

# St. Patrick Roman Catholic Parish

An Arizona Non-Profit Corporation

St. Patrick Church

St. Michael Mission

April 26, 2026

Fourth Sunday of Easter

*I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.*

*John 10:14*



## 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

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

## Pastoral Staff

Msgr. Gregory Adolf, Canonical Pastor

Rev. Amal Sebastian, MSFS, Sacramental Minister

Deacon Tony Underwood, Pastoral Administrator

## Pastoral Associates

Deacon Joe Delgado

Deacon Bill Lugo

Deacon Jose Valle

## Parish Corporation Board of Directors

Most Rev. Gerald Kicanas, Apostolic Administrator

Rev. Edward Lucero

Msgr. 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

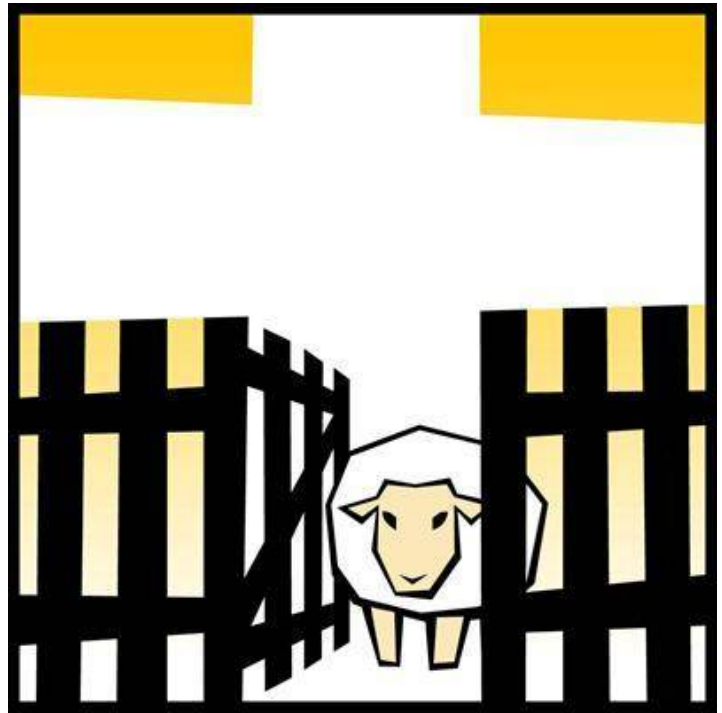
- 5:00pm Saturday Evening Vigil

## 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

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
Saturday 25APR  
5:00pm Vigil Mass  
+Charlie O'Malley

Sunday 26APR  
9:00am Mass  
+Lilian Miranda  
+Marisela Boykin  
Int of Sue Ann Polakowski

St. Michael Mission  
11:00am Mass  
Int of Mary Jane Dugie

## MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 27APR  
No Mass Celebrated

Tuesday 28APR  
+William Brown  
Int of Mark Weber

Wednesday 29APR  
+Guy Brown  
+Laura Dugie  
+Steve Miller

Thursday 30APR  
Int of Mary Jane Dugie

Friday 01MAY  
+Pete & +Della Bach

Saturday 02MAY  
+Ruth Whitehead

## MASS INTENTIONS

5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter  
Saturday 02MAY  
5:00pm Vigil Mass  
+Flavio Borbon

Sunday 03MAY  
9:00am Mass  
+Flavio Borbon  
+Dolores & +Daniel Valle  
+Marvin Yeater  
+Rene Hoffman Jr.  
+Mary Rodriguez

