

St. Patrick Roman Catholic Parish

An Arizona Non-Profit Corporation

St. Patrick Church

St. Michael Mission

September 27, 2026

Twenty Sixth 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.

Pastoral Staff

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Rev. Edward Lucero
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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

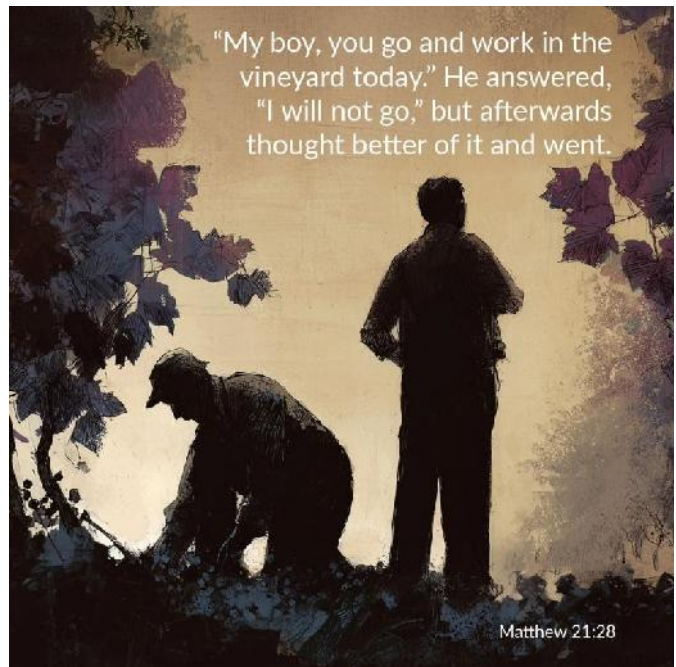
St. Michael Mission - Naco

- 11:00am Sunday Morning

Weekday Schedule

(Confession – 30 minutes before each Mass)

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



MASS INTENTIONS

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 26SEP

5:00pm Vigil Mass

+Alyssa O'Malley
+Pablo Mendez
+Myrna Avechuco

Sunday 27SEP

9:00am Mass

+Fr. Gilbert Padilla
+Manuel Figueroa
+Gilbardo Renteria
Int of Vincentians

St. Michael Mission

11:00am Mass

Int of Dugie & Palmer Family

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday 28SEP

No Mass Celebrated

Tuesday 29SEP

+Ramona Renteria

Wednesday 30SEP

Int of Dugie & Palmer Family

Thursday 01OCT

Int of Dugie & Palmer Family

Friday 02OCT

+Leroy & +Marianne Bach

Saturday 03OCT

Int of Dugie & Palmer Family

MASS INTENTIONS

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Saturday 03OCT

5:00pm Vigil Mass

+Flavio Borbon
+Dave Ruiz
Int of Ruiz Family

Sunday 04OCT

9:00am Mass

+Dolores & +Daniel Valle
+Manny & +Bobby Montaño
+Refugio & +Maria Montaño
+Panchita Romero
+Ramona Renteria

