

For the Weekend of August 9, 2026

Dear People of God

Sometimes when the Lord comes to us in the darkness we encounter, we are immediately frightened by Him. It’s not so much that we are frightened by God Himself; rather, we can easily be frightened by God’s will and what He asks of us. God’s will seems, to always call us to selfless giving and sacrificial love. At times, this can be kind of hard to accept. But when we remain in faith, our Lord will gently say to us, “Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid.” His will is nothing we should be afraid of. We should seek to embrace it with full confidence and trust. This might be challenging at first, but with faith and trust in Him, His will leads us to a life of the utmost fulfillment.

Let’s take time to reflect today upon whatever our Lord may be calling you to do right now in your life. Keep your eyes fixed on Him and know that He will never ask you to do anything too difficult to accomplish.

Today, August 9th, registration day for our Religious Education classes will be open. Classes begin next Sunday, August 16, 2026. All those children from Kindergarten through 12th Grade should consider applying. Those who go to Catholic School and are in line to receive the sacraments of First Penance, Holy Eucharist, or Confirmation are still obliged by the diocese to attend classes at their local parish as well. Please notify Alicia Newcomb, our new CRE, through the parish office for any more questions or for further information. Please gather by the bust of St. Dominic Savio next to the church.

OCIA classes also begin today. Classes will be held in the conference room next to the parish offices after the 8:00am Mass . Please see Mr. Tony Marincovich or notify the parish for any further information.

Deacon Ed will once again be offering Adult Faith Formation Classes each Sunday - beginning next week on August 16th at 9:30a. If you have any questions, please notify him at your convenience.

Today, also the Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring our annual Spaghetti Dinner from 10:30am - 1:00pm. Support our Knights and their various ministries! Share fellowship with one another!

Please remember - Be strong in your faith; Be courageous and unfaltering in your knowledge and belief that Jesus loves you . . . and He always will!

As usual please remember to pray for Br. Georg Marquis, SDB, still in rehab, and 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, Tom Costa, David & Rosie Gratz, Lisa Franz, Betsie Welch, Laura Munoz, 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, Eduardo Sanchez , Mike Kelly, Victor Fernandez, Paul Gabriel, Joseph Marecki, William Villegas, Anthony Marte, Jaquelin Nunez, Liam Newcomb, MaKayla Jennings, Cheryl Christensen, Diane Desmond, Don Allen,

2026 Mass Intentions:

August 08, 2026 - August 16, 2026

Sat, August 08, 2026, 5:00pm: +Bob Fallon req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine

Sun, August 09, 2026, 8:00am : +Robert Sweeney req. by Cathy Nagel & Honey

Sun, August 09, 2026 11:00am: +Hubert Wilson req. by ED & Donna O’Mara

Mon, August 10, 2026, 6:45am: Healing for Ed Cureg req. by Leila Taghap

Mon, August 10, 2026, 7:00pm: Birthday blessing for Valerie Sieger req. by Pam Brewer

Tues, August 11, 2026. 6:45am: Honoring St Michael req. by Chet Shinko

Wed, August 12, 2026, 6:45am: +Lucy & John Costa req. by Ann Marie, Tom, Carl, Shane

Wed, August 12, 2026, 7:00pm: +Maxine & Tony Fernandez req, By Peter & Mary Gallar

Thurs., August 13, 2026, 6:45am: +Concordia Cureg req. by Dean Family

Fri. August 14, 2026, 6:45am : +Henry & Mary Blanche Bunker & Birthday remembrance for Jack Bunker req. by Chris Fellerhoff

Fri. August 14, 2026, 7:00pm: The Assumption Vigil for parishioners of Mary Help of Christians Parish req. by Parish

Sat, August 15, 2026 10:00am, The Assumption—For the parishioners Of Mary Help of Christians Parish req. by Parish

Sat, August 15, 2026, 5:00pm : +Bob Fallon req. by Maggie Brown

Sun, August 16, 2026, 8:00am: +Robert Sweeney req. by Theresa And Nick Fitzgerald

