

**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 10<sup>th</sup>, 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)**

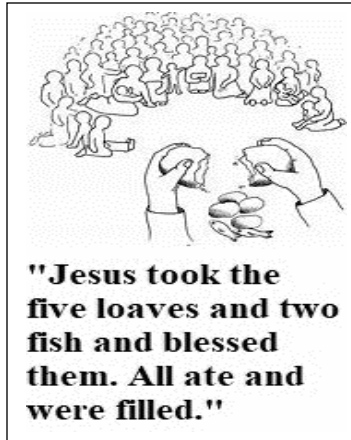
**Confession: 20 minutes before weekend Masses**

**Wedding and Baptism: Call the office**

## FEAST OF HOLY BODY & BLOOD OF CHRIST

June 19, 2022

**GOSPEL TODAY:** Luke 9:11b-17 - Today is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. As in the Last Supper accounts, Jesus takes bread, looks up to heaven, blesses the bread, breaks it, and then gives it to the disciples. With these words, we are reminded that in this miracle Jesus is doing more than feeding hungry people as God did for the Israelites. The bread he gives is his body, which he will continue to give as often as the community breaks bread in remembrance of him in the Eucharist.



### COLLECTIONS Last Sunday June 12, 2022



\$1, 205 - Regular Sunday Offerings, \$255 - Priest Benefit Fund

### WEEKDAY MASSES (Honey Harbour Chapel)

Wed June 22, 11am NO MASS

Thurs June 23, NO MASS

Fri June 24, 10:30am Feast of Sacred Heart (exposition Bl. Sacrament & Mass)

### WEEKEND MASSES (13<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary Time)

Sunday June 26, 9am Mass @ Port Severn – +Grant Cadeau by Cadeau family

Sunday June 26, 11am Mass @ Honey harbour – +Curtis Simmons by Anne, Joan, June & Gloria

*Happy Father's Day*

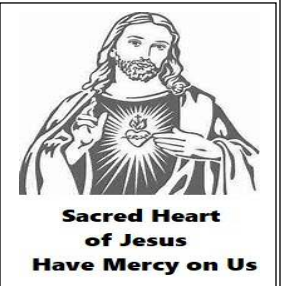


To all Fathers: we sincerely greet and salute you on this very special day! We could never thank you enough for the gift of life, the silent and hidden sacrifices and the gentle but firm affection and love you have for us! On this day, we would like to entrust you to the intercession of St. Joseph, the foster father of Our Lord. We also remember fathers, grandfathers, and great grandfathers who are no longer with us but live forever in our memory and nourish us with their love. Happy Father's Day!

**FEAST OF CORPUS CHRISTI** - The Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, known by its Latin name, Corpus Christi, celebrates the Real Presence of Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist—Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity. Jesus Christ himself instituted the celebration of Corpus Christi on the night of Holy Thursday while he was with the twelve disciples at the Last Supper. In the Eucharist, Jesus Himself re-presents for our benefit His Sacrifice on Calvary, gives Himself to us in Holy Communion, and remains among us until the end of the age. One of the major things that separates the Catholic church from most other Christian denominations is the belief that the wine and bread, once consecrated by the priest, actually become the body and blood of Jesus Christ. Not a symbol, not a representation, but the actual body and blood of Jesus Christ, which retained its outward form but inwardly was changed. In fact, one of the early charges against Christians by the pagan Romans was that they were cannibals, because these early Christians did, in fact, believe that they were eating Christ's flesh and drinking His blood. Over the years many miraculous instances have occurred that attest to this belief. Those miracles cannot be explained by human logic or science and seem to occur most often in times or situations where people have begun to doubt the True Presence. St. Francis of Assisi said, "In this world I cannot see the Most High Son of God with my own eyes, except for His Most Holy Body and blood".

### SACRED HEART OF JESUS (Friday, June 24<sup>th</sup>) - "Devotion to the Sacred

Heart is one of the most well-known catholic devotions, wherein the heart of Jesus is viewed as a symbol of God's boundless and passionate love for mankind. In the Heart of the Redeemer we adore God's love for humanity, His will for universal salvation, His infinite mercy. Modern-day popularization of this devotion is linked to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque, a French nun who learned of the devotion from a series of apparitions of Jesus to her between 1673 and 1675. In her visions, Saint Margaret Mary also received twelve promises from Jesus for those who honour His Sacred Heart. Some of them include that Jesus will give devotees peace, comfort and holiness and "all the graces necessary for their state of life", and bless every place where the image of the Sacred Heart is exposed and honored.



**PRIEST BENEFIT FUND** (Today June 12) - 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 Annual Parish Appeal for the Priest Benefit Fund took place last Sunday, June 12<sup>th</sup>, but donations are accepted any time of the year. Thank you for your generous financial help & love for your priests.

**DECREE RESTORING THE SUNDAY MASS OBLIGATION** – Please find at the back page of this bulletin Bishop Miehm's Decree on this matter.