

**Holy Week Protocols** - In keeping with the instructions forwarded to Bishops and Episcopal Conferences by the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments and in view of the current zone restrictions in the public health regions of the Diocese of Peterborough, the following protocols below are to be followed for the liturgical rites of Holy Week and Easter Triduum this year.

**Palm Sunday:**

**#Palm** at the entrance will be handed by the usher to everyone. People should be seated in their pews. The priest from the altar bless the palms and come down to sprinkle after the prayer.

**#The Gospel** of the Lord's Passion is proclaimed in the usual manner in parts with three readers, who should be physically distanced from each other when proclaiming.

**Holy Thursday:**

**#Washing of the feet** following the homily is omitted.

**#Following the Distribution of Holy Communion**, ciborium with sufficient hosts are left on the altar. Following the Prayer after Communion, all will kneel and the priest incenses the Blessed Sacrament, allowing for several minutes of adoration, after which he puts the blessed Sacrament back to the tabernacle. The congregation leaves the church immediately.

**Holy Friday:**

**# During Station of the Cross** people should not move from Station to Station but remain in the pew.

**#The Gospel of the Lord's Passion** is proclaimed in the usual manner in parts with three readers, who should be physically distanced from one another when proclaiming.

**#In the veneration of the cross**, the Cross is processed from the sacristy to the altar. The priest shows the cross to the people three times using the formula, "Behold the wood of the Cross, on which hung the salvation of the world." The people respond, "Come let us adore." The Cross is placed in a stand with lighted candles on each side. The priest and people kneel for a moment of silent prayer and then the priest alone kisses the Cross while congregation remains in the pew.

**#Communion** is distributed in the usual manner in accord with pandemic protocols.

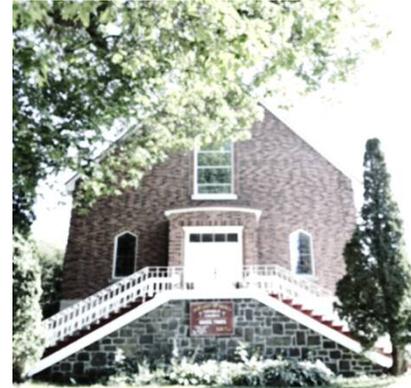
**Saturday Easter Vigil:**

**#Gathering around a fire** is not permitted and worshippers should remain in their pews. A simple Easter fire may be prepared inside or just outside the church doors from which the Paschal candle is lighted. Candles for the assembly may be used, provided they take them with them following the liturgy.

**Easter Sunday:**

**#Easter Sunday Masses** are celebrated as usual, including the Renewal of Baptism Promises and sprinkling of the new holy water by the priest.

## 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**

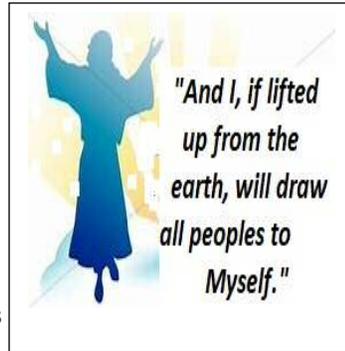
**Weekday Masses  
(See inside bulletin)**

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

## FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

March 21, 2021

**Gospel Today:** John 12:20-33 - In today's Gospel, we hear Jesus speak about the cosmic framework against which we are to understand his passion, death, and Resurrection. Prepared his disciples to believe in the salvation that his death would accomplish. Using the metaphor of the grain of wheat, Jesus presented the idea that his dying would be beneficial, in a way that the world is judged, but the judgment is not condemnation. Instead, through Jesus' dying and rising, salvation is brought to the world.



### March 14 Sunday Collections



\$875-Regular Sunday Offerings

### Weekday Masses (Honey Harbour Chapel)

Thurs March 25, 11am Mass - For Sick Parishioners

Friday March 26, 11am Mass - For Covid-19 Front Liners

### Weekend Masses - Passion (Palm) Sunday

Sunday March 28, 9am Mass @ Port Severn – + Soul of Fr. Charlie Fitzpatrick  
11am - Honey Harbour – For People of the parish

**Fr. Charlie Fitzpatrick** - Father Charlie Fitzpatrick, former pastor of our parish, has passed away Thursday March 18, 2021. Details for the funeral: Visitation at St. Mary's, Lindsay, on Monday March 22<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00 pm-7:00 pm. Funeral Mass on Tuesday March 23 at 1:00 pm. May he rest in peace.

