

For the Weekend of October 5, 2025

Dear People of God,

Most often when we have done something well, and fulfilled our duty, we seek recognition and praise. We want to be noticed. And, while this may be a “normal” reaction, it certainly is not the most humble one. Humility comes in many degrees, and the deepest degree of humility allows a person to repeat what Jesus said, “*we are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do,*” and mean it. When doing the will of God is seen as something extraordinary,, we may not build a proper habit of fulfilling it. But when it’s seen as our duty of love and as the normal act we should fulfill, it’s easier to embrace His will more completely.


Reflect today on this humble phrase. “*We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.*” Try to say it, mean it and let it become the foundation of your daily service of God’s will. Doing so will set you on the “fast track” toward holiness.

- A special Mary Help of Christians welcome to **Fr. Dominic Tran, SDB** - the Provincial Superior of the Salesian presences in the Eastern US and Canada. Fr. Dominic is in the midst of his annual visits to all of the Salesian presences in our province. Safe travel and safe return home blessings from all of us to him.
- Prayer: Lord, when I fulfill Your holy will, I acknowledge that this is a holy obligation of love and my most fundamental duty. Help me to see Your will as the most normal part of my daily life. Help me to embrace it with wholehearted faith and obedience. Jesus, I trust in You.
- Congratulations to **Decon Joshua Keleske!** We pray that his first assignment at Our Lady of Perpetual Help Church in Ybor City will be a graced one for him and the people of that historic faith community.
- Our Mama Margaret Women’s Guild and our Knights of Columbus Council are still looking for more good men and women to assist them in their ongoing ministries of service to the Church!
- Please consider joining us for a rosary that will celebrate the 108<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of Mary’s apparitions at Fatima. The rosary will be offered after the 11:00am Mass on Sunday, October 12<sup>th</sup>.
- Remember to search our web page, [www.mhcptampa.org](http://www.mhcptampa.org), to find the latest developments in our parish. Don’t forget to visit *Wednesday Words from the Pastor* on our website each week!

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.

Please take note of upcoming parish events listed elsewhere in this weekly bulletin.

Peace Always!

  
Fr. Steve Dumais, SDB  
Pastor

**PRAYER LIST**

**Please keep the following in your prayers:**

Pete & Mary Gallar, Janice Murphy, Tom Costa, David & Rosie Gratz, Lisa Franz, Patti Capitano, Betsie Welch, Laura Munoz, Bob- by Ryder, David Netel, Larry Walsh, Fernando Romero, Jay Sam- man, Rose Gabriel, Elaine & Alan Jones, Barbara Robles, Ruth Maund, Beverly Fernandez, Bob & Marge Fallon, George Hernan- dez, Victor Pichardo, David Schwaller, MaKayla Jennings, Lauren Lynch, Clarissa Roberson, Katherine Conrad, Rosa E. Alvarez, Va- lerie Sieger, Georgene & Dennis Bender, Paytin Hampton, Daniel Wiles, Roseanne Ferrante Waters, David Russell, Maria De Guz- man, Addy, Anquanne Moore.

For those who have asked you to pray for them.

