For the Weekend of March 2, 2025

Dear People of God

The Gospel today is comprised of a series of proverbs which individually and collectively challenge us to a sincere self-examination... How willing are we to replace blindness with sight by fully practicing the way and word of our master teacher? This process of true conversion begins by acknowledging our own failures and weaknesses. and deciding to root ourselves in a personal relationship with Jesus. Hopefully, this all sounds familiar to you. We have been quoting Jesus' command from John 15:12 and St. Theresa of Calcutta too often over these past years for today's words not to be meaningful for each of us. Peace and Hope to us all!

Thank you, Deacon Ed and Edwin Celeiro, for speaking this past weekend on the CMA at all our Masses. This year's Catholic Ministry Appeal provides us another opportunity to make a difference in the larger faith community of the diocese. It allows us a chance to remind ourselves of the whole, of the greater family of the faithful we belong to. The benefits of this appeal reach out to parishes, catholic education, seminarian education, priest retirement and health care costs, catholic charities, campus ministry and youth ministry efforts. Please be generous in considering your support for this appeal.

As we are about to begin this Lenten journey of 40 days, may we here at Mary Help of Christians Parish take the time to reevaluate our Baptismal commitment, reset the moral compass within us, and do our best to connect our Catholic faith with all that we say and do every day of our lives. For Lenten obligations and liturgical calendar of events, please take a flyer at the back of the Church or check out our web page at www.mhcptampa.org.

Wednesday, March 5th: Ash Wednesday Mass and Ashes @ GSC 6:45am and 12:10pm.; 7pm in Church

Friday: March 7th and all Fridays of Lent, Stations of the Cross @ 7pm MHCC -Korean -7:30pm

Wednesday, March 12th: Parish Lenten Penance Service @Adoration 7:30p-9:00p

Saturday, March 15th: Don Bosco Gala 6:00p – 10pm Gymnasium Reconciliation is every Saturday at 4:15 pm.; 10:30 am every Sunday; Mondays at 6:30 pm; Wednesdays – during evening Adoration from 7:45 pm -9:00 pm; by appointment or by drop in when available during the rest of the week at the parish office.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Br. Michael Brinkman, SDB whose funeral we had @ MHC this past Wednesday. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord. Let perpetual light shine upon him.

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, Joe Brocato, Tom Costa, David & Rosie Gratz, Lisa Franz, Patti Capitano, Fran Johns, Betsie Welch, Laura Munoz, Bobby Ryder, David Netel, Larry Walsh, Fernando Romero, Jay Samman, Rose Gabriel, Francis Briones, Julia Kelly, , Martha Catul, Elaine Jones, Barbara Robles. Ruth Maund, Beverly Fernandez, Bob & Marge Fallon, Rene Zarte, Joe Branson, Kathy Cortez, Jean Nichols, George Hernandez, , Victor Pichardo, David Schwaller, MaKavla Jennings, Esther Savio. Lucy Clemons, Lauren Lynch, Clarissa Roberson, Katherine Conrad, Rosa E. Alvarez, Valerie Sieger, Georgene & Dennis Bender, Rae Godbout, Penny Love, Paytin Hampton, Daniel Wiles.

2025 Mass Intentions:

March 01, 2025 - March 09, 2025

Cynthia Spano

Sun, March 02, 2025, 8:00am: +Carmela Midili reg. by Josephine

Sun, March 02, 2025, 11:00am: Kate Casale req. by Lisa Little

Mon, March 03, 2025, 6:45am: Living & deceased members of Shinko's family & friends req. by Chet Shinko

Mon, March 03, 2025, 7:00pm: Mom to be @ peace req. by Elisia Perez-Walsh

Tues, March 04, 2025. 6:45am: Health of Janice Murphy req. by Maggie Brown

Wed, March 05,2025, 6:45am: Health of Denise & Elisa Hines req. By Maggie Brown

Wed. March 05, 2025, 7:00pm +Ralph Alfonzo & Lewsick req. by Peter & Mary Gallar Thurs, March 06 2025, 6:45am Health of Beverly Wiebeld reg. by

Maggie Brown Fri. March 07, 2025, 6:45am: Marge & Bob Fallon req. by

Maggie Brown **Sat, March 08, 2025, 5:00pm :** + Vivian Perez reg. by Theresa Fitzgerald

Sun, March 09, 2025, 8:00am: +Mary Annett Gonzalez req. by Joe Tomaino

Sun, March 09, 2025, 11:00am: For Mary Help of Christians Parishioners req. by Parish

Francis de Sales, C.O., O.M. (French: François de

Sales; Italian: Francesco di Sales; 21 August 1567 – 28 December 1622) was a Savoyard Catholic prelate who served as Bishop of Ge-<u>neva</u> and is a <u>saint</u> of the <u>Catholic Church</u>. He became noted for his deep faith and his gentle approach to the religious divisions in his land resulting from the Protestant Reformation. He is known also for his writings on the topic of spiritual direction and spiritual formation, particularly the *Introduction to the Devout Life* and

the <u>Treatise</u> on the Love of <u>God</u>.

