

Dear People of God,

It’s only normal for each of us to desire the “better part.” Though this may be the result of a certain selfishness within us, it may also come from a holy desire when the “better part” is identified as the will of God in our lives. Conversely, sometimes we tend to choose what we perceive as better for us when, in fact, it’s not better at all.

This passage reveals that Mary chose something we should all desire in life. She chose to sit at the foot of Jesus and simply be with Him. Martha was doing a lovely service by preparing the meal and working hard, but Mary was focused on one thing, her Lord. The need for good works (Martha) and prayer (Mary) are together necessary elements if we wish to be a disciple of Jesus. Reflect today, upon the image of Mary sitting quietly at the feet of Jesus. Use this image as a symbolic invitation to do the same on this day. Have you sat quietly and silently with our Lord? Choose the “better part” today and you just might find out that everything else simply falls into place to a much better degree.

*Prayer: Lord, help me today and always to seek moments of deep prayer with You through which I rest in Your presence. May I find moments to live this “better part” every day so that I may enjoy Your full presence forever. Jesus, I trust in You.*

- Remember to check out our web page, [www.mhcptampa.org](http://www.mhcptampa.org), to find out the latest developments in our parish. Don’t forget to listen to Wednesday Words from the Pastor on our website each week!
- Please pray for our summer campers, our counselors, and staff. May this summer experience continue to be one of grace, safety and happiness for one and all.
- Please also pray for our Cristo Rey students, faculty, and staff who are preparing to return from their summer break.
- 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.

Please take note of upcoming parish events listed elsewhere in this weekly bulletin. Do your best to participate and support them in any way you can.

Peace Always!



Fr. Steve Dumais, SDB  
Pastor

PRAYER LIST

**Please keep the following in your prayers:**

Pete & Mary Gallar, Janice Murphy, Vivian Diaz, Tom Costa, David & Rosie Gratz, Lisa Franz, Patti Capitano, Fran Johns, Betsie Welch, Laura Munoz, Bobby Ryder, David Netel, Larry Walsh, Fernando Romero, Jay Samman, Rose Gabriel, Francis Briones, Julia Kelly, , Martha Catul, Elaine & Alan Jones Barbara Robles. Ruth Maund, Beverly Fernandez, Bob & Marge Fallon, Rene Zarte, Kathy Cortez, Jean Nichols, George Hernandez, , Victor Pichardo, David Schwaller, MaKayla Jennings, Esther Savio, Lucy Clemons, Lauren Lynch, Clarissa Roberson, Katherine Conrad, Rosa E. Alvarez, Valerie Sieger, Georgene & Dennis Bender, Rae Godbout, Penny Love , Paytin Hampton, Daniel Wiles, Dave Anshutz. Roseanne Ferrante Waters, David Russell.

2025 Mass Intentions:

**July 19, 2025 - July 27, 2025**

**Sat, July 19, 2025, 5:00pm:** John & Kathy Butler req. by Parish

**Sun, July 20, 2025, 8:00am :** +Celestine Obi req. by Okoye Family

**Sun, July 20, 2025, 11:00am:** +Joseph & Dolores Anctil req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine

**Mon, July 21, 2025, 6:45am :** For all Salesian Priest req. by Parish

**Mon, July 21, 2025, 7:00pm:** +Fr Dennis Donovan, SDB req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine

**Tues, July 22, 2025. 6:45am:** Daniel & Michelle Doromal req. by Rey & Eleanor Doromal

**Wed, July 23, 2025, 6:45am:** +John Ytuarte req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine

**Wed. July 23, 2025, 7:00pm** Birthday Blessing for Magdalena Sagnip req. by Magua Sagnip

**Thurs, July 24, 2025, 6:45am** +Dolores Anctil req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine

**Fri. July 25, 2025, 6:45am :** James Von Drak req. by Diana Kinnee

**Sat, July 26, 2025, 5:00pm :** +Della & Joseph Sarsfield req. by Family

**Sun, July 27, 2025, 8:00am :** +Joe Brocato req. by Pete & Mary Gallar

**Sun, July 27, 2025, 11:00am:** +Ernestine Dodson req. by Parish

**Ven. Laura Meozzi**, Laura was born in Florence on January 5, 1873, to Alessandro and Angela Mazzoni. Her wealthy, noble family moved to Rome soon after. There, Laura finished her studies and went on to study medicine. Her spiritual director was a Salesian who invited her to leave wealth behind and respond to the Lord's call by working for poor girls.



