



**Our Lady of Mercy
Pray for Us**



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OUR PARISH BULLETIN



**Our Lady of Mercy Church
Honey Harbour**



**St. John the Baptist Church
Port Severn**

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Weekend Masses

**Sunday 9 A.M. - Port Severn
Sunday 11 A.M. - Honey Harbour**

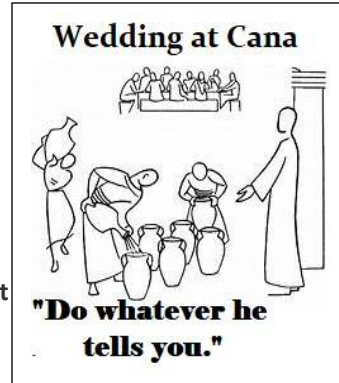
**Weekday Masses
(See inside bulletin)**

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

SECOND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

January 16, 2022

Gospel Today: Luke 3:15-16,21-22– “Asked to do something to address the awkward situation that the absence of wine at a wedding feast would create, Jesus' miracle produces vast quantities of wine—six jars holding thirty gallons each are filled to overflowing with choice wine. This lavish response to a simple human need is a vision for us of the abundance of God's kingdom. It challenges us to respond generously when confronted with human need today. We respond as best we can, fully confident that God can transform our efforts, bringing the Kingdom of God to fulfillment among us.”



Collections Last Sunday, January 2, 2021

 \$1,266 - Regular Sunday Offerings, New Year's - \$50, Envelope Expenses - \$10

Weekday Masses (Honey Harbour Chapel)

Wed Jan 19, 11am Mass - For peace in the world

Thurs Jan 20, 11am- For end of pandemic

Fri Jan 21, 11am- For health recovery of our sick parish members

Weekend Masses (3RD Sunday Ordinary Time)

Sunday January 23, 9am @ Port Severn - For +Wilbert & Mary
Casquetette by Don & Eileen Cadeau

Sunday January 23, 11am @ Honey Harbour – For the people of the parish

Parish Finance Status 2021 Report - Please take a look in bulletin insert the 2021 Parish Finance Status Report.

Recommendation Regarding N95/KN95 Face Masks – “When the OMICRON variant began to surge, Dr. Theresa Tam, Chief Public Health Officer of Canada, said that people need to consider wearing three-ply surgical masks at the very least and that optimally N95 or KN95 face masks are a better option if possible. Dr. Tam's recommendation signalled concern about the protection provided by the cloth face masks in the face of the variant, Omicron. It is recommended that clergy and lay staff in parishes consider the recommendation to wear N95 or KN95 face masks as best practice.”

Pope Francis – “We are living in a difficult time, many people are facing difficulties and suffering. In a time like this, we need someone who can encourage us, help us, inspire us. Saint Joseph is a bright witness in dark times. Let us turn to him to find our way again.” “Sometimes, looking at our lives, we see only the things we lack and forget the talents we possess. Yet God gave them to us because He trusts us and asks us to make the most of the present moment, not yearning for the past, but waiting industriously for His return.”

World Powers to Avoid Nuclear War – “US bishops have commended the recent commitment by five of the world's nuclear powers to prevent nuclear conflict. In a rare joint statement issued on January 3, the five permanent members of the United Nations Security Council (China, France, Russia, the United Kingdom, and the United States) said they "believe strongly " that the further spread of nuclear weapons must be prevented and that a nuclear war “cannot be won and must never be fought”. US Bishops' hope that negotiations on the Non-Proliferation of Nuclear Weapons will be soon advanced, recalling Pope Francis' prophetic words who, in his Encyclical Letter Fratelli tutti reminds us that “international peace and stability cannot be based on the threat of mutual destruction or total annihilation”.

St. Pope Fabian (Feast Day January 20) – “Historian Eusebius tells us how Fabian came to Rome after Pope Anteros died in 236. A layperson, and not a very important one, he may have come to Rome during a papal election concerned for the future of the faith, curious about the new pope, and a desire to grieve for the pope who had passed. Seeing all the important people gathered to make this momentous decision must have been overwhelming. Which one would be the new pope? Someone known for power? Someone known for eloquence? Someone known for courage? Suddenly during the discussion, a dove descended, but it didn't settle on "someone known". The dove settled on Fabian's head as clear imitation of the descent of the Holy Spirit upon the Savior. There must have been something of the Holy Spirit working because everyone suddenly proclaimed Fabian as "worthy" to be pope and this stranger was elected. To us the dove signifies peace, and this dove was prophetic. Starting close to Fabian's election, the suffering and persecuted Church began a time of peace. The emperor, Philip, was friendly to Christians, the persecution stopped, and Christians experienced acceptance. In this era of peace, Fabian was able to build up the structure of the Church of Rome. But, in a timeless story, the people who had always been in power were not happy to see the newcomers growing and thriving. There were many incidents of pagans attacking Christians and when Philip died so did the time of peace. The new emperor, Decius, ordered all Christians to deny Christ. In the few years of peace, the Church had grown soft. Many didn't have the courage to stand up to martyrdom. But Fabian, singled out by symbol of peace, stood as a courageous example for everyone in his flock. He died a martyr in 250. Pope Saint Fabian, it's so easy to believe that peace means a life without conflict or suffering. Help us to see that the only true peace is the peace Christ brings. Never let us as a Church or as individual Christians choose to deny our beliefs simply to avoid an unpleasant situation. Amen”