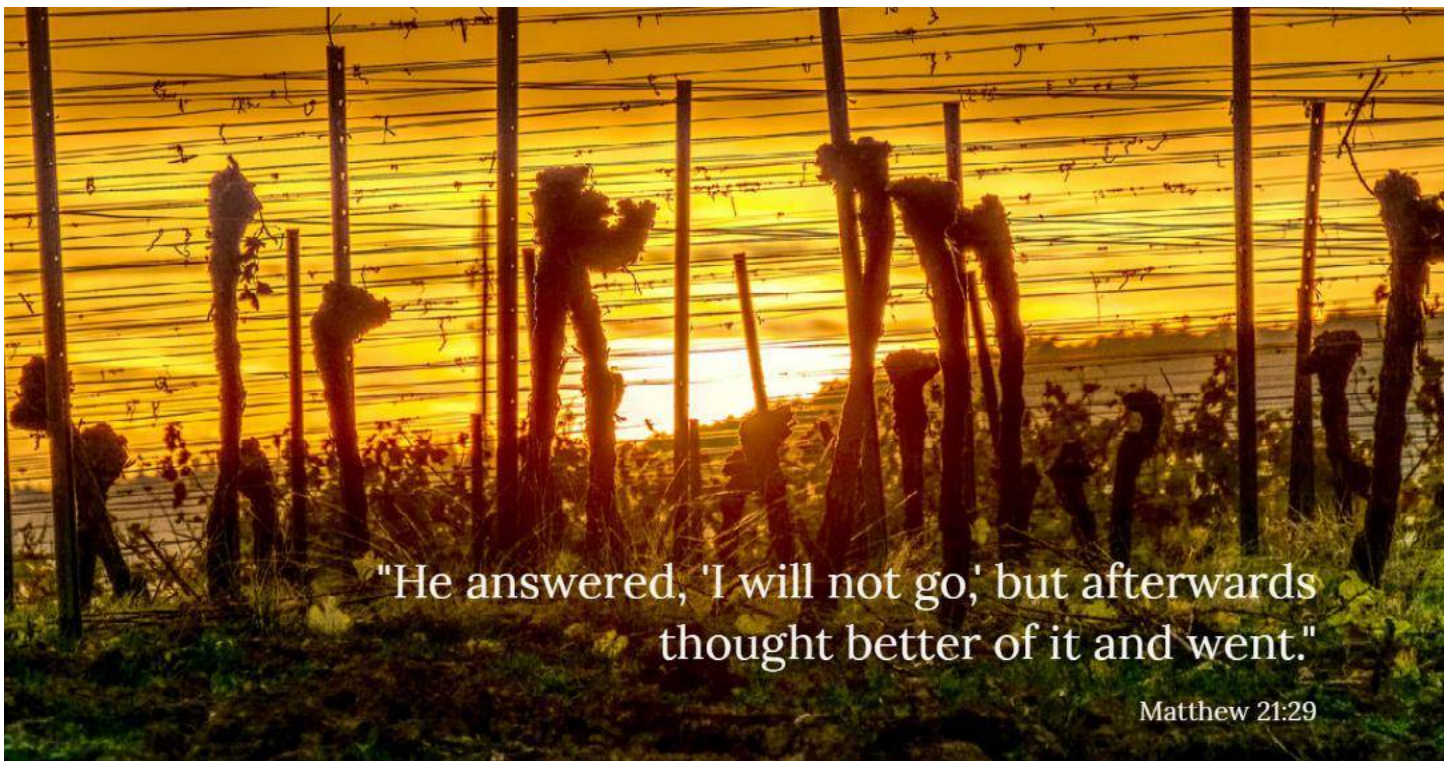
St. Michael Mission

11:00am Mass

Int of Dugie & Palmer Family

John 10:27

*My sheep hear my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.*



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Two sons are ordered to work in their father's vineyard. One says no, but changes his mind and obeys, whereas the other son says yes, but doesn't follow through. After the chief priests and elders acknowledge that it is the first son who did his father's will, Jesus exposes their hypocrisy, warning them that sinners are entering the kingdom of God before them. The tax collectors and prostitutes who believe John the Baptist, repent, turn to Jesus, and obey God's will, are welcomed into the kingdom of God. Those who are outwardly holy but reject God's Son and refuse to change their minds are left behind. This then is the challenge that Jesus brings. He forces us to decide. Do we do God's will, as best our conscience recognizes it, or not? We may always change our minds, as the brothers did, or the people the Lord tells Ezekiel about in the first reading, but in the end we are called to do the Father's will. Jesus did so, "becoming obedient to the point of death" (Philippians 2:8), and so must we.

When have you had a difficult time following your conscience?



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September 27, 2026

Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ez 18:25-28 | Phil 2:1-11 | Mt 21:28-32

Written by
THE
FAITHFUL
DISCIPLE

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

Ask any long-time educator, and they'll tell you we often learn more from our mistakes than from doing it perfectly from the start. Today's Gospel also seems to send the same message: Jesus tells us that tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before the chief priests and elders. Perhaps this is because they – having lived a sinful life – know firsthand the emptiness of not following God's ways. Having gotten it wrong, they now earnestly seek what is right. The mystic Julian of Norwich writes, "First the fall, and then the recovery from the fall, and both are the mercy of God." Even in our wanderings, God is at work, drawing us to return to him. Ezekiel tells us that when we respond to that grace and turn from the wickedness we have committed, doing what is right and just, we will surely not die, but receive the gift of eternal life from the God who is Mercy itself.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER, INVITATION, WITNESS, ACCOMPANIMENT

