



James M. Desmond, SC

Jim is a member of Mary Help of Christians Salesian Parish (MHCP) in Tampa. He is a Salesian Cooperator and Secretary of the MHC Center. He is married to Joyce Desmond for 36 years. We have two grown children, Sean Desmond (33) who is married to Noah Desmond; and Lauren Desmond- Lynch (30) who is married to Ian Lynch. Lauren and Ian have a two-year-old son, Theodore Byron Lynch.

Jim is an Extraordinary Minister of the Holy Eucharistic at MHCP and involved in the Parish Outreach Program. He is a member of the Ambassador Council of Cristo Rey Salesian Tampa High School also a volunteer at CRT in the Campus ministry office during the school year. He is currently chair of the Volunteer Committee for the CRT Dream Gala to be held on November 11, 2024. He is a volunteer this summer at Camp Mary Help, and currently volunteers time with the students of Cristo Rey on oratory nights during the school year. Jim is a member of the Knights of Columbus St. John Bosco Council at Mary Help. Jim is also a 17-year volunteer for Kairos Prison Ministry having served on 22 Kairos weekends and was the leader of Sumter Correctional Institution Kairos Weekend #10. Jim served for seven years on the Governance Board of the Tampa Metropolitan YMCA ending in 2023, and currently serves as President of the Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of St. Petersburg, FL Board of Directors.

Professionally, Jim retired in January 2023 from Fifth Third Private Bank. There he managed investment portfolios for high-net-worth individuals. Jim spent 41years in the investment management profession. He is a member of the Institute of Chartered Financial Analysts and served as a CFA exam grader for 23 years.