After many nights spent in prayer, Laura became a Salesian Sister in 1898. She spent 23 years working in Italy, especially in Sicily, until 1921, when she was chosen to lead the first group of Sisters sent to Poland. During this latter period, Sr Laura's characteristic stood out: her motherliness.

**July 2025**

**07/21 Mass 7pm**

**07/23 Adoration 4-7pm silent/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm**

**07/24 Commemoration of Mary Help of Christians**

**07/25 Fr Steve returns from vacation**

**07/26 Mass 5pm**

**07/27 Masses 8am/11am**

**07/28 Mass 7pm**

**07/30 Adoration 4-7pm silent/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm**

**07/31 Commemoration of St John Bosco**

**August 2025**

**08/02 1st Sat. Marian Devotions 9:30am / Mass 5pm**

**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](mailto:parish@mhctampa.org).**

**Faith Formation**

- Teachers needed please pray about becoming a teacher for our faith formation classes the children need you. Sign up is at the back of church.
- If you want your child to attend faith formation for 2025-2026 yr. please sign up on the sign up sheet in the back of church and AnnMarie will give you a call to get everything set up.
- Please return any paper work that Ann Marie provided you.**

**Knights of Columbus Spaghetti Dinner and back to School Celebration.**

**August 10, 2025 - 10:30am-2pm**

**Cost \$ 10**

**Children 12 and under eat for free.**

**Mama Margaret will provide desserts.**



The Knights of Columbus invite all families and parishioners of Mary Help of Christians to join us for our Back-to-School Spaghetti Dinner on August 10th. In support of local students, we will be hosting a school supply donation drive during the event. For every school supply item you donate, you'll receive a raffle ticket for a chance to win a \$50 gift card. Your generosity will help ensure that children in need start the school year with the tools for success. We hope to see you there for a day of good food, fellowship, and giving back to our community."

**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](mailto:parish@mhctampa.org).**

**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS  
PARISH OUTREACH**

- Cereal
- Ramen Noodles / Soup
- Gift Card-\$10 - Great need !!!!!!!!!**
- Diapers - 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 08/16/25 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 background 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 July 12, 2025 to July 13, 2025**  
**Attendance 170 Envelopes 24**

Mass Offertory	\$	2,477.00
Loose checks	\$	740.00
Online Giving	\$	980.00
Candles	\$	24.00

**TOTAL \$ 4,181.00**

home

school

church

playground



# CAMP MARY HELP

We are a Catholic day camp serving children 5-15 years old

**7 Weeks**

- Week 1: June 9-13
- Week 2: June 16-20
- Week 3: June 23-27
- Week 4: June 30- July 3
- Week 5: July 7-11
- Week 6: July 14-18
- Week 7: July 21-25

**Open House**

- Sunday, April 6: 12:00 pm- 4:00 pm
- Wednesday, April 23: 4:00 pm- 6:00 pm
- Saturday, May 3: 10:00 am- 1:00 pm

**Camp Activities**

- Daily Mass
- Swimming
- Kayaking
- Tubing
- Archery
- Arts & Crafts
- Farm Education

**\$300 per week**  
8:00AM - 4:00PM  
\*Discounts and extended hours available



[mhctampa.org/summer-camp](http://mhctampa.org/summer-camp)

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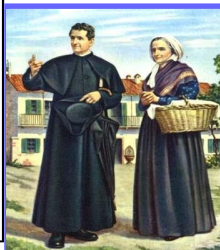


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**MISSION STATEMENT**

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 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  
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