

St. Patrick Parish / St. Michael Mission

Monthly Report - Cochise Vicariate – 19NOV15

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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

Director of Religious Education – Dcn. Jose Valle

Our Response to the Poor

St. Vincent de Paul

We continue to serve 100 plus each week with food and clothing distribution. What a blessing for our community. Conference is very strong and doing much good. Hosted a gift basket raffle in mid September; raised \$400.00 approx. Hosted a bake sale 01NOV15 profit TBD. Now collecting and distributing coats and gloves.

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 are hosting a free Thanksgiving Community Meal (see below).

Operation Christmas Child Shoe Box

Packing party held 12NOV15. Number of Shoeboxes packed: TBD

Thanksgiving Community Meal

Hosted by Youth group Saturday 21NOV15 – Expect to serve 400 people - Free.

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

Dcn. Ricardo Pinzon is our Compliance Rep. Working on Compliance Plan review and Audit. Have included a safety reminder for adult supervision for all youth taking bathroom breaks during Mass. Is read at all Masses.

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Centennial Committee

A committee is in place and planning our parish Centennial Celebration. Much work and planning being done. Hosted Territorial Brass Concert in the parish hall. Great community event. Windows of Faith Book at printer. Will be a great fundraiser.

Fiscal

Weekly Collections

Stable. 01 JULY 2015 compared to 30 SEP 2015:

St. Patrick Offertory: **Down 6.5 %**

St. Michael Offertory: **Down 20.1 %**

Accounting Year to Date (01JUL15 to 30SEP15)

We are solvent, checking account stable; we are operating within our budget. **Year to date Net balance: (\$6,140.18)**. 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: N/A.

Memorial / Tribute Giving Program: N/A

Bequests: N/A

Annual Catholic Appeal

153% of goal as of 16NOV15.

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.

Parishsoft Program

We have purchased the program. Staff and volunteers need to begin using.

Festival

Revenue: \$24,699.30

Expenses: \$7,059.51

Profit: \$17,639.79

Held thank you pizza party 29OCT15

Stewardship

Waiting on candidate to serve as parish program coordinator. Decision soon.

Parish Annual Financial Report

Published into parish bulletin the weekend of 13SEP15 and onto parish web site

2016 Parish Calendar

On sale now. Proceeds benefit our Youth Group.

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Faith Formation

Youth Religious Education.

Sacramental prep Confirmation: 11

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

General Religious Education class: 1

Men's Prayer Group

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

RCIA

1 Adults in the process

6 Youth in process

Baptism Class

Held first Tuesday of each month in the church for parents and sponsors. Sandra Bernal facilitates.

Women's Scripture Study Group

Is underway. Facilitator is Sandra Bernal – Attendance Low

Adult Confirmation

Classes begin Easter with Sacrament received Pentecost Sunday

Spiritual Direction

Women's Transition clients attend weekly 1 hour meetings of Spiritual Direction

Liturgy

7:30am Weekday Mass

This Mass has been moved to the rectory due to the cold temps in the church.

Youth Mass

Scheduled for the 1st Sunday of each month. Jennifer Ratkovich to begin to coordinate.

Prayer for Vocations

Prayed as closing prayer for the Prayer of the Faithful – Have been doing for 3 months.

Altar

Have contacted Bishop's office to schedule dedication, waiting on response.

Have installed 2 additional speakers to increase sound distribution, relocated 2 others.

Have replaced 4 old black folding chairs with oak chairs used by altar servers.

RCIA Rite of Welcome

Celebrated 20SEP15 at 9:30am Mass

Advent Communal Penance Service

Date set; 01DEC15 – 6:00pm

Altar Flower Program

Have begun a program giving parishioners the opportunity to purchase live Altar Flowers for our altar and Crucified Christ shrine – participation low

Important Liturgies

Thanksgiving Day, Immaculate Conception, Our Lady of Guadalupe, and Christmas Liturgies are all planned and advertised in the parish bulletin

Pastoral

Pastoral Council

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

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Annulment Petitions: 2 in the works

Funerals: 9 celebrated since last report.

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

Weddings: 0 celebrated since last report.

Marriage Prep in Process: 1 couple

Baptisms: 4 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: 2 celebrated

Women's Club

They meet the first Wednesday of each month. They host all funeral receptions. They also host all special rectory luncheons and dinners when needed. Great faith filled Women! Hosting a Christmas Bazaar 06/06DEC15.

Annulment Workshop

All clergy and RCIA Director attended the Annulment workshop.

Bisbee Ministerial Council

Dcn. Joe Delgado represents our parish.

Project Graduation

Breakfast held 15NOV15. Participation low.

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.

Bisbee Stair Climb

Used facilities 17OCT15. Rental income is \$1,000

Christmas Message – Giant Fence Display

Our message this year: "Peace Be with You" will be displayed the last week of November

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Risk Management -We work very hard to identify and resolve possible issues. Have incorporated a Ladder Safety Video issue by the Property and Insurance Dept. to all volunteers who use ladders.

St. Michael Mission

- **General:** Will begin to complete interior work with vesting rooms and storage rooms this winter.

St. Patrick Church

- **Parish Hall and Grounds:** Looking into having upgrades performed for our grounds and parish hall. These would become projects for our parish Centennial Celebration (SEP 2017).

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.