**Tax Receipts Year 2020** – 2020 Tax Receipts were sent out as early as January through Email to some, and to others through Canada Post. If you did not receive your tax receipt for some reasons or you are having difficulty printing it, feel free to let me know and I will re-send or print it for you.

### Holy Week Celebrations

Sunday March 28 - 9am Palm Sunday Mass @ Port Severn

Sunday March 28 – 11am Palm Sunday Mass @ Honey Harbour

Holy Thursday April 1 - 7pm Mass of the Last Supper @ Port Severn

Holy Friday April 2 – 2:45pm Passion of Christ Liturgy @ Honey Harbour

Holy Saturday April 3 – 7pm Easter Vigil Liturgy @ Port Severn

Sunday April 4 – 9am Easter Sunday Mass @ Port Severn

Sunday April 4 – 11am Easter Sunday Mass @ Honey Harbour

**Pope Francis** – “Dear brothers and sisters from the Philippines, five hundred years have passed since the Christian message first arrived in your land and you received the joy of the Gospel. And this joy is evident in your people. Thank you for the joy you bring to the whole world!” “If God so loves us that he gives himself to us, the Church too has this mission. She is not sent to judge but to welcome; not to impose, but to sow; not to condemn, but to bring Christ who is our salvation.”

**Year of Saint Joseph** – “Almost two hundred and fifty years after St. Joseph was chosen to be Canada’s patron saint, in 1870, Pope Pius IX declared St. Joseph to be the patron saint of the universal Church. Now, to mark the one hundred and fiftieth anniversary of St. Joseph being proclaimed the universal Church’s patron, Pope Francis has issued an apostolic letter, “*Patris Corde*” (the heart of a father) by which he has declared this year to be the Year of St. Joseph. The pope notes that, after Mary, the Mother of God, no saint is mentioned more frequently in papal magisterium than Joseph, her spouse. Pope Francis extols St. Joseph, “the shadow of the heavenly Father,” who is always in the background, protecting and watching over Jesus. During these tumultuous times of the Covid-19 pandemic, the pontiff also draws a comparison, reminding us of those front-line, essential workers, worldwide, who appear hidden or in the shadows but who are playing an indispensable role in protecting and caring for all of us.”

**Bishop Miehm Letter** (excerpt) – “As Catholics, we are called to protect the most vulnerable members of our society and to see the inherent value of every person, made in the image of God. Recent trends in our nation and province should be of great concern for us as we strive to uphold the dignity of every person. The Federal Government is on the verge of expanding assisted dying in Canada. Passing Bill C-7 will mean expanding access to euthanasia and assisted suicide to the disabled, those with mental illness and those who have an advanced directive. Many Canadians are alarmed at the implications of Bill C-7 and have contacted their Federal Member of Parliament to express their concerns. I invite you to act by calling, e-mailing, or mailing a letter to the Ontario government through your own MPP. Consider a visit to the following site, [www.canadiansforconscience.ca/Ontario](http://www.canadiansforconscience.ca/Ontario). Conscience rights must be protected in legislation for the sake of all.”

**Development and Peace - Share Lent 2021** - “Development and Peace (The Canadian Catholic Organization for Development and Peace) is the official international development organization of the Catholic Church in Canada and the Canadian member of Caritas Internationalis. Development and Peace is a membership-led organization supported by parish collections, individual donations, and government grants, principally from Global Affairs Canada. With the entire human family suffering from the COVID-19 pandemic and its impacts, the Share Lent campaign invites us to share love, and express solidarity with our sisters and brothers in the Global South, whose vulnerabilities are being further exacerbated by the pandemic. Let us pray for the good works of charity and global outreach which Development and Peace undertakes, and support the success of this Lenten campaign.”