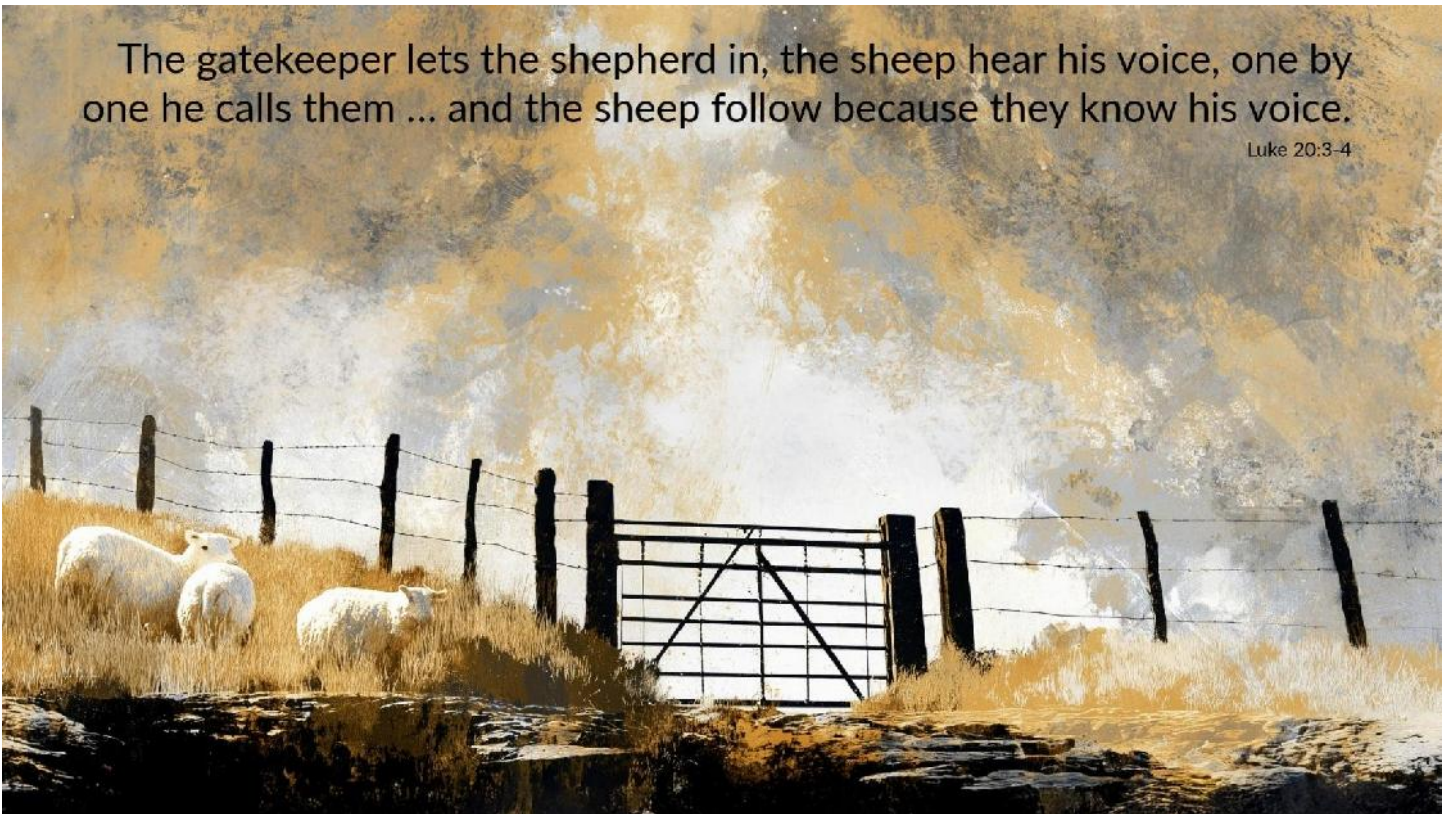
St. Michael Mission  
11:00am Mass  
+Bert Whitehead

## John 10:14

*I am the good shepherd, says the Lord;  
I know my sheep, and mine know me.*

The gatekeeper lets the shepherd in, the sheep hear his voice, one by one he calls them ... and the sheep follow because they know his voice.

Luke 20:3-4



**April 26, 2026**

In our day, the word sheep can be a pejorative for people who are easily influenced and follow the herd without thinking for themselves. But that is not necessarily the case. People scorned as sheep may have exercised sound judgment in deciding whom to follow. As Christians, we are those sheep listening for the Good Shepherd's voice. He calls us each by name to be his disciples. He summons us to vocations in which we can use our talents to serve him more fully. He leads us through the gate on right paths through dark valleys, protecting us from harm and forgiving us when we stray. He guides us to verdant pastures, to restful waters, and to a life abundant with God's blessings. We are the sheep whom our Shepherd has called by name, and we have chosen to follow. We come together as a flock to worship God, to receive the Lord in the Eucharist, and to live under the guidance and protection of the Good Shepherd.

How do you hear the Good Shepherd calling you? Where is he leading you at this point in your life?

