

St. Patrick Roman Catholic Parish

An Arizona Non-Profit Corporation

St. Patrick Church

St. Michael Mission

August 9, 2026

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



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.

Office Hours

Monday - Closed

Tuesday through Friday 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

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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

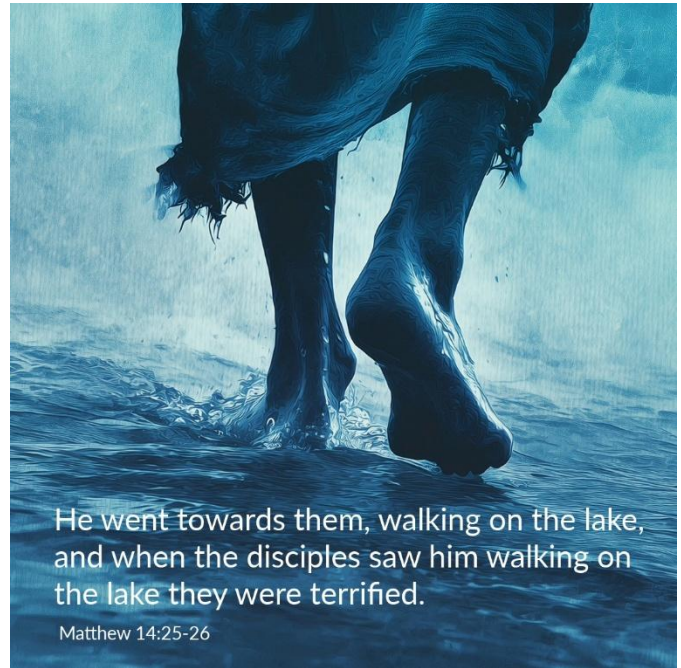
St. Michael Mission - Naco

- 11:00am Sunday Morning

Weekday Schedule

(Confession – 30 minutes before each Mass)

7:30am Tuesday – Saturday
(St Patrick Church)



He went towards them, walking on the lake,
and when the disciples saw him walking on
the lake they were terrified.