Speaking to the Christian community at Philippi, St. Paul reminds them to have "the same attitude that is also in Christ Jesus." The previous lines offer a glimpse of what that attitude entails: encouragement, love, compassion, mercy, unity, humility, regarding others as more important than ourselves. These attitudes should shape our way of relating to those whom we are trying to evangelize. Rather than judging them or thinking of ourselves as more important, we are called to serve them with humility, offering them our encouragement to seek the Lord who loves them so much that he gave his life for them.

REFLECT

Today's Gospel includes the story of a son who initially says no to his father's request but then changes his mind and does it. The Gospel ends with a line about how the chief priests and elders did not change their minds even when they saw tax collectors and prostitutes responding to John's call to repentance. Indeed, the Greek word for conversion is *metanoia*, which has been defined as "a change of mind that leads to a change in action." Take some time today to do an examination of conscience, asking the Holy Spirit to reveal areas of thinking that need conversion and change. What might the Holy Spirit want to change your mind about this day?

Action



Woody Allen once said: "Ninety percent of life is just showing up."

But Allen is famously wrong. Ninety percent of life is what we do **AFTER** we show up.

We eagerly embrace Woody's calculus because it takes us off the hook for all but ten percent of our lifetime of screw-ups, fall-flats, and melt-downs. It is easy to just "be there." It is much harder to be there for the long haul, the hard times, the big tests, the final curtain.

Just "showing up" at your wedding might get you married, but it doesn't build a living, loving, fighting, mortgage paying, in-law juggling, overdrawn, children challenged, lifetime relationship.

Just "showing up" at the birth of your child might make you a "parent," but it does not make you a changing diapers, up-all-night, learning dinosaur names, cheering at rain-soaked side-lines, doing Algebra homework, enforcing curfews, saving for college, Mom or Dad.

Just "showing up" at church every Sunday morning might make you a member-in-good-standing, but it does not automatically put feet on your faith. G. K. Chesterton used to say that "Just going to church doesn't make you a Christian any more than standing in your garage makes you a car."

To be a Christian takes action; it takes a day-to-day commitment to follow Jesus wherever he leads.



Decision

A once active church member had been absent from Mass. One cold winter evening the pastor knocked at his door.

As they watched the wood burn in the fireplace, the priest mentioned the parishioner's absence from church. The man candidly confessed that he had

decided he was just as well off without the church as with it.

The priest didn't say a word. He took the tongs from the rack, reached into the fire, pulled out a flaming log, and laid it down by itself on the hearth. He still said nothing.

Both men sat in silence and watched the glowing log lose its glow and turn slowly into a crusty, black lump. After some moments of thoughtful silence, the man turned to his pastor and said, "I get the message, Father, I see what you mean; I'll be back at Mass next Sunday. Oh, and thank you for the fiery sermon"!

Commitment begins with decision, but commitment is never a once-in-a-lifetime decision.

Our commitment to live as disciples of Christ, is one we make daily.



Haiti: Over 250,000 children trapped in the grip of hunger

The latest alert issued jointly by United Nations agencies—including UNICEF, the FAO, and the World Food Programme—paints a terrifying picture: in Haiti, an estimated 254,000 children aged 6 to 59 months are expected to suffer from acute malnutrition. The international community is witnessing this agony with an inertia that agencies on the ground decry as “unacceptable.”

The cry for help rising from Haiti is not merely a request for financial resources, but a desperate appeal for the restoration of the rule of law and the creation of safe humanitarian corridors to allow for food distribution before it is too late. Behind the coldness of statistics and projections for the coming months lies the face of a million children trapped in neighborhoods of concrete and corrugated iron, deprived of the right to play, to education, and to life itself.



Do the right thing

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A



Make Good Choices

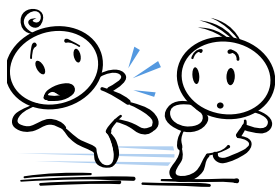
Jesus asks us to make good choices. Circle the good choices and cross out the poor choices.