# Lectio Divina



## Lectio Divina for the Fourth Week of Easter

*We begin our prayer:*

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

O God, perfect light of the blessed,  
by whose gift we celebrate the paschal mysteries on  
earth,  
bring us, we pray,  
to rejoice in the full measure of your grace  
for ages unending.  
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, Monday of the Fourth Week of Easter)

### Reading (*Lectio*)

*Read the following Scripture two or three times.*  
John 10:1-10

Jesus said: “Amen, amen, I say to you, whoever does not enter a sheepfold through the gate but climbs over elsewhere is a thief and a robber. But whoever enters through the gate is the shepherd of the sheep. The gatekeeper opens it for him, and the sheep hear his voice, as the shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out. When he has driven out all his own, he walks ahead of them, and the sheep follow him, because they recognize his voice. But they will not follow a stranger; they will run away from him, because they do not recognize the voice of strangers.” Although Jesus used this figure of speech, the Pharisees did not realize what he was trying to tell them.

So Jesus said again, “Amen, amen, I say to you, I am the gate for the sheep. All who came before me are thieves and robbers, but the sheep did not listen to them. I am the gate. Whoever enters through me will be saved, and will come in and go out and find pasture. A thief comes only to steal and slaughter and destroy; I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.”  
place on the way and how he was made known to them in the breaking of bread.

### 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?

*The shepherd calls his own sheep by name and leads them out.* What is the Lord calling me to do? Where is he leading me?

*But they will not follow a stranger; they will run away from him.* What bad influences and occasions of sin should I avoid? How can I re-orient my life's path to follow the Lord more closely?

*I came so that they might have life and have it more abundantly.* What would make my life more abundant? How can I live my life more fully in the Lord?

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

## Closing Prayer

The LORD is my shepherd; I shall not want.

In verdant pastures he gives me repose;  
beside restful waters he leads me;  
he refreshes my soul.

He guides me in right paths  
for his name's sake.

Even though I walk in the dark valley  
I fear no evil; for you are at my side.  
With your rod and your staff  
that give me courage.

You spread the table before me  
in the sight of my foes;  
you anoint my head with oil;  
my cup overflows.

Only goodness and kindness follow me  
all the days of my life;  
and I shall dwell in the house of the LORD  
for years to come.

(From Psalm 23)

## Living the Word This Week

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

Pray for an increase in vocations to the priesthood, permanent diaconate, and the consecrated life.

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April 26, 2026

Written by  
THE  
FAITHFUL  
DISCIPLE

## Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14a, 36-41 | 1 Pt 2:20b-25 | Jn 10:1-10

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

Today's readings invite us to reflect on our willingness to hear the voice of the Lord, especially when he speaks a word that will convict our hearts. In the first reading, Peter stands up and proclaims Christ crucified and risen, and some three thousand people who heard this were "cut to the heart" and were baptized. Peter's message was not an easy one to hear; he was, in part, reminding them that they had put Jesus to death. But something about Peter's words made it clear that he was speaking the truth. And they repented. They recognized, as we hear in our second reading, that they "had gone astray like sheep" but now they "have returned to the shepherd and guardian of [their] souls." As we seek to grow in discipleship, may we learn to recognize the Lord's voice in our lives, especially when he speaks a word that convicts our hearts, because it is only through him that we find abundant life.

### **GO EVANGELIZE**

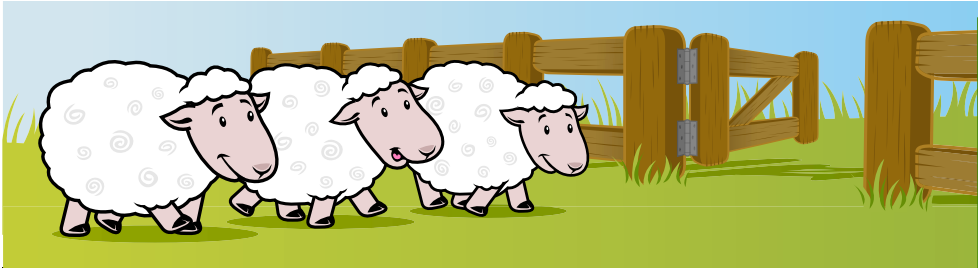
#### **PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT**

Our Gospel tells us that the sheep recognize the shepherd's voice. We "sheep" who know the Lord have the awesome task of helping others to come to know his voice. One of the most powerful tools we have at our disposal in the work of evangelizing is simply sharing about our own walk with the Lord. Take some time to talk with someone about the ways you recognize the Lord's voice in your life. Those for whom a relationship with God seems far-fetched or difficult can draw great encouragement from hearing about what that relationship looks like in your own life. Often, our own sharing can make it clear that it is possible to hear and communicate with God in a personal and life-changing way, leading them to seek that in their own life.