Matthew 14:25-26

MASS INTENTIONS

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 08AUG

5:00pm Vigil Mass

+Donald Wiggins

Int of Annette Mendez

Sunday 09AUG

9:00am Mass

+George Watkins

+Fr. John F. McGrath

+Leonor Alvarez

Int of David Bravo

Int of Annette Mendez

St. Michael Mission

11:00am Mass

Int of Annette Mendez

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 10AUG

No Mass Celebrated

Tuesday 11AUG

+Robert Kemp

Wednesday 12AUG

Int of Annette Mendez

Thursday 13AUG

Int of Glory Ferch-Mikkelsen

Friday 14AUG

Int of Annette Mendez

Saturday 15AUG

+Ora Bradley

MASS INTENTIONS

20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 15AUG

5:00pm Vigil Mass

+Mary Jane Dugie

+Pablo Mendez & +Myrna Avechuco

Sunday 16AUG

9:00am Mass

Int of David Bravo

Int of Annette Mendez

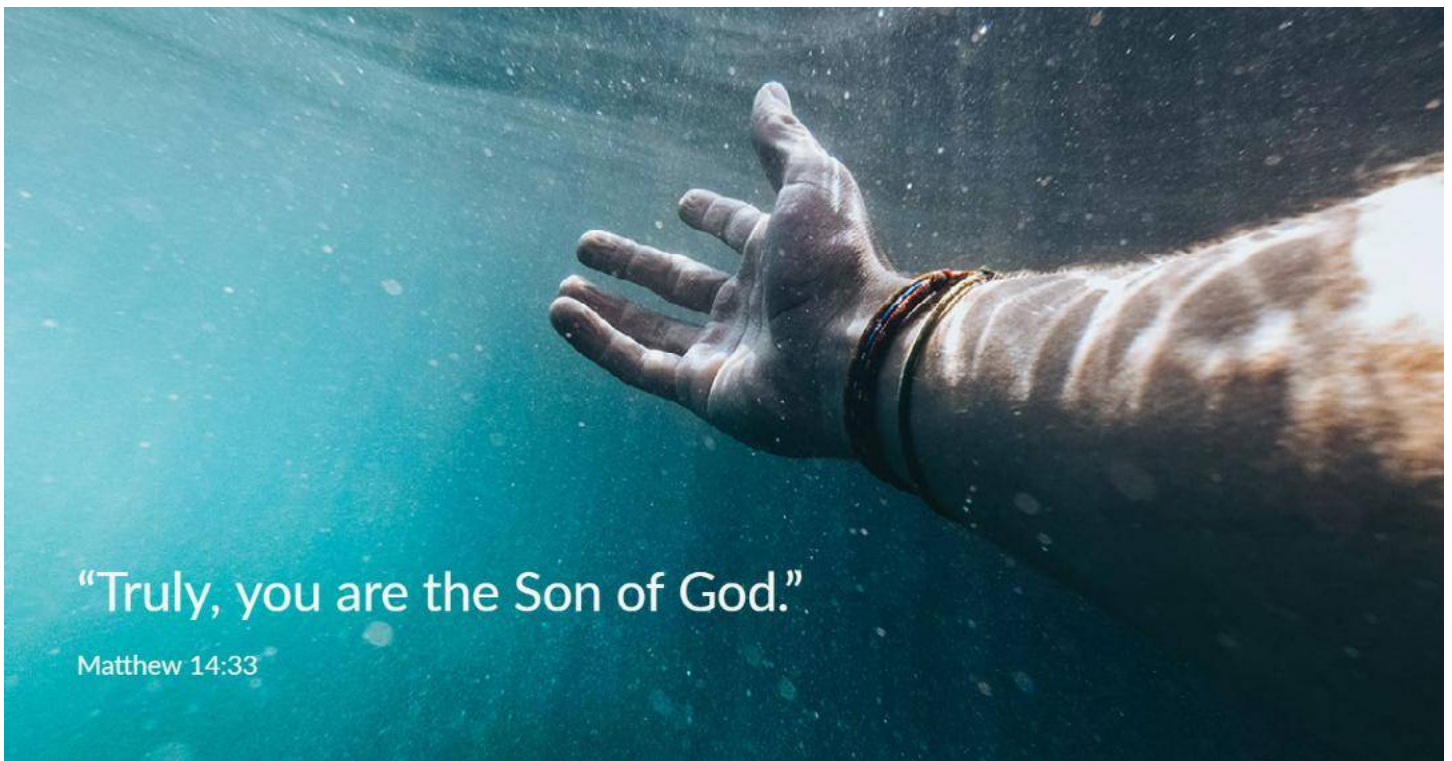
St. Michael Mission

11:00am Mass

+Rev Bruno S. Szczawinski

Psalm 130:5

*I wait for the Lord;
my soul waits for his word.*



“Truly, you are the Son of God.”

Matthew 14:33

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Poor Peter. Try as he might, he just cannot conquer his fears. The rough seas in today's Gospel unsettle the disciples—even Peter, who had been a fisher man all his life and must have weathered storms like this before. They are so scared that they are terrified at the sight of the Lord. They cry out to him, not in relief, but in fear. Jesus immediately reassures them, telling them to take courage. As if to prove that what he's seeing is real, Peter challenges the Lord to invite him to walk on the water as well. But when he obeys, his fear gets the best of him; he panics and starts to sink. “O you of little faith,” Jesus says as he reaches out to save him, “why did you doubt?” (Matthew 14:31). Peter doubted because his fear drowned out his faith. In a Hollywood script, Peter—the Rock—would never again let his fears overcome his faith. But we know that he does—three times!—on Good Friday. May this be a lesson to us. Our lives may feel like a boat tossed about on high waves, making us anxious or fearful over and over again. But as with Peter, may our faith always be there, ready once again to conquer our fears.

What will help remind you to turn to your faith in times of anxiety?



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1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a | Rom 9:1-5 | Mt 14:22-33

Written by
THE
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GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