When my bedroom needs tidying, I should...



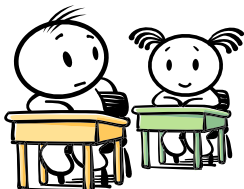
- ... go outside and play
- ... put some of my things away
- ... play with my computer
- ... sort out my rubbish

When I accidentally bump into someone, I should...



- ... tell them it was their fault
- ... say "I'm sorry"
- ... ask them if they are okay
- ... run away quickly

When someone new joins our class, I should...



- ... invite them to come and play
- ... look at them, but not talk to them
- ... ignore them completely
- ... welcome them to our class



Jesus says it is better to have a change of heart than pretend to do what is right. Draw a picture of yourself doing something that you know is the right thing to do.



I tell you, _____ will _____
 the _____ of God before you!
 For when _____ the _____
 showed you how to do _____,
 you did not _____ him.

Find out what Jesus said to the pharisees using the words to fill in the blanks.

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Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

St. Patrick Parish administers the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick on the First Friday of the month during the 7:30am Mass.

Next Mass October 2nd

6:30am

Exposition/Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

7:00am

Rosary or Divine Mercy Chaplet

7:30am

Mass with Anointing of the Sick

"Is anyone ill among you? Let him bring in the priests of the Church, and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord. And a prayer of faith shall save the infirm, and the Lord shall alleviate him. And if he has sins, these shall be forgiven him." (James 5:14-15).

Livestream Schedule

**Sunday, September 27
9am**



**Sunday, October 4
9am**

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SUNDAY	AFTER 9:00 AM MASS



CATHOLIC QUIZ 27 September 2026

This week's Question: "What are the 'Fruits of the Mass'?"

The answer to last week's Question: "What was the 'Last Gospel'?"

Many older Catholics will remember, that before the liturgical reform of the Liturgy following the Second Vatican Council, the Prologue of the Gospel of John (1:1-14) "In Principio erat Verbum. . ." – "In the Beginning was the WORD. . ." was proclaimed at the conclusion of every Mass (except on days of Lent). Because the 'Last Gospel' was always the "Great Hymn of the Incarnation": the Prologue of the Gospel of John -- and because the 'symbol' of the Apostle John is an eagle – the lectern from which the 'Last Gospel' was proclaimed was often in the shape of an eagle, with the outspread wings forming the book holder. These 'eagle lecterns' are still to be seen in historic churches, although their connection with the 'Last Gospel' is not generally known!

SOUL FOOD

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"If GOD is the center of your life, no words are necessary. Your mere presence will touch hearts."

- St. Vincent de Paul (1580-1660)

St. Patrick Parish Giving Tree



The St. Patrick Altar Servers invite you to support our community through the "Giving Tree" in the church narthex. Please choose an envelope with your preferred donation amount, place your contribution inside, and drop it into the donation boxes or collection baskets.

The St. Patrick Women's Club has committed to match Giving Tree donations dollar-for-dollar up to a total of \$1200. Use this opportunity to double your donation to this very worthy cause.

Your generosity will go a long way in helping those in need within our community. Thank you so much for your kindness and support. God Bless You!

ST. PATRICK WOMEN'S CLUB



HOLIDAY 2026 BAZAAR

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 14

8 a.m. - 3 p.m.



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Thank 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!

You Keep Us Strong!

YTD Weekly Collections (JUL-AUG)

St. Patrick Offertory: \$26,952
St. Michael Offertory: \$3,394

August Report

Income: \$22,786
Expenses: \$24,072
In the Red: \$1,286

YTD JUL-AUG 2026

Income: \$43,192
Expenses: \$50,422
In the Red: \$7,230

Parish Financial Report

Last Sunday's Collection

St. Patrick Church

Envelopes/Loose: \$1461
Online Giving \$666
Total \$2127

St. Michael Mission

Envelopes/Loose: \$181
Online Giving \$55
Total \$236

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Thank You Ruth!

Our parish Flocknote electronic bulletin is a jewel for our parish and one of the best in the Diocese of Tucson.

We have Ruth Dugie to thank, as she serves as editor and publisher of this weekly publication.

Ruth's hard work produces an exciting, informative, colorful, bulletin that is one of the easiest to read and enjoy.

