

Our Lady of Mercy Pray for Us



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Choir- Port Severn Sharon MacNeice (Organist)

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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 (Waubaushene & 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







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.

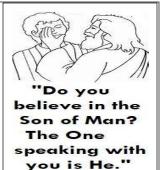
Weekday Masses (See inside bulletin)

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

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 19, 2023

GOSPEL TODAY John 4:5-42 "The healing is controversial because Jesus heals on the Sabbath. The Pharisees, the religious authorities of Jesus' time, understood that the law of Moses forbade work (including healing) on the Sabbath. The man born blind gradually comes to a greater understanding about who Jesus is and what it means to be his disciple, while the Pharisees are the ones who remain blind."



COLLECTIONS Last Sunday



Sunday Offerings \$1,060

WEEKDAY MASSES (Honey Harbour Chapel)

NO WEEKDAY MASSES

WEEKEND MASSES (5th Sunday of Lent)

Sunday March 26, 9am @ Port Severn-For the soul of +Dural Simmons by Geraldine Gorbutt & family

NO SUNDAY MASSES in Honey Harbour Church until April 9th, Easter **Resurrection Sunday.**

POPE FRANCIS – "For my anniversary I would like peace. These ten years have been like this: living in tension. Behind the wars, there is the arms industry, this is diabolical. It makes me suffer to see young men dying - be they Russian or Ukrainian, I don't care - not coming back. It is hard." The pope has no doubts about what to ask of the world as a gift for this important anniversary: "Peace, we need peace".

Holy Week & Easter Schedule

Sunday April 2, 9am – Palm Sunday Mass- Port Severn Thursday April 6, 7pm - Last Supper Mass- Port Severn Friday April 7, 2:30pm - Passion Liturgy- Honey Harbour Saturday April 8, 7pm - Easter Vigil Mass- Port Severn Easter Sunday April 9- Mass 9am- Port Severn Church Easter Sunday April 9- Mass 11am- Honey Harbour



4th SUNDAY OF LENT "is called "Laetare" Sunday which means "Rejoice" in Latin. Laetare Sunday's theme comes from the entrance antiphon reflecting on Isaiah 66:10-11: "Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning". On Laetare Sunday the Church expresses hope and joy in the midst of our Lenten fasts and penances. The rose/pink color of this day indicates a glimpse of the joy that awaits us at Easter, just before we enter into the somber days of Passiontide. Laetare Sunday is the Church's way of giving us a "shot in the arm" as we approach the darkness and horror of the days through Good Friday and Holy Saturday. It's an opportunity to savor and keep in the back of our minds what awaits us on Easter Sunday — the reality that Jesus Christ is risen from the dead, and that our hearts will always be filled with joy!

ST. JOSEPH THE HUSBAND OF MARY (feast day March 19) - He was the foster father of Jesus. To him, God entrusted the safekeeping of the Eternal Word, made man by the power of the Holy Spirit in the womb of the Virgin Mary. He was the protector of our Lady's good name, the caring guardian of Jesus, an attentive and faithful husband who exercised his family authority in a constant attitude of service. St. Joseph is the patron saint of many causes, especially fathers, families, married couples, children, pregnant women, workers, craftsmen, against doubt, the dying, and a happy and holy death. He is also patron of the universal church as well as the patron saint of Canada. May St. Joseph, a great and humble saint, watch over the church in these days of severe trials and be an inspiration especially to Christian workers and all whom should call on him in every circumstance.

ST. PATRICK (feast day March 17) –St. Patrick of Ireland is one of the world's most popular saints. At fourteen, he was captured by Irish pirates and taken to Ireland as a slave to herd and tend sheep. At the time, Ireland was a land of Druids and pagans, but Patrick turned to God and in his memoir, he wrote, "The love of God and his fear grew in me more and more, as did the faith. I prayed in the woods and on the mountain, even before dawn. I felt no hurt from the snow or ice or rain." Patrick was able to preach the Gospel throughout Ireland. There, he converted thousands of people and he began building churches across the country. Patrick preached and converted all of Ireland for 40 years. He worked many miracles and after years of living in poverty, traveling and enduring much suffering he died March 17, 461. So complete was his trust in God, and of the importance of his mission, he feared nothing -not even death.