As I prepared to become a teacher, a professor reminded me that the most effective way to command the attention of a room full of boisterous students is to lower my voice. Matching their volume only adds to the chaos. But approaching with a low, calm voice demands attention due to the contrast in volume. Prior to the scene in which Elijah encounters God on Mount Horeb, he was fleeing for his life. He was distraught. Likewise, in the Gospel the Apostles were in distress as they were tossed about on the sea. Chaos, anxiety, and distress are unfortunately all too common experiences. But God breaks through our worries and brings peace. God speaks to Elijah in a whisper. Christ walks calmly toward the disciples in the rocking boat. God doesn't match the chaos and the volume of our broken world. When Christ says, "Peace be with you," it is a genuine extension of peace to our weary souls from the Prince of Peace. The challenge for us comes in finding the quiet to experience the peace that Christ offers.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Doing the work of God does not mean that we always have to get louder. Proclaiming the Good News may mean that our words grow softer while the gentleness and peace from the Spirit become more visible. I find it interesting that as the crowds are dispersing and the Apostles are getting into a boat, Jesus finds a spot of solitude to pray. All too often in my own ministry, I see the tasks that need to be completed and disregard my own need for solitude. But it is in this quiet that we hear the voice of God that gives life to ministry and that guides us in the path of holiness. God will not add chaos to the world – peace is in his nature and he cannot act contrary to his nature. And so in the midst of our busyness and brokenness, God lowers his voice and calls us to attention.

LISTEN

Particularly with the expansive nature of technology, it can be difficult to block out the world in order to silence our minds and hearts. But we know from Christ's example of prayer and from Elijah's experience on Mount Horeb that God speaks to us in the quiet. Spend some time this week in quiet solitude to make yourself available to encounter God and hear his voice.

Lectio Divina



Lectio Divina for the Nineteenth 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,
whom, taught by the Holy Spirit,
we dare to call our Father,
bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts
the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters,
that we may merit to enter into the inheritance
which you have promised.
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, Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading (*Lectio*)

Read the following Scripture two or three times.
Matthew 14:22-33

After he had fed the people, Jesus made the disciples get into a boat and precede him to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. After doing so, he went up on the mountain by himself to pray. When it was evening he was there alone. Meanwhile the boat, already a few miles offshore, was being tossed about by the waves, for the wind was against it. During the fourth watch of the night, he came toward them walking on the sea. When the disciples saw him walking on the sea they were terrified. "It is a ghost," they said, and they cried out in fear. At once Jesus spoke to them, "Take

courage, it is I; do not be afraid." Peter said to him in reply, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." Peter got out of the boat and began to walk on the water toward Jesus. But when he saw how strong the wind was he became frightened; and, beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Immediately Jesus stretched out his hand and caught Peter, and said to him, "O you of little faith, why did you doubt?" After they got into the boat, the wind died down. Those who were in the boat did him homage, saying, "Truly, you are the Son of God."

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.

Prayer (*Oratio*)

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



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Contemplation (*Contemplatio*)

Read the Scripture again, followed by this reflection:

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

He went up on the mountain by himself to pray.
Where do go to pray? How can I find time in my schedule for more private prayer?

Take courage, it is I; do not be afraid. When have I been afraid to live according to God's will? What examples of living faith courageously have inspired me?

O you of little faith, why did you doubt? When has my faith felt weak? How can I address experiences of doubt and fear in a healthy way?

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

Closing Prayer

I will hear what God proclaims;
the LORD — for he proclaims peace.
Near indeed is his salvation to those who fear him,
glory dwelling in our land.

Kindness and truth shall meet;
justice and peace shall kiss.
Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down from heaven.

The LORD himself will give his benefits;
our land shall yield its increase.
Justice shall walk before him,
and prepare the way of his steps.

(From Psalm 85)

