

OUR PARISH BULLETIN



**Our Lady of Mercy
Pray for Us**



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**Our Lady of Mercy Church
Honey Harbour**



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

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Weekend Masses

**Port Severn: Saturday 5 P.M. (From Victoria to Thanksgiving Only)
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 SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

January 22, 2023

GOSPEL TODAY Matthew 4:12-23 "Today's Gospel describes the beginning of Jesus' public ministry. When Jesus begins to preach in Galilee, Matthew points to his ministry as a fulfillment of Isaiah's prophecy, proof that Jesus is the Messiah. When Jesus called his first disciples, they dropped everything to follow Jesus immediately. In Jesus' ministry, we already begin to see the Kingdom of God among us."



COLLECTIONS Last Sunday



Sunday Offering \$470

WEEKDAY MASSES (Honey Harbour Chapel)

Wed Jan 25, 11am – For Peace in the world

Thurs Jan 26, 11am – All Souls

Friday Jan 27, 10:30am – Exposition of Blessed Sacrament & Mass

WEEKEND MASSES (4th Sunday Ordinary Time)

Sunday Jan 29, 9am @ Port Severn- +Jeffery Sr. & Bertha Cadeau by Don & Eileen Cadeau

Sunday Jan 29, 11am @ Honey Harbour- For the people of the parish

"MOTHER TERESA: NO GREATER LOVE" is a movie produced by the Knights of Columbus about one of the most renowned saints of our time. It is coming to the Galaxy cinema downtown Peterborough on Sunday, January 22 and Monday, January 23. By all accounts it is a well-made and moving documentary about a woman whose singular vision was to serve Christ in the poor. Twenty-five years have passed since the death of Mother Teresa of Calcutta, sparking a renewed interest in this spiritual giant of the 20th century. Filmed on 5 continents and featuring unprecedented access to both institutional archives and the apostolates of the Missionaries of Charity, this film reveals not just who Mother Teresa was, but how her singular vision to serve Christ in the poor continues to be realized through the Missionaries of Charity today. This is far more than a documentary film. It is at once a soaring tribute to a spiritual icon, a powerful witness of authentic Christian charity, and a guidepost for all who seek hope in our turbulent times.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY (Jan 18-25) "The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is an ecumenical Christian observance in the Christian calendar that is celebrated internationally and annually and coordinated by the World Council of Churches. For this year 2023 the theme of the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity is "Do good; seek justice." Based on Isaiah 1:12-17, the international theme and materials call Christians to recognize that the divisions between our churches and confessions cannot be separated from the divisions within the wider human family. Isaiah challenged God's people in his day to learn to do good together; to seek justice together, to rescue the oppressed together, to defend the orphan and plead for the widow together. The prophet's challenge applies equally to us today."

SUNDAY OF THE WORD OF GOD (Today) – "Pope Francis will preside over Mass on the "Sunday of the Word of God" in St. Peter's Basilica today, January 22, 2023. Its theme is a verse from John's Gospel, "*We proclaim to you what we have seen.*" The aim of this special celebration is to give new life to the responsibility of all believers to deepen their knowledge of Sacred Scripture. In 2019, Pope Francis instituted the Sunday of the Word of God as an annual celebration on the Third Sunday in Ordinary Time as a way to promote the study of Sacred Scripture."

OVER 360 MILLION CHRISTIANS SUFFERING PERSECUTION- "2022 was the worst year for Christians worldwide, due to an intensifying level of violence discrimination and exclusion. One Christian out of seven in the world suffers high levels of persecution and discrimination for his/her faith according to the latest World Watch List released by Open Doors, a watchdog group that advocates for Christians. According to Open Doors, tens of thousands of Christians have been attacked in several countries across the world, and almost 30,000 incidents have been recorded."

2022 TAX RECEIPT & FINANCIAL STATEMENT- Please find enclosed a copy of our parish financial statement for 2022. Thank you for your continued support through your generous weekly offerings and donations. Your 2022 tax receipts can be picked up at the back of the church. Please note that a deficit has been reported over the last 12 months. Our parish, as well as many others, have experienced a significant drop in revenue due to reduced attendance, especially during the pandemic. Knowing that the parish of Our Lady of Mercy and St. John the Baptist church have a meaningful place in your heart, we are sending this request confident for your kind understanding and extra financial support as we navigate through 2023. It is our sincere hope that you and your families remain well and that you find continued satisfaction in remaining faithful to our good Lord and His Church. God bless you all, now and always. Fr. Martin