

St. Patrick Roman Catholic Parish

An Arizona Non-Profit Corporation

St. Patrick Church

St. Michael Mission

October 12, 2025

Twenty Eighth 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.

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Office Hours

Monday - Closed

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Pastoral Staff

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Deacon Joe Delgado

Deacon Bill Lugo

Parish Corporation Board of Directors

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Rev. Gregory Adolf

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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)

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 Whitehead

+Martin Grijalva

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 13OCT25

No Mass Celebrated

Tuesday 14OCT25

+Bert Whitehead Sr.

Wednesday 15OCT25

+Ruth Whitehead

Thursday 16OCT25

+Pat Kambourian

Friday 17OCT25

+Bert Whitehead Sr.

Saturday 18OCT25

+Ruth Whitehead

MASS INTENTIONS

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil 18OCT25

5:00pm Mass

+Adelina Rojo

+Matilde H. Lopez

+Manuel G. Lopez

+Maria Jesus Lopez

Sunday 19OCT25

9:00am Mass

+Pat Kambourian

St. Michael Mission

11:00am Mass

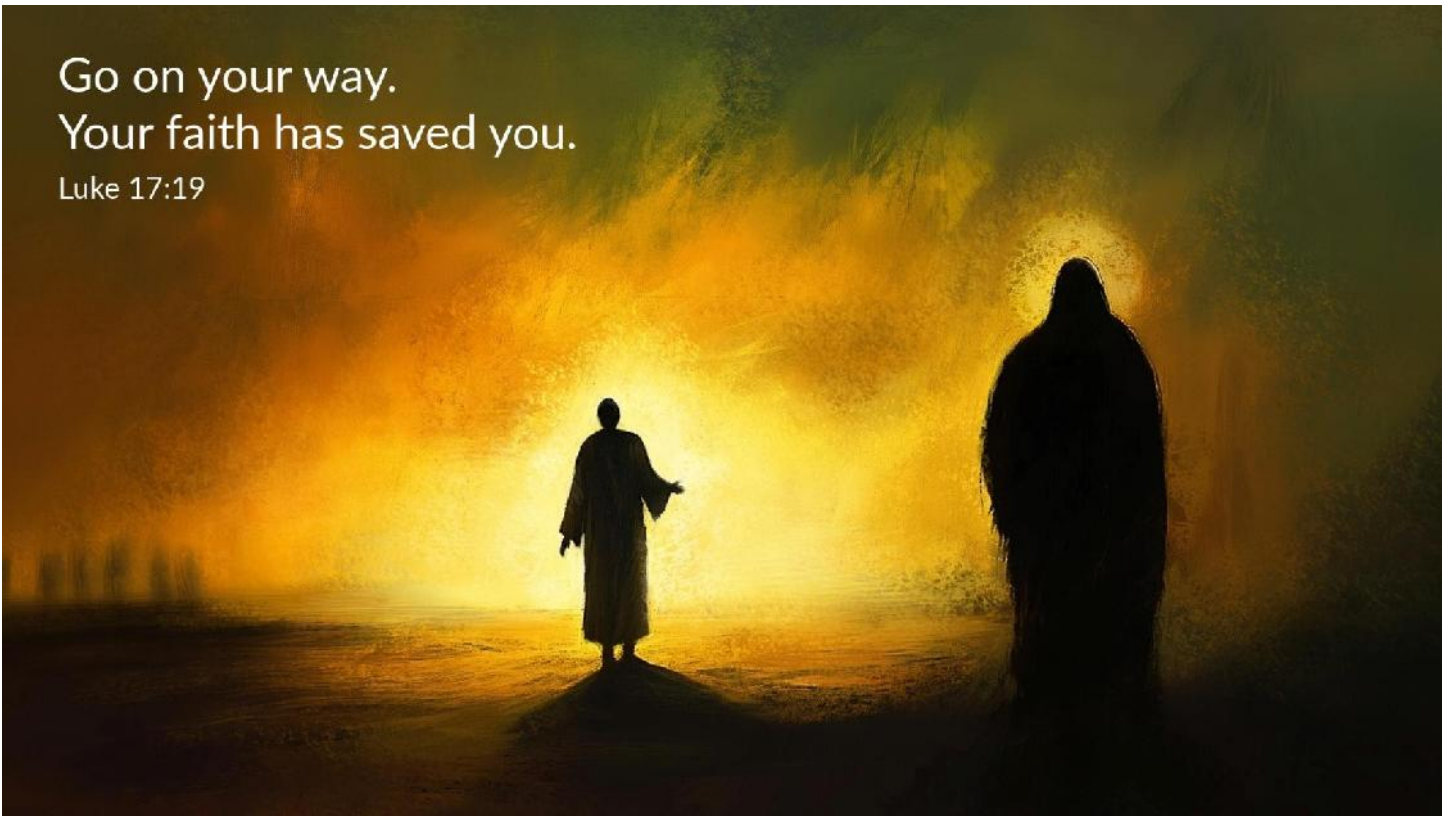
+Bert Whitehead Sr.