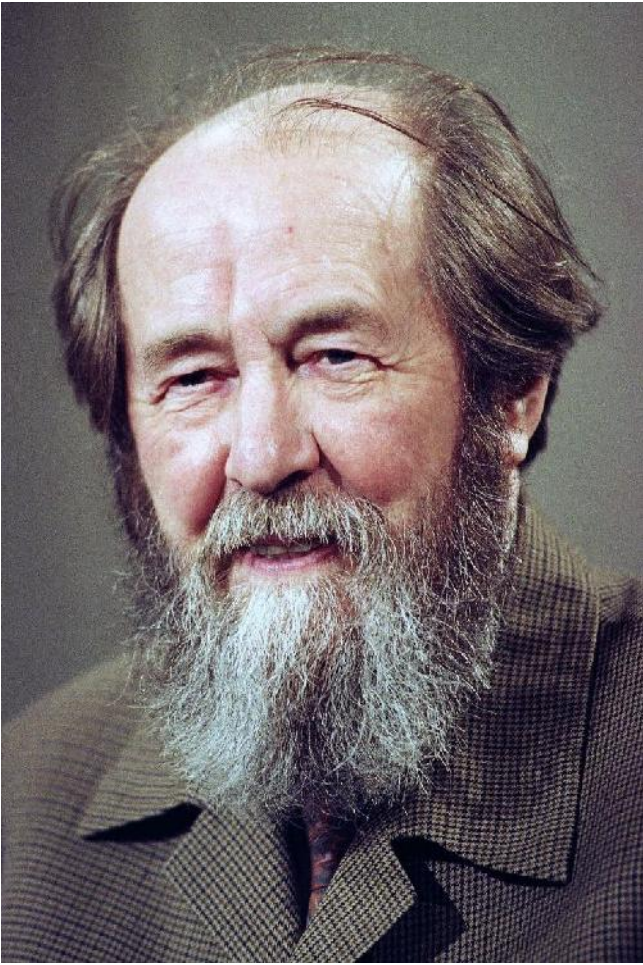
Living the Word This Week

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

Fast from social media for a day and use the extra time for prayer or spiritual reading.

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Faith

Alexander Solzhenitsyn said that only once during his long imprisonment in a labor camp in the Soviet Union he became so discouraged that he thought about suicide.

He was outdoors, on a work detail, and he had reached a point where he no longer cared whether he lived or died.

When he had a break, he sat down, and a stranger sat beside him, someone he had never seen before and would never see again.

For no apparent reason, this stranger took a stick and drew a cross on the ground. Solzhenitsyn sat and stared at that cross for a long while. He later wrote, "Staring at that cross, I realized that therein lies freedom." At that point – in the midst of a storm – he received new courage and the will to live. The storm didn't end that day, but through Jesus, Solzhenitsyn found the strength to ride it out.

We don't know what storm of life will come our way this week, or what storm you may be enduring at this very moment.

But know this: even as the storm rages around you, if you listen very carefully with your heart, you will hear a gentle voice speaking to you, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid." And in time the storm will pass.

And Jesus will still be there.



Being Seen

One night a house caught fire and a young boy was forced to flee to the roof.

The father stood on the ground below with outstretched arms, calling to his son, "Jump! I'll catch you." He knew the boy had to jump to save his life.

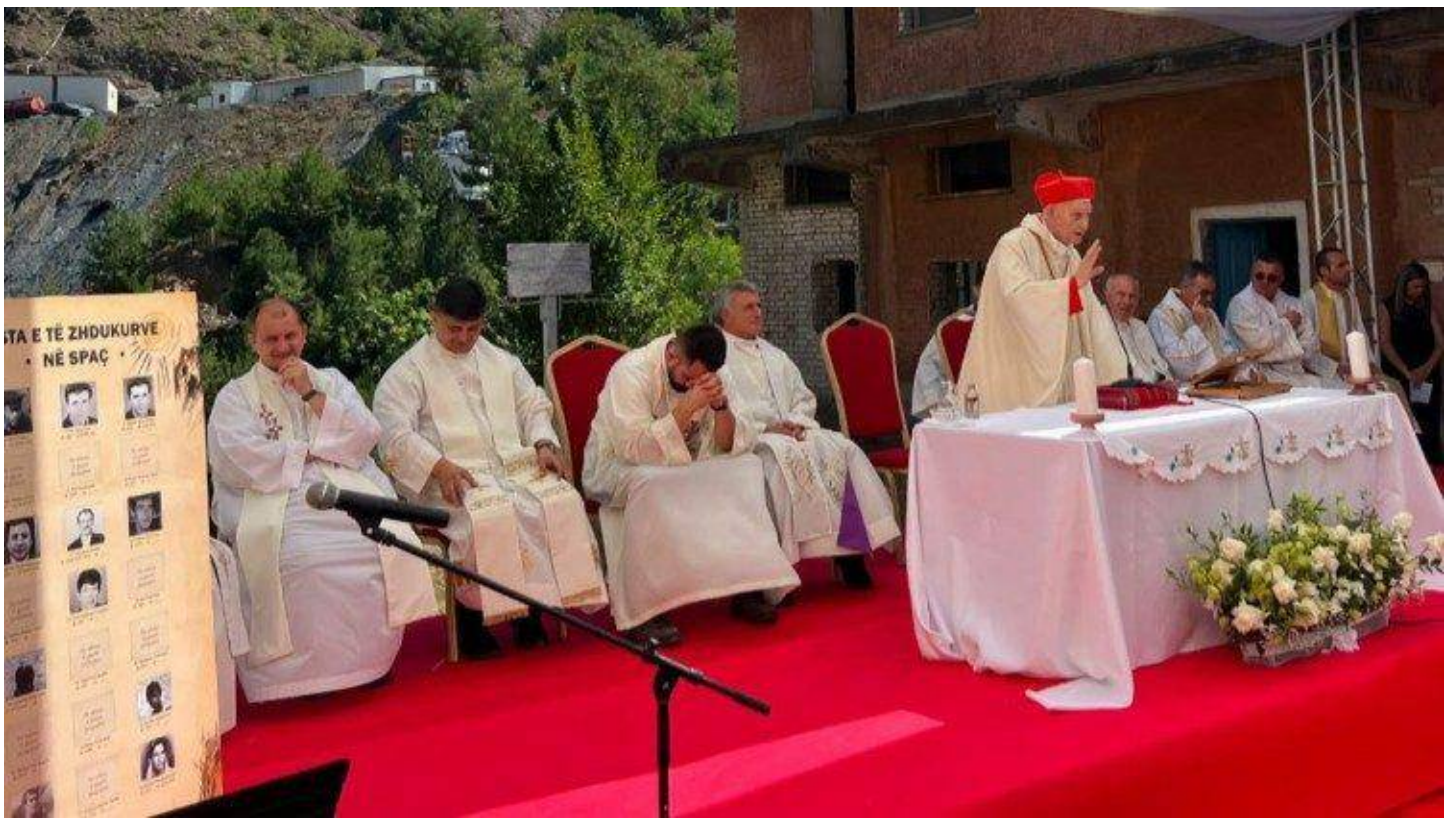
All the boy could see, however, was flame, smoke, and blackness. As can be imagined, he was afraid to leave the roof.

