



CIRCLE OF SAINTS CIRCULO DE SANTOS

ST. PATRICK, TAMA • ST. JOSEPH, CHELSEA • ST. MICHAEL, BELLE PLAINE

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Monday - Thursday: 8:30 AM - 4:30 PM

Friday: 8:30 AM - 12:30 PM

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Wednesday & Thursday: 8 AM - 3 PM



VIGÉSIMO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

17 DE AGOSTO DEL 2025

ARDIENDO YA! - *Lc 12:49*

ALREADY BLAZING! - *Lc 12:49*

AUGUST 17, 2025

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mass Times

Saturday

4:30 PM: St. Joseph - Chelsea

Sunday

8:30 AM: St. Michael - Belle Plaine

10:30 AM: St. Patrick - Tama

12 PM: St. Patrick - Tama [Spanish]

Daily Mass

Tuesday

5:30 PM: St. Patrick - Tama [Bilingual]

Wednesday

8:30 AM: St. Joseph - Chelsea

Thursday

8:30 AM: St. Michael - Belle Plaine

Friday

8 AM: St. Patrick - Tama

Adoration

Tuesday

6 PM - 8 PM: St. Patrick - Tama

[*Healing Prayer* offered at St. Patrick during this time]

Wednesday

9 AM - 12 PM: St. Joseph Chelsea

Thursday

9 AM - 4 PM: St. Michael - Belle Plaine

Friday

8:30 AM - 11:30 AM: St. Patrick - Tama

Weekly Reconciliation

Tuesday

6 PM: St. Patrick - Tama

Wednesday

9 AM: St. Joseph - Chelsea

Thursday

9 AM: St. Michael - Belle Plaine

Saturday

3:45 PM - 4:15 PM: St. Joseph - Chelsea

Nursing Home Mass

First Wednesday

10:15 AM: Premier Estates - Toledo

Second Thursday

10 AM: Specialty Care - Belle Plaine

Third Wednesday

10:15 AM: Sunny Hill - Tama

Fourth Wednesday

11 AM: Birkwood Village - Toledo

Our Mission

We are here to form spirit-filled missionary disciples of Jesus Christ for the Glory of God.

Nuestra Misión

Estamos aquí para formar discípulos misioneros de Jesucristo llenos del espíritu para la gloria de Dios.

**Bulletin submissions
are due by
Monday at noon.**

Know Your Faith



Mary—The Immaculate Conception

What does our Catholic faith teach us about the Immaculate Conception? The Church teaches that the Immaculate Conception refers to the belief that the Virgin Mary was preserved from original sin from the moment of her conception in her mother's womb. This special grace was given to Mary by God, through the merits of her son, Jesus Christ, and it was necessary for her to fulfill her role as the mother of Jesus.

The Church emphasizes that this doctrine is distinct from the Virgin Birth, which refers to Jesus' conception in Mary's womb. Some people confuse the teaching of Mary's Immaculate Conception with Jesus' Virgin Birth through Mary. Let's explore more about the teaching of the Immaculate Conception.

Original Sin

As Catholics, we believe that all humans inherit original sin from Adam and Eve, which separates them from God. The Catechism states, "The doctrine of original sin is, so to speak, the 'reverse side' of the Good News that Jesus is the Savior of all men, that all need salvation and that salvation is offered to all through Christ. The Church, which has the mind of Christ, knows very well that we cannot tamper with the revelation of original sin without undermining the mystery of Christ." (CCC 389)

Mary's preservation from original sin

The Immaculate Conception means that Mary was conceived without this stain of original sin. "The 'splendor of an entirely unique holiness' by which Mary is 'enriched from the first instant of her conception' comes wholly from Christ: she is 'redeemed, in a more exalted fashion, by reason of the merits of her Son'. The Father blessed Mary more than any other created person 'in Christ with every spiritual blessing in the heavenly places' and chose her 'in Christ before the foundation of the world, to be holy and blameless before him in love'". (CCC 492)

Merits of Jesus

This special grace was given to Mary through the merits of Jesus Christ's future sacrifice on the cross.

Mary's Role

This preservation from original sin was fitting because Mary was chosen to be the mother of Jesus, the Son of God, and needed to be pure and sinless to fulfill this role.

Dogma

The Immaculate Conception was officially defined as a dogma (a doctrine of faith) by Pope Pius IX in 1854.

Parish News & Events

St. Patrick Date Night has been **canceled** for Sunday, August 17.

Healing Hearts Group [loss of spouse] there will be **NO** gatherings during August and September. The group will resume in October. Any questions call Mary Cibula at [641] 751-8467.

2025—2026 FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION ARE NOW OPEN!



Get your registration packet: After Mass in the parish entryways, online at www.cofsaints.org/faith-formation or at the parish offices!

