



CIRCLE OF SAINTS CIRCULO DE SANTOS

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

Office

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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

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.



First Sunday of Advent

YOU ALSO MUST BE PREPARED.
-Matthew 24:44

NOVEMBER 30, 2025

Primer domingo de adviento

USTEDES TAMBIÉN ESTÉN PREPARADOS.
-Mateo 24:44

EL 30 DE NOVIEMBRE DEL 2025

St. Andrew the Apostle

St. Andrew the Apostle was one of the Twelve Apostles called by Our Lord. The Church celebrates him as one of the close collaborators of Our Lord in His redemptive mission and as a foundation stone of the Church, which will carry on this mission until the end of the world (see Matthew 28:16-20; Rev. 21:14). Andrew is best known for being a fisherman and the brother of St. Peter – and for his martyrdom on an X-shaped cross. The Church celebrates his feast on November 30.



Celebration of Our Lady of Guadalupe

📅 DECEMBER 7 | 6 AM

📍 ST. PATRICK - TAMA

6 AM - Spanish Rosary

7 AM - Las Mañanitas

10 AM - English Rosary

10:30 AM - Bilingual Mass

After Mass, everyone is invited to join us for a meal and to watch traditional dances performance.

Daily Novena (Spanish)

December 3 - 12

St. Patrick - Tama | 6 PM



Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception

A Holy Day of Obligation

📅 Monday, December 8

🕒 7:30 AM

St. Michael - Belle Plaine

🕒 6 PM (Bilingual)

St. Patrick - Tama

Hail, Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.



Las Posadas Celebration

📅 DECEMBER 16 - 24 | 6 PM

📍 ST. PATRICK - TAMA

Join us as we commemorate the journey of Joseph and Mary from Nazareth to Bethlehem, seeking a safe place for Mary to give birth to Jesus. When no lodging was found, they took shelter in a humble stable, where our Savior was born.

Our celebration will include:

- A child portraying an angel leading the procession
- Scripture readings
- Christmas carols
- Candy bags for all children at the conclusion



The event will take place inside the church and will be held in Spanish. All are welcome.

Parish News & Events

Christmas Flowers for all parishes: If you'd like to help enrich our liturgical environment for Christmas consider giving a donation for Christmas flowers this year! There will be envelopes available at the back of all the churches starting the weekend of November 29-30 that are for Christmas flower donations. You can specify which church you'd like to support and make your donation in honor/in memory of a loved one. A list of intentions/memorials will be in the bulletin after Christmas. Thank you for your generosity and for helping make our churches beautiful for Christmas!

St. Patrick Annual Appeal: Dear St. Patrick parishioners, many of you have received/will receive a letter regarding our annual appeal detailing the many great ministries we offer at our parish. This is our biggest fundraiser of the year and we count on your support to continue the work of building the kingdom in Tama/ Toledo and the surrounding community. Thank you to those who have already made a gift. If you haven't given, please prayerfully consider supporting our St. Patrick Parish. ~Fr. Michael

CCW 2025 Christmas Party: CCW are hosting their Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 2 at 1 PM. A delicious catered lunch will be served and there will be music and fun! Please bring two items for our local food pantry, as well as wrapping paper, tape, scissors and a two dollar tip. These will be used to wrap gifts for the shut-ins of our community.

CCW Ladies — Annual Soldier Project: Supporting men and women with local ties who are currently serving overseas. The unit we are assisting is stationed in the Middle East and will not be home for the holidays. A donation box will be located in the CCW closet and clearly marked "For the Soldiers." Suggested items include cash donations to assist with postage, chips and snack items, flavored water add-ins, crossword and word-search books, beef sticks, crochet kits, or ramen noodles. These are only a few ideas—any thoughtful items are welcome. For questions or additional information, please contact Diane Nowak at (641) 751-3960. Thank you for your generosity and continued support of our service members.

SJ/SM Knights Pancake Breakfast will be on Sunday, December 7 from 8 AM - 12 PM at St. Michael parish hall. Everyone is invited. Free-will donation.

