

Our Lady of Mercy Pray for Us



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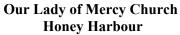
Choir- Honey Harbour
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Choir- Port Severn Ingrid Dunbrook Sharon MacNeice (Organist)

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OUR PARISH BULLETIN







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)

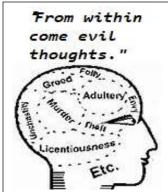
Confession: 20 minutes before weekend Masses Wedding and Baptism: Call the office

22nd SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME

August 29, 2021

Gospel Today: *Mark 7:1-8,14-15,21-23 – "*Jesus

first criticizes the Pharisees for putting human tradition equal to and as binding as the Law of Moses and above God's Law. Jesus' challenge us as well. In our desire to show that we are holy, we might also give too much credence to externals, following rules without thinking about the intention behind them. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways."



August 22, 2021 Sunday Collections



\$2,204.20 - Regular Sunday Offerings

Weekday Masses (Honey Harbour Chapel)

Wed September 1, 11am Mass - For sick in the parish

Thurs September 2, 11am Mass - For safety of Christians in Afghanistan

Friday September 3, 11am Mass – + All Souls

Weekend Masses – 23rd Sunday Ordinary Time

Sunday September 5, 9am @ Port Severn - For the People of the parish

Sunday September 5, 11am @ Honey Harbour - For + Phillips, Selina,

Kimberly, Gerard & Kenneth by Mark & Maryrose Vessair

St. Augustine (feast day Aug 28) "He was born in 354 in Algeria. He spent many years of his life in wicked living and in false beliefs. Though he was one of the most intelligent men who ever lived and had been brought up a Christian, his sins of impurity and his pride darkened his mind so much, that he could not see or understand the Divine Truth anymore. Through the prayers of his holy mother and the marvelous preaching of St. Ambrose, Augustine finally became convinced that Christianity was the one true religion. Yet he did not become a Christian then, because he thought he could never live a pure life. One day he heard about two men converted. He felt terribly ashamed of himself. "What are we doing, unlearned people are taking heaven by force, while we, with all our knowledge, are so cowardly that we keep rolling around in the mud of our sins!" Full of sorrow he cried out, "How long more, O Lord? Why does not this hour put an end to my sins?" Just then he heard a voice saying, "Take up and read!" He picked up the book of the Letters of St. Paul and read the passage that was just what Augustine needed, for in it, St. Paul says to put away all impurity and to live in imitation of Jesus. From then on, Augustine began a new life. He was baptized, became a priest, a bishop, a famous Catholic writer, Founder of religious priests, and one of the greatest saints that ever lived. He became very devout and charitable. St. Augustine overcame strong heresies, practiced great poverty and supported the poor, preached very often and prayed with great fervor right up until his death. His complete turnaround and conversion has been an inspiration to many who struggle with a particular vice or habit they long to break."

Extraordinary Eucharistic Miracles that Left Physical Evidence -

"Catholics believe that Jesus Christ is really, truly, and substantially present in the Eucharist. There are many stories of miracles throughout Church history that seem to confirm this important teaching. These stories are particularly noteworthy since you can still go see evidence of the miracles today:

The Hosts of Siena, Italy- "On August 14th, 1730, while the Catholics of Siena, Italy were attending a special festival for the eve of the feast of the Assumption, thieves entered the Church of St. Francis and stole a golden ciborium containing hundreds of a consecrated hosts. Two days later, someone noticed something white protruding from the offering box at another church in Siena. The priests opened the box and found the missing hosts inside, entangled in cobwebs and dirt. After being cleaned as much as possible, the hosts were placed in a new ciborium and taken back to the Church of St. Francis for prayers of reparation and veneration. Since the hosts were dirty, the priests decided not to consume them but let them simply deteriorate. Over the next few decades, everyone was amazed to see that the hosts did not deteriorate, but actually appeared fresh. The hosts remain in this state today, 285 years later, and can still be seen in the (now) Basilica of St. Francis in Siena, Italy."

Vatican Urges Countries to Accept Refugees from Afghanistan- "The U.S. has facilitated the evacuation of more than 70,000 people from the Kabul airport, with 21,600 people evacuated from Afghanistan over the course of 24 hours on Aug. 24, according to the Pentagon. The U.K. government has announced plans to accept 20,000 Afghan refugees in coming years, according to the BBC. Canada has also announced that it will help to resettle 20,000 Afghans. Uganda has agreed to take in 2,000 Afghan refugees. India is granting emergency visas to Afghan nationals, and Mexico has also already welcomed asylum seekers arriving from Afghanistan." Australia has plans to provide at least 3,000 visas to Afghans. Angela Merkel of Germany announced to take about 10,000 Afghans who are at risk. In Turkey there are 182,000 registered Afghan migrants and up to an estimated 120,000 unregistered ones. Iran already has over one million Afghans who hold refugee cards."

Pope Donates to Haiti, Bangladesh and Vietnam – "Pope Francis has decided to send a preliminary contribution to Haiti of 200,000 euros for the relief of the population in this phase of the post-earthquake emergency, a phase that is linked to the already difficult situation due to the Covid-19 pandemic. Along with Haiti, Pope Francis is also providing immediate relief for two other countries in great difficulty. An initial offering of emergency aid of about 60 thousand euros has already been dispatched to the people of Bangladesh, recently hit by Cyclone Yaas. Also, an initial aid package of 100,000 euros has been sent to Vietnam, which is in a state of serious distress due to the socio-economic consequences related to the Covid 19 pandemic."