

**Office of the Bishop
DECREE**

In the name of God
The Most Reverend Daniel J. Miehm
Bishop of Peterborough

Whereas in March of 2020, I dispensed with the obligation of Sunday Mass in light of the coronavirus pandemic for the safety of the faithful and the common good:

Whereas public restrictions have now been lifted for public gatherings, including places of worship;

Therefore, in gratitude for the decrease of the danger to public health caused by the coronavirus and for the good of souls, I hereby restore the Sunday obligation for Catholics starting on Saturday June 19, 2022, the Vigil of the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi), in accordance with Canon 1245 of the Code of Canon Law.

As has always been the case, anyone with a “serious reason” or “grave cause” is excused from this obligation. Such reasons may include:

- Anyone who is sick, symptomatic, or recently exposed to the coronavirus and/or other serious communicable diseases;
- Anyone with serious health risk factors that requires them to avoid public spaces;
- Anyone who cares for someone who is sick;
- Anyone who cannot attend Mass, through no fault of their own, because of frailty or old age.

It is stated in the Catechism of the Catholic Church that “Sunday is the pre-eminent day for the liturgical assembly, when the faithful gather to listen to the word of God and take part in the Eucharist, thus calling to mind the Passion, Resurrection, and glory of the Lord Jesus, and giving thanks to God...” (CCC1167). May our renewed commitment to attending Sunday Mass help all overcome the trials of the last two years, thus deepening our bonds with each other as we find our hope and joy in Our Lord in his Eucharistic presence on the altar.

Given at Peterborough, on Friday, June 10th, 2022.



+Daniel J. Miehm D.D.

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

HOLY TRINITY SUNDAY

June 12, 2022

GOSPEL TODAY: John 16:12-15- “This feast of the Holy Trinity invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the Trinity—one God in three persons. Reading this passage on Trinity Sunday reinforces our understanding of the unity shared by the members of the Trinity. Although the idea of one God in three persons remains a mystery, we have the assurance that, as Jesus and the Father share all, Jesus and the Spirit share all.”



COLLECTIONS Last Sunday June 5, 2022



\$1, 275 - Regular Sunday Offerings

WEEKDAY MASSES (Honey Harbour Chapel)

Wed June 15, 11am – Souls in purgatory

Thurs June 16, 11am – For Peace in the world

Fri June 17, 11am – For the parish Shut-ins

WEEKEND MASSES (Feast of Corpus Christi)

Sunday June 19, 9am Mass @ Port Severn – For health recovery of Jrena

Kepniak by Dianne Sitarz

Sunday June 19, 11am Mass @ Honey harbour – For the people of the parish

POPE FRANCIS - “Pope Francis conveyed his sorrow at the horrific attack in a Catholic Church in Owo, Nigeria. On Sunday, Catholic faithful gathered for Pentecost Sunday Mass at St. Francis Xavier parish in Owo were shot and killed by unknown gunmen. The death toll is about 50, but the number is expected to rise. Criminal attacks, including on priests and churches are increasingly frequent in Nigeria fueled by the Boko Haram Islamic extremist group, as well as clashes between nomadic herdsman and indigenous farmers.”

WELCOME BACK SUMMER PARISHIONERS - On the Feast of Holy Trinity, I rejoice to welcome back our summer parishioners who have been away from Mass because of the pandemic. During this past year, we've missed seeing you and we are excited to welcome you back. Know that your presence always leave a unique mark on the life of our parish. Thank you to all of you who have so generously supported our parish even in the midst of such trying times. At times like these we can appreciate more profoundly the gift of faith and the importance of belonging to a parish family like ours. God bless you always, *Fr. Martin*

DECREE RESTORING THE SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION – “Please find at the back page of this bulletin Bishop Miehm’s Decree: lifting up dispensation of the obligation to attend Sunday Mass starting next weekend. May our renewed commitment to attending Sunday Mass help all overcome the trials of the last two years, thus deepening our bonds with each other as we find our hope and joy in Our Lord in his Eucharistic presence on the altar!”

PRIEST BENEFIT FUND (Today June 12) - Most Reverend Daniel J. Miehm Bishop of Peterborough writes: “On behalf of the retired priests of the Diocese of Peterborough, I thank you for your ongoing generosity to our Priest Benefit Fund. This fund is the principal way that we care for priests who have retired from pastoral assignment either because of age or health concerns. Our senior priests served with dedication for many years and often still substitute in parishes when their health permits. They remain an important part of our Catholic community and your concern for them reflects both this fact and your appreciation for their priestly service. Our Annual Parish Appeal for the Priest Benefit Fund will take place today Sunday, June 12th, and additionally, donations are accepted at parishes or online (www.peterboroughdiocese.org) any time of the year. Knowing that these are financially challenging times for many people, we are grateful for any contribution you can make to this appeal. I offer you our sincere thanks and our prayers.”

HOLY TRINITY, MOST MYSTERIOUS – “The Holy Trinity is one of the most mysterious, yet well-recognized concepts known to man. As one of the most important Christian affirmations, it continues to be among the most important aspects of the Christian doctrine. It symbolizes the unity of the three figures that represent God himself – the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. The common explanation of the reality of Holy Trinity centers on how God exists in three different forms – as the Father and the Creator, as the incarnated figure of His Son, Jesus Christ, and as the Holy Spirit that is always present in the lives of those who believe in God. While God the Father is the creator of all life on Earth and Ruler of the universe, God the Son has two natures and is both Divine and Human. Finally, the Holy Spirit represents how God lives in the people’s hearts, commonly being referred to as the breath of God. This is where it gets confusing – there is only one God, but God is made up of three separate persons. Each of them has the distinct ability to love and speak, but they are in perfect harmony with each other, making them co-eternal and co-powerful. If any of the Holy Trinity is removed, then there would be no God. The Council of Nicaea, the first recorded council of the Christian church, stated that the Son is the same as the Father. The Holy Spirit was not mentioned much in this new Nicene formula, but it went through several refinements and iterations over the years. By the end of the 4th Century, the current form of the doctrine of the Holy Trinity emerged and has been maintained by the Church ever since.”