The religious institute of the Salesians of Don Bosco, founded by John Bosco in 1859 (approved by the Holy See in 1874), is also known as the Society of Saint Francis de Sales, and is placed under his patronage.

March 2025

03/02 Faith Formation 9:15am / Adult Formation 9:30am 03/05 Ash Wednesday 6:45am/12:10pm in GS Chapel 7pm in Church. Adoration 4-7 silent no adoration after Mass. Youth Ministry 7pm.

03/06 Staff meeting 6:15pm / Parish Council 7pm

03/07 Station of the Cross 7pm

Faith Formation 9:15am / Adult 9:30am /Blood Drive 8am-1pm

03/12 Adoration 4-7pm silent / Mass 7pm / Praise & Worship 8-9pm / Youth Ministry 7pm/ Penance Service

03/13 Mama Margaret meeting 7pm

03/15 Outreach meet at basketball ct. 8am / Don Bosco Gala

03/16 Faith Formation 9:15am / Adult 9:30am / Hospitality Sun

PART TIME COOK NEEDED AT ST PHILIPS

St Philips is in need of a part time cook you can contact

Mary Sverko @ 813-297-4872 for more information

FAITH FORMATION SUNDAYS YOUTH - 9:15AM

ADULT -9:30AM

Please join us we have something for everyone.

Blood Mobile March 9, 2025

8am-1pm sign up in the back of church

Prayer for Pope Francis

O God, shepherd and ruler of all the faithful, look favorably on your servant Francis, whom you have set at the head of your Church as her shepherd; Grant, we pray, that by word and example he may be of service to those over whom he presides so that, together with the flock entrusted to his care, he may come to everlasting life. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the Unity of the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.



DIOCESE OF SAINT PETERSBURG CATHOLIC MINISTRY appeal

In 2025, we will work together to raise \$9.5 million to ensure ministries in the Diocese of Saint Petersburg can continue bringing ministry to life with every dollar donated toward our goal directly funding our ministries, outreach, and programs.

Our goal assigned to us by the diocese is \$32,827.00.

MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH OUTREACH

- Cereal
- Ramen Noodles / Soup
- Gift Card-\$10 Great need !!!!!!!!!
- Diapers sizes 5&6 Baby Wipes
- Chef Boyardee, Mac & Cheese
- Peanut Butter & Jelly -
- Travel shampoos /Razors /Shaving cream/Deodorant
- Canned tuna / Chicken

Our goal: To fill 50 blue bags with the listed items. Next Outreach is 03/15/2025. Meet at Mary Help at 8am to load cars and trucks . All are welcome to join us, come and

GIVING THANKS

Thank you to all of you for continuing to support our parish outreach ministry. It is a blessing that we can help those in need beyond our property here at Mary Help. The above listed items are always a need to fill the blue bags, but anything that you send goes to the table for people to choose from. They are ever thankful for what they receive from us. Everyone is welcome to participate on the third Saturday of each month. .

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of February 22, 2025 to February 23, 2025 Attendance 191 Envelopes 22

Mass Offertory 2,430.10 Bank adjustment 220.00 1,996.00 **Online Giving** Candles 33.00

\$ 4,679.10

STATION OF THE CROSS **EVERY FRIDAY OF LENT 7PM IN MHC CHURCH** Please join us.



ASH WEDNESDAY - MARCH 5, 2025 MASSES - 6:45AM / 12:10PM GS CHAPEL 7PM-CHURCH / 8am-School Mass

Lenten Penance Service March 12, 2025

8:00pm







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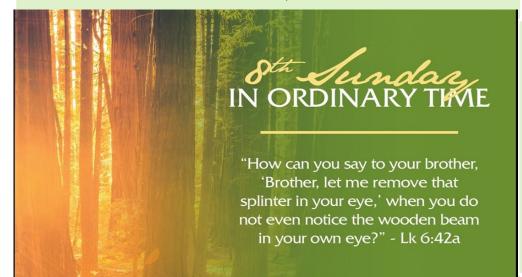
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Fr. John Serio, S.D.B. MHC Center Director

Fr. Francis De Sales La, S.D.B. Korean Ministry

Deacon Edmond Anctil

Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time March 02, 2025



Staff Directory and Ministry

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Christmas Committee: Maggie Brown; Parish@mhctampa.org

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 Annulments, Baptisms, Weddings, Home Visits, Hospital Visits. Sacrament of the Sick or Reconciliation. We are available Mon thru Friday, from 9am to 4pm. 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.