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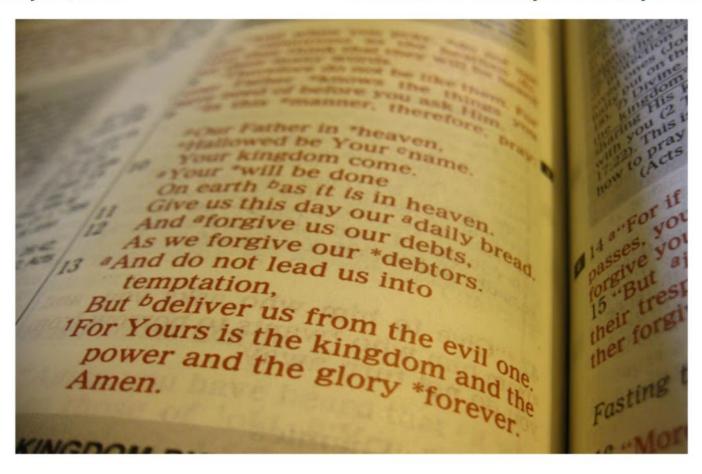
An Arizona Non-Profit Corporation

St. Patrick Church

St. Michael Mission

July 27, 2025

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

Pastoral Staff

Rev. Gregory Adolf, Canonical Pastor Rev. Amal Sebastiar, MSFS, Sacramental Minister Deacon Tony Underwood, Pastoral Administrator

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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

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



(Confession – 30 minutes before each Mass) 7:30am Tuesday – Saturday (St Patrick Church)



MASS INTENTIONS

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil 26JUL25 5:00pm Mass

+Betty Marshall

+Ronald Moore

+Mauricio Perdomo

Sunday 27JUL25 9:00am Mass

+Int of Renteria & Elkins Family

St. Michael Mission 11:00am Mass

+Pat Kambourian

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 28JUL25

No Mass Celebrated

Tuesday 29JUL25

Int of Kathy Gammon

Wednesday 30UL25

Int of Janice Pernsteiler

Thursday 31JUL25

+Ruth Whitehead

Friday 01AUG25

Int of Arlene Ruiz Honor of St. Jude

Saturday 02AUG25

+Pat Kambourian

MASS INTENTIONS

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday Vigil 02AUG25 5:00pm Mass

+Flavio Borbon

Sunday 03AUG25 9:00am Mass

+Rosemary Garcia

+Dolores & +Daniel Valle

+Ronald Moore

+Mauricio Perdomo

+Jonathan Halstead

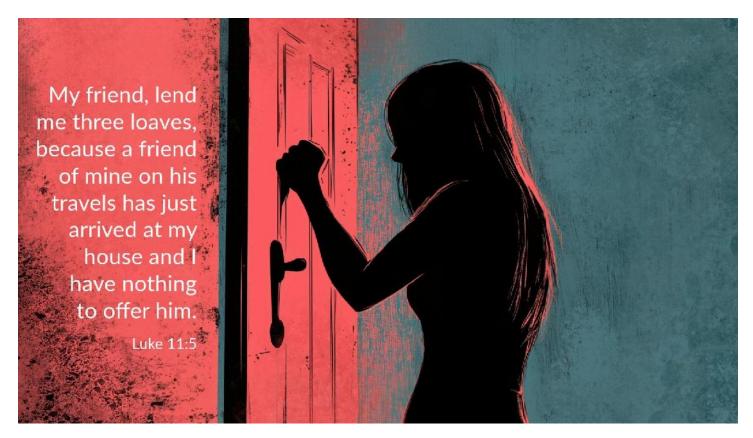
+David & +Veronica Campa

St. Michael Mission 11:00am Mass

+Pat Kambourian

Romans 8:15bc

You have received a Spirit of adoption, through which we cry, Abba, Father.



July 27, 2025

Proving that it never hurts to ask, Abraham repeatedly asks God how many innocent people would there have to be in a city to change God's mind about destroying it. It appears Jesus would agree with this approach as well, as he gives an example of a desperate person awakening a friend's entire household at midnight to ask for three loaves of bread. That God welcomes persistent requests at any hour is reassuring, but perhaps there is more to be learned here. By effectively asking God to show greater and greater mercy by progressively lowering the number of innocent bystanders, Abraham learns that God is indeed much more merciful than he originally thought. More creative, too. After all the examples Jesus gives of asking and receiving, he tells his disciples that the Father will give the Holy Spirit to those who ask. Who would have ever thought to ask for the third person of the Trinity? Perhaps Jesus is trying to teach his disciples and us that God answers our prayers in ways both unimaginable and overwhelming. When we ask for "our daily bread" and "forgive us our sins," God gives us living bread and eternal redemption. No, indeed, it never hurts to ask.