His father kept yelling: "Jump! I will catch you."

But the boy protested, "Daddy, I can't see you."

The father replied, "But I can see you and that's all that matters."

Friend, whatever your situation, however frightening and dark, it is not hopeless, you are seen – by Jesus and that's all that matters.



Pope Leo XIV sent a message to 97-year-old Cardinal Ernest Simoni, who, Friday 31 July, presided over the Mass at the former prison camp of Spaç, Albania, in memory of those who suffered or lost their lives there. During the communist regime, the Cardinal spent most of his 18-year sentence of forced labour in the camp, where he celebrated Mass in secret.

"No chain is strong enough to imprison a conscience enlightened by the Gospel; no night is so long that it can prevent the dawn the Lord prepares for His children; and no prison is deep enough to separate a person from the love of God."

Pope Leo XIV

DID YOU KNOW. . . 9 August 2026 - - -

that this Monday marks the 381 st birthday of Padre Eusebio Francisco Kino, the “Apostle of the Pimeria Alta? The “Pimeria Alta” was the vast area of northern Sonora and southern Arizona, largely unknown to Europeans, since the Coronado Expedition passed through here in 1540. Padre Kino’s singular and pioneering impact on the history of Arizona, especially in light of his well attested efforts at building bridges of understanding between the Native Peoples and the European settlers in our region, has had a continuing influence on our area’s culture. A zealous missionary-explorer and cartographer (map-maker), Padre Kino literally put what is now the State of Arizona ‘on the map’. A pioneer cattleman, and an ‘agricultural agent’ who introduced European/Mexican fruits and vegetables to the Sonoran Desert Peoples, he famously introduced winter wheat, which broke the ‘feast-famine’ cycle of the Desert Peoples. Above all, he was a tireless defender of the dignity and rights of the Native Americans, who welcomed him and the message of the Gospel into their villages.

At the dedication of the statue of Padre Kino, as one of the ‘representatives of Arizona’ in Washington D.C.’s Hall of Statuary in 1965, Senator Carl Hayden, in his speech accepting the statue, said: “Here then we have a fortunate glance at the Arizona of nearly three centuries ago and of the man who first made it known to the civilized world – a kindly man of extraordinary intellect, unwavering in purpose and possessed of faith that inspired faith in others. In accepting this statute for Americans everywhere, I thank God for blessing this country of ours with men like Father Kino. They are our everlasting heritage.”