### **REFLECT**

St. Ignatius of Loyola outlined several rules for the "discernment of spirits," a way of recognizing God's movement in our hearts. A simple summary of the rules says that when we stray from the Lord, the Spirit convicts our hearts, drawing us to repentance. When we are moving toward the Lord, the Spirit encourages our growth toward holiness by gifts of his peace and consolation. Spend some time reflecting on this current phase of your spiritual life. How is the voice of the Good Shepherd speaking to draw you toward his abundant life?

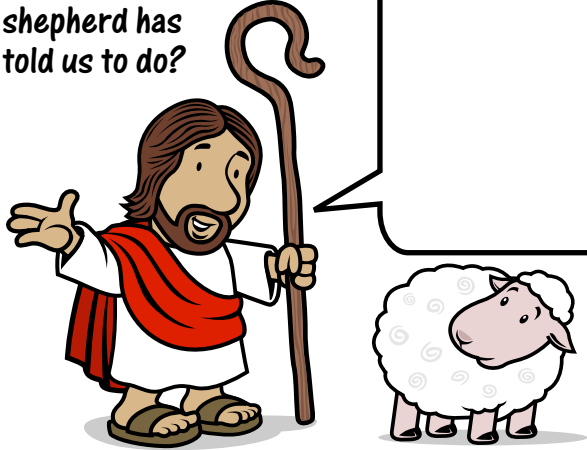




# I am the gate for the sheep

4th Sunday of Easter, Year A

Jesus is our good shepherd and we know that we must follow him. What are some of the things our shepherd has told us to do?

