

Dear People of God,  
On Pentecost Sunday we should all be remembering that first Resurrection evening when Jesus “breathed on” His disciples “and said: ‘Receive the Holy Spirit’”. The breath of Jesus brought the Holy Spirit and peace where previously there was devastation, sadness, fear, and a lack of life and hope.

On the day of Pentecost, we read, “suddenly from up in the sky there came a noise like a strong, driving wind which was heard all through the house where they were seated. Tongues as of fire appeared, which parted and came to rest on each of them. All were filled with the Holy Spirit. They began to express themselves in foreign tongues and make bold proclamations as the Spirit prompted them.”

The breath of the Holy Spirit brings life, energy, courage, boldness, faith and every other good thing you could think of. First the Spirit breathes on us and then the Spirit breathes through us. God’s words are given to us and spoken through us in the spiritual gifts such as teaching, evangelization, tongue, prophecy, etc. His breath brings life, peace, forgiveness, boldness, unity and worldwide renewal. The Spirit is breathing out. We just have to breathe in. It’s Pentecost! Take a deep breath and “receive the Holy Spirit”.

Today we also celebrate the Feast of Mary help of Christians. For ninety-eight years the Mother of Jesus has been namesake and protectress of the Salesian presence here in Tampa under that title. It is a title so closely associated with St. John Bosco and all of his works. Since 2008 she has been the namesake and patroness of our parish Church. So, it is right and fitting that we take time to honor her and her Son, Jesus as a Faith Family on this occasion.

On May 24, 1814 weakened by losses suffered on several fronts and pressured by public opinion, Napoleon permitted his prisoner to return to Rome. Attributing his release as a great victory of the Church over the French Revolution to the powerful intercession of Mary, he wanted to show his gratitude by establishing a feast day for the universal Church dedicated to the beautiful Marian invocation “Our Lady Help of Christians.” Therefore May 24<sup>th</sup> became her feast day in thanksgiving for the Holy Father’s return to Rome. Happy Feast day to one and all!!

As usual please remember to pray for Br. George Marquis, SDB (still in rehab) and 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:

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, Bob & Marge Fallon, 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

### 2026 Mass Intentions:

May 23, 2026 - May 31, 2026

Sat, May 23, 2026, 5:00pm: +Hugh Ronald req. by

Cathy Nagel

Sun, May 24, 2026, 8:00am : +Stan Won req. by Sean & Ann

Rockway

Sun, May 24, 2026 11:00am: Marcus Johnson Sr. req. by

Joann Johnson

Mon, May 25, 2026, 6:45am: Healing for Ed Cureg req. by

Leila Taghap

Mon, May 25, 2026, 7:00pm: Liam Newcomb req. by

Pam Brewer

Tues, May 26, 2026. 6:45am: Emmanuel Kicheul Kim & Family

req. by Susanna George

Wed, May 27, 2026, 6:45am: +Stanley Martin Shinko req. by

Chet Shinko

Wed, May 27, 2026, 7:00pm: + Paul Barna req. by John Mayer

Thurs, May 28, 2026, 6:45am : For Salesian Priest req. by

Susanna George

Fri. May 29, 2026, 6:45am : John Taylor req. by Pam Brewer

Sat, May 30, 2026, 5:00pm : +Hugh Ronald req. by

Theresa Fitzgerald

Sun, May 31, 2026, 8:00am: +Dr Joseph Lang req. by Fr Steve

Dumais, SDB

Sun, May 31, 2026, 11:00am: +Colleen Brown req. bu Maggie

Brown

### Our Blessed Mother known as Help of Christians

In 1571, Pope St Pius V added “Help of Christians” to the Litany of Loreto to thank Mary for the Christian victory at the Battle of Lepanto. Later, in 1814, Pope Pius VII established the feast day on May 24 to celebrate his release from captivity by Napoleon.