+Martin Grijalva

1 Thessalonians 5:18

*In all circumstances, give thanks,
for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus.*

Go on your way.
Your faith has saved you.
Luke 17:19



October 12, 2025

The word that runs through today's readings is gratitude. The Aramaean king Naaman is cured of his leprosy when he follows the word of Elisha the prophet, to whom he returns to give thanks and offer a gift. Jesus cleanses ten lepers while traveling through Samaria, but only one of them returns to thank him. Naaman's gratitude leads him to bring two mule-loads of earth back home to Aram so that he can offer sacrifice to the Lord at home. The Samaritan's gratitude leads him to glorify God loudly and publicly. The word gratitude comes from the Latin word *gratus*, from which is also derived the word *grace*. God's grace is freely offered to us, not for anything good that we have done, but simply out of the infinite love God has for us. Significantly—one more etymological lesson here—the word for gratitude in Greek is *euchariston*; this is the word Luke uses in this passage. When we receive the Eucharist, we are giving thanks to God: to Jesus for offering himself for our salvation; to the Father for sending the Son, allowing him to die for our sins, and raising him to eternal life. May we, unclean with sin, receive the Lord in gratitude, then go forth to glorify God by our lives. How will you return to a place of grace to give thanks to the Lord this week?



October 12, 2025

Twenty-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

2 Kgs 5:14-17 | 2 Tim 2:8-13 | Lk 17:11-19

Written by
THE
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DISCIPLE

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

After his healing in the Jordan river, Naaman returns to Elisha. It's clear from their ensuing conversation that his miraculous healing had led to him recognizing the God of Israel as the one who had healed him. In thanksgiving, he desires to offer sacrifice, and pledges that he "will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any other god except the Lord." In the Gospel, we see the Samaritan returning to Jesus after his healing, falling at the Lord's feet and "glorifying God in a loud voice." It's clear from both Scriptures that when we recognize what God has done for us, our first response is to worship. That's why our central act of worship as a Christian community is called *Eucharist* – from the Greek word for thanksgiving. When we come to worship God, what is it that we're grateful for? If gratitude is the heart of worship, it's a fruitful practice to intentionally spend some time considering God's providence in our lives over the past week so we come to the liturgy prepared to offer thanks.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Something that has always struck me about today's Gospel is that Jesus heals all ten of the lepers, not only the one who returned to offer thanks. While we, as humans, can be tempted to withhold love when we know it will not be acknowledged or appreciated, Jesus heals all ten. God is good to us, even when we're ungrateful. As Paul says, "If we are unfaithful he remains faithful, for he cannot deny himself." God can do only one thing: love. How powerful would it be if we worked to imitate the kind of gratuitous love we see in today's Gospel? Think about opportunities to practice this kind of love. What a witness this would be to the world if we were to imitate God's way of loving. As the Persian poet Hafiz wrote: "Even after all this time, the sun never says to the earth, 'You owe me.' Look what happens with a love like that. It lights the whole sky."

REFLECT

Take some time before Mass each Sunday to do an examine-style prayer, reflecting on where you've seen God's action in your life during the week. How has God provided for your needs? How has God accompanied you through challenges? How has the Spirit of God brought consolation and strength? Make a list of all the places you've experienced God's presence and grace and prepare to offer thanks to God for these gifts at Mass.

Lectio Divina



Lectio Divina for the Twenty-Eighth Week in Ordinary Time

We begin our prayer:

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

May your grace, O Lord, we pray,
at all times go before us and follow after
and make us always determined
to carry out good works.

