

St. Patrick Roman Catholic Parish

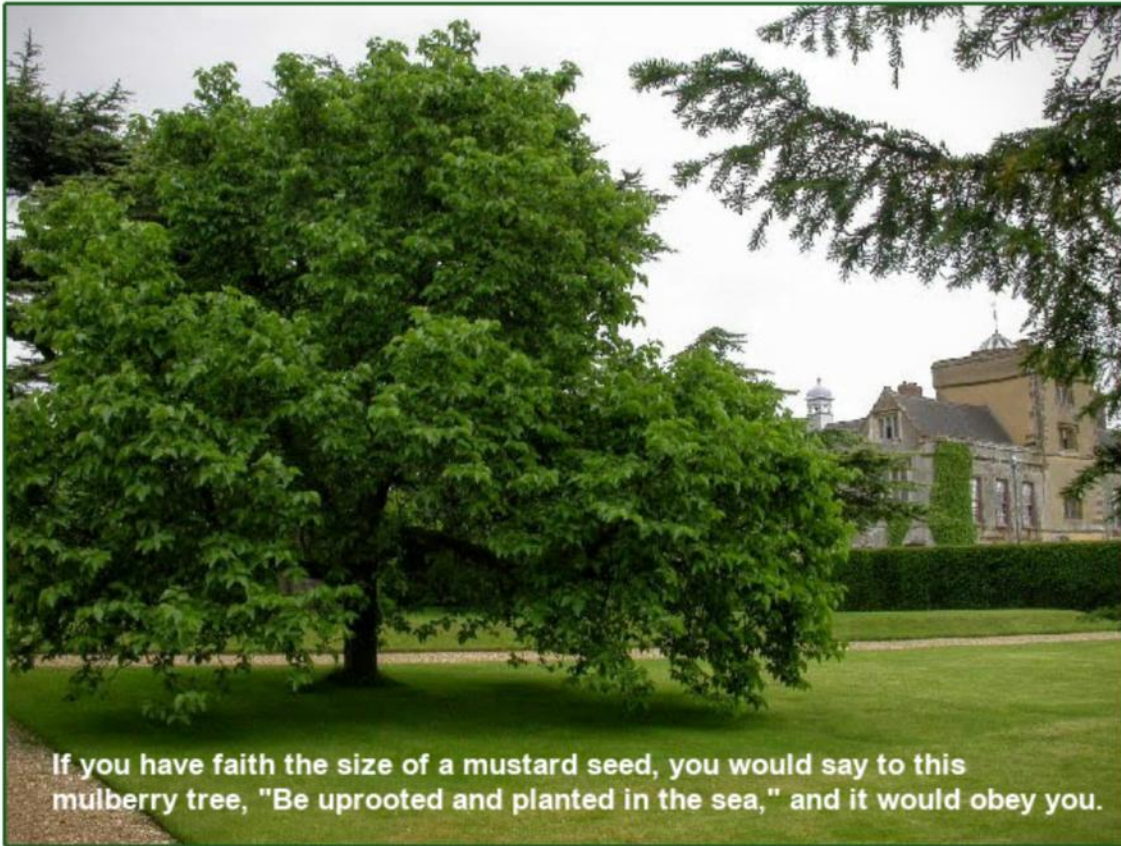
An Arizona Non-Profit Corporation

St. Patrick Church

St. Michael Mission

October 5, 2025

Twenty Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea," and it would obey you.

MASS SCHEDULE

St. Patrick Church

Tues. - Sat. 7:30 a.m.

Saturday 5:00 p.m. (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 9:00 a.m.

St. Michael Mission

Sunday 11:00 a.m.

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Office Hours

Monday - Closed
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Pastoral Staff

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Rev. Amal Sebastiar, MSFS, Sacramental Minister
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Pastoral Associates

Deacon Joe Delgado
Deacon Bill Lugo

Parish Corporation Board of Directors

Most Rev. Gerald Kicanas, Apostolic Administrator
Rev. Edward Lucero
Rev. Gregory Adolf
Ruth Dugie / Mary Gomez

REMEMBER ST. PATRICK PARISH IN YOUR WILL

Weekend Mass Schedule

(Confession – 30 minutes before each Mass)

St. Patrick Church - Bisbee

- 5:00pm Saturday Evening Vigil

St. Patrick Church - Bisbee

- 9:00am Sunday Morning

St. Michael Mission - Naco

- 11:00am Sunday Morning



Weekday Schedule

(Confession – 30 minutes before each Mass)

