

Weekend of July 26, 2026

Dear People of God,

Pearls in the ancient world came to represent the supremely valuable. Jesus remarked that one should not cast pearls before swine. Why would a merchant sell everything for a peerless pearl? No doubt because he was attracted to what he thought was the greatest treasure he could possess. Discovering God’s kingdom is like stumbling across hidden treasure or finding the one pearl of great price.

When we discover the kingdom of God we receive the greatest possible treasure - the Lord himself. Selling all that we have to obtain this incomparable treasure could mean many things - our friends, our jobs, our “style of life”, what we do with our free time. Treasure has a special connection to the heart, the place of desire and longing, the place of will and focus. The thing we most set our heart on is our highest treasure. In this parable the treasure of the kingdom might refer to the kingdom of God in all its aspects. But in a special way, the Lord himself is the treasure we seek. Is the Lord the treasure and delight of your heart?

As for me, all is well here in Denver. My brother and his wife are trying their best to fatten me up. As in Arizona, I’m continuing to do an extraordinary amount of sleeping and resting. The weather here has been great. The Rockies in the distance are still snow-covered. What a wonderful background to meditate and reflect on.

Many thanks to those who have volunteered to assist this years’ Religious Education Program. God bless and reward you abundantly.

Many thanks to all those who worked hard to make this years’ Camp Season so successful. How graced and blessed we truly are!

May Mary, the Mother of God, the Help of Christians, continue to watch over you all and bless you abundantly!

As usual please remember to pray for Br. George Maquis, 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, 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, Daniel Wiles, David Russell, 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 25, 2026 - August 02, 2026

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
Mon, July 27, 2026, 6:45am: For peace in the world req. by Parish
Mon, July 27, 2026, 7:00pm: For the parishioners of Mary Help of Christians Parish req. by Parish
Tues, July 28, 2026. 6:45am: For all Salesian Priest, Brothers, & Sisters req. by Parish
Wed, July 29, 2026, 6:45am: Healing for Ed Cureg req. by Leila Taghap
Wed, July 29, 2026, 7:00pm: +Laura Parady req. by Pete & Mary Gallar
Thurs., July 30, 2026, 6:45am: Birthday blessing for Fr Lou Aineto, SDB req. by Parish
Fri. July 31, 2026, 6:45am : Anniversary of Deacon Ed & Lorriane req. by Family
Sat, August 01, 2026, 5:00pm : 50th Anniversary of Religious Profession for Bro. Alfred Flatoff, SDB req. by Deacon Ed & Lorriane
Sun, August 02, 2026, 8:00am: For the parishioners of Mary Help of Christians Parish req. by Parish
Sun, August 02, 2026, 11:00am: +Brunilda Ortiz req. by Deacon Ed & Lorraine

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 Alasio, where he lived his year as a priest, occupying a room which looked out onto the courtyard where the children of the Oratory played. He was 35 years old.

July 2026

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 Devot. 9:30am / church cleaning 11am-?/ Missionary Cooperation Plan Appeal speaker
08/02 Missionary Cooperation Plan Appeal speaker at all Masses
08/03 Monday Mass 7pm
08/05 Adoration 4-7pm/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm
08/06 Parish Staff meeting 6:15pm / Parish Council 7pm
08/09 K of C back to school Spaghetti Dinner 10:30-1pm / Religious Ed teachers meeting 9:15am

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.

Knights of Columbus Back to School Spaghetti Dinner

Sunday August 9th from 10:30-1pm

Tickets \$10 children 10 and under eat for free

Coffee & Desserts provided by Mama Margaret

Women’s Guild for donations.



You Are Invited

Our Knights of Columbus Council is inviting you, our parish family, to the installation of officers this Tuesday evening, July 28th at 7pm, in MHC hall. Come and support these men as they take on their leadership roles.



The Sisters of Notre Dame Representative for MCP Appeal Collection

Over the weekend of August 1 and 2, we welcome Sr. Renetta Graff from the Sisters of Notre Dame to speak for the Missionary Cooperative Plan appeal. The Sisters are an International Community with their Motherhouse in Rome and Sisters in Asia, East Africa, Europe, North America and South America.

Sister will share with us how Notre Dame Missionaries accompany the poor in India and East Africa, — empowering them through spiritual care, education, medical services, job training, work with the handicapped and social action. These Sisters count on the prayer, service and financial assistance from friends, donors, and the Sisters of Notre Dame community.

Your generous gift to the Missions will support the good works through which the Sisters bring the Good News of the Gospel to our sisters and brothers in need. Make checks payable to “Prince of Peace Parish” with “Mission Collection” in the memo line.

**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.

Thank you

Two weeks ago, we announced at every Mass that our Outreach room was low in certain areas of food and supplies and there was an immediate need for replenishment by our July distribution. Because of your awesome support, we were able to exceed the minimum amount needed and were able to provide 65 people with food and supplies. We give thanks to all of you and now we restock for our August 15th distribution. You are always welcome to tour our outreach room and to join us any third Saturday of the month as we serve the community.

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of July 18, 2026 to July 19, 2026
Attendance 135 Envelopes 25

Mass Offertory	\$	1,773.00
Loose checks	\$	0
Online Giving	\$	2,442.00
Candles	\$	44.00
Mass	\$	20.00

TOTAL \$ 4,279.00

Are you willing to give one Sunday a month at 11am Mass to run the livestreaming we have for all the home-bound . 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 .

Church Cleaning

August 1st

11am—?

Many hands make light work, See you there.



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Deacon Edmond Anctil
Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 26, 2026

MATTHEW 13:45 and 46
AGAIN, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant seeking BEAUTIFUL PEARLS, WHO, when he had found one pearl of great price, went and sold all that he had, & bought it.

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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