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-eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading (*Lectio*)

Read the following Scripture two or three times.
Luke 17:11-19

As Jesus continued his journey to Jerusalem, he traveled through Samaria and Galilee. As he was entering a village, ten lepers met him. They stood at a distance from him and raised their voices, saying, "Jesus, Master! Have pity on us!" And when he saw them, he said, "Go show yourselves to the priests." As they were going they were cleansed. And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice; and he fell at the

feet of Jesus and thanked him. He was a Samaritan. Jesus said in reply, "Ten were cleansed, were they not? Where are the other nine? Has none but this foreigner returned to give thanks to God?" Then he said to him, "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you."

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.



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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?

They stood at a distance from him. When have I felt distanced from God? What caused that distance?

Jesus, Master! Have pity on us! When did I last ask for God's mercy? How can I be more docile to the Lord's will?

And one of them, realizing he had been healed, returned, glorifying God in a loud voice. When did I last give glory to God? How do I express that glory to others?

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

Closing Prayer:

Sing to the LORD a new song,
for he has done wondrous deeds;
his right hand has won victory for him,
his holy arm.

The LORD has made his salvation known:
in the sight of the nations he has revealed his justice.
He has remembered his kindness and his faithfulness
toward the house of Israel.

All the ends of the earth have seen
the salvation by our God.
Sing joyfully to the LORD, all you lands:
break into song; sing praise.
(From Psalm 98)

Living the Word This Week

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

Each night before bed, make an Act of Contrition for your sins and make a firm commitment to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance regularly.

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Now Thank We....



You can even be thankful during the most difficult of circumstances in life. It's true! We see an especially inspiring example of a brave and thankful heart in the story behind one of the church's most popular hymns, "Now Thank We All Our God." This particularly hymn was written during the Thirty Years War in Germany, in the early 1600s. Its author was Martin Rinkart, a Lutheran pastor in the town of Eilenburg in Saxony.

Now, Eilenburg was a walled city, so it became a haven for refugees seeking safety from the fighting. But soon, the city became too crowded and food was in short supply. Then, a famine hit and a terrible plague and Eilenburg became a giant morgue.

In one year alone, Pastor Rinkart conducted funerals for 4,500 people, including his own wife. The war dragged on; the suffering

continued. Yet through it all, he never lost courage or faith and even during the darkest days of Eilenburg's agony, he was able to write this hymn:

*Now thank we all our God, with hearts and hands and voices,
Who wondrous things hath done, In whom the world rejoices
...[So] keep us in His grace, and guide us when perplexed,
and free us from all ills, in this world and the next.*