SJ/SM Knights of Columbus food pantry collection is Sunday, December 14. Non-perishable food and paper good only please. Items may be placed in the back of St. Michael.

SJ/SM Knights will be meeting Monday, December 15 at 7:30 PM at St. Michael parish hall.

Community News

FCSLA Branch W-130 Christmas Party & Meeting Branch officers will host their annual Christmas party and meeting on **Sunday, Dec. 14**, at the **American Legion Hall in Clutier**. Lunch will be furnished at **noon** for all members and their families. All are sincerely invited—come and enjoy! For more information, contact **Dave Svoboda at 641-751-0681**.

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This Week

Saturday, November 29

St. Joseph - Chelsea

3:45 PM - 4:15 PM Confessions

4:30 PM Mass - † Julie Dvorak

Sunday, November 30

St. Michael - Belle Plaine

8:30 AM Mass - † Wesley Posekany

St. Patrick - Tama

10:30 AM Mass [English] - † Joseph & Julia Benda

12 PM Mass [Spanish] - † Pro Populo

Tuesday, December 2

St. Patrick - Tama

1 PM CCW Ladies Christmas Party

5:30 PM Mass [Bilingual] - † Don & Shirley Polka

6 PM - 8 PM Confessions, Adoration & Healing Prayer

Wednesday, December 3

St. Joseph - Chelsea

8:30 AM Mass - † Don Polka

9 AM - 12 PM Adoration

St. Patrick - Tama

6 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena (Spanish)

Faith Formation [Preschool - 12th Grade]

6:45 PM - 8 PM St. Michael - Belle Plaine

6:45 PM - 8 PM St. Patrick - Tama

Thursday, December 4

St. Michael - Belle Plaine

8:30 AM Mass - † Julie Dvorak

9 AM - 4 PM Adoration

2:30 PM Bible Study [The Chosen - Season 1]

6:30 PM Bible Study [The Chosen - Season 1]

St. Patrick - Tama

6 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena (Spanish)

Friday, December 5

St. Patrick - Tama

8 AM Mass - † Helen C. Posusta

8:30 AM - 11:30 AM Adoration

6 PM Our Lady of Guadalupe Novena (Spanish)

STAY UP TO DATE

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 Circle of Saints

 Rev. Michael McAndrew

TEXT FOR UPDATES

 Text COFSAINTS to 84576

 Texto SANTOS al [202] 765-3441

December 80+ Birthdays

December 3 - Rita Oetker

December 13 - Jan Konicek

December 15 - Martha O'Connor

December 15 - Lois Vorwald

December 18 - Arlene Husak

December 21 - Doris Meier

December 22 - Martha Breja

December 24 - Robert Howe

December 24 - Donna Moulton



Sundays' Bulletin

Deadline to add to the bulletin

12/14/2025

12/04/ 2025 - By 12 PM

12/21/2025

12/10/ 2025 - By 12 PM

12/28/2025

12/18/ 2025 - By 12 PM

1/04/2025

12/22/ 2025 - By 12 PM

Pray for..

Kenny Bacon, John Novak, Nancy Carlson, Gary & Dora Zmolek, Mary Tomas, Roger Eberhart, Danny Chyma, Jim Duncalf, Sharon Husak, Betty Hayek, Patricia Velky, Gael Valdez, Paula Eberhart, Dana Martin Kurovski, Rich Hookway, Shirley Delfs, Jack Cooper, Jerry Dvorak, Jeff Dvorak, Scott Posusta, Onnaha Dvorak, Anthony Dvorak, John Gessner, Shelbi Breja, Oliver Dvorak, Carol Walton, Matt Walton, Ted Sharer, Kathy Bacino, Sharon Hosek, Nork White, Brett Houghton, Sally Mason

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.