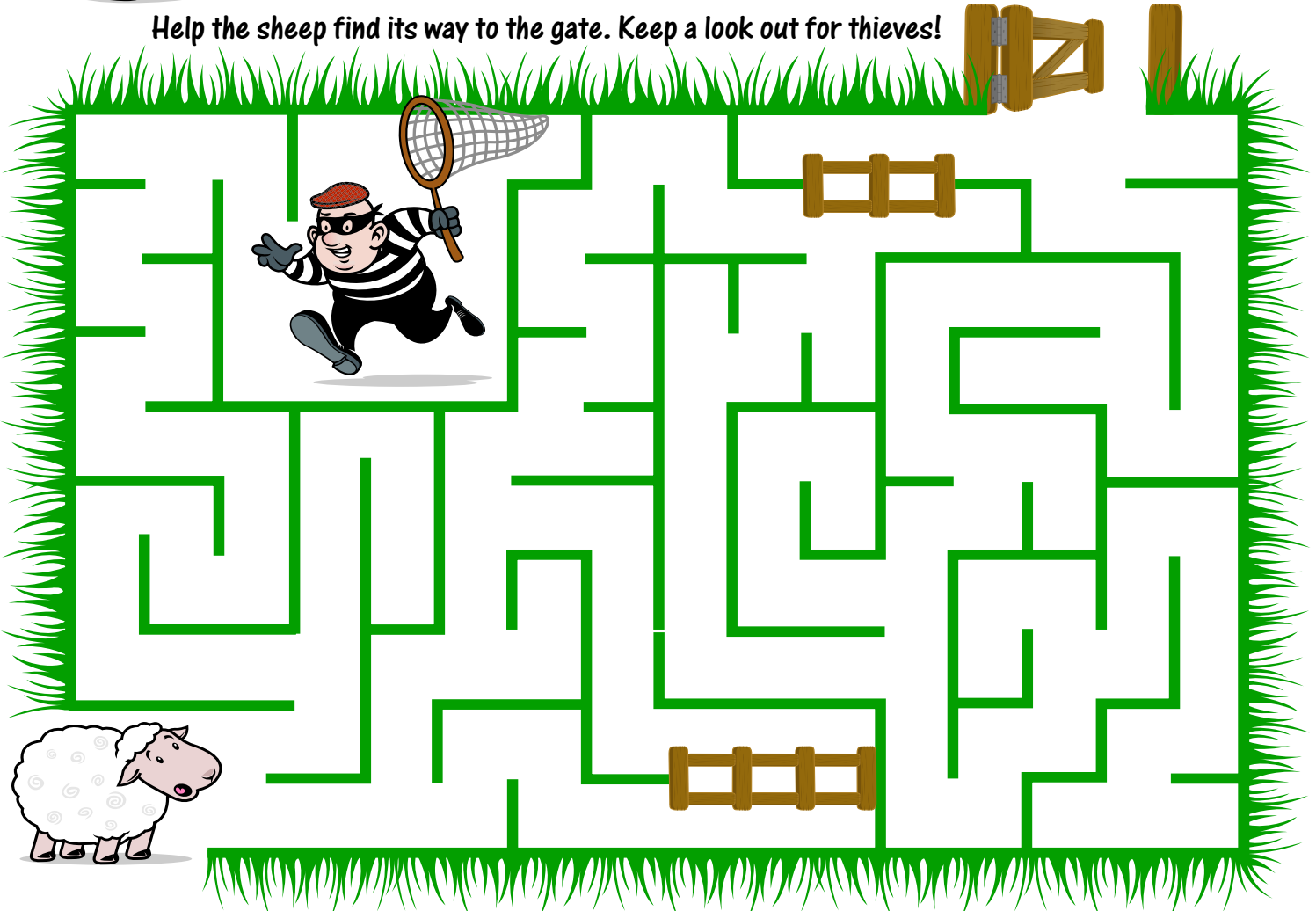


A thief has stolen some letters from the passage of text below. Use these letters to discover something that Jesus said to his disciples.



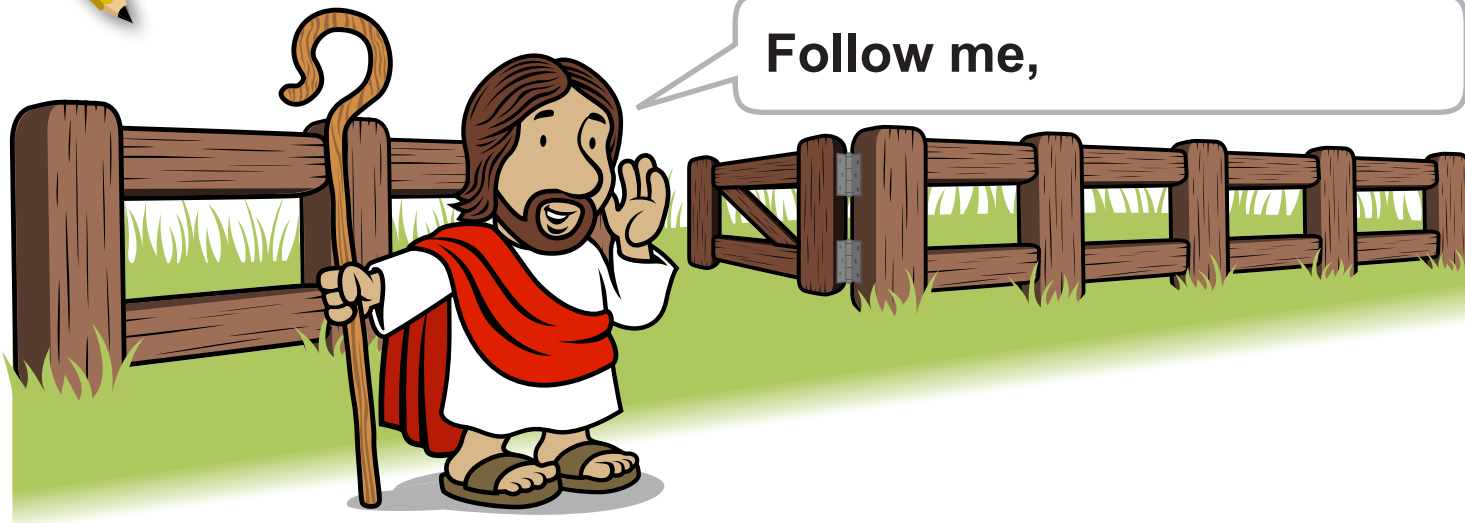
"I \_ \_ T \_ \_ GAT \_  
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Help the sheep find its way to the gate. Keep a look out for thieves!



# I am the gate for the sheep

Jesus is the Good Shepherd who knows each of his sheep by name. Draw a flock of sheep in the sheep pen and write your name in the speech bubble so Jesus can call out your name.



The thief comes only to steal and destroy...  
I came that they may have life

Can you spot the 7 differences between these two pictures of the thief?