Thank you, Ruth, for helping everyone stay apprised of parish events and for your commitment to the Lord and this ministry. We are so grateful!

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.

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Thinking about a Vocation?

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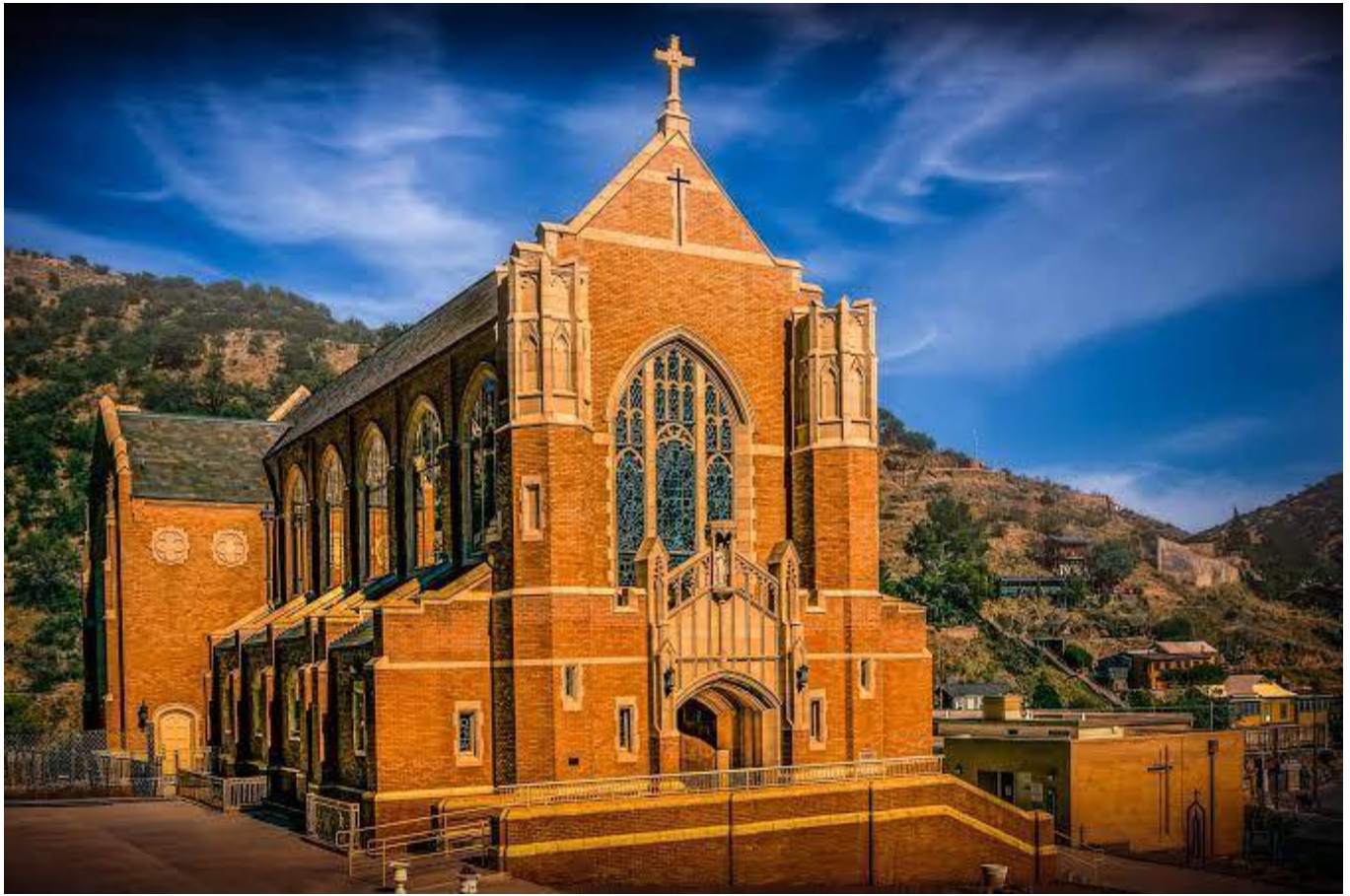
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Diocese of Tucson Vocations Prayer

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)*

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