

Weekend of September 8, 2024

Dear People of God,

For twenty-three years so many people in our country have carried with them the scars - hurt, anger, fear, loss, anxiety, confusion and the need for retaliation and temporal justice, that the events of 9/11/2001 rained down upon us from the skies over Manhattan, NY, Shanksville, PA, and Arlington, VA. Where are we now? How far have we come from all of the above? How many of these feelings are still with us? I don't know who I feel most pained for; those who have been unable to move on with life since then; or those who have either forgotten or willfully choose to ignore the harsh lessons learned by those tragic events. Let me share this prayer and reflection with you that is still so relevant for all of us dealing with the troubles of today.

Twenty-three years have passed, O Lord, twenty-three years of mourning and of tears, of struggling to make sense and to go on. Twenty-three years since crashing planes, collapsing buildings, rivers of smoke and ash brought death and fear.

Give us the courage to hope again, Father. To pray even for our enemies, and for ourselves. Give us the grace to be freed from hate and unbound from the paralysis of fear. Give us the freedom of the children of God.

Awaken in our hearts a firm resolve "to reject the ways of violence, to combat everything that sow's hatred and division within the human family, and to work for the dawn of a new era of solidarity, justice and peace."

We ask this through the Prince of Peace, our Way, our Truth, and our Life, Christ the Lord. Amen,

"Ephphatha!" - that is, "Be opened!" (Mark 7:34). These are powerful words. Why are they powerful? They are powerful because they actually accomplish what they say. These words are spoken by Jesus after the deaf man is brought to Him with the request for healing. By saying the command "Be opened!" the deaf man's ears are opened, and his speech impediment is removed. When Jesus speaks, His word changes things. This is true in this story, but it is also true in our lives. We all are deaf and mute at times. We don't always hear the voice of God, and we don't always speak His word and words of charity. For that reason, Jesus' words must be spoken to us. "Ephphatha! Be opened!" Reflect, today, upon how open you are to hearing the voice of God. Spend some time alone with the Lord and let Him heal you so that you can hear more clearly all that He is saying to you. Prayer: "Lord, I do not always listen to You. Please speak Your words of healing to me so that I can hear You more clearly. In hearing You, may I listen to all You have to say. Jesus, I trust in You.

Sunday, September 22<sup>nd</sup> k we will host and sponsor our parish Ministry Fair after the 11:00am Mass. Please do your best to support this effort. Your involvement in our various ministry opportunities is a reflection of the faith life of our parish. Let's show how healthy we really are. 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, Della Sarsfield, Tom Costa, David & Rosie Gratz, Leo Letourneau, Lisa Franz, Patti Capitano, Fran Johns, Betsie Welch, Laura Munoz, Bob-by 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. Ruth Maund, Patricia Hauser, Beverly Fernandez, Bob & Marge Fallon, Rene Zarte, Joe Branson, Dennis Bender, Kathy Cortez, Jean Nichols, George Hernandez, Joann Bliss, Victor Pichardo, David Schwaller, MaKayla Jennings, Esther Savio, Lucy Clemons, Lauren Lynch, Clarissa Roberson, Katherine Conrad, Rosa E. Alvarez, Valerie Sieger, Georgene & Dennis Bender, Rae Godbout, Penny Love

#### 2024 Mass Intentions:

##### Sept. 07, 2024 to Sept.15, 2024

**Sat, September 07, 2024 5:00pm:** + Fr Dennis Donovan, SDB req. By Deacon Ed & Lorraine  
**Sun, September 08, 2024 8:00am :** +Terri Ells req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine  
**Sun, September 08, 2024 11:00am:** Special intentions of Fr Steve Dumais, SDB req. by Elizabeth Ba  
**Mon, September 09, 2024 6:45am :** + Pat & Bruce Cupp Sr. req. by Bruce Cupp  
**Mon, September 09, 2024 7:00pm:** + Ludwig Picarro req. by Maggie Brown  
**Tues, September 10, 2024 6:45am:** Living and deceased members of the Shinko Family & Friends req. by Chet Shinko  
**Wed , September 11, 2024 6:45am:** +Pat & Bruce Cupp Sr. req. by Bruce Cupp  
**Wed, September 11, 2024, 7:00pm:** +Raymond & Welena Gauvin req. by Pete & Mary Gallar  
**Thurs. September 12, 2024 6:45am,** Special intention of Deacon Ed Ancil req. by Elizabeth Ba  
**Fri, September 13, 2024, 6:45am** +Pat & Bruce Cupp Sr. req. by Bruce Cupp Jr.  
**Sat, September 14, 2024 5:00pm :** +Imogene Rodrigues req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine  
**Sun, September 15, 2024,8:00am :** +Harold Venegas req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine  
**Sun, September 15, 2024,11am:** Maria Pinto req. by Elizabeth Ba

**Zepherin Namuncurá** He was born at [Chimpay](#), a small town in [Valle Medio, Río Negro Province, Argentina](#).<sup>[1]</sup> the sixth child of Rosario Burgos and a [Mapuche cacique, Manuel Namuncurá](#).<sup>[2]</sup> At the age of eight, he was [baptized](#) by a [Salesian](#) missionary priest, Domingo Milanesio.<sup>[3]</sup> Namuncurá's early years were spent by the [Río Negro river](#), and it was here that he, according to legend, miraculously survived a fall into the river. On September 20, 1897, Ceferino went to study with the Salesians at the Colegio Pío IX, a technical academy in [Almagro, Buenos Aires](#).<sup>[4]</sup> 1901, [Carlos Gardel](#).