In July 2023, Pope Francis acknowledged to holiness of Padre Kino, declaring him “Venerable”- the next step toward Canonization! In many ways, “the Apostle on Horseback” has been ‘popularly canonized’ and his name is attached to many public and religious buildings, roads and streets throughout southern Arizona and northern Sonora. We continue to pray for miracles and that his Cause for Canonization will move speedily!



Statue of Eusebio Kino in the National Statuary Hall Collection in Washington D.C.



Jesus will help us



19th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

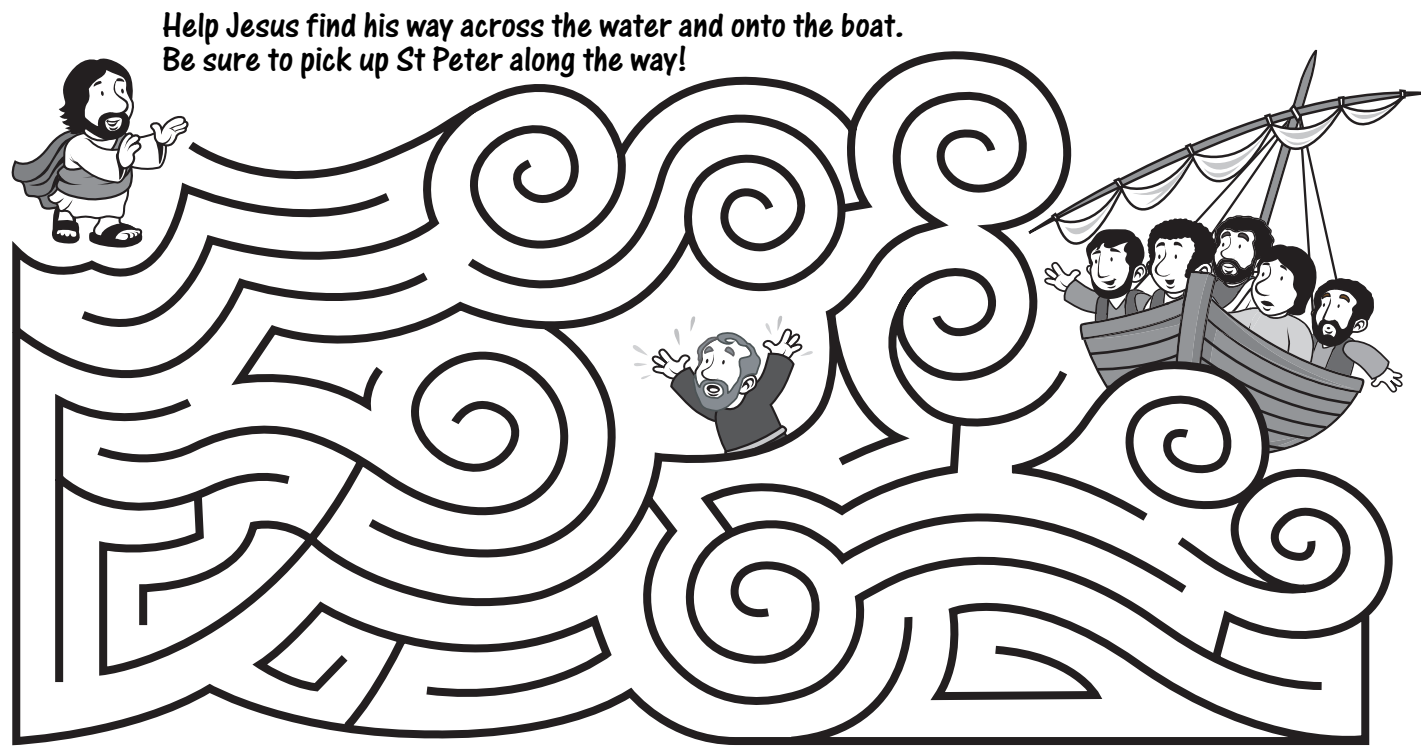
Life is a bit like a boat out at sea - on some days life seems good and the sea is calm, but on other days there are storms that rock our boat and try to tip it over. Write or draw some of the things that make life tough for you on those stormy days?



We can have faith that Jesus will always be there to help us in difficult times. Write a prayer asking God to help you when things get tough.

Dear Lord,

Amen.