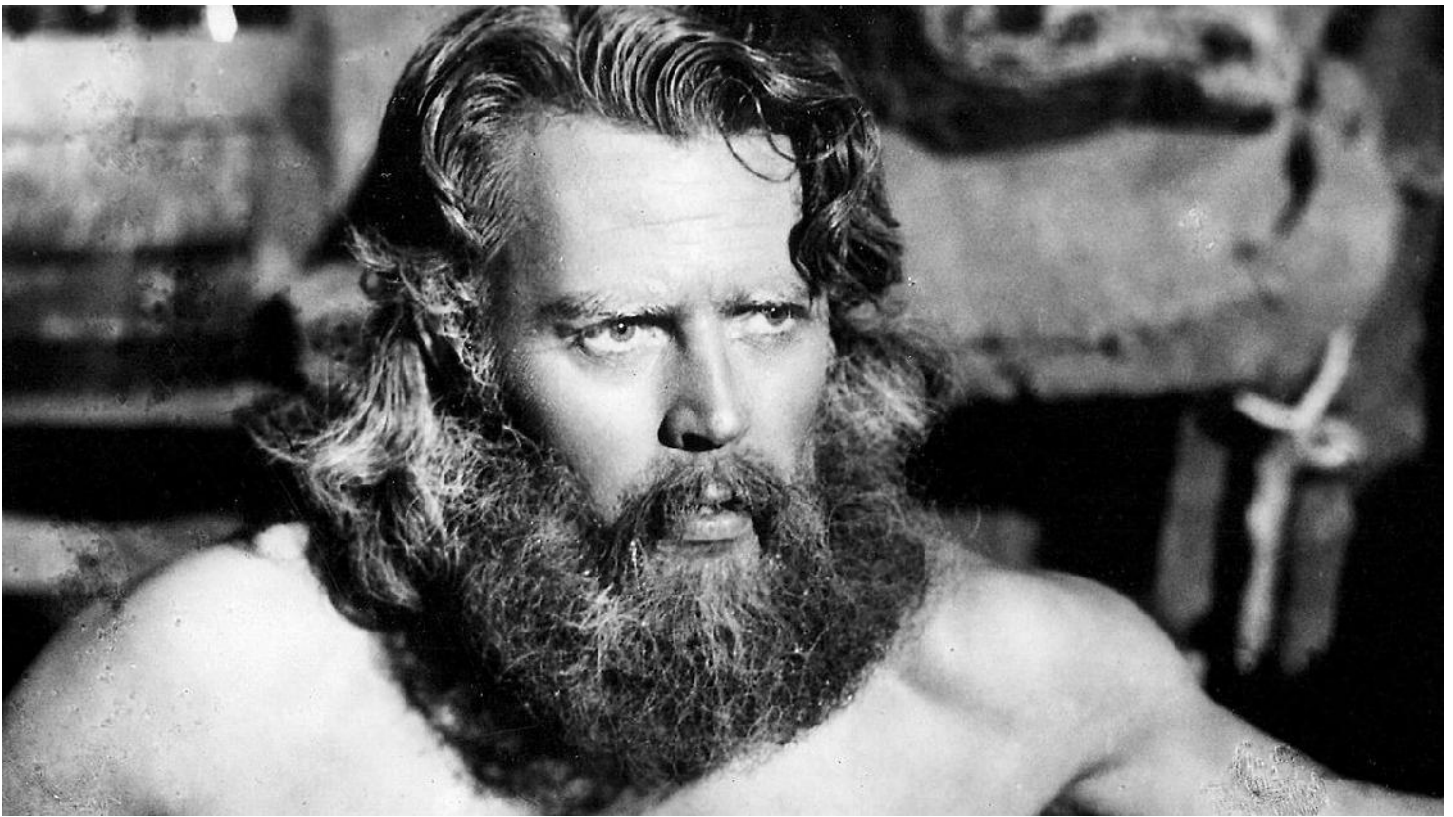
Even when he was waist deep in destruction, Pastor Rinkart was able to lift his sights to a higher plane.

He kept his mind on God's love when the world was filled with hate.

He kept his mind on God's promises of heaven when the earth was a living hell.

Can we not do the same - we whose lives are almost trouble-free, compared with the man who wrote that hymn?

Let's take time today to say "Thank you Lord".



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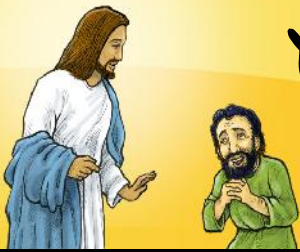
Perhaps Daniel Defoe gave us some good advice through his fictitious character Robinson Crusoe.

The first thing that Crusoe did when he found himself on a deserted island was to make out a list. On one side of the list he wrote down all his problems. On the other side of the list he wrote down all of his blessings.

On one side he wrote: I do not have any clothes. On the other side he wrote: But it's warm and I don't really need any. On one side he wrote: All of the provisions were lost. On the other side he wrote: But there's plenty of fresh fruit and water on the island. And on down the list he went.

In this fashion he discovered that for every negative aspect about his situation, there was a positive aspect, something to be thankful for. It is easy to find ourselves on an island of despair. Perhaps it is time that we sit down and take an inventory of our blessings. God provides, let us not forget to express our thanks, to be thankful.

Your faith has made you well



28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

Draw the leper who returned to thank Jesus.

When are some of the times when you can ask Jesus for help?



Fill in the missing letters, then match them up by number in the large boxes to reveal the message of this story.

- Jesus was on h₂is way to Jeru₁₀alem.
- Te₈ lepers asked Jesus to take pi₅ty on them.
- Jesus told them to s₆ow themselves to the pri₄sts.
- One of the men disco₃ered he was heale₁₅d,
and returned to Jesus, giving praise to ₁od.
- He b₁₂wed down at Jesus' fee₁₁ and than₉ed him.
- Jesus then told him, "et up and g₁₄.
Your f₇ith has made you well."