7:30am Tuesday – Saturday

(St Patrick Church)

MASS INTENTIONS

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil 04OCT25

5:00pm Mass

+Flavio Borbon

Sunday 05OCT25

9:00am Mass

+Dolores & +Daniel Valle

+Manny Montaño

St. Michael Mission

11:00am Mass

+Isabel Valenzuela

+Martin Grijalva

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 06OCT25

No Mass Celebrated

Tuesday 07OCT25

Int of Mary Jane Dugie

Wednesday 08OCT25

Int of Mary Jane Dugie

Thursday 09OCT25

Int of Mary Jane Dugie

Friday 10OCT25

Int of Mary Jane Dugie

Saturday 11OCT25

Int of Mary Jane Dugie

MASS INTENTIONS

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil 11OCT25

5:00pm Mass

+Charlie O'Malley

+Julissa Martinez

Sunday 12OCT25

9:00am Mass

+Ernesto M. Rogers

+Hoyt Tolleson

St. Michael Mission

11:00am Mass

+Ruth Whithead

+Martin Grijalva

1 Peter 1:25

*The word of the Lord remains forever.
This is the word that has been proclaimed to you.*



'Were your faith the
size of a mustard seed
you could say to this
mulberry tree,
"Be uprooted and
planted in the sea", and
it would obey you.'

Luke 17:6

October 5, 2025

Destruction. Violence. Strife. Clamorous discord. The words of Habakkuk from around 600 BCE sound as though they could have been written in our era. What can be done? The Lord answered Habakkuk, assuring him that "the just one, because of [their] faith, shall live" (2:4). Our faith in God is key, allowing us, like the Israelites of the first reading, to see past the calamities around us. Faith, even the size of a tiny mustard seed, can allow us to do great things. If faith can uproot a mulberry, a tree with an extensive root system, it can also uproot prejudice, racism, sexism, greed, hate, and all the societal evils with such twisted roots that they affect our individual attitudes and actions each day even though we cannot see them. Faith, therefore, enables us to have hope—to be pilgrims of hope—to reveal victories over evils, meaning in suffering, salvation from sin. We do this when we embrace the mission Jesus left his disciples, preaching the gospel in word and deed, serving those in need, and bearing our share of hardships, as Saint Paul encouraged Timothy to continue to do. As Jesus tells his disciples in the Gospel, this is what we are obliged to do. As a pilgrim of hope, how do you offer hope to those discouraged or victimized by the evils and miseries of our era?

Lectio Divina



Lectio Divina for the Twenty-Seventh Week in Ordinary Time

We begin our prayer:

In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Almighty ever-living God,
who in the abundance of your kindness
surpass the merits and the desires of those who
entreat you,
pour out your mercy upon us
to pardon what conscience dreads
and to give what prayer does not dare to ask.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit,
God, for ever and ever.

(Collect, Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading (*Lectio*)

Read the following Scripture two or three times.
Luke 17:5-10

The apostles said to the Lord, "Increase our faith."
The Lord replied, "If you have faith the size of a
mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree,
'Be uprooted and planted in the sea,' and it would
obey you."

"Who among you would say to your servant who
has just come in from plowing or tending sheep in
the field, 'Come here immediately and take your
place at table'? Would he not rather say to him,
'Prepare something for me to eat. Put on your apron
and wait on me while I eat and drink. You may eat
and drink when I am finished'? Is he grateful to that
servant because he did what was commanded? So
should it be with you. When you have done all you
have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable
servants; we have done what we were obliged to
do.'"

Meditation (*Meditatio*)

*After the reading, take some time to reflect in
silence on one or more of the following questions:*

- What word or words in this passage caught your attention?
- What in this passage comforted you?
- What in this passage challenged you?

*If practicing lectio divina as a family or in a group,
after the reflection time, invite the participants to
share their responses.*



CATHOLIC.BIBLE

Prayer (*Oratio*)

Read the Scripture passage one more time. Bring to the Lord the praise, petition, or thanksgiving that the Word inspires in you.

Contemplation (*Contemplatio*)

Read the Scripture again, followed by this reflection:

What conversion of mind, heart, and life is the Lord asking of me?

Increase our faith. What people, events, resources, etc. strengthen my faith? What am I doing to learn more about my faith?

Is he grateful to that servant because he did what was commanded? Why should I be grateful for God's commandments? How do I express that gratitude?