He has a very interesting story look him up and read about one of our Salesians life story.

### September 2024

**09/08** Blue Mass @ 11am / Pancake breakfast 9-11am  
Faith Formation 9:15am /Adult 9:30am/Grandparents day.  
**09/15** Catechetical Sun. /Faith Formation 9:15am/Adult9:30am  
Hospitality 8am/11am Masses/Korean Thanksgiving cele.  
**09/19** Christmas committee meeting 1pm  
**09/21** Outreach 8am meet at basketball court all are welcome  
**09/22** Faith Formation 9:15am/Adult 9:30am  
**09/23** Finance Council meeting 5:30pm

### Weekly Gift Giving

#### Weekend of August 31, 2024 to September 01, 2024

Attendance 183 Envelopes 22

Mass Offertory	\$	2,345.00
Loose Checks	\$	360.00
Online Giving	\$	981.00
CMA	\$	50.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$</b>	<b>3,736.00</b>

### Faith Formation

Youth & RCIA 9:15am

Adult classes 9:30am

We have something for everyone please consider joining us.



#### Adult Faith Formation

Did you know that each Sunday during the school year a group of your fellow parishioners gather to break open the Word of God. We expand the Sunday readings, discussing the background of the day's readings, how to better understand them and how they apply to our lives. It is an open discussion requiring no scriptural or theological background, but a sharing of our insights. As a deacon, I have gained tremendous insights from these gatherings, learning so much more in the sharing of the Scriptures. We meet on Sunday mornings at 9:30 am in the TECO board room next to the lady's restroom. All are invited. Coffee and donuts are always served.

### Missionary Cooperation Plan / St Elizabeth Mission Society

**Cindy Marks, Associate of the Franciscan Sisters of Allegany, NY will be here September 14 & 15, 2024 for our annual Mission Appeal.**

**The Franciscan Sisters of Allegany were the first American founded congregation to send sisters to the foreign missions. They minister to those in need, especially the underprivileged, the undernourished, the marginalized and to victims of injustice and violence. Funds to support the missions where our sisters work, and volunteer are solicited through the efforts of the the St. Elizabeth Mission Society.**

**The congregation continues it respond to the overwhelming needs of our brothers and sisters through education, health care, and social ministries in Jamaica, Brazil, Mozambique, Bolivia, and the United States.**

**This appeal by the sister will take place at all Masses.**

### MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH OUTREACH

- Box of Pasta -
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- Diapers - sizes newborns, 3, 4 & 5 & 6/ Baby Wipes
- Chef Boyardee, Mac & Cheese
- Peanut Butter & Jelly - great need
- Travel shampoos /Razors /Shaving cream/Deodorant
- Canned tuna

Needed—Work boots new & used size—9 or larger. Men belts are needed

Next Outreach is 09/21/2024. Meet at Mary Help at 8am to load cars and trucks. All are welcome to join us, come and see.

### Praying together to defeat Amendment 4:

Bishop Parkes has called for the diocese of St Petersburg to make Sunday, September 8, 2024 a Day of Prayer to defeat Amendment 4: the abortion ballot. On September 8<sup>th</sup>, the church celebrates the Birth of Mary, Mother of God. In Her name, we will pray the rosary before the 5:00pm and the 8:00am Masses this weekend or join Deacon Ed after the 11:00am Mass in the rosary garden. Together with one voice in prayer, this Amendment 4 can be defeated.

**"Vote No on Amendment 4"** – The Florida Conference of Catholic Bishops (FCCB) has shared a press release from the "Vote No on 4" campaign, along with two-minute videos in English and Spanish. To find these helpful resources, which may be shared with your parish communities, For other helpful parish resources, including a link to Bishop Parkes' video, . [flaccb.org/news/vote-no-on-4-campaign-launches-to-defeat-the-deceptive-and-extreme-amendment-4](https://flaccb.org/news/vote-no-on-4-campaign-launches-to-defeat-the-deceptive-and-extreme-amendment-4). [flaccb.org/abortion-amendment](https://flaccb.org/abortion-amendment)

### HONOR OUR CATECHISTS AND TEACHERS: September 15, 2024

The U.S. Bishops have designated next Sunday as Catechetical Sunday to honor all those who share in the evangelizing and teaching mission of the Church. At Mary Help of Christians Parish, we are so grateful for the dedicated ministry of these persons who have accepted the call to catechize other adults, youth and children in our Faith Formation Processes and our Catholic schools .

We acknowledge, with gratitude: Patti Spivey, Cheryl Christensen, Jim Desmond, Chioma Okoya, Beth Strauss, Steve Jarosz, Nate Gonzalez, and-Adult Education: Deacon Ed, - RCIA: Tony Marincovich, Peter & Mary Gallar, - Coordinator of Religious Education: AnnMarie Brummett,



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The Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time  
September 08, 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 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

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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.