What do you look for as an answer to your prayers?



Lectio Divina for the Seventeenth Week in Ordinary Time

We begin our prayer:

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

O God, protector of those who hope in you, without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy,

bestow in abundance your mercy upon us and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide, we may use the good things that pass in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure.

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, Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time)

Reading (Lectio)

Read the following Scripture two or three times. Luke 11:1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

Father, hallowed be your name, your kingdom come.

Give us each day our daily bread and forgive us our sins for we ourselves forgive everyone in debt to us, and do not subject us to the final test."

And he said to them, "Suppose one of you has a friend to whom he goes at midnight and says, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread, for a friend of mine has arrived at my house from a journey and I have nothing to offer him,' and he says in reply from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked and my children and I are already in bed. I cannot get up to give you anything.' I tell you, if he does not get up to give the visitor the loaves because of their friendship, he will get up to give him whatever he needs because of his persistence.

"And I tell you, ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks, receives; and the one who seeks, finds; and to the one who knocks, the door will be opened. What father among you would hand his son a snake when he asks for a fish? Or hand him a scorpion when he asks for an egg? If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him?"





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 <u>lectio divina</u> 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.

Contemplation (*Contemplatio*)

Read the Scripture again, followed by this reflection:

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

Lord, teach us to pray just as John taught his disciples. Who taught me to pray? What forms of prayer do I find most fruitful?

Do not subject us to the final test. With what temptations am I struggling? What spiritual resources help me to be strong in these struggles?

If you then, who are wicked, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the Father in heaven give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him? What good things has God given me? How do I share God's gifts with others?

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

Closing Prayer:

I will give thanks to you, O LORD, with all my heart,

for you have heard the words of my mouth; in the presence of the angels I will sing your praise; I will worship at your holy temple and give thanks to your name.

Because of your kindness and your truth; for you have made great above all things your name and your promise.
When I called you answered me; you built up strength within me.

The LORD is exalted, yet the lowly he sees, and the proud he knows from afar.

Though I walk amid distress, you preserve me; against the anger of my enemies you raise your hand.

Your right hand saves me. The LORD will complete what he has done for me; your kindness, O LORD, endures forever; forsake not the work of your hands. (From Psalm 138)

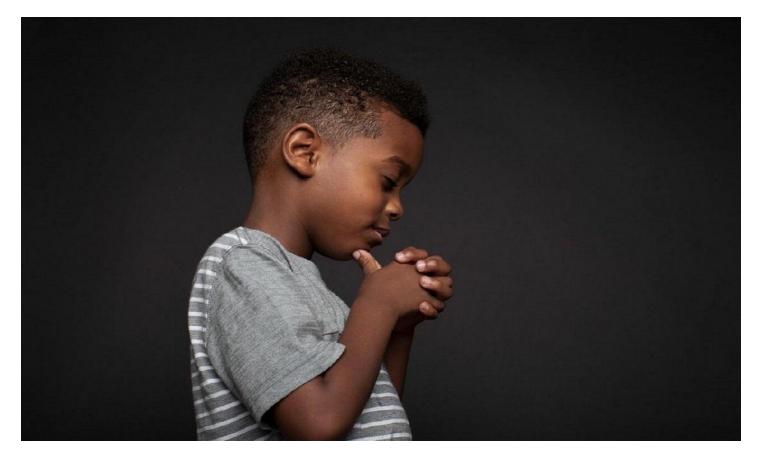
Living the Word This Week

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

Read about the Lord's Prayer in the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* or the *United States Catholic Catechism for Adults* (both available online).

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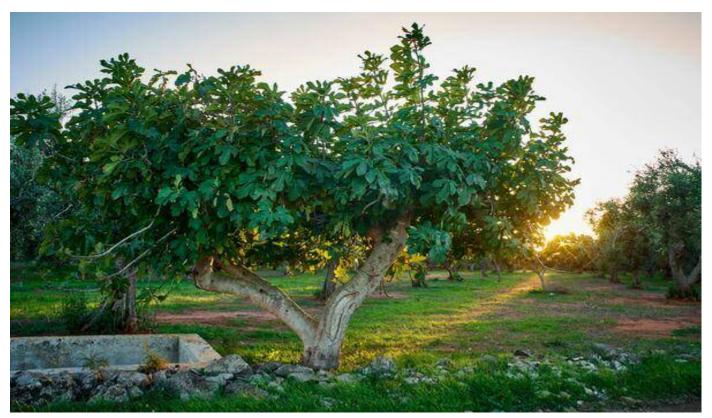
God Succeeds

A mother sent her fifth grade son up to bed. In a few minutes she went to make sure that he was getting in bed. When she stuck her head into his room, she saw that he was kneeling beside his bed in prayer.

