



Our Lady of Mercy  
Pray for Us



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## Parish Committees

### Finance/Property

Wally Berko  
Nestor Baryliuk  
RayBergie  
Gerry Scholz  
Mark Vanlangenhove

### Screening

Pam Berko  
Jenny Leduc  
Elizabeth Villegas

Choir - Honey Harbour  
Bill Morton & Mary Shields

Choir- Port Severn  
Sharon MacNeice (Organist)

Part-time Bookkeeper  
Kristen Penfold

**RIDES TO CHURCH FOR MASS** - If you need a ride or know of anyone who needs a ride to Church in Port Severn on Sunday mornings for 9:00 Mass, feel free to contact the following: 1. Gerry- 14167498442 (Six Mile Lake & Honey Harbour area) 2. Mark - 7057187443 (Waubashene & Coldwater area) 3. Wally -705 5382579 (Port Severn & Honey Harbour area). If you would like to become a volunteer driver for any of these areas please leave your name & number with any of the above parishioners. Thank you.

## OUR PARISH BULLETIN



Our Lady of Mercy Church  
Honey Harbour



St. John the Baptist Church  
Port Severn

### Address:

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### Weekend Masses

Port Severn: Saturday 5 P.M. (From Victoria to Thanksgiving)  
Sunday 9 A.M. (All Year Round)

Honey Harbour: Sunday 11 A.M.

### Weekday Masses

(See inside bulletin)

Confession: 20 minutes before weekend Masses  
Wedding and Baptism: Call the office

## THIRD EASTER SUNDAY

April 23, 2023

**GOSPEL TODAY** Luke 24:13-35- "On their way to Emmaus, the two friends of Jesus could walk and converse with him at some length yet not recognize him. It was during the meal in which they share in the breaking of the bread, when the disciples' eyes are opened; they recognize the stranger as Jesus. In the Eucharist too we share in the breaking of the bread and discover Jesus in our midst."



"When Jesus  
blest the bread  
and gave it to  
them, it was then  
that they  
recognized him"

**THE BIBLE, GOD'S WORD** - When we consider that God Himself wrote the Bible, it then becomes priceless, precious, set apart from all other books. We find its pages filled with great stories of courage and faith, wisdom and answers to life's questions, even truth itself, and amazingly, visions and revelations of the future and how we can be assured of a blessed one. The Bible is one of the greatest gifts God has given us. It is a map to guide us through this life, and to the incredible and wonderful things God has planned for us in Heaven. You will learn to value and embrace this amazing gift God has given us.

**52,250 NIGERIAN CHRISTIANS MURDERED SINCE 2009** - "Over 50,000 Christians have been killed in Nigeria since the outbreak of the Boko Haram Islamist insurgency in 2009, a report published by a Nigerian non-governmental organization. Over the past 14 years Nigerian Christians have been brutally murdered at the hands of Islamist militants, more than 30,000 of whom during the eight-year presidency of former Nigerian President Muhammadu Buhari, often criticized during his tenure for not doing enough to combat growing insecurity in the country. In the same period 18,000 Christian churches and 2,200 Christian schools were set ablaze. Approximately 34,000 moderate Muslims also died in Islamist attacks. The outlook for 2023 does not seem any better, with over 1,000 Christians killed since the beginning of the year. Christians risk their lives not only at the hands of Boko Haram, but also of ethnic Fulani Muslim herders who have joined Islamist extremist groups. The Intersociety report confirms that Nigeria has become one of the most dangerous places to live for Christians in Africa. *Open Doors*, the interdenominational foundation that supports persecuted Christians in the world, reports that Nigeria accounts for 89% of Christians martyred worldwide."

**POPE FRANCIS** - "In Christ suffering is transformed into love. In the face of suffering and pain, human beings can either withdraw within themselves to the point of despair or rebellion, or welcome it as an opportunity for growth and discernment of what really matters in life, to the point of an encounter with God. In the Old Testament, those who suffer constantly turn to God in their affliction, while in the New Testament, Jesus' ministry is marked by a profound concern for the sick and suffering, revealing God's love, forgiveness, and search for sinful, lost, and wounded humankind. The many miraculous healings Jesus performs are a sign that God has visited His people and that the Kingdom of Heaven is at hand, that Jesus' identification with the weak culminates in His passion and death, so that the Cross of Christ becomes the pre-eminent sign of God's solidarity with us and, at the same time, the possibility for us to join Him in the work of salvation."

### **COLLECTIONS Last Sunday**



Sunday Offerings \$610

#### **WEEKDAY MASSES** (At Honey Harbour Chapel)

Wed April 26, 11am- For the souls of +Melchor & Salus

Thursday April 27, 11am – For Peace in the world

Friday April 28, 10:30am – Exposition of Bl.Sacrament & Mass

#### **WEEKEND MASSES** (4th Sunday Easter)

Sunday April 30 9am in Port Severn - For the people of the parish

Sunday April 30, 11am in Honey Harbour

+ **EILEEN CADEAU** - Our parish community extends sincere condolences to the bereaved Cadeau family for the passing of Eileen Cadeau, a long time & devoted parishioner. Funeral Mass will be celebrated tomorrow, April 24, 11am at St. John the Baptist Church in Port Severn. May Eileen rest in peace, and her soul find eternal repose in God.

**NEW SIGN PROJECT**- To all of you who chipped in towards the New Sign Project, we extend to you our grateful appreciation. To date, we received a total donations of **\$3,200** for that purpose.

**THE DIOCESAN PASTORAL PLAN** will soon be released, the fruit of several years of input, meetings and prayerful discussions. "Transforming our Lives; Building our Church" will be released across the diocese on the weekend of Pentecost, May 27/28. Priests and deacons will meet later that week to discuss what is involved in the practical implementation of this pastoral plan over the next five years. It is my hope that each parish community will embrace the plan and discuss how best to realise the pastoral goals and strategies in their local circumstances.