

For the Weekend of September 24, 2023

Dear People of God

One lesson we can take from the parable of this Sunday is that God is exceptionally generous and it is never too late to turn to Him in our need. Too often, when it comes to our life of faith, we sit around “idle all day.” In other words, we can easily go through the motions of having a faith life but fail to actually embrace the daily work of building up our relationship with the Lord. It’s much easier to have an idle faith life than one which is active and transforming.

We should hear in the gospel words today, an invitation from Jesus to *get to work*, so to speak. One challenge that many face is that they have spent years living and idle faith and don’t know how to change that. If that is you, this passage is really spot on for you. It reveals that God is merciful to the end. He never shies away from bestowing His riches on us no matter how long we have been away from Him and no matter how far we have fallen.

Prayer: *Lord, help me to increase my commitment to living my life of faith. Allow me to hear your invitation to enter into Your vineyard of grace. I thank you for your generosity and seek to receive this freely given gift of Your mercy. Jesus, I trust in You.*

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.

Our mid week Adoration in the Church is available for one and all. . Quiet reflective, Adoration beginning at 4:00pm and temporarily closing @ 6:45pm. Joy and Praise Adoration beginning after 7:00pm Mass. (From before 8:00pm until 9:00pm.)

On the First Wednesday of every Month. Quiet reflective, Adoration beginning at 4:00pm and temporarily closing @ 7:30pm. Joy and Praise Adoration beginning after 7:00pm Mass. (From before 8:00pm until 9:00pm).

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 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:**

Willie Seago, Thomas Epp, Pete & Mary Gallar, Janice Murphy, Vivian Diaz, Sandra Oliva, Joe Brocato, Immogene 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 Forenczy Zampano, Fernando Romero, Akers family, Jay Samman, Rose Gabriel, Francis Briones, Julia Kelly, Barbara Dahl, Martha Catul, Elaine Jones, Barbara Robles. Mary Viteri, Patricia Hauser, Ricky Dixon, Bernadette Schoppman, Joann Johnson, Beverly Fernandez, Bob & Marge Fallon, Rene Zarte, Joe Branson, Dennis Bender, Kathy Cortez, Jean Nichols, George Hernandez, Jack Walsh, Oliver Fameree.

For those who have asked you to pray for them.

**2023 Mass Intentions:**

**September 23, 2023 to October 1, 2023**

Sat, Sept. 23, 2023, 5:00pm+ Lila Campanelli - Purifoy req. by Sean & Ann Rockway  
Sun Sept. 24, 2023, 8:00am: Birthday Blessing for Diana Funk req. by Pam Brewer  
Sun, Sept. 24, 2023, 11:00am + Martin Strauss req. by Cheryl Christensen  
Mon, Sept. 25, 2023, 6:45am: +Harold Rossiter req. by Pete and Mary Gallar  
Mon, Sept 25 2023, 7pm: +Bonnie Peters req. by Pam Brewer  
Tues, Sept. 26, 2023, 6:45: + Joan Whelan req. by Pete and Mary Gallar  
Wed, Sept. 27, 2023, 6:45am: +Lucy Costa req. by Ann Marie, Tom, Shane, and Carl Costa  
Wed, Sept. 27, 2023, 7:00pm: +Pedro & Edna Gallar req. by Pete and Mary Gallar  
Thurs, Sept. 28, 2023, 6:45am: Special blessings for all Priest req. by Parish  
Fri, Sept. 29, 2023, 6:45am: +Ian McClelland req. by Ellen and Bob Savage  
Sat, Sept. 30, 2023, 5:00pm: Intentions for Parishioners of Mary Help of Christians Parish  
Sun, October 1, 2023 8:00am: Special intentions for all the sick in the Parish req. by Parish  
Sun, October 1, 2023, 11am : +Teresa Sanchez req. by Katie Bartolotti



**WHO IS DON BOSCO**

John Melchior Bosco, SDB, popularly known as Don Bosco, was an Italian Catholic priest, educator, writer and saint of the 19th century. While working in Turin, where the population suffered many of the ill-effects of industrialization and urbanization, he dedicated his life to the betterment and education of street children, juvenile delinquents, and other disadvantaged youth. He developed teaching methods based on love rather than punishment, a method that became known as the Salesian Preventive System.

September Events

09/25 Financial Council meeting 5:15pm  
09/26 Salesian Safe Environment MHC Church 7pm  
09/27 Adoration silent 4-7pm praise & worship 8-9pm  
09/27 Youth Ministry 7pm

October Events

10/04 Pack the Chapel 7:30-9pm  
10/04 Youth Ministry 7pm  
10/05 Staff Meeting 6:15pm  
10/05 Parish Council 7-8pm  
10/08 Blessing of the Animals 9:15am /Front of Church  
10/11 Adoration silent 4-7pm praise & worship 8-9pm  
10/11 Youth Ministry 7-9pm  
10/14 Passing out bags for Thanksgiving baskets

**ROSARY WARRIORS**

Every Sunday after 11am Mass

Meet at the Rosary Garden to pray the rosary after 11 am Mass.



Cristo Rey Tampa Salesian H. S. is in need of 4-6 women Chaperones for Oct. 13-15 for a outing they are having at Hillsborough State Park. Please contact Fr Eddie @ 973-518-4453.



RCIA & Religious Ed

Sunday at 9:15am

Adult Formation—Sunday 9:30am

We have classes for all ages, youth and adults please consider joining us for one of the classes.



**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS  
PARISH OUTREACH**

- Chef Boyardee, spaghetti, ravioli, canned food
- Peanut butter and Jelly any flavor
- Tuna Fish canned, Soup (any kind)
- Ramon Noodles
- Gift Cards are very important \$15

Next Outreach is 10/28 meet at Mary Help at 8am to load Cars and trucks.

Take advantage of those BOGO'S one for YOU, one for MHCP!

**Jelly and Gift Cards needed for Outreach**

**\$15-Publix, Winn Dixie or Walmart.**

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of September 16, 2023 TO September 17, 2023

Attendance	161	Envelopes	25
Mass Offertory		\$	1,847.00
Loose Checks		\$	609.00
Online Giving		\$	1,266.00
Candles		\$	62.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>\$</b>	<b>3,722.00</b>

**Safe Environment Class**

Sept 26, 2023 @7pm in the Church for anyone who is involved in a ministry at Mary Help. This will be the final Safe Environment class. Please try to attend.

**JOB CORNER**

Job offers needed. If you know of anyone who is looking for employees. Any jobs or any position. Please contact the office at 813-626-7588 or email parish@mhctampa.org

**Job opening for a Coordinator of Youth & Young Adult Ministry at St Stephen Catholic Church, River-view, Fl.** Applications for the position can be downloaded from the Diocesan website at <https://www.dosp.org/humanresources/employment-opportunities/> Application, Resume and Letter of Interest should be emailed to the Director of Faith Formation Rosie Bridges, [Rosie@ststephencatholic.org](mailto:Rosie@ststephencatholic.org).



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### Twenty Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 24, 2023



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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 Thursday, 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  
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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.