

St. Patrick Parish / St. Michael Mission

Monthly Report - Cochise Vicariate – 11FEB16

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Staff

Volunteers

Many, but always need more.

Lay Ecclesial Minister

Sandra Bernal

Women Religious

Sr. Marilyn Bever, CSA

Clergy

Fr. Matthew Thayil, MSFS, Deacon Joe Delgado, Deacon Bill Lugo, Deacon Ricardo Pinzon, Deacon Jose Valle, Deacon Tony Underwood

Paid Staff

Fr. Matthew Thayil, MSFS – Sacramental Minister (Salaried), Dcn. Tony Underwood – Pastoral Administrator (Salaried). Alexis Reyna – Custodian (Part Time), Francisca Morales – Custodian (Part Time), Benjamin Saenz – Office Manager (Full Time).

DRE's

Interim Director of Religious Education – Dcn. Tony Underwood

Our Response to the Poor

St. Vincent de Paul

We continue to serve 125 plus each week with food and clothing distribution. What a blessing for our community. Conference is very strong and doing much good. **SVDP Valentine Bake Sale** Scheduled for 13FEB16 – All Masses – Supports the good works being lived by our SVdP members.

Homebound Visits: 8 Lay Ministers - 40 visits weekly by EM's. Fr. Matthew is also visiting our homebound.

Detention Ministry

Our team of ministry volunteers continues to serve the needs of our incarcerated brothers and sisters at the Cochise County Jail through monthly Communion Services. Ministry coordinated by Maggie Goff.

Youth Against Hunger

Our Youth Group hosts a free community lunch once a month. Terrific work coordinated by Jennifer and Mike Ratkovich. Usually serve 150 plus. They hosted a free Soup Community Meal Saturday 23JAN16 – 100 served approx.

Mercy Opportunities

The parish office continues to offer help to "drop-ins", people with serious need for help and no place else to go for it. Money, food, clothing, etc. Is not much but is something to spark hope, to live mercy.

Women's Transition Project (WTP) Partnership with SVdP

SVdP continues to receive weekly food donations from WTP for distribution to our poor and hungry. All are blessed by their generosity.

General

Safe Environment

All High Risk Clearance Renewals for 2016 are in process. Dcn. Ricardo Pinzon is our Compliance Rep.

Web Site / Email / Phone

Web Site: www.stpatsbisbee.com. Email: stpatricks@cableone.net

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/stpatrickbisbee> Phone: 520.432.5753.

Centennial Committee

A committee is in place and planning our parish Centennial Celebration. Much work and planning being done. Windows of Faith Book being sold as a fundraiser.

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Fiscal

Weekly Collections

Stable. 01 JULY 2015 compared to 31 DEC 2015:

St. Patrick Offertory: **Down 1.0 %**

St. Michael Offertory: **Down 3.9 %**

Accounting Year to Date (01JUL15 to 31DEC15)

We are solvent, checking account stable; we are operating within our budget. **Year to date Net balance: 4,998.42.** We publish in each week's bulletin a financial statement of the previous weeks collection results. The bulletin for the first weekend of each month contains a complete monthly financial report for the parish/mission, including PPIT accounts and Catholic Foundation Investments.

Finance Council

Council meets monthly. Function and operation strong. Great team of dedicated volunteers.

Grants: Submitting a Request for St. Michael Mission (late).

Memorial / Tribute Giving Program: N/A

Bequests: N/A

Annual Catholic Appeal

7% of Goal (\$19,225)

Gift Shoppe

Open daily. Is self-sustaining. Income reported with each financial monthly report.

Church Donation Box and Candle Memorial

Located in the narthex of the church. Donation box is meant to invite donations from tourists. Income helpful.

Stewardship Program

Sandra Bernal serves as parish program coordinator. Pulling together Coordinator Committee.

Faith Formation

Youth Religious Education.

Sacramental prep Confirmation: 11

Sacramental prep 1st Penance / 1st Holy Communion: 20

General Religious Education class: CANCELLED due to low enrollment

Men's Prayer Group

For men of the parish/mission. Held weekly for 1 hour. Response favorable.

Wednesday Night Prayer Group – St. Michael Mission

Led by Dcn. Ricky Pinzon. Held weekly. Response favorable (6-10).

RCIA

1 Adults in the process

4 Youth in process

Baptism Class

Held first Tuesday of each month in the church for parents and sponsors. Sandra Bernal facilitates. Have changed registration for class to better know who is attending.

Women's Scripture Study Group

Is underway. Facilitator is Sandra Bernal – Attendance Low

Adult Confirmation

Classes begin Easter with Sacrament received Pentecost Sunday

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Best Lent Ever

Will once again promote the Dynamic Catholic Web Site: Best Lent Ever for parishioners during Lent.

Youth Fest – Diocese of Tucson

Our Youth Group coordinator is planning participation with our youth. 10 Youth are registered.

