



**Our Lady of Mercy
Pray for Us**



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Bill Morton & Mary Shields**

**Choir- Port Severn
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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**

29th Sunday Ordinary Time

October 16, 2022

GOSPEL TODAY Luke 18:1-8 “The lesson is persistence of the one who prays. God wants us to be like the persistent widow, staying in relationship with God, confident that God hears and answers prayers. Then Jesus laments, “Will such faith be found when the Son of Man comes?” In this lament, Jesus notes how easy it can be for us to lose heart.”



COLLECTIONS Last Sunday



\$1, 120 - Regular Sunday Offerings

WEEKDAY MASSES (Honey Harbour Chapel)

Thurs Oct 20, 11am – For peace in the world

Friday Oct 21, 10:30am - Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament & Mass

WEEKEND MASSES (30th Sunday Ordinary Time)

Sunday Oct 23, 9am @ Port Severn - For the people of the parish Sunday Oct 23, 11am @ Honey Harbour

60TH ANNIVERSARY OF SECOND VATICAN COUNCIL – “October 11, 2022

marks the 60th anniversary of the opening of the Second Vatican Council. This twenty-first ecumenical council of the Catholic Church was the largest worldwide gathering at any Council in the Church’s history. Throughout history, the Church has looked to the pope and the bishops, successors of the Apostles, for guidance. They guide Catholics in understanding and living their faith through their authority, writings and teachings. In three years, the bishops issued many documents about different aspects of the life of the Church in the twentieth century before Pope John XXIII convened Second Vatican Council and joined by more than 2,500 bishops from around the world. In his opening remarks, the Pope said, “The greatest concern of the Ecumenical Council is this: that the sacred deposit of Christian doctrine should be guarded and taught more efficaciously. That doctrine embraces the whole of man, composed as he is of body and soul. And, since he is a pilgrim on this earth, it commands him to tend always toward heaven.” Pope John’s XXIII’s goal was that the bishops who participated in the council would communicate the unchanging truths of the Catholic faith in modern ways. The present pope, Pope Francis, has convened a Synodality Project: October 2021 to October 2023, hearkening back to John XXIII’s Vatican II and shares connections and implications for the Church in the future.”

ELECTIONS OCT 17-OCT 24 – Municipal council and school board elections will take place on Monday, October 17 and end Oct 24, 2022. The right to vote is the foundation of democracy. Voting is a responsibility, in fact, it is a sacred duty. With elections, we get the important chance to decide on whom we want to place our hopes and aspirations for our community & country.

OCTOBER, MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY - Our Lady asked us to pray the Holy Rosary for the conversion of sinners and in reparation for the sins of the world. Pray also for the Church protection from the devil, for peace in the world, for all those who are suffering in this world due to war, terrorism, persecution, illness, poverty, injustices, unemployment, and for the souls in purgatory.

HOW IMPORTANT IS THE CATECHISM TO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH?

“Something deeply rooted in human nature pushes us to seek understanding. We want to know why we exist, how we find happiness, and what happens when we die. St. Augustine understood that the answer to our questions lies in God. He believed faith in God brings a constant desire for deeper understanding. As we begin to know our purpose, more and more questions pop up. We Christians want to understand what we believe and why we believe it. Our desire to learn is good because it leaves us seeking the Lord and opening ourselves to love him more deeply. As we know God better, we can then come to love him more. In her wisdom, the Early Church established various ways to pass knowledge down to the faithful. The Church’s magisterium uses Scripture and Tradition to explain our faith’s “whys” and “hows.” They interpret the meanings of dogma and doctrine and explain how the Catholic Faith applies to us today. One of the ways the magisterium works to encourage knowledge of the Faith and increase the love of God is through the Catechism of the Catholic Church.” *(To be continued)*

CHURCH TEACHING/POSITION *On ABORTION*: CCC# 2270-2271 “Human life must be respected and protected absolutely from the moment of conception. From the first moment of his existence, a human being must be recognized as having the rights of a person - among which is the inviolable right of every innocent being to life”. Since the first century the Church has affirmed the moral evil of every procured abortion. This teaching has not changed and remains unchangeable. Direct abortion willed either as an end or a means, is gravely contrary to the moral law: You shall not kill the embryo by abortion and shall not cause the newborn to perish. God, the Lord of life, has entrusted to men the noble mission of safeguarding life, and men must carry it out in a manner worthy of themselves. Over the years, the Catholic Church stands up for the lives of all the unborn, while offering hope and healing to parents who have chosen to abort their unborn children. Next: *WOMEN PRIESTS*