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5	6	7	8	9	10
11	12				
13	14	15			

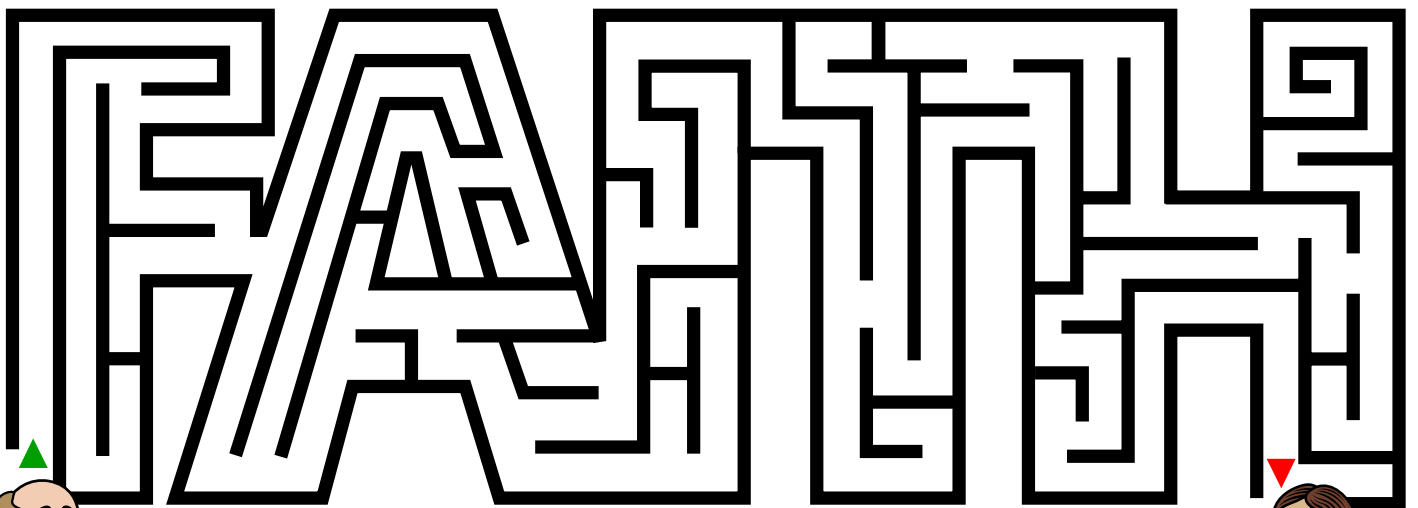
Your faith has made you well

After Jesus cured the ten lepers, only one of them came back to thank Jesus.

Draw Jesus talking to the leper.



Get up and go on your way;
your faith has made you well.



Help the leper find his way to Jesus.



CATHOLIC QUIZ

12 October 2025

This week's Question: "What is Apostolic Succession"

The answer to last week's Question: "Why do Popes change their names at the time of their election?"

The tradition of popes changing names upon election traditionally dates from Sergius IV (1009-1012). His given name was Peter di Porca, and when elected as Pope, he changed it in deference to St. Peter, considering that it was unseemly to call himself, "Peter II". Actually prior to this, some popes had changed their names to drop a name of pagan origin. This tradition allows popes to show esteem for a predecessor, signal a goal or style they want to have, and demonstrate a total commitment to the Office.

In the past the taking of a 'religious' name was seen as a break from one's former life and an entry into a new way of life.

SOUL FOOD

12 October 2025

An older priest was asked by the Bishop of Eichstaett, Cardinal Josef Schroeffer, "I have heard that every day you pray 15 decades of the Rosary, is that so?"

The old man smiled and said, "My health still permits me to do so, yes. In the quiet passage of the day of a retired person it is very good and very profitable to frequently include a decade of the Rosary."

The ordinary day of this old man could hardly be called 'quiet.' He used to say that in his old age, he was given a 'job' but he, nevertheless, continued to pray 15 decades of the Rosary each day. The old man was Saint Pope John XXIII.



In September 2025

15 volunteers spent about

243 volunteer hours

in service to our friends.

**234 friends and 938 family members
were served during September.**

**Walking with Jesus.
Every. Day.**

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

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Use "Give Now" link

THANK YOU!



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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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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)*