

SOLEMNITY OF CORPUS CHRISTI

Collections June 14

Regular Sunday offerings: \$960

Weekend Masses

Saturday June 20, Mass 5pm @ Port Severn

Sunday June 21, Mass 9am @ Port Severn- For

+Charles & Ruth Daley, +Dan & Mary O'Neill & for health safety of Kathleen Daley

Mass 11 am @ Honey Harbour

*Just to remind you that this is the last video clip that I will be posting in our parish website because next weekend of June 20-21 we are going to resume our public celebrations of the Mass in the church.

*There is much to be done as we deal with cleaning, traffic control, volunteer coordination and some adapted procedures for Mass. Thank you to those who signified their willingness to volunteer.

For our volunteers, please note of our meeting this coming Wednesday 6pm @ Honey Harbour.

The Sunday Gospel-John 6:51:59

Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. Jesus tells the crowd that he is the bread of life. He explains that just as God gave the Israelites manna to sustain them in the desert, so now God has sent new manna that will give eternal life. It is in this context that Jesus repeats those words in today's Gospel and tells them again that he is the living bread that came down from heaven.

Jesus' words are not well understood by the crowd. They have trouble understanding how Jesus could give them his flesh to eat. Jesus tells them that when they eat his flesh and drink his blood, they will remain forever connected to him. These are difficult words, but they are important because they seek to show us our intimate connection with Jesus.

This is the mystery that is at the heart of our Eucharistic theology. In the elements of bread and wine, Jesus' Body and Blood are truly present. When we share in the Body and Blood of Christ, Jesus himself comes to dwell within us. This communion with the Lord makes us one body, brings us eternal life, and sends us forth to be Christ's Body in the world. *Sunday Connection*

Important Links: <https://youtu.be/Bmw-hCaPJY>

Youtube Mass of Bishop Miehm – The Solemnity of Corpus Christi
<https://www.ladyofmercyhoneyharbour.ca> - This is now our new parish website
<https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/848623575RR0008-our-lady-of-mercy-church/> - Online Donation to Our Lady of Mercy Honey Harbour
www.peterboroughdiocese.org – Diocese of Peterborough

Bishop Daniel Miehm- Bishop of Peterborough Diocese

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ, With the recent announcement from the Ontario government that places of worship may once again open with 30% capacity, the Roman Catholic Diocese of Peterborough is now preparing to reopen its parishes reverently and responsibly. To begin the reopening process, all parishes will follow this timeline: June 12 – 13, 2020 – Period of preparation for parishes. Churches remain closed. Sunday, June 14, 2020 – On the Solemnity of Corpus Christi, parishes will open church buildings for a period of the day for private prayer, Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confessions) and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament only. The pastor will decide whether it is feasible to open mission churches on this day. The pastor will also determine the schedule for the day and post it for the faithful. Monday, June 15, 2020 – Churches may open for private prayer, or be closed for necessary cleaning and preparation. Tuesday, June 16, 2020 – Priests begin to celebrate daily Mass in parishes. Masses continue through the week according to the regular schedule or an adapted schedule, as necessary. Weekend of June 20/21, 2020 – Sunday Masses will resume. During this period of transition, I continue to dispense the faithful from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Those most at risk because of advanced age or compromised health should consider not attending Mass during this time or attending only weekday celebrations of the Mass when participants are fewer. The procedures for the celebration of Mass and the sacraments will be different from our usual experience. I ask for your understanding and patience as we welcome back our parishioners, even in limited numbers. This will be a period of transition and adjustment as we begin the reopening process. My prayer is that our gratitude for the restoration of the worship life in our parishes will inspire our openness to the changes we will each make for the common good. May we continue to remember in prayer those who have died of COVID-19, those who have suffered with this illness, those who care for them and indeed, all who minister and serve in this time of pandemic.

Cleaning Protocols for Volunteers - We are grateful for the generosity of volunteers who are kindly giving of their time to do this essential task.

Votive Candles - Pastors are asked to ensure that lighters are removed from the area where votive candles are offered. Parishioners may light the candles with their own lighter, if available, or simply offer a prayer without lighting the candle trusting the care and intercession of the saints.

COVID-19 Assessment for Visitors

In the last 24 hours, you have not experienced any of the following symptoms: temperature over 37.5 degrees Celsius, difficulty breathing, chest pain, cough, shortness of breath, chills, muscle pain/aches, headache, sore throat, loss of taste or smell, or diarrhea. You have not travelled out of the country or province. In the last fourteen days, you have not lived with, cared for or had close physical contact with someone who is in mandatory self-quarantine. You have not lived with, cared for or had close physical contact with someone who has tested positive for COVID-19 or who is presenting with symptoms. You have not lived with, cared for or had close physical contact with someone who has recently returned from travelling outside of Canada. You have not lived with, cared for or had close physical contact with someone who has recently returned from travelling outside of Ontario. If you have answered yes to any of the above questions, we kindly ask you to refrain from attending the parish office until a 14-day period has passed.