

For the Weekend of August 17, 2025

Dear People of God,

On this 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, we hear Jesus tell us that He came to set the world on fire. What the heck does he mean by this statement? The image of fire offers a great deal of insight into the Christian life. First, fire consumes. So it is with Christ. He came to consume us. He came to transform our lives into blazing fires.

Fire also has the potential to make a difference. Its heat keeps us warm, its light allows us to see in darkness, and its energy produces power in a number of ways to help us in our daily lives. The same can be said of God’s grace. It transforms our cold hearts, leads us through the darkness of life and provides us with all we need to live productive lives.

Jesus wants us to move out of a mediocre and lukewarm existence into a life of radical Christian living. We are not called to be partly transformed, or even mostly transformed. No, we are called to become blazing fires of faith, transformed by God to make a true difference in the world! Put your trust in God and allow Him to transform you.

Prayer: Lord, set my heart on fire with the brightness of Your love and mercy. Help me to be open to the complete transformation of life that You desire of me. Use me as You will. Jesus, I trust in You.

- Remember to visit our web page, www.mhcptampa.org, to learn the latest developments in our parish. Do your best to participate and support them in any way you can
- Don’t forget to listen to Wednesday Words from the Pastor on our website each week!
- Start now to think of what ministry you would like to assist in this year. Our annual Ministry Fair is coming up in a few weeks (September 14th). Be prepared! Be courageous! Join something! Make a difference! Step outside your comfort zone!
- Please pray for and remember our sick and homebound!
- 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.

Peace and Joy 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 Hernandez, Victor Pichardo, David Schwaller, MaKayla Jennings, Lauren Lynch, Clarissa Roberson, Katherine Conrad, Rosa E. Alvarez, Valerie Sieger, Georgene & Dennis Bender, Paytin Hampton, Daniel Wiles, Roseanne Ferrante Waters, David Russell.

For those who have asked you to pray for them.

2025 Mass Intentions:

August 16, 2025 - August 24, 2025

Sat, August 16, 2025, 5:00pm: + Tom McDevitt req. by Tony & Joann Marincovich

Sun, August 17, 2025, 8:00am : +Joe Brocato req. by Beth Strauss

Sun, August 17, 2025, 11:00am: +Maureen Toy req. by Maggie Brown

Mon, August 18, 2025, 6:45am : For Victims of Disaster req. by Susanna George

Mon, August 18, 2025, 7:00pm: +Marinie Adams req. by Joann Johnson

Tues, August 19, 2025. 6:45am: For Living Benefactors req. by Susanna George

Wed, August 20, 2025, 6:45am: Donald & Lisa Mariano Family req. by Anonymous

Wed. August 20, 2025, 7:00pm +Michael Melancon req. by Maggie Brown

Thurs, August 21, 2025, 6:45am +Mary Bellia req. by Chet Shinko

Fri. August 22, 2025, 6:45am : Sonny Gonzalez req. by Jo Gonzales

Sat, August 23, 2025, 5:00pm : +Manny Ytuarte req. by Deacon Ed and Lorraine

Sun, August 24, 2025, 8:00am : +Marisol Gonzalez req. by Harold & Betsie Welch

Sun, August 24, 2025, 11:00am: +John & Paula Ytuarte req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine

Maria Troncatti, FMA (16 February 1883 - 25 August 1969) was an [Italian Catholic](#) member of the [Salesian Sisters of Don Bosco](#).

^[u] Troncatti was from a farming family and entered that congregation in 1907; she worked as a nurse during [World War I](#) and became part of the missions in [Ecuador](#) from 1922 until her death in a [plane crash](#) in 1969. Troncatti was beatified on 24 November 2012 and will be canonized on 19 October 2025.

Troncatti joined the Salesian Sisters of Don Bosco on 15 October 1905 after having commenced her period of the [novitiate](#) and she later professed her vows on 17 1908 in [Nizza Monferrato](#). Her father fainted as she left due to the pain of separation. She spent this time in [Varazze](#) in [Liguria](#). Troncatti suffered a serious infection in 1909 and later contracted [typhoid](#); this prompted a visit from [Michele Rua](#) who blessed her. In 1915 she passed a special course in nursing and used this education during [World War I](#) as she tended to ill and wounded soldiers - she also worked for the [Red Cross](#) while stationed in Varazze.



August 2025

08/17 Faith Formation & OCIA 9:15am / Adult Formation 9:30am
Parents, teachers, students meet with Ann Marie.