Pausing to listen to his prayers, she heard her son praying over and over again. "Let it be Tokyo! Please dear God, let it be Tokyo!"

When he finished his prayers, she asked him, "What did you mean, 'Let it be Tokyo'?"
"Oh," the boy said with embarrassment, "we had our geography exam today and I was praying that God would make Tokyo the capital of France."

Prayer is not a magical means by which we get God to do what we want. Prayer is an inner openness to God which allows his divine power to be released in us. Ultimately, the power of prayer is not that we succeed in changing God, but that God succeeds in changing us.



Day Has Begun

An old rabbi once asked his pupils how they could tell when the night had ended and the day had begun. "Could it be," asked one student, "when you can see an animal in the distance and tell whether it's a sheep or a dog?"

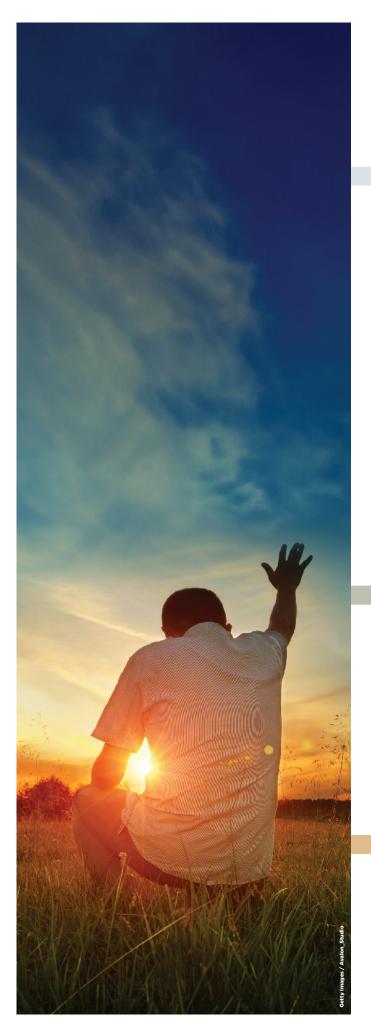
"No," answered the rabbi.

Another asked, "Is it when you can look at a tree in the distance and tell whether it's a fig tree or a peach tree?"

"No," answered the rabbi.

"Then when is it?" the pupils demanded.

"It is when you can look at the face of any person and see that it is your sister and brother. Because if you cannot see this, you are in the dark and it is still night."



July 27, 2025

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Gn 18:20-32 | Col 2:12-14 | Lk 11:1-13

Written by THE FAITHFUL DISCIPLE

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

"Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you." Sounds lovely, doesn't it? I remember understanding this verse as though God is like a genie in a bottle and prayer is like a delivery service. But when I encountered true hardship, this interpretation was tested. I was seeking, but I couldn't find what I wanted. My request seemed to go unanswered. I was asking, but my hands were empty. I couldn't reconcile this. Did this mean God wasn't telling me the truth? Trusting that couldn't be the case, I pressed in a little harder. In time, and through the grace of God, I realized I'd been reading this verse through selfish eyes. I was understanding this passage to say, "ask for whatever you feel like in the moment, and I'll drop it on your doorstep." But what does Jesus actually say? He says that if we ask, he will always give us the Holy Spirit. This understanding can change how we pray. The Lord doesn't promise to instantly cure our maladies, or to remove every ounce of pain on this side of the veil. But he does promise to send his Advocate, the Holy Spirit, to be with us through it all. And that is far better than any type of delivery service.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Today's psalm echoes the Gospel message that the Lord never abandons us. In our response, we unite our voices with the universal Church as we say, "Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me." We encounter hardship on a daily basis. From the tiny irritations that tempt our tempers to flare to the heavy crosses we carry, we are reminded of how much we need God's help. And yet, how often is our response to turn inward and grow weary, discouraged, or angry? Next time we come eye to eye with a challenge, let's try to respond like the psalmist, and cry out to the Advocate. He is very near. *Come Holy Spirit*.