Minister Schedule

2nd Sunday of Advent

St. Joseph - Chelsea

Saturday, December 6 at 4:30 PM

† *Bob Kriener*

Lector: Sandy Supianoski

Eucharistic Ministers: Bob & Dale Howe, Janice Upah, Harry Hlas

Hospitality Ministers: Pat Supianoski, Tom L. Upah

Altar Servers: Sarah Dvorak, Kason Abe

Money Counters: Paul & Barb Svoboda, Ellen Waterbury

St. Michael - Belle Plaine

Sunday, December 7 at 8:30 AM

† *Pro Populo*

Lector: Alan Tichy

Eucharistic Ministers: Andrea Dvorak, Leo Hlas, Connie Stadelmann, Kathy Fredericks

Hospitality Ministers: Doug DeMeulenaere, Bill Stadelmann

Altar Servers: Wyatt Breja, Hayden Neuhaus, Sawyer Neuhaus

Money Counters: Karen Rassler, Dorma Rusbult

St. Patrick - Tama [Bilingual]

Sunday, December 7 at 10:30 AM

† *Tina Nekola*

Lector: Carol Hibbs, Niños del Coro

Eucharistic Ministers: Lisandra Ordaz, Maria Galvez, Lucia Flores, Matt Popelka, Pat Roan, Bruce Swyter

Hospitality Ministers: Laurence Husak, Joe Stanley, Robert Husak

Altar Servers: Regina Soto, Maria Lux

Money Counters: Leonard Albright, Tom Doyle, Julie Hagerty

¡Amigos, feliz año nuevo! Hoy llegamos al comienzo de un año litúrgico - el primer domingo de Adviento. Hay una especie de cualidad adventista permanente, una cualidad de vigilia, en la vida cristiana. Estamos esperando, observando; Queremos algo que no tenemos del todo. Y mientras nos preparamos para la venida del Señor, nuestro desafío de Adviento es este: ¿Cuál es nuestra "montaña más alta"? ¿Dónde ofrecemos adoración? Si no es la montaña del Señor - si hemos caído en un sueño espiritual - ahora es el momento de despertar y mantenernos despiertos, de poner nuestras vidas en orden, de dejar de poner excusas.

- *Obispo Robert Barron*

Anuncios

Flores de Navidad para todas las parroquias: Si quieres ayudar a enriquecer nuestro entorno litúrgico para la Navidad, ¡Considera hacer una donación para flores navideñas este año! Habrá sobres disponibles en la parte trasera de todas las iglesias a partir del fin de semana del 29 al 30 de noviembre para donaciones de flores navideñas. Puedes especificar qué iglesia te gustaría apoyar y hacer tu donación en honor o en memoria de un ser querido. Una lista de intenciones/memorales estará en el boletín después de Navidad. ¡Gracias por vuestra generosidad y por ayudar a que nuestras iglesias sean hermosas para Navidad!

Apelación anual de San Patricio: Queridos feligreses de San Patricio, muchos de nosotros emos recibido o recibiremos una carta sobre nuestra apelación anual detallando los muchos grandes ministerios que ofrecemos en nuestra parroquia. Esta es nuestra mayor recaudación de fondos del año y contamos con tu apoyo para continuar el trabajo de construcción del reino en Tama/Toledo y la comunidad circundante. Gracias a quienes ya han hecho un regalo. Si no has donado, por favor considera apoyar en oración a nuestra parroquia de San Patricio. ~*P. Michael*

Celebración de Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe

🗓️ 7 DE DICIEMBRE | 6 AM

📍 SAN PATRICIO - TAMA



6 AM - Rosario español
7 AM - Las Mañanitas
10 AM - Rosario inglés
10:30 AM - Misa bilingüe

Después de la misa, todos están invitados a una comida y a ver danzas tradicionales.

Novena diaria (español)
El 3 al 12 de diciembre
San Patricio - Tama | 6 PM

Solemnidad de la Inmaculada Concepcion



Un día sagrado de obligación

🗓️ **Lunes 8 de diciembre**

🕒 **7:30 AM en San Miguel Belle Plaine**

🕒 **6 PM (bilingüe) en San Patricio - Tama**