08/18 Mass 7pm

08/20 Adoration 4-7pm silent/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm
Youth Ministry 7pm

08/24 Faith Formation & OCIA 9:15am / Adult 9:30am /
Commemoration of Mary Help of Christians

08/25 Mass 7pm / Financial Council meeting 5:30pm /Feast Day
of Maria Troncatti, FMA

08/26 K of C meeting 7pm

08/27 Adoration 4-7pm silent/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm
Youth Ministry 7pm

08/30 Mass 5pm

08/31 Faith Formation & OCIA 9:15am / Adult 9:30am /
Commemoration of St John Bosco

Faith Formation

First day of class, parents need to attend August 17, 2025 @ 9:15am
which will include safe environment.

Please contact Ann Marie Brummett - 813-431-6490 or email her at cre@mhctampa.org if you have any questions.

OCIA classes every Sunday @ 9:15am for information contact Tony Marincovich @ 863-660-0020 or email marincovichtony@gmail.com.

Adult formation 8/17/2025 @9:30am –Consider joining our Lectionary based class with Deacon ED

Quarterly Church Cleaning. August 30, 2025 9-12pm

Many hands make light work. Lets freshen up our place of worship.

You can have a Mass said for a loved one, deceased or living. Week day Masses \$10 and Weekend Masses \$15 contact the office to offer a Mass. 813-626-7588 or email parish@mhctampa.org.

Save the date - Oct. 4, 2025 @ 11am / Oct 5, @ 11am

You will be getting a invitation to Joshua Keleske Ordination and First Mass and Reception . There is a sign up sheet at the back of church for transportation to the Ordination on Oct. 4th @ 11am. The invitation will give you more information about the event.

Parishioners or Active members of the parish.

If you have a family picture you could share with us we would like to create a Parish book of the families or singles here at Mary Help of Christians. Please include your name and families names. You can drop off at the office or put in envelope and put in collection or email to our email at parish@mhctampa.org.

**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 09/20/25 Meet at Mary Help at 8am to load cars and trucks . All are welcome to join us.

God’s mercy and prayers

A few weeks ago, we heard the story of the Good Samaritan who reached beyond himself to aid the robbery victim. Christ asks the rich young man who showed the robbery victim mercy? Our outreach shows God’s mercy to our brothers and sisters each month, whether it is you supplying items in the back-ground or those of you who distribute these items each month. Please remember always to pray for them that they may know that what ever they are doing Christ is walking with them in their journey and giving them His mercy, strength, and love.

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of August 09, 2025 to August 10, 2025
Attendance 179 Envelopes 32

Mass Offertory	\$	3,565.00
Loose checks	\$	310.00
Online Giving	\$	1,535.00
Candles	\$	47.00

TOTAL \$ 5,457.00

Ministry Fair

Sept. 14 –12-2pm

Here at Mary Help we have a lot of different ministry’s.

Please check them out and sign up for something you would like to contribute your time and talent. We are a small parish but we are strong on ministry.

Thank you everyone who participated in the Spaghetti Dinner. The Knights of Columbus who cooked and served. The Mama Margaret who provided desserts. The parishioners who participated in the eating of the great food. It was a great success thanks to everyone.



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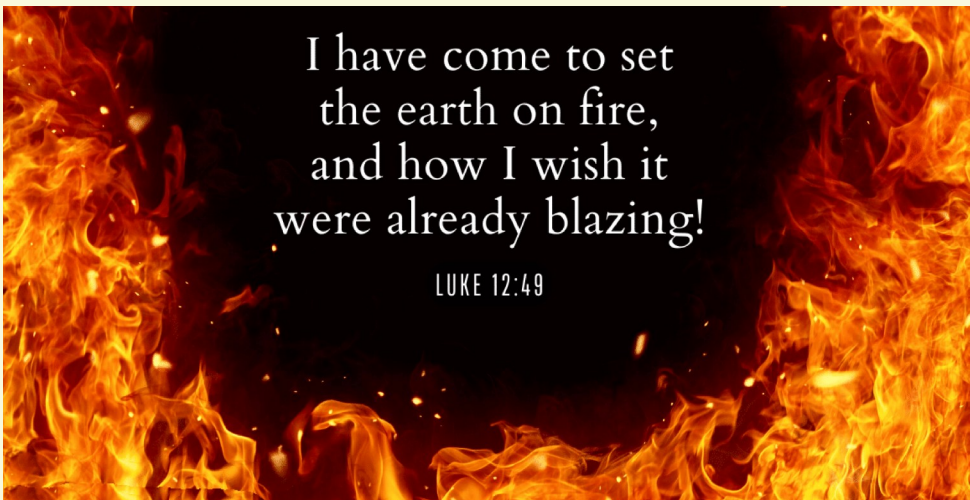
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Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 17, 2025



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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