## My Shepherd

If you've ever walked through a forest or looked closely at a leaf in sunlight, you've witnessed one of the most incredible systems of provision ever created: photosynthesis. It's quiet. Invisible. Constant. Plants

take sunlight — something intangible — and use it to create food and energy. They breathe in carbon dioxide, drink up water from the roots, and convert it all into life-sustaining sugars. It's the very process that gives us oxygen to breathe and fruit to eat.

But here's what's fascinating: it happens without noise. Without human intervention. Without the plant even knowing it's being sustained. It's happening all the time. While you're sleeping. While you're walking. Even while you're worrying about other things.

That's how God provides. Psalm 23:1 says, "The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want." Not because we see Him moving. Not because we understand every step. But because His provision is often like photosynthesis — invisible, silent, always at work in the background.

We're often so focused on what we lack that we miss what's already been given. God is sustaining you right now — breathing life into your soul, providing for your needs, and quietly transforming what looks ordinary into abundance. Just like the leaves on the tree, you are being fed... even when you don't see it happening.



## **Know**

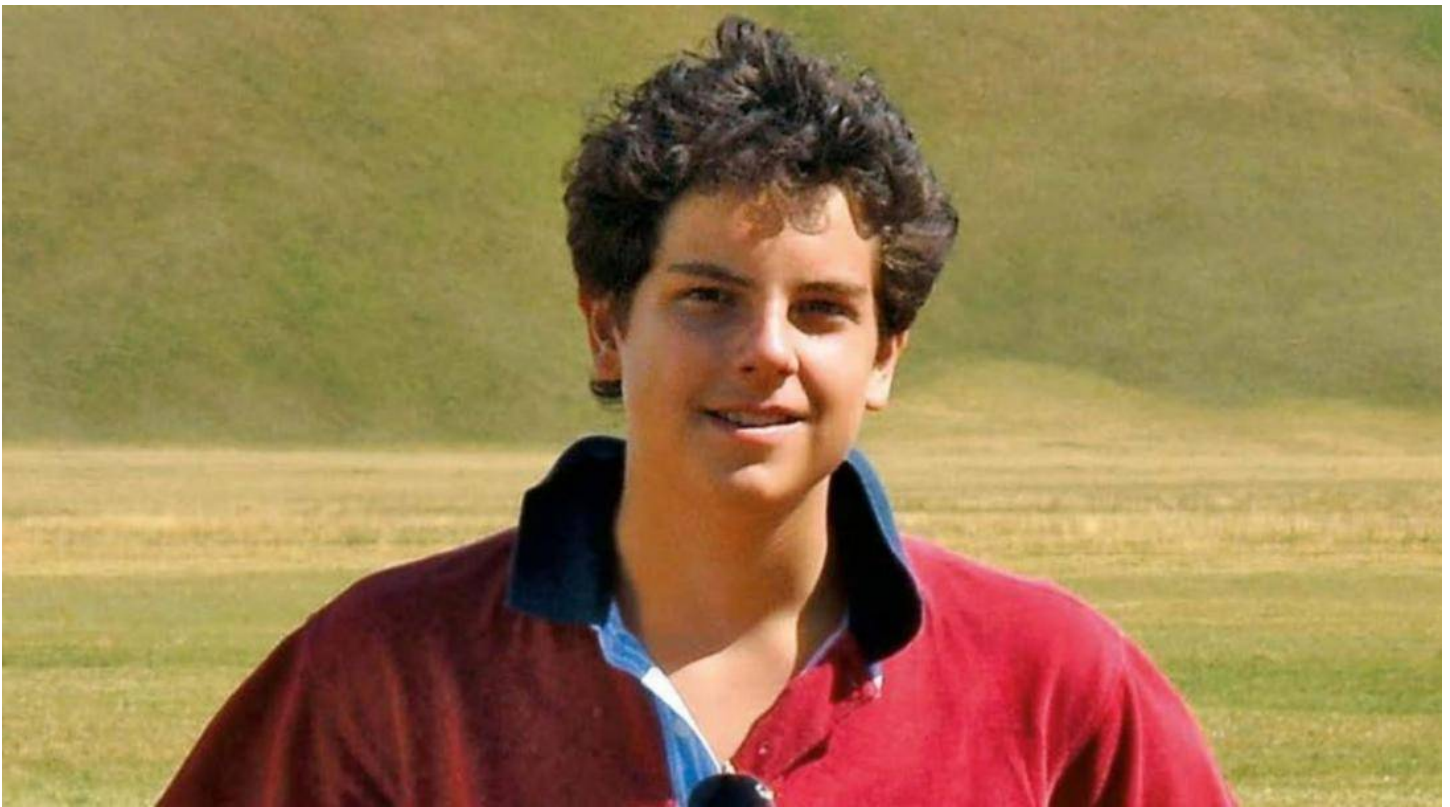
Two men were called on, in a large classroom, to recite the Twenty-third Psalm.