In 1862, Don Bosco felt the Church and the faith were threatened and believed Mary desired to be honored specifically as the Help of Christians. He placed his entire priestly work and his congregation under her protection. In 1868, Don Bosco consecrated the Basilica of Mary Help of Christians in Turin, Italy, cementing her as the spiritual heart of the Salesian movement. Don Bosco advised his Salesians and boys often: "Be devoted to Mary most holy; frequently call on Her. Never was it known that anyone who trustingly had recourse to Her was not promptly heard." Mary Help of Christians, pray for us.



### May 2026

05/24 Pentecost Sunday / Commemoration of Mary Help of Christians

05/25 Mass 7pm/Memorial Day office closed

05/26 K of C meeting 7pm

05/27 Adoration 4-7pm/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm  
Youth Ministry 7pm

05/30 Parish Potluck Pool Party sponsored by K of C 6-9pm

05/31 Commemoration of St John Bosco

June 2026

06/01 Monday Mass 7pm

06/03 Adoration 4-7pm/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm  
Youth Ministry 7pm

06/04 Parish Staff Meeting 6:15pm / Parish Council 7pm

06/05 1st sat Marian Devotions 9:30am/Mini Youth retreat 10-3pm

### PARISH POTLUCK POOL PARTY

Hosted by Knights of Columbus

Date: Sat. May 30th

Time: 6-9pm

Potluck! Bring your family and friends, and even a dish!

Enjoy the Pool, Parish and Fellowship.



### Permanent Diaconate

Gentlemen of the parish, have you ever considered increasing your ministry in the church as a permanent deacon. There are two inquiry sessions being offered by the diaconate office on June 23, 2026 and August 20, 2026. Deacon Ed is available to answer any of your questions and provide his insight on the diaconate.



Family Trust Love Purpose



### Camp Mary Help

We are a Catholic day camp serving children 5-14 years old

7 Weeks

Week 1: June 8-12  
Week 2: June 15-19  
Week 3: June 22-26  
Week 4: June 29- July 2  
Week 5: July 6-10  
Week 6: July 13-17  
Week 7: July 20-24

Open House

Saturday, February 28; 10:00 am- 1:00 pm  
Sunday, April 12; 12:00 pm- 3:00 pm  
Saturday, May 2; 10:00 am- 1:00 pm

Camp Activities

Daily Mass  
Swimming  
Kayaking  
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campmaryhelp@mhcampa.org

### 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 06/20/2026 Meet at Mary Help at 8am.

### Outreach update

This past Saturday, May 16, 2026, we arrived at our distribution spot on 22nd St and found 61 people anxiously waiting for our arrival and in the end, we serviced 84 individuals. In the last two months, in distributing the blue bags to individual families, we have come up short by a couple of bags. So, we are increasing the number of bags to 65, hopefully being able to at least give a bag to each family. With that being said, we are asking for additional help in filling these bags so that we can continue to aide as many families as possible. Remember to keep praying for them so that they may know that Our Lord and Blessed Mother are walking with them in their journey..

### Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of May 16 2026 to May 17, 2026  
Attendance 164 Envelopes 30

Mass Offertory	\$	2,465.00
Loose checks	\$	200.00
Online Giving	\$	1,147.00
Candles	\$	36.00

TOTAL \$ 3,848.00

To all our Graduates' Congratulations on your well deserved success. Wishing you the absolute best as you embark in this next chapter of your personal and professional journey. Have a safe and fun filled summer.



### Praying the Rosary for Peace Daily

In our Blessed Mother’s apparitions at Fatima and Medjugorje she emphasized the call for daily prayer and in particular praying the rosary to achieve peace in hearts, families, and the world. She urged, "Only by prayer and fasting can war be stopped." During the month of May, our parish is dedicating itself to at least one person or family taking the lead and praying the rosary for this intention



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**The Solemnity of Pentecost**  
**The Feast of Mary Help of Christians**



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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.

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