We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do. When have I considered discipleship an obligation rather than a privilege? How can I become a more joyful missionary disciple?

After a period of silent reflection and/or discussion, all recite the Lord's Prayer and the following:

Closing Prayer:

Come, let us sing joyfully to the LORD;
let us acclaim the Rock of our salvation.
Let us come into his presence with thanksgiving;
let us joyfully sing psalms to him.

Come, let us bow down in worship;
let us kneel before the LORD who made us.
For he is our God,
and we are the people he shepherds, the flock he guides.

Oh, that today you would hear his voice:
"Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as in the day of Massah in the desert,
Where your fathers tempted me;
they tested me though they had seen my works."

(From Psalm 95)

Living the Word This Week

How can I make my life a gift for others in charity?

Research the resources that your diocese and parish offer you for learning more about your faith and prayerfully discern how best to use them.

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October 5, 2025

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4 | 2 Tim 1:6-8, 13-14 | Lk 17:5-10

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

In today's Gospel, Jesus tells his disciples: "When you have done all you have been commanded, say, 'We are unprofitable servants; we have done what we were obliged to do.'" I think what Jesus is drawing us to see is the humility we need as his disciples. It's easy to get puffed up, thinking, "Well, I've done this" or "I've done that" in service of God. We can even start to feel that God owes us. But we are called to love God for God's own sake, not for the accolades or even the reward that comes from faithfully serving him. St. Ignatius of Loyola penned a beautiful prayer called the Prayer for Generosity that expresses the sentiment that I feel is at the heart of our Scriptures today: "Eternal Word, only begotten Son of God, teach me true generosity. Teach me to serve you as you deserve. To give without counting the cost ... to sacrifice myself without thought of any reward save the knowledge that I have done your will." Let's ask God to help us to serve him with generous hearts.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

In his second letter to Timothy, Paul calls us to "bear [our] share of the hardship for the gospel with the strength that comes from God." Serving the Lord requires that we rely on the gift of the Spirit within us who empowers us to serve courageously and generously. The good news, Paul tells us, is that "God did not give us a spirit of cowardice but rather of power and love and self-control." In our efforts to serve God and to share our faith with others, let's remember that it is God's grace that is at work within us, equipping us and strengthening us. Let's remember Jesus' promise that even if we only have faith the size of a tiny mustard seed, we can still do great things for God. Indeed, through the gift of faith and the gift of his Holy Spirit, God has truly given us immense spiritual power.

PRAY

Take a moment to examine your own heart. Is your discipleship fueled more by a hope of reward (heaven), or, by pure love of God? Take some time to pray with St. Ignatius of Loyola's Prayer for Generosity (the full text can be found online), asking the Lord to increase your generosity in serving him.



Aroma

A mother tells how her daughter used to work for a pizzeria, and Mom had the job of picking her up from work every evening. When her daughter would get into the car she'd smell so much like pizza that often times Mom would go back into the store and buy a pizza.

When we give our lives to Christ, when we spend time with Christ and seek to live for him; when we let His love, grace and forgiveness cover us, then we'll have Christ's aroma in our lives. His love will spread and shine through us for others to see and breathe in. And when we live like that, our lives become an invitation.

And when our lives are an invitation, others will be compelled to seek him and ask questions about our faith, about Jesus.



Ok

Brian once told of a hurricane while on a cruise in the Atlantic. After the captain sailed around the danger, he and Brian visited.

The captain said he had always lived by a simple philosophy: “that if the sea is smooth, it will get rough; and if it is rough, it will get smooth.”

“BUT” the Captain also said: “That with a good ship -you can always ride it out!”

Life is unpredictable, a bit rough, even dangerous. Do not be afraid. You can ride it out.

You have a “Good Ship” – your trust and faith in Jesus. He is with you.

You will be okay!

Make our faith stronger



Jesus says our faith can grow, like a mustard seed that grows into a tree.
Draw a picture of yourself doing something that helps your faith in Jesus to grow.

