

Dear People of God

Jesus’ parable speaks about the nature of prayer and our relationship with God. It does this by contrasting two very different attitudes towards prayer. The Pharisee, who represented those who take pride in their religious practices, exalted himself at the expense of others. Absorbed with his own sense of self-satisfaction and self-congratulation, his boastful prayer was centered on his good religious practices, rather than on God’s goodness, grace and forgiveness. Rather than humbling himself before God and asking for God’s mercy and assistance, this man praised himself while despising those he thought less worthy. The Pharisee tried to justify himself before God and those he despised; but only God can justify us. The tax collector, who represented those despised by religious-minded people, humbled himself before God and begged for his mercy. His prayer was heard by God because he had true sorrow for his sins. He sought God with humility rather than with pride.

“Lord Jesus, may your love and truth transform my life - my inner thoughts, intentions and attitudes, and my outward behavior, speech and actions. Where I lack charity, patience and kindness, help me to embrace your merciful love and to seek the good of my neighbor, even those who cause me offense. May I always love as you have loved and forgive others as you have forgiven.”

- November 1: Fall For Jesus Festival - 1:00-4:00pm
- November 2: Knights of Columbus Annual Chicken Dinner 12:00pm- 2:00pm
- November 3: Annual Parish Roll Call Memorial Candle Mass @ 7:00pm in MHC Church
- November 6: 6:15pm Parish Staff Mtg. / 7:00pm Parish Council Mtg.

Remember to visit our web page, www.mhcptampa.org, and become familiar with the latest events, developments and opportunities offered in our parish. Do your best to participate and support them in any way you can.

Don’t forget to look for Wednesday Words from the Pastor on our website each week as well.!

As usual please remember to pray for all the Salesians in our presence here at MHC . . . especially those at St. Philip Residence. Be assured that we will be doing the same for you.

Peace Always!



Fr. Steve Dumais, SDB
Pastor

PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following in your prayers:

Pete & Mary Gallar, Janice Murphy, Tom Costa, David & Rosie Gratz, Lisa Franz, Patti Capitano, Betsie Welch, Laura Munoz, Bob- by Ryder, David Netel, Larry Walsh, Fernando Romero, Jay Sam- man, Rose Gabriel, Elaine & Alan Jones, Barbara Robles, Ruth Maund, Beverly Fernandez, Bob & Marge Fallon, George Hernan- dez, Victor Pichardo, David Schwaller, MaKayla Jennings, Lauren Lynch, Clarissa Roberson, Katherine Conrad, Rosa E. Alvarez, Va- lerie Sieger, Georgene & Dennis Bender, Paytin Hampton, Daniel Wiles, Roseanne Ferrante Waters, David Russell, Maria De Guz- man, Addy, Anquanne Moore.

For those who have asked you to pray for them.

2025 Mass Intentions:

October 25, 2025 - November 02, 2025

Sat, October 25, 2025, 5:00pm: +Luella Rockway req. by Sean & Ann Rockway

Sun, October 26, 2025, 8:00am : +Mary Midili req. by Josephine Rinaldi

Sun, October 26, 2025, 11:00am: +Savio Mengle req. by Armstrong & Zeenat Monteiro

Mon, October 27, 2025, 6:45am : Jessica Von Drake req. by Kiane Kinnee

Mon, October 27, 2025, 7:00pm: Deacon Joshua Keleske & Fam- ily req. by Pam Brewer

Tues, October 28, 2025. 6:45am: +Uncle Jacques Séguin req. by Haley Scallon & Family

Wed, October 29, 2025, 6:45am: Birthday Blessing for Larry Tay- lor req. by Pam Brewer

Wed. October 29, 2025, 7:00pm +John Broad req. by Peter & Mary Gallar

Thurs, October 30 2025, 6:45am : +Patricia Taylor req. by Pam Brewer

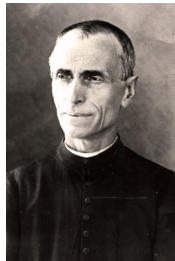
Fri. October 31, 2025, 6:45am : Commemoration of Don Bosco req. by Parish

Sat, November 01, 2025, 5:00pm : Lincoln J Payne Jr. req. by Joann Johnson

Sun, November02, 2025, 8:00am : +For all the faithful departed req. by Parish

Sun, November 02, 2025, 11:00am: +Deceased members of the Payne family req. by Joann Johnson

Bl. Michael Rua (Born in Turin on June 9, 1837, the youngest of nine children, Michael came to the Oratory in 1852. One day, Don Bosco told him: “We will go halves in everything.” He was among the first group to whom Don Bosco suggested the formation of the Salesian Society. For 36 years, Michael was Don Bosco’s closest collaborator in all stages of the development of the Congregation. He was professed in 1855, was first spiritual director of the Con- gregation at 22 (1859) and was ordained in 1860. He became the first director of the Mirabello College at 26 (1863- 1865) and, later, was Vicar of Valdocco, with its 700 pupils and of the Society. He was administra- tor of the Letture Cattoliche (Catholic Readings), responsible for formation (1869) and for person- nel. In 1875, he became Director General of the Salesian Sisters and he accompanied Don Bosco on his journeys.