**2025 Mass Intentions:**

**October 04, 2025 - October 12, 2025**

**Sat, October 04, 2025, 5:00pm:** +Pearl Green req. by Cathy Nagel & Honey

**Sun, October 05, 2025, 8:00am :** Teachers & Staff of Cristo Rey Tampa Salesian High School req. by Anonymous

**Sun, October 05, 2025, 11:00am:** Blessing on Deacon Joshua Keleske req. by Parish

**Mon, October 06, 2025, 6:45am :** For our relationship with our creation req. by Susanna George

**Mon, October 06, 2025, 7:00pm:** +Michael N Quarles req. by Amore Family

**Tues, October 07, 2025. 6:45am:** For the Living benefactors req. by Susanna George

**Wed, October 08, 2025, 6:45am:** For all the Catechumens req. by Susanna George

**Wed. October 08, 2025, 7:00pm** +Joe Brocato req. by Pete & Mary Gallar

**Thurs, October 09 2025, 6:45am :** Honoring St Michael req. by Chet Shinko

**Fri. October 10, 2025, 6:45am :** +Grandma & Grandpa Hardt req. by Haley Scallon & family

**Sat, October 11, 2025, 5:00pm :** +Pearl Green req. by Cathy Nagel & Honey

**Sun, October 12, 2025, 8:00am :** Protection of Lake County Fire Rescue Dept. req. by Sean & Ann Rockway

**Sun, October 12, 2025, 11:00am:** Deceased brothers of the Knights of Columbus req. by Knights of Colum- bus.

**Giovanni di Pietro di Bernardone** (c. 1181 – 3 Octo- ber 1226), known as **Francis of Assisi**, was an [Italian mystic](#), poet and [Catholic friar](#) who founded the reli- gious order of the [Franciscans](#). Inspired to lead a [Christian](#) life of poverty, he became a [beggar](#) and an [itinerant preacher](#). One of the most venerated figures in Christianity, Francis was [canonized](#) by [Pope Gregory IX](#) on 16 July 1228. He is commonly portrayed wearing a brown [habit](#) with a rope tied around his waist, featuring three knots symbolizing the [evangelical counsels](#) of poverty, chastity, and obedience. Francis is associated with patronage of animals and the [environment](#). It be- came customary for churches to hold ceremo- nies blessing animals on his [feast day](#) of 4 Oc- tober, which became [World Animal Day](#).



**October 2025**

**10/05 Deacon Joshua Keleske’ s First Mass @ 11am Mass with Reception to follow.**

**10/06 Mass 7pm**

**10/08 Adoration 4-7pm silent/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm**

**10/12 Faith Formation & OCIA 9:15am / Adult Formation 9:30am / Fall for Jesus Festival meeting 12pm in TECO rm**

**10/13 Columbus Day / Mass 7pm**

**10/15 Adoration 4-7pm silent/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm**

**Faith Formation**

**Faith Formation Classes Sunday @ 9:15am**

**Please contact Ann Marie Brummett - 813-431-6490 or email her at [cre@mhctampa.org](mailto:cre@mhctampa.org) if you have any questions.**

**OCIA classes every Sunday @ 9:15am for information contact Tony Marin- covich @ 863-660-0020 or email [marincovichtony@gmail.com](mailto:marincovichtony@gmail.com).**

**Adult formation @ 9:30am –Consider joining our Lectionary based class with Deacon ED.**

**Fall for Jesus Festival meeting Oct. 12th after 11am Mass in the TECO rm. All are welcome.**

**Chicken Dinner & Auction**

**Sunday Nov. 02,2025 12-2pm**

**Bring your appetite and come join in the food and fellowship.**

**MENU : CHICKEN & YELLOW RICE, SALAD, BREAD, TEA & WATER**  
**MAMA MARGARET - PROVIDES DELICIOUS DESSERT**  
**Come and check out all the Silent Auction baskets and try your luck with the 50/50 .**



**Blessings upon Deacon Joshua Keleske**

This weekend we see the fruits of our labor, that is, our daily pray- er for vocations. We rejoice as a parish as we celebrate the ordina- tion of Joshua Keleske to the permanent diaconate.

It is with sadness that we announce that Deacon Joshua will be leaving our parish. We thank him for his service to our parish through the years and he will still be connected as a Salesian co- operator and as a member of our Knights of Columbus. Deacon Joshua will be joining Fr Anthony and Deacon Elix in serving the parishioners of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Parish in Ybor city. Deacon Joshua will focus on serving the English-speaking com- munity at OLPH. We send him off with our love and prayers as he begins his new ministry as a permanent deacon.

**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH OUTREACH**

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

**Our goal : To fill 55 blue bags with the listed items.**

**Next Outreach is 10/18/25 Meet at Mary Help at 8am to load cars and trucks . All are welcome to join us.**

**More help is needed in our blessings to the community.**

In our last several outreach outing, the number of people seeking food, toiletries, baby supplies, etc. has been steadily increasing. We have upped the number of filled blue bags for each family to 55 and we are looking to increase that number. To do so, we have to count on you, our family, to help in any way that you can. Everything that you give is dispersed to these folks every third Sat- urday of the month. We know that the stretching of mon- ey has gotten tough on us and even more so for some of them. Please give what you can and we are always look- ing for smiling faces on the third Saturday of each month.

**Weekly Gift Giving**

**Weekend of Sept. 27 ,2025 to Sept. 28, 2025**  
**Attendance 174 Envelopes 28**

Mass Offertory	\$	2,499.00
Loose checks	\$	270.00
Online Giving	\$	1,070.00
Candles	\$	24.00
Missionary Coop plan appeal	\$	1,936.00

**TOTAL \$ 5,799.00**



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Deacon Edmond Anctil

**Twenty Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 27, 2025**

*Faith* SMALL AS A  
MUSTARD SEED  
“And the apostles said to the Lord, ‘Increase our faith.’”  
~ Luke 17:5

### Staff Directory and Ministry

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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