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS SUNDAY, AUGUST 31

Classes begin: Wednesday, September 17

Time: 6:45–8:00 PM (weekly)

Ages: Pre-K (age 4) through 12th grade

Our program includes: Regular Faith Formation classes, Sacrament Preparation for First Communion & Confirmation. Class sites include Tama & Belle Plaine.

Let's grow in faith together this year!

Collections August 3, 2025

	St. Patrick	St. Michael	St. Joseph
Envelopes	4,161.83	1,879.68	325.00
Cash	679.46	68.00	90.00
Electronic	340.00	265.20	5.00
Total	\$5,181.29	\$2,212.88	\$ 415.00
Budgeted	5,269.00	2,600.00	1,460.00

Have you noticed our Sunday collections listed above? Like many organizations, each of our churches prepares an annual budget to help provide a clear picture of our income and expenses. Please take a minute to notice the weekly collection total. Each parish's anticipated annual offertory collection divided by 52 weeks is the "budgeted" number listed in the bottom row. Your weekly contribution, offered up as a gift to the Lord at Mass, is how the church operates and carries out pastoral efforts. Your contributions are greatly appreciated! God bless you for your generosity.

- Elizabeth Monat [Business Manager]



St. Joseph

FALL FESTIVAL WORKER DAYS

Thursday, August 21st – Cleaning Day - 9 AM

Please bring cleaning supplies (detergents, buckets, rags, etc.) with you to help clean. If you are a head of a department, you should be assisting in making sure your area is clean PLEASE.

Thursday, August 28th - Setup Day - 4 PM

Department heads should come at this time to set up their area. All departments are expected to set up their own areas and make sure you have everything you need. Let one of the Dinner Committee members know ASAP if you need anything else.

Saturday, August 30th - Potato Peeling Day - 9 AM

Bring potato peelers and paring knives.

Journey in Faith

"Let's Journey in Faith - together - with courage, trust and love." – *Archbishop Zinkula*



For more information visit <https://www.dbajourneyinfaith.org/>.

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August 80+ Birthdays

Aug 4 - Robert Upah
Aug 10 - Wayne DeMeulenaere
Aug 15 - Eugene Ledvina
Aug 17 - Joann Kupka
Aug 19 - Patricia McBride
Aug 19 - Larry Yuska
Aug 21 - Francis Behounek
Aug 21 - Ken Even
Aug 22 - Gary Formanek
Aug 23 - Constance Ternus
Aug 25 - Jack DeMeyer
Aug 26 - Don Vorwald
Aug 27 - Dennis Novotny
Aug 28 - Vincent Barloon

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 16

4:30 PM - SJ: Madison Intention

Sunday, August 17

8:30 AM - SM: Joey & Darlene Breja
10:30 AM - SP: Michael Henle
12 PM - SPS: Pro Populo

Tuesday, August 19

5:30 PM - SP: Gerry Campbell

Wednesday, August 20

8:30 AM - SJ: David & Peg Dvorak

Thursday, August 21

8:30 AM - SM: Julie Dvorak

Friday, August 22

8 AM - SP: Martha Dolezal

Saturday, August 23

4:30 PM - SJ: Leonard & Florence Balvin

Sunday, August 24

8:30 AM - SM: Terry McGahuey
10:30 AM - SP: Duane Yung
12 PM - SPS: Pro Populo

August Special Anniversaries

Richard & Mary Kendall [53]
Kenneth & Mitch Robinson [50]
Larry & Denise Fletcher [52]
Gaylen & Maureen Jacobson [53]
Gary & Dora Zmolek [53]
John & Joyce Legg [52]
Gary & Kathi Tomas [50]
Gary & Kathryn Fattig [52]

Stay up to date

 Cofsaunts.org
 Circle of Saints
 Rev. Michael McAndrew

Text for Updates

 Text COFSAINTS to 84576
 Texto SANTOS al [202] 765-3441

Minister Schedule

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Joseph - Chelsea

Saturday, August 23 at 4:30 PM

Lector: Janet Balvin

Eucharistic Ministers: Sandy Supianoski,
Bob & Dale Howe, Tom L. Upah

Hospitality Ministers: Pat Supianoski,
Allen Kaufman

Altar Servers: Ava Balvin, Hadley Kiebach

Money Counters: Jamie Kupka, Jill Shull

St. Michael - Belle Plaine

Sunday, August 24 at 8:30 AM

Lector: Rick Petersen

Eucharistic Ministers: Alan Tichy,
Carol Wonrau, John Grieder, Kathy Fredericks

Hospitality Ministers: Bill Martin,
Mike Fredericks

Altar Servers: Livy McLeod, Bailey Breja,
Harper Mitchell

Money Counters: Ivan Alcott, Mike Argo

St. Patrick - Tama [English]

Sunday, August 24 at 10:30 AM

Lector: Jim Roan

Eucharistic Ministers: Jim & Kris Collins,
Elizabeth Ledvina, Bruce Swyter, Tom Doyle,
Julie Hagerty