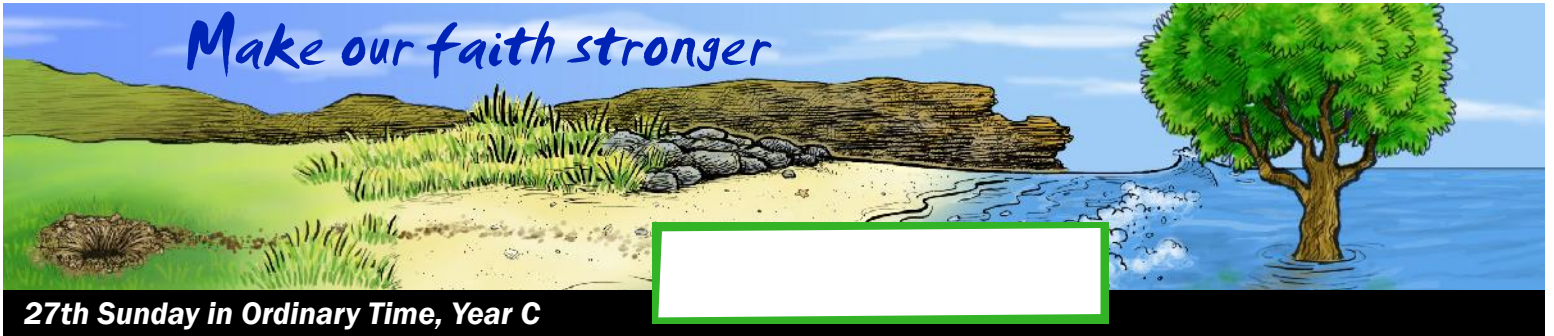
A large, empty rectangular box with a green border, intended for a child to draw a picture of themselves doing something that helps their faith in Jesus to grow.

With even the smallest amount of faith we can achieve a lot!
Draw a tree growing out of the sea.



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Make our faith stronger

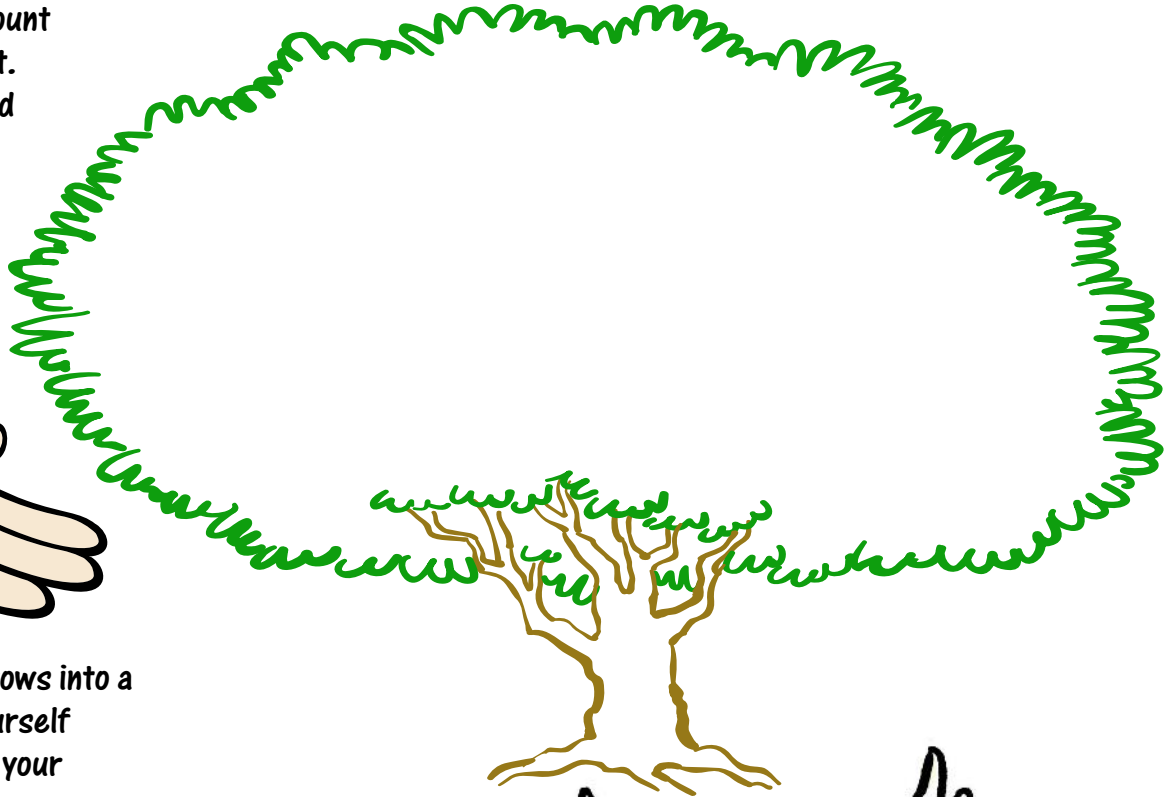
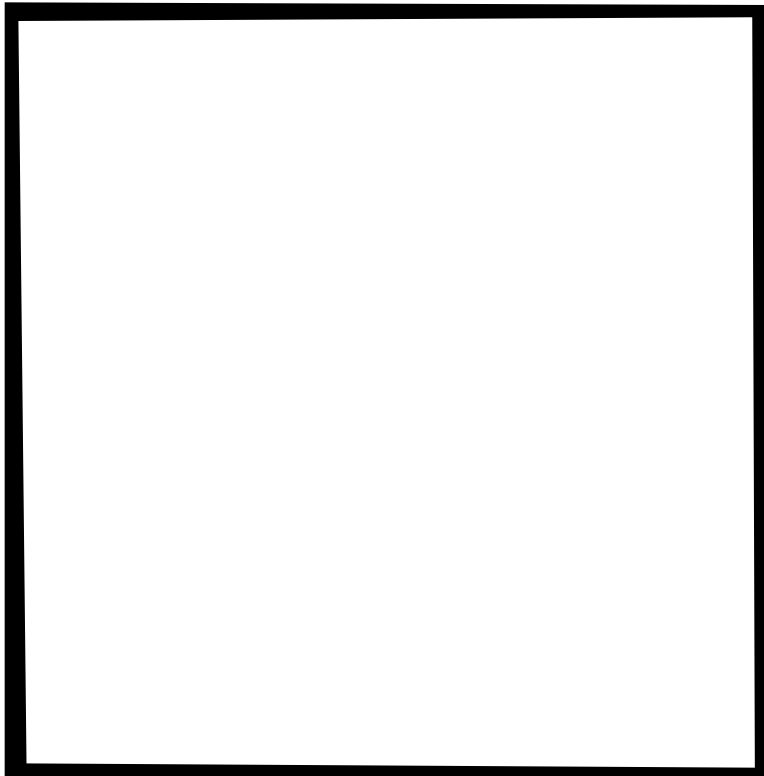


