

Weekend of July 19, 2026

Dear People of God

The introduction of today’s parable should wake us up to the reality of the evil one in our midst. The particular action of the “enemy” in this parable is disturbing. Imagine if you were the farmer in this story who worked very hard at sowing the seed throughout your field. Then you awoke to hear the news that weeds had been sown as well. I’m sure you would be quite disturbed, angered and disappointed to say the least.

But this parable is about the Son of God. Jesus is the one who has sown the good seed of His Word and watered that seed with His Precious Blood. However, the devil has also been at work trying to undermine the work of our Lord. Unlike us, Jesus, as the Divine Sower, does not let the evil one steal His peace. Instead, He allows this action of the devil to remain for now. But, in the end, the works of evil will be destroyed and burned in unquenchable fire.

If you notice, Jesus does not root out all evil in our world here and now. He refrains so that the good fruit of the Kingdom will not be negatively affected. . . . so that all the evil (“weeds”) in the world around us, can never affect our growth in virtue and entrance into the Kingdom of God if we choose to not let it.

As for me, all went well in Arizona. My sister did her best to continuously feed me. I did an extraordinary amount of sleeping and resting. There was not one day under 108 degrees here. These last few days my brother has been hosting me in Centennial, CO. So far it has been a repeat of my Arizona experience. Many thanks to y’all for giving me the opportunity to do this once again this year. I hope to see you all in a few more days!

- I am counting on the fact that many of you not only thought of volunteering to help with this year’s Religious Education Program but have taken the leap in faith to do so.
- Please give our new Religious Education Coordinator - Alicia Newcomb - your very best cooperation.
- Heartfelt thanks once again for the tremendous job done by Ann Marie Brummett these past years. As C.R.E. she really made it a work of the heart. How blessed we have been!
- Be aware of my continuous thoughts and prayers for you all.
- Please continue to pray for a camp season that will end as successfully as it began six weeks ago.

As usual please remember to pray for Br. George Marquis, SDB (still in rehab) and 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, Tom Costa, David & Rosie Gratz, Lisa Franz, Patti Capitano, Betsie Welch, Laura Munoz, Bobby Ryder, David Netel, Jay Samman, 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, Daniel Wiles, David Russell, Maria De Guzman, 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:

July 18, 2026 - July 26, 2026

Sat, July 18, 2026, 5:00pm: +John Ytuarte req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine

Sun, July 19, 2026, 8:00am : For the parishioners of Mary Help of Christians Parish req. by Parish

Sun, July 19, 2026 11:00am: +Theresa Graves req. by Betsie & Harold Welch

Mon, July 20, 2026, 6:45am: For the Living Benefactors req. by Susanna George

Mon, July 20, 2026, 7:00pm: Healing for the sick req. by Parish

Tues, July 21, 2026. 6:45am: Healing for Ed Cureg req. by Leila Taghap

Wed, July 22, 2026, 6:45am: For peace in the world req. by Parish

Wed, July 22, 2026, 7:00pm: +Bertha Afoudji req. by Francisca-Stella Afoudji

Thurs., July 23, 2026, 6:45am: For those suffering from accidents req. by Susanna George

Fri. July 24, 2026, 6:45am : +Dolores Ancil req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine

Sat, July 25., 2026, 5:00pm : +Maria Martinez req. by Linery Pichardo

Sun, July 26, 2026, 8:00am: +Della & Joe Sarsfield req, by Sarsfield family

Sun, July 26, 2026, 11:00am: +Alberto Taylor Jr. req. by Troy Taylor and family

Maria Romero Meneses was born on January 13, 1902, in Granada, Nicaragua, into a wealthy but charitable family. Her father, a government minister, instilled in her a sharp awareness of the needs of the poor, and from early childhood she learned the meaning of practical charity. While her family wished her to pursue accomplishments in music, studying piano and violin, Maria soon discovered a deeper vocation. At twelve, she entered a college run by the Daughters of Mary Help of Christians, where she embraced Don Bosco’s charism with enthusiasm. Gifted and joyful, she taught music during her novitiate and encountered the stark poverty of young girls for the first time. After her perpetual profession, she was



sent to San José, Costa Rica, which would become her lifelong mission field. Her faith and deep devotion to Mary Help of Christians inspired others to support her charitable enterprises. One of her most lasting works was the founding of the ciudadelas de María Auxiliadora—homes for the homeless that remain active today, supported by the lay Association “Ayuda a los Necesitados.”

July 2026

07/20 Monday Mass 7pm

07/22 Adoration 4-7pm/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm

07/23 Mama Margaret serving snow cones to campers 1:50-2:50

07/24 Fr Steve returns from his family visits/Commemoration of Mary Help of Christians

07/27 Monday Mass 7pm / Financial Council meeting 5:30pm

07/28 K of C 7pm Installation of officers

07/29 Adoration 4-7pm/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm

07/31 Commemoration of St John Bosco

August 2026

08/01 1st Sat Marian Devotions 9:30am / Missionary Cooperation Plan Appeal speaker

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 5 –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. There will be a teachers meeting on Aug. 9th at 9:15am.

Classes will be starting on Aug. 16th at 9:15am. The Adult classes will start Aug. 16th at 9:30am. OCIA classes will start on Aug. 9th at 9:15am.

Monday June 29th though Friday July 24th there will be no 12:10pm Mass in the Good Shepherd Chapel. The 12:10 Mass will begin again on July 27th.

Knights of Columbus Back to School Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday August 9th from 10:30-1pm

Tickets \$10

Coffee & Desserts provided by Mama Margaret

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KEYNOTE SPEAKER:
FR. JOHN SERIO, SDB

BREAKOUT SESSIONS:
TO BE ANNOUNCED

DESIGNED FOR

TEACHERS	YOUTH MINISTERS	CORE TEAM MEMBERS	CATECHISTS
DIRECTORS OF RELIGIOUS	CAMPUS MINISTERS		ANYONE WHO WORKS WITH

**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: urgent need

This summer has been very lean in food and supplies at Nativity Food Bank which aides us in supplementing our outreach. We are currently in great need for the following items: **cereal, jelly, mac and cheese, Ramin noodles, toilet paper, and diapers sizes 5, 6, and 7**. Every little bit helps. As always, we thank you for all that you can give in supplying our outreach to serve others.

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of July 11, 2026 to July 12, 2026

Attendance 144 Envelopes 24

Mass Offertory	\$ 2,158.00
Loose checks	\$ 420.00
Online Giving	\$ 602.00
Candles	\$ 45.00

TOTAL \$ 3,225.00

Are you willing to give one Sunday a month at 11am Mass to run the livestreaming we have for all the homebound . Sunday Mass at 11am is needing someone to run the camera for the livestream Mass, you do not need to be a technical person to do this. If we can get 4 volunteers then you will just have to run it once a month, Please contact the office if you are interested at 813-626-7588 or email parish@mhctampa.org .

Are you interested in sharing Gods message to others. We are in need of Faith Formation teachers for the next school year. If you are interested please see Alicia Newcomb at cre@mhctampa.org or reach out to the parish office at 813-626–7588 or parish@mhctampa.org.



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Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 19, 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