October 2025

- 10/26** Faith Formation & OCIA 9:15am / Adult Formation 9:30am
- 10/27** Finance Council meeting 5:30pm / Mass 7pm
- 10/28** K of C meeting 7pm
- 10/29** Adoration 4-7pm silent/Mass7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm
- 10/31** Commemoration of St John Bosco

November

- 11/01** 1st Sat Marian Devotions 9:30am / Fall for Jesus Festival at Mary has a little farm 1-4pm
- 11/02** All Souls day / Faith Formation & OCIA 9:15am /Adult Formation 9:30am/ Chicken Dinner & Auction 12-2pm
- 11/03** All Souls Remembrance Mass 7pm
- 11/05** Adoration 4-7pm silent/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth Ministry 7pm
- 11/06** Staff meeting 6:15pm / Parish Council 7pm
- 11/09** Faith Formation & OCIA 9:15am / Adult Formation 9:30am Bring back orange bags for the Food drive for Thanksgiving

Fall for Jesus Festival

Sat. Nov. 1st 1-4pm

Located: Mary has a little farm

Food - Games - Treats - Petting Zoo

Cost: Free



Chicken Dinner & Auction

Sunday Nov. 02,2025 12-2pm Cost \$10

Bring your appetite and come join in the food and fellowship.

MENU : CHICKEN & YELLOW RICE, SALAD, BREAD, TEA & WATER
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Come and check out all the Silent Auction baskets and try your luck with the 50/50 .



Thanksgiving Food Drive

As we enter into the fall season, we prepare ourselves for the Thanksgiv- ing meal and as a parish we assist those who may be in need to celebrate this feast as well. Please take an or- ange bag from the back of church, fill it with the listed items, return the filled bag placing it at the communion rail, and place the gift cards in the locked black box. Many thanks and blessings for your generosity.



**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS
PARISH OUTREACH**

- Cereal / Granola Bars
- Ramen Noodles / Soup
- **Gift Card-\$10 - Great need !!!!!!!!!**
- Diapers - Sizes 5&6 - Baby Wipes
- Chef Boyardee, Mac & Cheese
- Peanut Butter & **Jelly needed**
- Shaving cream
- Canned tuna / Chicken
- Fruit Cups

Our goal : To fill 55 blue bags with the listed items.
Next Outreach is 11/15/25 Meet at Mary Help at 8am to load cars and trucks . All are welcome to join us.

More help is needed in our blessings to the community.

In our last several outreach outing, the number of people seeking food, toiletries, baby supplies, etc. has been steadily increasing. We have upped the number of filled blue bags for each family to 55 and we are looking to increase that number. To do so, we have to count on you, our family, to help in any way that you can. Everything that you give is dispersed to these folks every third Sat- urday of the month. We know that the stretching of mon- ey has gotten tough on us and even more so for some of them. Please give what you can and we are always look- ing for smiling faces on the third Saturday of each month.

Weekly Gift Giving

Weekend of Oct. 18 ,2025 to Oct. 19, 2025
Attendance 198 Envelopes 29

Mass Offertory	\$	2,278.00
Loose checks	\$	725.00
Online Giving	\$	1,387.00
Candles	\$	5.00
World Mission	\$	1,332.00

TOTAL \$ 5,797.00

THE ALL SOULS REMEMBRANCE MASS

Monday Nov. 03th - 7:00pm

We will remember in a special way those whose funerals were held here at Mary Help since 2017.





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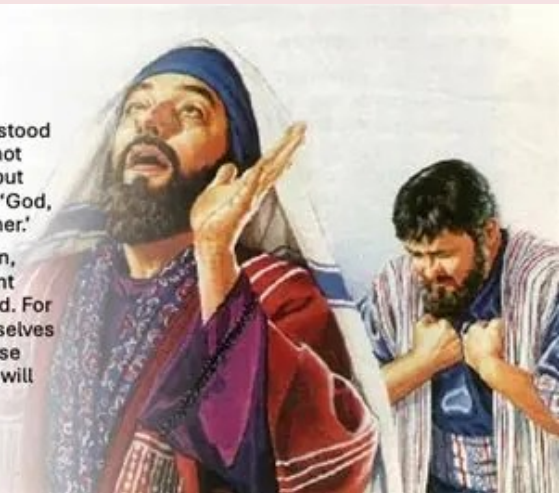
Fr. John Jaejun Chong, S.D.B. Korean Ministry

Deacon Edmond Anctil

Thirtieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
October 26, 2025

Luke 18:10-14

- 13 "But the tax collector stood at a distance. He would not even look up to heaven, but beat his breast and said, 'God, have mercy on me, a sinner.'"
- 14 "I tell you that this man, rather than the other, went home justified before God. For all those who exalt themselves will be humbled, and those who humble themselves will be exalted."



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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