27th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

With even the smallest amount of faith we can achieve a lot. Write in the tree some good things that you can do this week which show how much you believe in Jesus.



Jesus says our faith can grow, like a mustard seed that grows into a tree. Draw a picture of yourself doing something that helps your faith in Jesus to grow.



MUSTARD SEED

How many words can you make from the letters in the words MUSTARD SEED?

DID YOU KNOW. . .5 October 2025

that *Pope Leo XIV* has invited all the Faithful to pray the Rosary every day in October for the intention of peace?

Next to the Cross itself, the most widely known symbol of Catholic devotion is the Rosary, and the power of this particular prayer is well-attested to over the centuries.

In his 2002 Apostolic Letter introducing the *Year of the Rosary*, *Pope St. John Paul II* wrote: *“there is a need to implore from God the gift of peace. . .to rediscover the Rosary means to immerse oneself in contemplation of Christ Who ‘is our Peace’, since He made the two of us one, and broke down the dividing wall of hostility.*

(Ephesians 2:14) Consequently one cannot recite the Rosary without feeling caught up in a clear commitment to advancing peace, especially in the land of JESUS, so sorely afflicted and so close to the heart of every Christian.”

It is not difficult to recall the areas in our world, our countries and our communities — perhaps even our own homes and hearts — where we might beg for the gift of God’s peace. From political violence to ongoing wars, from religious persecution to the countless ways men, women and children are dehumanized in our culture, none of us are untouched by the conflicts of our badly broken world.

What can we do in the face of such hope-shattering violence and hatred? How can we counter the culture of divisiveness and ‘hate language’?

Pope Benedict XVI wrote: *“With the Rosary, we allow ourselves to be guided by Mary, model of faith, in meditating on the mysteries of Christ, and day after day we are helped to assimilate the Gospel, so that it shapes our lives.”*

In the lifetime of many of us, the power of the Rosary was demonstrated in the peaceful collapse of the Soviet Union, which was promised to the three children at Fatima in 1917, who were told to pray the Rosary for the conversion of Russia.