One was a published orator trained in speech techniques and drama. He repeated the psalm in a powerful way. When he finished, the audience cheered and even asked for an encore that they might hear his wonderful voice again.

Then the other man, who was much older, repeated the same words - 'The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want...' But when he finished, no sound came from the large class. Instead, people sat in a deep mood of reflection and prayer.

Then the first man, the orator, stood to his feet. 'I have a confession to make,' he said. 'The difference between what you have just heard from my old friend, and what you heard from me is this:

I know the Psalm, my friend knows the Shepherd - Jesus.'



**“Jesus Christ speaks to us within,  
and we should listen to Him  
and follow Him in everything”**

*— St. Carlo Acutis*

# Livestream Schedule



PLEASE  
SCAN TO  
DONATE  
THANK YOU!

**Sunday, April 26**  
**9am**



**Sunday, May 3**  
**9am**

[www.youtube.com/StPatrickBisbee](http://www.youtube.com/StPatrickBisbee)

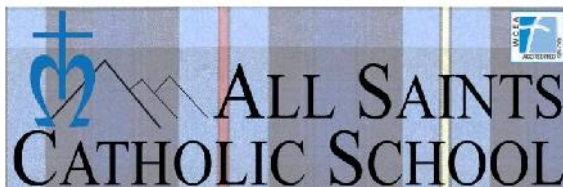


## *Mothers' Day* *Bake Sale*

**Sat. - Sun.**  
**May 9-10**

All proceeds benefit  
our St. Vincent de Paul  
Bisbee Conference

After Weekend Masses



All Saints Catholic School in Sierra Vista is currently looking to hire a principal and several teachers for the new school year 2026/2027.

Job positions are posted on the Diocesan website along with applications. You may also inquire at the school at 520-378-7012 for more information."



**Register  
Today!**

St. Patrick Parish/St. Michael Mission registration for  
1st Communion and Confirmation Sacrament preparation  
is **now open and closes July 31, 2026.**

The registration form can be downloaded at:

<https://www.stpatsbisbee.com/parish-forms>

or

Can be located on back table or can be picked up  
at the parish office at 100 Quality Hill, Bisbee.

## 17th Annual Toy Drive in Memory of Maya Yasmine Douglas May 10, 2002 - March 10, 2009

The past 4 years we have donated the toys we collect to the Ronald McDonald House in Tucson. This year they can really use baby items for preemies: clothes 0 to 3, diapers newborn to size 1, swaddles, receiving blankets, wipes, washcloth/towel, hats & mittens. Also, for their Care Cart for TMC toys such as single barbies, hot wheels, coloring books, crayons, card games etc are needed.

**Please contact Wanda "Nana"  
At 520-236-9659 for item pick up**



# CATHOLIC QUIZ

26 April 2026

This week's Question: "What is 'Expectation Week'?"

The answer to last week's Question: "When is the Paschal Candle extinguished?"

Formerly, the Paschal Candle (the large candle placed next to the Baptism Font) was extinguished on the Feast of the Ascension, representing the physical departure of Christ from the earth; now, according to the new liturgical norms, the Paschal Candle remains lighted through Pentecost, for the entire Easter Season. (Since 2001, the Feast of the Ascension is celebrated in many dioceses, including the Diocese of Tucson, on the Sunday following Ascension Thursday (40 days after Easter) – the Seventh Sunday of Easter!



When you need special gifts for those receiving their First Holy Communion or Confirmation sacraments, our Gift Shop is your place to go!





The USPS Stamp Out Hunger Food Drive is scheduled for May 9, 2026, and is the largest single-day food collection event in the United States.

**DATE:** The Stamp Out Hunger food drive will take place on May 9, 2026. This event occurs annually on the second Saturday in May, where letter carriers collect non-perishable food donations left by customers at their mailboxes.

