

For the Weekend of April 28, 2024

Dear People of God,

Once again, today, Jesus is telling us that through our union with him we are God's people. He tells us through a number of statements how important it is that we remain united with him. "I am the good shepherd." "I am the light of the world." "I am the bread of life." "I am the resurrection and the life." And today: "I am the vine." Staying connected with him will bring us eternal life.

We stay connected by not only hearing his Word, but by responding to it with good works for others. Do our good deeds and work save us? The right answer is both "Yes and No." It is "Yes" only in the sense that our good works are a necessary part of our union with Jesus. Without Him we can do nothing good. But if we have accepted Christ into our life, and thus, if we are on the road to salvation, then good works will be necessarily present in our life. But the answer is also "No" in the sense that Jesus and Jesus alone is the only Savior. We cannot save ourselves no matter how hard we try to be good.

As we enter into the new month of May - Mary's Month - we prepare ourselves for certain Marian and other parish feast day celebrations.

April 28 Children of MHC receive their First Holy Communion at 11:00 a.m. Mass.

May 3 Feast of St. Philip and St. James (Patron of Salesian Province)

May 6 Feast of St. Dominic Savio

May 12 Mother's Day and the Parish Day for Confirmation at the 11:00 a.m. Mass

May 13 Feast of St. Mary Domenica Mazzarello, FMA

May 15 Begins the Novena to Mary Help of Christians. (May 15-24th)

May 18 Feast of St. Leonard Murialdo

May 19 Feast of the Holy Spirit (Pentecost)

May 25 Feast of Bl. Joseph Kawalski, SDB

May 26 Feast of Mary Help of Christians... for this year. (10:00 am Mass in Gymnasium)

May 26 Trinity Sunday.

May 31 Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Let me suggest that in this month of May, we as a parish, make an effort to recite the rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary each day. What a fitting way to celebrate and give testimony to our love for Mary and her Son, our Savior, Jesus Christ.

Please pray for those of our young people who will be receiving their first Holy Communion this week. Many thanks to their teachers who have guided them to this point. Our parish is truly blessed to be able to call these little angels our own.

Many, many thanks to one and all for not forgetting us here at MHC. Your kind wishes and generosity have been a blessing to us all!!

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, 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 Forency 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, Jack Walsh, Joann Bliss, Victor Pichardo, David Schwaller, MaKayla Jennings, Paytin Hampton, Barrett & Colton Christensen, Esther Savio, Lucy Clemons, George Hernandez.

**2024 Mass Intentions:
April 27, 2024 to May 5, 2024**

Sat, April 27, 2024 5:00pm: Mary Help of Christians Parishioners req. by Ann & Sean Rockway

Sun, April 28, 2024 8:00am : +Elizabeth Shinko req. by Chet Shinko

Sun. April 28, 2024, 11:00am: +Ronald Lee Lewis req. by Peter & Mary Gallar

Mon, April 29, 2024 6:45am : Intentions of Lorraine Anctil req. by Family

Mon, April 29, 2024 7:00pm: Intentions of Deacon Ed Anctil req. by Family

Tues, April 30, 2024 6:45am: + Florence Skobodzinski req. by Chet Shinko

Wed May 1, 2024 6:45am: Intentions of Ronald Fullenkamp req. by Joan Fullenkamp - Carter

Wed, May 1, 2024, 7:00pm: + Deceased members of Gallar and Silva families req. by Pete & Mary Gallar

Thurs. May 2, 2024 6:45am, Intentions of Ronald Fullenkamp req. by Joan Fullenkamp-Carter

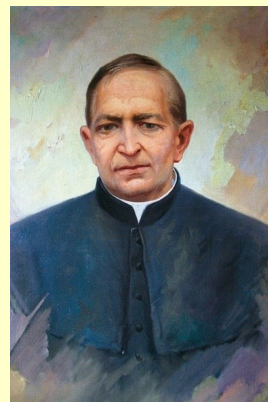
Fri, May 3, 2024, 6:45am + Lenora Stark req. by Joann Johnson

Sat, May 4, 2024 5:00pm : + Edna Gallar & Welena Gauvin req. by Peter & Mary Gallar

Sun, May 5, 2024, 8am : Special intentions of Jay & Lori Fameree for 40th Anniversary req. by Julie & Jody Fameree

Sun, May 5, 2024, 11am: Birthday Blessing for Shane Bergensten req. by Angie & Austin Bergensten

Bronisław Markiewicz, SDB (13 July 1842 – 29 January 1912) was a [Polish Roman Catholic priest](#) and a professed member of the [Salesians of Don Bosco](#). Markiewicz established the [Congregation of Saint Michael the Archangel](#) that devoted itself to the principles and teachings of [John Bosco](#) under the patronage of [Saint Michael the Archangel](#).^[1]



His beatification was held in [Poland](#) on 19 June 2005 after [Pope John Paul II](#) acknowledged a miracle credited to him in 2004. Cardinal [Józef Glemp](#) presided over it on the behalf of [Pope Benedict XVI](#). Markiewicz decided that he wanted to join the [Salesians of Don Bosco](#) and embarked for [Turin](#) in November 1885 where he commenced his period of formation with the Salesians. He became attracted to the spirituality of Don Bosco and made his final vows in the order on 25 March 1887 to Bosco himself.