Sun, August 16, 2026, 11:00am: +Hubert Wilson req. by Kathy & Edwin Celeiro

Augusto Czartoryski was born on 2 August 1858 in Paris, France, the firstborn son to Prince Ladislaus of Poland and Princess Maria Amparo, daughter of the Duke and Queen of Spain. The noble Czartoryski Family had been living in exile in France for almost 30 years, in the Lambert Palace. When Augusto was 6, his mother died of tuberculosis; the disease was also transmitted to him, and for the rest of his life he would be plagued by ill health. As he grew up, Augusto felt that he was not meant for the life of nobility, and one day, when he was 20 years old, he wrote to his father: “I confess to



you that I am tired [of all the parties]; they are superficial entertainments that cause me anguish and I feel myself ‘forced’ to make acquaintances with others at these banquets.” Augusto was already feeling more and more called to religious life and was hoping for a clearer indication of what God wanted from him: this “decisive event” took place when he was 25 and met Don Bosco, founder of the Salesians. When Don Bosco came to Paris and celebrated Mass in the family chapel of the Lambert Palace, Augusto saw in this holy founder and teacher the “father of his soul” and guide for his future. Fr Augusto died on 8 April 1893 in Alassio .

August 2026

08/10 Monday Mass 7pm

08/12 Adoration 4-7pm/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm

08/15 Outreach 8am meet at basketball ct./ Hospitality weekend

08/16 Faith Formation's 1st class 9:15am / OCIA 9:15am Adult Formation 9:30am / Hospitality weekend

08/17 Monday Mass 7pm

08/19 Adoration 4-7pm/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm

08/23 Faith Formation / OCIA 9:15am / Adult Formation 9:30am

08/24 Monday Mass 7pm / Financial Council 5:30pm/ Commemoration of Mary Help of Christians

08/25 K of C meeting 7pm

08/26 Adoration 4-7pm/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm

08/30 Faith Formation / OCIA 9:15am / Adult Formation 9:30am

ALTAR SERVER MEETING TUESDAY AUG. 18TH @ 7PM

If your child is interested or is an altar server now ,please attend the meeting,

Altar server appreciation Sat. Aug. 22nd @ Chuck E

Cheese from 11am-1pm please let Fr Steve or Deacon Ed

Know If you are able to attend with your family.

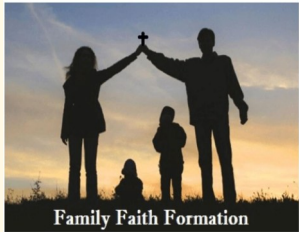


Faith Formation for youth and adults.

If you have a child that you would like to learn more about their faith. We have Faith Formation classes for *children* from 3 –15 years old. Registration forms are in the back of church or you can stop by the office or email office at parish@mhctampa.org.

Classes will be starting on Aug. 16th at 9:15am.

The Adult classes will start Aug. 16th at 9:30am.



August 14th @ 7PM Mass of Assumption

August 15th @ 10AM Mass of Assumption

This is not a Holy day of Obligation



COMING SOON MINISTRY FAIR

How can you serve
Your parish community
Keep a watch for the upcoming
Ministry Fair.

Just a idea of what you might

be interested in.

Outreach Ministry New Members Knights of Columbus Mama Margaret Women’s Guild Religious Education Adult Faith Formation Salesian Cooperators Youth Ministry Hospitality Social Committee Prime Timers Lec-Commentators, Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist Altar Servers Vocations Registrations Music Ministry Christmas Committee Parish Council Finance Committee Blankets and Blessings Volunteers Bereavement Committee Respect Life. . . . to name a few.



Grow spiritually by connecting your gifts with the ministry you can best be of service!

**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 08/15/2026 Meet at Mary Help at 8am.

Outreach

Have you ever heard the term-controlled chaos? To an outsider that is what it may look like when we arrive at the vacant lot each month. Upon arrival, our people rush into action by setting up tables behind their vehicles and emptying their trunks and within 15 minutes all the stations are set and ready to go. After a quick welcome, instruction, and prayer, the people who have been patiently watching this set up, begin to file through. It is an awesome sight to watch as many hands make light work. Thanks to all of you, we are able to do this each month and everyone is invited to come and be a part any third Saturday of the month. The reward is tremendous. God bless.

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of August 01, 2026 to August 02, 2026
Attendance 166 Envelopes 26

Mass Offertory	\$	2,052.00
Loose checks	\$	400.00
Online Giving	\$	1,169.00
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TOTAL \$ 6,203.00



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Fr. Bill Keane, S.D.B. Assisting Priest
Deacon Edmond Anctil
Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 09, 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