Lent Retreat – Adults - Living the Works of Mercy

Parish retreat offered by Jordon Ministries – 13FEB16

Lent Retreat – Youth

Retreat for our youth offered by Sandra Bernal – 06FEB16 – CANCELLED – Will reschedule.

Just Faith

Met with Sister Marilyn Bever. Presentation schedule for Pastoral Council.

Liturgy

Youth Mass

Scheduled for the 1st Sunday of each month. Jennifer Ratkovich coordinates. We bless all parishioners celebrating birthday's in the current month. Well received.

Prayer for Jubilee of Mercy

Will pray the Jubilee of Mercy Prayer at the end of the Mass Prayer of the Faithful beginning in Lent.

Altar

Have contacted Bishop's office to schedule dedication same visit as Border Mass in Naco Sonora.

Lent Communal Penance Service

Scheduled for 16FEB16 – 6:00pm – Theme: God's Mercy Endures Forever.

Lent Way of the Cross

Scheduled for each Friday of Lent – 6:00pm

Mass for the Unborn

Held Friday 22JAN16. Our first and is long overdue. Attendance low.

Masses on the Border

Dcn. Ricky is coordinating liturgy planning with Sr. Lois. The original date for the Naco Mass has changed. New date TBD.

RCIA – Rite of Sending

Celebrated Sunday 07FEB16 – Candidate Jodi McGrath

Ash Wednesday Masses

Celebrated 4 Masses (3 – St. Patrick / 1 St. Michael) – Attendance good

Pastoral

Hospital / Nursing Home Visits: Dcn. Jose visits parishioners staying in Bisbee and Sierra Vista facilities weekly. His familiar face means a lot to them.

Pastoral Council

Council meets monthly. Commitment of members is weak. We are rebuilding and future now looks promising.

Annulment Petitions: 2 in the works

Funerals: 4 celebrated since last report.

Graveside Interment: (Outside of Funeral): 2 celebrated since last report.

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Weddings: 0 celebrated since last report.

Marriage Prep in Process: 1 couple

Baptisms: 1 celebrated since last report.

1st Holy Communion: In Prep

Youth Confirmation: In Prep.

Anointing's Homebound / Hospital: Many – Fr. Matthew making regular home visits.

Quinceañera: 0 celebrated

IBVM 2nd Collection

The 5th Weekend of any month, our faith community takes a special 2nd collection to benefit the Institute of the Blessed Virgin Mary Sisters. All proceeds will be given the IBVM Sisters to use in their General Operating Fund. One from our community is an IBVM Sister. Her name is Sister Christa Parra.

Exercise Class

Held each weekday in the parish hall. 8:30am – 9:30am. Regular monthly donation to the church.

Movie Nights

Held in ball court or parish hall (depends on weather). Free family / community event. Youth Group sponsors.

Clubs / Organizations / Committees

Women's Club

Great faith filled Women!

Utility Help

Have committed to donating \$100.00 to parish to help offset utility costs.

St. Patrick's Day Dinner

Sponsored by our parish Women's Club to celebrate our patron saints feast day.

Funeral Reception

Our Women's Club members continue to serve brilliantly our grieving families through their work hosting Funeral Receptions in our parish hall.

Knights of Columbus

Lent Friday Fish Fry: Scheduled each Friday of Lent – 1:00am – 7:00pm. K of C purchased and installed new fryer in our parish hall kitchen.

Fall Festival Committee

Valentine Basket Fundraiser - To raise funds for our Fall Festival – Profit TBD

Bisbee Ministerial Council

Dcn. Joe Delgado represents our parish.

Youth Group

See Our Response to the Poor – Youth Against Hunger

See Faith Formation – Youth Fest

See Liturgy – Youth Mass

See Pastoral – Movie Nights

Facilities

Risk Management -We work very hard to identify and resolve possible issues.

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St. Michael Mission

- **Annex Remodel:** Will begin to complete interior work with vesting rooms and storage rooms this winter. We are submitting (late) a grant request with the Catholic Foundation to cover costs. Jesus Morales serving as General Contractor.

St. Patrick Church

- **Church Boiler:** Have received an estimate for repairing/replacing “leaking” steam valves inside of church. \$1700. Have also received an estimate to upgrade/replace current unit (installed in the 1950’s) of \$22,000.
- **School Building Boiler:** is giving us trouble. Have received one estimate for \$16,000 for an alternate sys.
- **Rectory Hand Rails:** Have discovered two areas needing hand rails for safety at or near the rectory. Obtaining estimates to procure/install.
- **Church Side Door:** West side door of church has suffered wind damage and pulling 2 of the three door hinges out of the frame. Have closed off to parishioner traffic until repair can be made.
- **Refinishing Tabernacle Door:** FC Ziegler – Was shabby, much needed.

Worries / Concerns: Our need to inspire our fallen away Catholics to return and live full, active, conscience, participation into parish life. If they did, oh what good could be shared with those we serve.