

Dear People of God,

Through our liturgical observance on this feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, we honor Christ’s cross as the symbol of our salvation as we proclaim our faith to all the world. It’s hard not to reflect on the reality of the world around us and not be a bit daunted by the mission I once shared a statistic to you all that, to tell you the truth, is even more distressing to me than almost anything ever possibly could be to a person of faith. There are an estimated 100 million children between the ages of 5 and 18 living on the street in the world. In the United States there are 1.3 million homeless and runaway street kids, not counting children who were forced out of their homes, abandoned by the foster care system, or are part of a homeless family. As a Salesian, this not only breaks my heart, but makes it all the more imperative that we do all in our power to make sure that the young people in our lives don’t become part of this statistic. Pray for our families. Pray for the young people of our families, our country, and the world!

- Our Parish Ministry Fair, open to all after the 11:00 am Mass today, gives us a chance to examine how we can assist and bring more life into the fabric of our parish daily life. If you are not already involved and actively engaged in one of the ministries offered, please use this occasion to take the leap and do so.

Some of the available Ministries are: **Knights of Columbus: Mama Margaret Guild: Youth Ministry: Young Adult Ministry: Religious Education: OCIA: Adult Rel. Education: Altar Servers: Lectors/Commentators: Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Choir: Cantors: Korean Ministry: Wednesday Adorers: Outreach to the Poor: Blessings & Blanket Ministry: Phone/Registration Committee: Christmas Committee: Events Committee:: Salesian Cooperators:** (Bereavement Committee, Respect Life Committee: Parish Office Assistance: Photography: Live Stream - please call parish office or see me at your convenience.)

*If there is a ministry not mentioned but that you might want to see here, please let me know about it and maybe we can with your assistance add it to our program.*

Please remember to officially register in our parish by using the forms in the back of the church, or online at our parish website.

As usual please remember to pray for all of the Salesians in our presence here at MHC . . . especially all 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, 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.

For those who have asked you to pray for them.

2025 Mass Intentions:

**September 13, 2025 - September 21, 2025**

**Sat, September 13, 2025, 5:00pm:** +Jim Sinyai req. by Marge and Bob Fallon

**Sun, September 14, 2025, 8:00am :** Full recovery for Tiffany Gain- er req. by Sean & Ann Rockway

**Sun, September 14, 2025, 11:00am:** +Jose Burgos req. by Family

**Mon, September 15, 2025, 6:45am :** Living & deceased members of the Shinko family & friends req. Chet Shinko

**Mon, September 15, 2025, 7:00pm:** The parishioners of Mary Help of Christians req. by Parish

**Tues, September 16, 2025. 6:45am:** For the sick in the Parish req. by Parish

**Wed, September 17, 2025, 6:45am:** For Peace in the World req. by Parish

**Wed. September 17, 2025, 7:00pm** Healing for Elisa DeGrasse req. by Anonymous

**Thurs, September 18, 2025, 6:45am** +Ralph Romine req. by Josephine Rinaldi

**Fri. September 19, 2025, 6:45am :** Honoring St Michael req. by Chet Shinko

**Sat, September 20, 2025, 5:00pm :** +Pearl Green req. by Anne & Lee Davis

**Sun, September 21, 2025, 8:00am :** Birthday Blessings for Debbie Taylor req. by Pam Brewer

**Sun, September 21, 2025, 11:00am:** Birthday Blessings for Jensen Newcomb req. by Newcomb family

**Carlo Acutis** (3 May 1991 – 12 October 2006) was a British-born Italian student celebrated for his devotion to the [Eucharist](#) and his use of digital media to promote [Catholic devotion](#). Born in London and raised in Milan, he created a website documenting [Eucharistic miracles](#) and [Marian apparitions](#). Diagnosed with [leukemia](#), he died at age fifteen. Beatified by the [Catholic Church](#) in 2020, he is regarded as a model for young believers and was [canonized](#) as a saint on 7 September 2025. Carlo Acutis is often referred to as the "first millennial saint". **Pier Giorgio Frassati**, TOSD



(6 April 1901 – 4 July 1925) was an Ital- ian [Catholic](#) activist and a member of the [Third Order of Saint Dominic](#).He was dedicated to [social justice](#) issues and joined several charitable organizations, including [Catholic Action](#) and the [Society of Saint Vincent de Paul](#),to better aid the poor and less fortunate living in his hometown of [Turin](#); he put his own pious beliefs into practice to cater to their needs and was best known for his devotion and amiable character. He was canonized as a saint on Sept. 7,2025.