REFLECT

We are reminded in today's readings that the Lord is always near, that he hears us, and that he responds generously. Thank God this is true even when it doesn't seem like it. As we face our daily hardships, let's not forget to ask Jesus for help. Don't forget that he never rations the Spirit, and though he will never force himself on you, he's waiting eagerly to pour his love into your heart. Ask! Seek! Knock! He knows your voice, and he is ready to respond.



The Lord's Prayer in Perspective

I cannot pray "OUR,"

if my faith has no room for others and their need.

I cannot pray "FATHER,"

if I do not demonstrate this relationship to God in my daily living.

I cannot pray "WHO ART IN HEAVEN,"

if all of my interests and pursuits are in earthly things.

I cannot pray "HALLOWED BE THY NAME,"

if I am not striving for God's help to be holy.

I cannot pray "THY KINGDOM COME,"

if I am unwilling to accept God's rule in my life.

I cannot pray "THY WILL BE DONE,"

if I am unwilling or resentful of having it in my life.

I cannot pray "ON EARTH AS IT IS IN HEAVEN,"

unless I am truly ready to give myself to God's service here and now.

I cannot pray "GIVE US THIS DAY OUR DAILY BREAD,"

without expending honest effort for it or if I would withhold from my neighbor the bread I receive.

I cannot pray "FORGIVE US OUR TRESPASSES AS WE FORGIVE THOSE WHO TRESPASS AGAINST US,"

if I continue to harbor a grudge against anyone.

I cannot pray "LEAD US NOT INTO TEMPTATION,"

if I deliberately choose to remain in a situation where I am likely to be tempted.

I cannot pray "DELIVER US FROM EVIL,"

if I am not prepared to fight for the quality of my life and that of others through watchful prayer.

I cannot pray "THINE IS THE KINGDOM,"

if I am unwilling to obey the King.

I cannot pray "THINE IS THE KINGDOM, POWER AND THE GLORY,"

if I am seeking power for myself and my own glory first.

I cannot pray 'FOREVER AND EVER,"

if I am too anxious about each day's affairs.

I cannot pray "AMEN,"

unless I honestly say "Not MY will, but Thy will be done, so let it be."

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C

Ask and you shall receive

Luke 11:1-10 My name is	



Draw a picture of yourself saying the prayer Jesus taught us - "The Lord's Prayer".

Our Father in heaven,
hallowed be your name.
Your Kingdom come,
your will be done,
on earth as in heaven
Give us today our daily bread.
Forgive us our sins,
as we forgive those who sin against us.
Lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
For the kingdom,
the power and the glory are yours.
Now and for ever. Amen.

Jesus tells us that we should be generous and help those in need. Draw someone who is asking for your help. What are they asking for and how can will you help them?

Everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened.





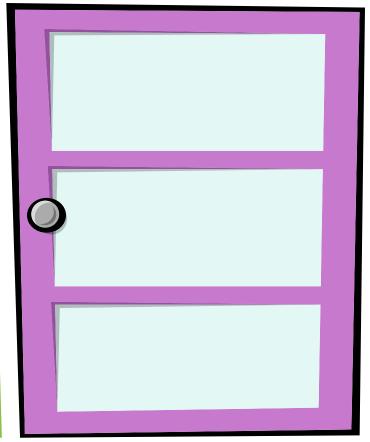
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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

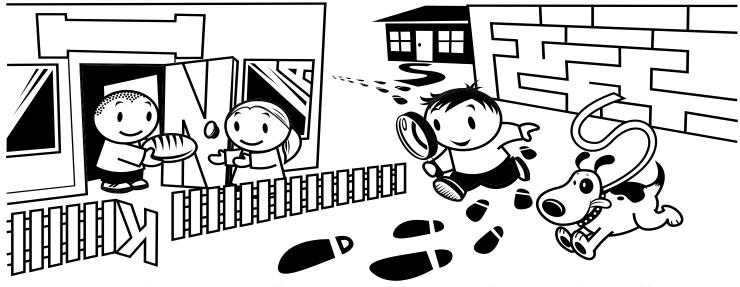
Use the words below to complete this prayer which Jesus taught to his disciples.

Our _	who art in,
hallowed be thy;	
thy	come, thy
be do	ne on as it is in heaven.
Give	us this our daily
and	those who trespass
	us, and lead us not
into	, but deliver us
	from Amen.

will temptation name evil heaven bread forgive Father day kingdom earth against On the door, write down three things you can ask Jesus to help you with



Find the hidden letters in the picture and use them to complete the sentence below.



