am:** Charlie F Johnson req. by Joann Johnson
- Mon, June 15, 2026, 6:45am:** +Helen Shinko req. by Chet Shinko
- Mon, June 15, 2026, 7:00pm:** +Michael Melancon req. by Maggie Brown
- Tues, June 16, 2026. 6:45am:** +Oleta George req. by Susanna George
- Wed, June 17, 2026, 6:45am:** Healing for Ed Cureg req. by Leila Taghap
- Wed, June 17, 2026, 7:00pm:** +Raymond & Welena Gauvin Pete & Mary Gallar
- Thurs, June 18, 2026, 6:45am :** +Marinka Nikolic& Family req. by Sanja Cosic
- Fri. June 19, 2026, 6:45am :** Honoring St Michael req. by Chet Shinko
- Sat, June 20, 2026, 5:00pm :** +Pedro Gallar & Raymond Gauvin req. by Pete & Mary Gallar
- Sun, June 21, 2026, 8:00am:** +Joe Brocato req. by Brocato & Celeiro Family
- Sun, June 21, 2026, 11:00am:** +Lincoln Payne Sr. req. by Joanne Johnson

Five Young Oratorians, Martyred for Their Faith

Franciszek Keszy, Edward Klinik, Jarogniew Wojciechowski, Ceslao Józwiak, and Edward Kazmierski were Salesian aspirants and leaders in the Salesian oratory. On 1 September 1939, Hitler invaded Poland, starting the Second World War. The Salesian house in Poznan, where they resided, was occupied and turned into a warehouse by German soldiers. The young people gathered in the woods, to continue their prayer and the work of the youth groups. In September 1940, the five Oratorians were arrested on charges of belonging to an illegal organization, because the Germans feared that Catholic groups like these could form the basis of a resistance movement. They lived in captivity with a spirit of faith and Salesian spirituality. They prayed continuously: rosary, novenas to Don Bosco and to Mary Help of Christians, morning and evening prayer. Their faith never faltered. They were guillotined in a prison in Dresden on 24 August 1942. At the time of their deaths, they were aged 19 - 23. The Decree of martyrdom was published on 26 March 1999; they were beatified 12 June 1999 by Pope John Paul II.



- June 2026
- 06/15 Monday Mass 7pm**
 - 06/17 Adoration 4-7pm/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm**
 - 06/18 Mama Margaret Guild serving snow cones to campers**
 - 06/19 Juneteenth Day Office closed**
 - 06/20 Outreach meet at basketball ct. 8am / Father's Day celebration at St Philips 5:30pm**
 - 06/21 Happy Father's Day**
 - 06/22 Monday Mass 7pm / Financial Council meeting 5:30pm**

POSITION AVAILABLE—Coordinator of Religious Education

We want to Thank AnnMarie Brummett for all her time an talent she provided us as CRE. Fr Steve is wanting to fill this position ASAP so if you are interested please contact the office at 813-626-7588.

On Father's Day, June 21st, we will give thanks, remembering and praying for the men in our lives. We will especially remember them at all our weekend Masses. Please take a form from the back of church, fill it out, place it in the collection basket or give it to an usher and we will include them in a special way in our prayers. Please submit the form by this Thursday, June 18th.



Fourth of July Celebration 5-9pm
Join us for a patriotic picnic and fireworks lakeside. Bring your picnic baskets, blankets, and lawn chairs, and enjoy an evening with family and friends. Fireworks begin at Dusk (8:30) Hotdogs, snacks, and drinks will be sold for a small fee.



MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH OUTREACH

- Cereal / Granola Bars
- Ramen Noodles / Soup
- Gift Card-\$10 - Great need !!!!!!!!!
- Diapers - Sizes 5, 6 & 7 - Baby Wipes
- Chef Boyardee, Mac & Cheese
- Peanut Butter & Jelly needed
- Canned tuna / Chicken
- Fruit Cups

Our goal : To fill 65 blue bags with the listed items. Next Outreach is 06/20/2026 Meet at Mary Help at 8am.

Outreach

Every Wednesday morning, members of our outreach team arrive at Nativity Catholic Church's foodbank warehouse in Dover and obtain what they may have available for our monthly outreach. While we are there, we meet other groups like us, who are picking up food items for the people they serve in their ministry. The need is far wide and is continuous. Between your aid and the foodbank, we are able to serve members of our community each month and they are ever thankful for the blessings we provide. Happy blessed summer.

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of June 06, 2026 to June 07, 2026

Attendance 171 Envelopes 35

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| Mass Offertory | \$ 1,973.00 |
| Loose checks | \$ 1,010.00 |
| Online Giving | \$ 500.00 |
| Candles | \$ 133.00 |
| Father's Day | \$ 335.00 |
| CMA | \$ 5.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 3,956.00 |

Robert (Bob) Fallon Funeral Services

Visitation June 16th from 2-4pm
Celebration of Life Service June 16th, from 4-5pm
Southern Funeral Care and Cremation Services
10510 Riverview Dr. Riverview, FL 33578
Funeral Mass
Wednesday June 17th @ 10:30am
Mary Help of Christians Parish

Are you interested in sharing Gods message to others. We are in need of Faith Formation teachers for the next school year. If you are interested please see AnnMarie Brummett at 813-431-6490 / cre@mhctampa.org or reach out to the parish office at 813-626- 7588 or parish@mhctampa.org.



Chioma's Going Away Party

Saturday, June 20th 2026 6 pm MHC Hall

6400 East Chelsea Street Tampa, FL 33610

(Join for 5 pm Mass in the Church beforehand)

RSVP to Chioma by June 15, 2026 Email or Text chiomaokoye13@gmail.com (769) 226-9385

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Deacon Edmond Anctil
Eleven Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 14, 2026



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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.

Mass Schedule

Daily: Monday-Friday 6:45am(Chapel)
12:10 (Chapel)
Monday & Wednesday 7pm (Church)
Saturday Vigil 5pm-(Church)
Sunday 8am (Church)
11am (Church) livestreamed
Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
Every Wednesday
4:00pm-6:45pm Silent Adoration
8-9pm Praise & Worship Adoration
Sacrament of Reconciliation
30 minutes prior to Weekend Masses
Korean Ministry
Sun 9:20am Mass

Contact the parish office 813 626 7588 for information on Annulments, Baptisms, Weddings, Home Visits, Hospital Visits. Sacrament of the Sick or Reconciliation. We are available Mon thru Friday, 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