Hospitality Ministers: Gery Hagerty,

Stuart Lyon, Patty Henle

Altar Servers: Wyatt Feisel, Emma Kern

Money Counters: Dorothy Benda,
Marce Nekola, Julie Hagerty

San Patricio - Tama [Español]

Domingo 24 de agosto al mediodía

Lector: Elodia Cervantes, Maria Glavez

Ministros Eucarísticos: Les Parks,
Yaneli Gomez, Lisandra Ordaz

Ministros de hospedaje: Eric Guadiana,
Leslie Martinez, Luis M. Ordaz,

Rafael Buenrostro

Monaguillos: Maria & Marcos T. Mejia

Pray for..

Sandra Hayek, Dorothy Hayek, Scott Posusta, Jerry Dvorak, Jeff Dvorak, Ted Sharer, Carol Walton, Ryan Selken, Jayden Santoyo, George Mohrfeld, Eileen Hora, Ruth Squiers, Nona Paulsen, Maxine Boles, Maria Reyes, Erick Reyes, Maria del Carmen Orozco, Onnah Dvorak, Anthony Dvorak, John Gessener, Ashley Slinkard, Darcy Smith, Kenny Bacon, John Novak, Richard Novak, Kate Novak, Nancy Carlson, Abriel Coester

And anyone else suffering for any illness or injury including Veterans and the currently deployed military and their families.

Names will remain listed for three months. To add or renew a name, please contact the Parish Office at [641] 484-3039.





María: La Inmaculada Concepción

¿Qué nos enseña nuestra fe católica sobre la Inmaculada Concepción? La Iglesia enseña que la Inmaculada Concepción se refiere a la creencia de que la Virgen María fue preservada del pecado original desde el momento de su concepción en el vientre materno. Esta gracia especial le fue otorgada por Dios, por los méritos de su hijo Jesucristo, y era necesaria para que ella cumpliera su función como madre de Jesús.

La Iglesia enfatiza que esta doctrina es distinta del Nacimiento Virginal, que se refiere a la concepción de Jesús en el vientre de María. Algunas personas confunden la enseñanza de la inmaculada concepción de María con el Nacimiento Virginal de Jesús a través de María. Exploremos más sobre la enseñanza de la Inmaculada Concepción.

Pecado Original

Como católicos, creemos que todos los seres humanos heredan el pecado original de Adán y Eva, el cual los separa de Dios. El Catecismo afirma: «La doctrina del pecado original es, por así decirlo, el reverso de la Buena Nueva de que Jesús es el Salvador de todos los hombres, que todos necesitan la salvación y que esta se ofrece a todos por medio de Cristo. La Iglesia, que comparte la mente de Cristo, sabe muy bien que no podemos manipular la revelación del pecado original sin socavar el misterio de Cristo» (CIC 389).

La preservación de María del pecado original

La Inmaculada Concepción significa que María fue concebida sin la mancha del pecado original. «El esplendor de una santidad singularísima» con la que María se ve «enriquecida desde el primer instante de su concepción» proviene enteramente de Cristo: ella es «redimida, de manera más excelsa, por los méritos de su Hijo». El Padre bendijo a María más que a cualquier otra persona creada «en Cristo con toda bendición espiritual en los cielos» y la eligió «en Cristo antes de la creación del mundo, para ser santa e inmaculada ante él en el amor». (CIC 492)

Méritos de Jesús

Esta gracia especial fue otorgada a María por los méritos del futuro sacrificio de Jesucristo en la cruz.

El papel de María

Esta preservación del pecado original fue apropiada porque María fue elegida para ser la madre de Jesús, el Hijo de Dios, y necesitaba ser pura e inmaculada para cumplir esta función.

Dogma

La Inmaculada Concepción fue definida oficialmente como dogma (doctrina de fe) por el Papa Pío IX en 1854.

Becoming Catholic

Are you or someone you know interested in knowing more about joining the Catholic Church?

CLASSES BEGIN SEPTEMBER 8

**MONDAYS 6-8PM AT
ST. PATRICK IN TAMA**

Instructor: Fr. Michael McAndrew
Call the office for more information
or to register: 641-484-3039

Volverse Católico

¿Está usted o alguien que conoce interesado en saber más sobre cómo unirse a la Iglesia Católica?

**LAS CLASES COMIENZAN EL
8 DE SEPTIEMBRE**

**LOS LUNES DE 6 A 8 PM EN
ST. PATRICIO EN TAMA**

Instructor: Pd. Michael McAndrew
Para más información o para inscribirse, llame a la oficina:
641-484-3039

Viaje en la Fe



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Trust. Transform. Together.

"Viajemos en la fe, juntos, con valentía, confianza y amor". – *Arzobispo Zinkula*

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