Safety Reminder

Parents and Guardians are reminded that all children **MUST** be accompanied by an adult for trips from St. Patrick Church worship space to the parish hall restrooms before, during, and after Mass.

Thank you for helping to ensure the safety and protection of our children.

Livestream Schedule

**Sunday, August 2
9am**



**Sunday, August 9
9am**

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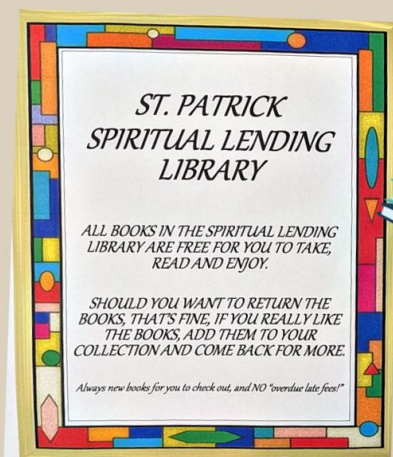
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"You will never learn that Christ is all that you need, until Christ is all that you have."

- Corrie ten Boom (1892-1983)

CATHOLIC QUIZ 09 August 2026

This week's Question: "What is an altar stone?"

The answer to last week's Question: "What is the 'Falling Asleep of the Mother of God'?"

The Dormition ('Falling Asleep') and the Assumption are describing the same event. Since the Church understands death to be a consequence of the first sin and believes that Mary was conceived without Original Sin, some theologians wondered if Mary died or was simply assumed into heaven without dying. The Eastern Orthodox Churches believe the latter. The Catechism of the Catholic Church doesn't answer the question, but says: "The Most Blessed Virgin Mary, when the course of her earthly life was completed, was taken up body and soul into the glory of heaven. . ." (CCC, 974) What IS known is that no "relics" of Mary have ever been proposed for veneration – (apart from her veil and her sash, venerated in the Cathedral of Chartres in France) -- that since the time of the Apostles it was known that Mary's tomb was empty and her body assumed into heaven. The Benedictine Basilica of the Dormition ('falling asleep') on Mount Zion and the Church of Mary's Tomb, near Gethsemane, are two beloved Marian shrines in the Holy Land. At the foot of the Mount of Olives, the Church of Mary's Tomb is shared by Greek Orthodox, Armenians, Syrians, Copts, and Abyssinians. It is also venerated as a holy place by Muslims, who have long honored the Blessed Virgin Mary.

The dogma of Mary's Assumption was finally formally defined by Pope Pius XII in 1950 and the Feast Day observed on 15 August.



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What Thursday's are like at our St. Vincent de Paul

Every Thursday, except the 3rd week, lunch is prepared and served. The kitchen crew volunteers arrive around 8 am to prep and cook the main dish. By 9:30 all of the day's crew have arrived. Usually 10 - 12 volunteers are needed to make the day go well. The salads, chips, desserts, drinks, condiments and tableware are set up. Often there is clothing arranged and ready for friends to select. Two volunteers help hand out grocery bags and one or two help take the food to cars. We begin lunch and open the pantry at 10 am with Father leading everyone in prayer. Between 50 and 70 friends are served each week. For many who come, lunch provides an opportunity for pleasant camaraderie. After lunch, each person receives two bags of groceries packed with purchased, Food Bank and donated items, and produce from Safeway, picked up earlier that morning. By 11:30 there are only a few friends left to come and cleanup begins. Everything is cleaned, put away, restocked and "lights out" until the next week when we are called again to share Christ's love with those who visit.

We are so blessed to have St. Patrick's hall to use, to have kind, generous volunteers and to have support from our St. Patrick Parish! Thank you!!

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Bless you for all you do for the Lord and His Church!

You Keep Us Strong!

YTD Weekly Collections (JUL to JUN)

St. Patrick Offertory: \$199,926
St. Michael Offertory: \$13,216

June Report

Income: \$25,703
Expenses: \$29,491
In the Red: \$3,788

YTD July 2025 to June 2026

Income: \$372,961
Expenses: \$296,248
Balance: \$76,713

Other Revenue \$9,158
In the Black \$85,872

Parish Financial Report

Last Sunday's Collection

St. Patrick Church

Envelopes/Loose: \$2391
Online Giving \$2284
Total \$4675

St. Michael Mission

Envelopes/Loose: \$145
Online Giving \$25
Total \$170

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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.



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)*