**HOW TO PARTICIPATE:** To participate, simply place a bag of non-perishable food items next to your mailbox before your letter carrier arrives on that day. The letter carrier will collect the donations and deliver them to local food banks and pantries.

Our local food pantries (of which St. Vincent de Paul is one) ask for your participation in this food drive. The food collected helps us serve our friends in need.

Thank you for your consideration!

## SOUL FOOD

26 April 2026

“The only real ‘one-ness’ possible is Christ in us. . . In Holy Communion, millions of small hosts are given to millions of people; this does not mean that Christ is divided into millions, but that the millions are made one in Christ.”

- Caryll Houselander (1901-1954)

# God Bless You!

Thank you to all parishioners who currently support and contribute to St. Patrick Church and St. Michael Mission.

Please, if you are not financially supporting our church and mission, prayerfully consider doing so today.

Your support/contribution matters and is needed to ensure our financial solvency.

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

## Parish Financial Report

### Last Sunday's Collection

#### St. Patrick Church

Envelopes/Loose:	\$2750
Online Giving	\$701
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3451</b>

#### St. Michael Mission

Envelopes/Loose:	\$143
Online Giving	\$228
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$371</b>

### YTD Weekly Collections

(JUL to MAR)

St. Patrick Offertory:	\$150,172
St. Michael Offertory:	\$9,130

### March Report

Income:	\$42,541
Expenses:	\$26,004
<b>In the Black:</b>	<b>\$16,536</b>

### YTD July 2025 to March 2026

Income:	\$287,890
Expenses:	\$226,777
<b>Balance:</b>	<b>\$61,113</b>

<b>Other Revenue</b>	<b>\$8,297</b>
<b>In the Black</b>	<b>\$69,410</b>

## Use Online Giving

[www.stpatsbisbee.com](http://www.stpatsbisbee.com)

Use "Give Now" link

# THANK YOU!



# Help Support

**St. Patrick Parish and it's ministries.**

**Please share this QR Code with a family member or friend.**

**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.**

**Simple, Quick, Easy, and APPRECIATED!**



## ***OUR LADY OF THE SIERRAS FOUNDATION***

**Presents a special retreat with  
Fr. Amal Sebastiar, MSFS**

### **Mary, our Blessed Mother – The Star of (New) Evangelization**

**Saturday, April 25, 2026  
9am to 4pm**

**La Purisima Retreat Center,  
10301 S. Stone Ridge Rd, Hereford, AZ 85615**

**We will learn from our Blessed Mother how she lived in her life the Kerygma and how we can learn from her to live the Kerygma in our daily lives following her example.**

**Lunch included.**

**Retreat fee: \$30 per person  
Register: [office@ourladyofthesierras.org](mailto:office@ourladyofthesierras.org) or call (520) 378-2950  
Registration deadline: April 15  
Lodging available at La Purisima at a cost of \$35 / person double occupancy; \$55 single occupancy.**

# Mary's Closet

## Spring Arrivals

**THIS EVENT IS INTENDED FOR ANY WOMAN WHO FINDS HERSELF UNEXPECTEDLY PREGNANT, OR PARENTING IN DIFFICULT CIRCUMSTANCES. ALL ITEMS ARE FREE OF CHARGE.**

### **AVAILABLE ITEMS (SM-XL)**

- MATERNITY CLOTHING
- POSTPARTUM CLOTHING
- ACTIVE WEAR
- CASUAL WEAR
- DRESSES/SUMMER CLOTHING

-ALL ITEMS ARE GENTLY USED & NEW

### **LIST OF RESOURCES UPON ARRIVAL:**

- Pregnancy Mentoring
- Housing Programs
- Financial Support
- Adoption Resources
- Abortion Pill Reversal



Walking with  
*Moms* in Need

-SAINT AMBROSE PARISH

**25 APRIL 2026**

**1:00PM-3:00PM**

300 S. TUCSON BLVD. TUCSON, AZ 85716

<https://www.stambroseparishtucson.org>

@walkingwithmoms.stambrose



Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People

## **Report Abuse - 📞 Call 911 Tell the Police!**

**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**

### **Representative**

**Deacon Tony Underwood**

**Phone (928) 228-0258  
aunderwood@diocesetucson.org**





## **Thinking about a Vocation?**

**Contact: Fr. Alan Valencia**

**Director of Vocations and Seminarians**

**(520) 838-2531**

**[avalencia@diocesetucson.org](mailto:avalencia@diocesetucson.org)**

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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)*