Everyone who _ _ _ _ will receive, everyone who searches will _ _ _ _



St. Patrick Parish/St. Michael Mission registration for 1st Communion and Confirmation Sacrament preparation is now open and closes July 31, 2025.

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.



THE YARD SALE SCHEDULED FOR 20 SEPT 25 HAS BEEN CANCELLED







Do you like to meet new people? Do you like to be surrounded by beautiful creative art and religious items? Do you like to talk about and share the history of St. Patrick Church?

Then why not volunteer to work one day a week in our wonderful gift shop! It is a relaxing, fun, and enjoyable way to spend four hours.

As the tourist season begins anew for Bisbee this year, we are looking to have the gift shop open seven days a week and looking for more volunteers. Come in and talk to Tom on any Friday or call him at 520-432-2110. Hope to hear from many of you.



CATHOLIC QUIZ 27 JULY 2025

This week's Question: "Why do images of St. Joseph frequently depict him carrying a flowering staff?"

The answer to last week's Question: "What is the 'Holy House of Loreto'?" This is the 'Santa Casa', purportedly part of the Nazareth house of Mary, around which the town of Loreto, Italy, grew. The tradition is that around 1290 the Holy House was carried by the angels from Nazareth to Fiume, Italy, then to property near Ancona on the Italy's Adriatic Coast. Archaeological investigation confirms that the material and size of the chapel conforms to an area in front of the Grotto of the Annunciation under the Basilica in Nazareth.

In the chapel there are bas-reliefs of episodes in Mary's life and an image of the Virgin, reputedly carved by St. Luke. Enormously popular as a pilgrimage site, especially when the Moslem Turks made access to the Holy Land very difficult, the 'Holy House of Loreto' has a very important part in the Church's historical 'memory' and devotion. The "Litany of Loreto", a very popular Marian devotion can be traced to this Shrine. Many of the Jesuit missionaries who came to the Northwest of Spain's colonial American empire were devoted to the 'Santa Casa' – the first permanent European settlement in Baja California, founded by the Jesuit Salvatierra, is 'Loreto'.

(The Loretto School in Douglas is also named in honor of the 'Holy House of Loreto'!)
"Our Lady of Loreto" is the Patron Saint of airline pilots!

Parish Financial Report



Last Sunday's Collection

St. Patrick Church

Envelopes/Loose: \$1413 Online Giving \$681 **Total** \$2094

St. Michael Mission

Envelopes/Loose: \$110 Online Giving \$55 **Total** \$165

YTD Weekly Collections

(Comparison to last year)

St. Patrick Offertory: Up \$12,897 St. Michael Offertory: Down \$416

May Report

Income: \$22,376 Expenses: \$23,020 **In the RED: \$644**

YTD July 2024 to May 2025

Income: \$342,771 Expenses: \$261,518 Balance: \$81,253 Other Revenue \$8,308 Project Exp \$89,643

In the RED \$82

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Use "Give Now" link

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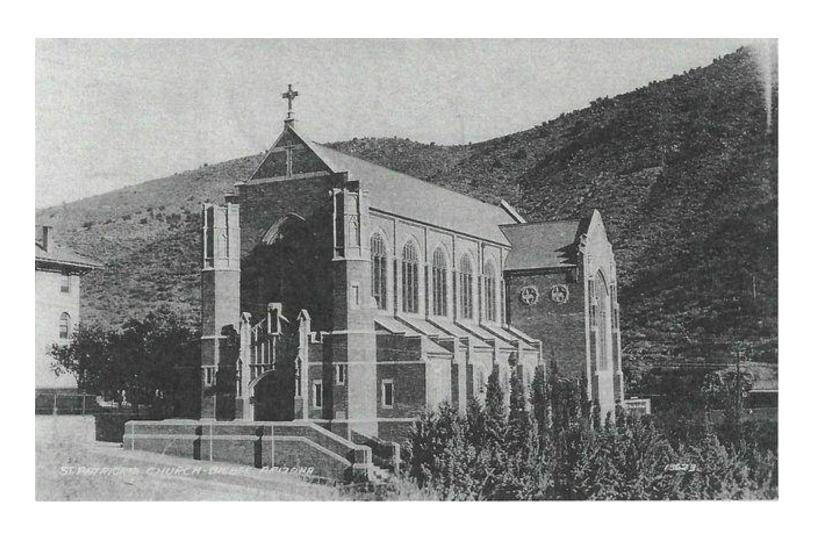
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Remember... St. Patrick Church & St. Michael Mission in your Will

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 Representative

Deacon Tony Underwood

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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.