**September 2025**

- 09/14 Faith Formation & OCIA 9:15am / Adult Formation 9:30am Ministry Fair 12-2pm / Blood mobile 8-1pm**
- 09/15 Mass 7pm**
- 09/17 Adoration 4-7pm silent/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm**
- 09/18 Mama Margaret first meeting of Season 7pm @ MHC hall**
- 09/20 Outreach meet at basketball ct. 8 am all are welcome Hospitality weekend**
- 09/21 Faith Formation & OCIA 9:15am / Adult Formation 9:30am Hospitality Sunday /Catechetical Sunday**
- 09/22 Mass 7pm/ Financial Council 5:30pm**
- 09/24 Adoration 4-7pm silent/Mass 7pm/Praise & Worship 8-9pm Youth 7pm /Commemoration of Mary Help of Christians**
- 09/28 Faith Formation & OCIA 9:15am / Adult Formation 9:30am**
- 09/29 Mass 7pm**
- 09/30 Commemoration of St John Bosco**

**Faith Formation**

**Faith Formation Classes Sunday @ 9:15am**  
**Please contact Ann Marie Brummett - 813-431-6490 or email her at cre@mhctampa.org if you have any questions.**  
**OCIA classes every Sunday @ 9:15am for information contact Tony Marin- covich @ 863-660-0020 or email marincovichtony@gmail.com.**  
**Adult formation @ 9:30am –Consider joining our Lectionary based class with Deacon ED.**

**Save the date - Oct. 4, 2025 @ 11am / Oct 5, @ 11am**

People will be standing outside after all Masses this weekend if you have not RSVP yet please let them know so we can have a count for food preparation .You can RSVP by the QR code or contact the Parish by phone 813-626-7588 or email parish@mhctampa.org just leave your last name and how many will attend.

**Bishop Gregory Parkes is asking all 79 parishes and missions in the Diocese of Saint Petersburg to hold a special collection before Sep- tember 30th for vital humanitarian relief for the sick, malnourished, and wounded in Gaza and surrounding areas. “The Situation in Gaza and other parts of the Middle East is taking a tremendous toll on the lives of innocent victims. The Catholic Church seeks to make a differ- ence through prayerful and financial support,” said Bishop Parkes. The second collection will be Sept. 20 & 21.**

The 17th Annual Don Bosco Golf Tournament- Sept. 28th starting @ 1:30pm  
Lake Jovita Golf & Country Club -12900 Lake Jovita Blvd. Dade City Fl. 33525  
If you are interested in joining the Golf Tourna- ment contact info. Okkyung Kim: 813-545-3851 or Jongsun Hong : 813-504-0489 or Joong Choi : 727- 743-6729



**MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH OUTREACH**

- Cereal
- Ramen Noodles / Soup
- **Gift Card-\$10 - Great need !!!!!!!!!**
- Diapers - Sizes 5&6 - 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 09/20/25 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 mer- cy? Our outreach shows God’s mercy to our brothers and sis- ters each month, whether it is you supplying items in the back- ground 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 Sept. 06, ,2025 to Sept. 07, 2025**  
**Attendance 184 Envelopes 22**

Mass Offertory	\$	2,258.00
Loose checks	\$	505.00
Online Giving	\$	520.00
Candles	\$	87.00
Bank Adjustment	\$	10.00

**TOTAL \$ 3,380.00**



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**Missionary Cooperation Plan Appeal**

We will have a Missionary here to talk at all the Masses on Sept. 27 & 28st. We will have a second collection please be generous.





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For information on joining the  
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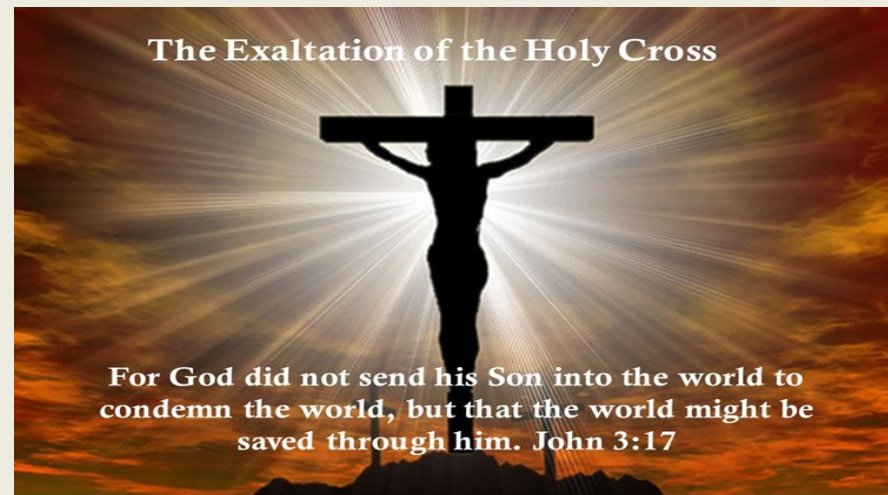
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**Twenty Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**September 14, 2025**



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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