April 2024

04/28 First Communion 11am Mass
RCIA 9:15am /Adult 9:30am

04/30 Planning meeting for MHC festival 7pm /
Commemoration of St. John Bosco
May 2024

05/01 Adoration silent 4-7pm / praise & worship 8-9pm
Youth Ministry 7pm

05/04 1st Sat. Marian Devotions 9:30am

05/05 Faith Formation Class 9:15am RCIA 9:15am

05/08 Adoration silent 4-7pm praise & worship 8-9pm
Youth Ministry 7pm

05/09 Mama Margaret meeting 7pm

05/11 Confirmation retreat 9-12pm

Church needs a little sprucing up Sat. May 11th @ 9am if you have a couple of hours please come help us clean the church for Confirmation with the Bishop.

First Communion Sunday April 28, 2024

We celebrate as a family together those that are receiving the Eucharist the first time:

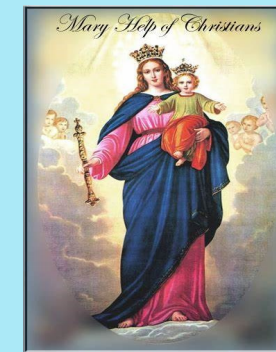
Felipe Antonio Sandoya Diaz Del Valle , Thomas Marincovich, Maria Isabella Rodrigues Duque, Isabella Bran Diaz Del Valle, Luca Antonio Zumpano, Lauren Sofia Rodrigues Duque, Anthonella Valentina Vargas Erazo, Jesus Rey Perez Espinosa, Dominick Jeffrey August Scallon, Jordis Deimer Erazo Arismendi

Mary Help of Christians Festival

May 26, 2024

Mass in gym @ 10am

Rosary procession and Mary Crowning to follow with Food trucks after the procession for a price.



For all the mothers, godmothers, grandmothers, aunts, sisters, cousins and special friends who touch our hearts all year.

Please fill out a form and put in collections or drop by the office so they can be remembered on Mother's Day. Please turn in by May 7th.



**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
PARISH OUTREACH**

- Box of Pasta - great need
- Ramen Noodles
- Gift Card-\$10 (note change-see below)
- Diapers - sizes 4,5 & 6 / Baby Wipes
- Chef Boyardee, Mac & Cheese
- Jelly - great need
- Travel shampoos /Razors /Shaving cream/Deodorant
- Canned tuna

Needed—Work boots new & used size—9 or larger.

Next Outreach is 05/18/2024 meet at Mary Help at 8am to load Cars and trucks. All are welcome to join us, come and see.

Our Goal : To fill 60 Blue Bags with listed items.

We have seen a large increase of persons at outreach and with only 25 \$15.00 gift cards a month they are going very quickly. We are going to try a little different approach and give 50 people \$10.00 gift cards. It is less money per card and it does not go as far, but it is better to give as many as we can something, then many receiving nothing. We will continue to try our best and continue to evaluate the best way we can serve the people at our new location. With your help we can achieve 50 \$10.00 gift cards by our next outreach, May 18, 2024. Thanks.

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of April 20, 2024 to April 21, 2024

Attendance 312 Envelopes 29

Mass Offertory	\$	2,823.00
Loose Checks	\$	225.00
Online Giving	\$	2,203.00
Mothers Day	\$	130.00

TOTAL \$ 5,381.00

ROSARY WARRIORS

Sunday after 11am Mass come join us to pray the rosary for graduating students and their future.



Catholic Charities Diocese of St. Petersburg, Inc., is currently seeking a volunteer dentist, and bilingual dental assistant who is inspired to serve a low-income population two days per week. In an effort to promote good oral health for children and families, Catholic Charities is preparing to launch a new dental clinic in Dade City, Dover, and Wimauma. These selected locations will provide FREE dental services to If you are interested in volunteering, or if you are interested in donating dental supplies to help the dental clinics, please contact Ms. Tracy Fordham at Meridian College (941) 233-7963. Interested candidates may email resumes or CVs to tfordham@meridian.edu.

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FIFTH Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024
5th Sunday OF EASTER
"I am the true vine, and my Father is the vine grower." - Jn 15:1A

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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

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.