The power of prayer is undeniable: *“where two or three are gathered together in My Name, there am I in their midst.”*

Pope St. John Paul II again said: *“With the Rosary, the Christian People sits at the school of Mary and is led to contemplate the beauty of the Face of Christ and to experience the depths of His peace.”*

Pope Francis said: *“The Rosary is a school of Prayer. The Rosary is a school of Faith.”*

There are many opportunities to pray the Rosary with others – check the bulletin! – and, of course, to pray the Rosary with your family! (Remember *Fr. Peyton*, “The Rosary Priest”: *“The family that prays together, stays together!”*)

And now *Pope Leo*, with his holy predecessors in Peter’s Chair, encourages us to pray the Rosary and to do something effective, something practical, for world peace and to curb the violence of language and actions: as an act of hope pray the Rosary every day for peace!

CATHOLIC QUIZ

5 October 2025

This week's Question: "Why do Popes change their names at the time of their election?"

The answer to last week's Question: "What is a 'pallium'?"

The pallium is a liturgical vestment worn by the Pope and metropolitan archbishops as a symbol of their jurisdiction and unity with the Holy See. Made from lamb's wool, the Y-shaped white band features six black crosses and hangs around the neck, resting on the shoulders and crossing at the chest and back.

(This past February, our Diocesan Bishop Edward Weisenburger was appointed Archbishop of Detroit and received the pallium in Rome from Pope Francis)

SOUL FOOD

5 October 2025

"For Christians, the most important book is the Gospel of JESUS Christ, and the Rosary is actually the abridgment of the Gospel."

- Henri Baptiste Lacordaire, OP
(1802 – 1861)



HAVE YOU BEEN WAITING
FOR ST. PATRICK T-SHIRTS?
OUR ORDER IS IN !!



A PLEASANT VOLUNTEER JOB AWAITS YOU
IN THE GIFT SHOP.
CHECK YOUR CALENDAR, AND STOP IN AND
TALK TO TOM. VOLUNTEERS ARE ALWAYS
NEEDED, ESPECIALLY DURING THE COMING
BUSY FALL/WINTER SEASON.

Parish Financial Report



Last Sunday's Collection

St. Patrick Church

Envelopes/Loose:	\$TBD
Online Giving	\$TBD
Total	\$TBD

St. Michael Mission

Envelopes/Loose:	\$TBD
Online Giving	\$TBD
Total	\$TBD

YTD Weekly Collections

(Comparison to last year)

St. Patrick Offertory: Up \$12,249
St. Michael Offertory: Down \$45

June Report

Income:	\$25,002
Expenses:	\$48,080
In the RED:	\$23,079

YTD July 2024 to June 2025

Income:	\$368,185.60
Expenses:	\$312,086.18
Balance:	\$56,099.42
Other Revenue	\$11,824.78
Project Exp	\$89,643.10
In the RED	\$21,718.90

Use Online Giving

www.stpatsbisbee.com

Use "Give Now" link

THANK YOU!



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St. Patrick Parish and it's ministries.

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Their support matters and strengthens the good our parish lives for EVERYONE in our Bisbee / Naco community.



**Scan this QR Code with your cell phone
and make your donation today.**

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Remember...
St. Patrick Church & St. Michael Mission
in your Will

Today, the Parish faces a shifting landscape. Changing demographics and cultural attitudes challenge full engagement, while economic pressures make sustaining ministry more difficult.

By leaving a gift in your Will, you help ensure that the Church's mission and pastoral outreach that have been important to you and so many others will continue for today's needs and those in the future.

Please, consider leaving a planned gift that demonstrates your faith and inspires future generations to carry on Christ's work. With your help, we can build a stronger, more vibrant Faith Community for many years to come.

God bless you for your prayerful consideration.
*"As each one has received a gift, use it to serve one another
as good stewards of God's varied grace."
(1 Peter 4:10)*



SAFE ENVIRONMENT

Report Abuse

 Call 911 – Tell the Police!

Our Call to Protect

We all have a duty to protect the vulnerable.

All volunteers, employees, clergy (priests and deacons) who serve in any parish ministry, group, club, or liturgy will only do so AFTER they have been processed through our Diocesan / St. Patrick Parish Safe Environment Program, received a High-Level Clearance, and completed Safe Environment training.

Parish Compliance

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Thinking about a Vocation?

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Diocese of Tucson Vocations Prayer

Loving and generous God, we need more vocations to the priesthood.

Send us faith-filled servants to minister as dedicated and loving priests in the Diocese of Tucson. Inspire us with your Holy Spirit so that we will encourage and foster a culture of vocations in which many will hear your call to serve your people. Bless our Diocese with men and women who will work together with your priests as deacons, religious, and lay ministers to bring to life the Gospel and to realize the Church's mission in our Diocese.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.