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Access: Some restrictions apply

History: Established in 2000, the Franciscan Tewa Missions provide joint administration for three Tewa Indian parishes: San Diego Church, Tesuque Pueblo, Santa Clara Church, Santa Clara Pueblo, and San Ildefonso Church, San Ildefonso Pueblo.

History of San Diego Church
1598-1680 (closed), 1694-1852
Franciscans (Santo Evangelico Province, Mexico City, Mexico) established and administered San Diego Church/ San Diego de Alcalá de Tesuque/ San Lorenzo de Tesuque Mission, Tesuque Pueblo

1852-1901
Diocesan priests attended San Diego from San Francisco, Santa Fe

1901-2000
Franciscans (formerly St. John the Baptist; now Our Lady of Guadalupe Province, Albuquerque, New Mexico) attended San Diego from San Francisco, Santa Fe

History of San Ildefonso Church
1617-1680 (closed), 1694-1858
Franciscans (Santo Evangelico Province, Mexico City, Mexico) established and administered San Ildefonso Church/ Mission, San Ildefonso Pueblo

1858-1866
Diocesan priests attended San Ildefonso from Santa Clara, Santa Clara Pueblo

1866-1878
Diocesan priests administered San Ildefonso

1878-1947
Diocesan priests attended San Ildefonso from Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz

1947-2000
Franciscans (formerly St. John the Baptist; now Our Lady of Guadalupe Province, Albuquerque, New Mexico) attended San Ildefonso from San Francisco, Santa Fe
Diocesan priests from San Ildefonso attended the following missions among the Tewa Indians:

1858-1878 (transferred to Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz) Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe Mission, Pojoaque Pueblo, Pojoaque Reservation
1867-1878 (transferred to Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz) Santa Clara Mission, Santa Clara Pueblo, Santa Clara Reservation

History of Santa Clara Church

1694-1782 Franciscans (Santo Evangelico Province, Mexico City, Mexico) established and administered Santa Clara Church/ Santa Clara de Asis Mission, Santa Clara Pueblo
1772-1858 Franciscans administered Santa Clara
1867-1878 Diocesan priests attended Santa Clara from San Ildefonso
1880-1947 Diocesan priests attended Santa Clara from Santa Cruz, Santa Cruz
1888-1892 Franciscans administered a school at the parish

Franciscans and diocesan priests from Santa Clara attended the following missions:

1772-1846 (no longer Indian) Santo Tomás de Abiquiú Mission (various and Mestizos), Abiquiu
1858-1866 (became a parish) San Ildefonso Mission (Tewa), San Ildefonso Pueblo

Holdings of Catholic-related records about Native Americans:

Inclusive dates: ca. 1727-present
Volume: Several volumes and folders
Description: The records of the Franciscan Tewa Missions are kept at the respective churches and not arranged according to a classification scheme. Consequently, description is by parish and record type.

San Diego Church

A. Sacramental records
Inclusive dates: ca. 1727-present
Volume: Several volumes
Description: Baptisms, first communions, confirmations, marriages, and deaths for San Diego Church. The Archdiocese of Santa Fe indicated that records may be held at Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe, Santa Fe/Pojoaque.

B. History
Inclusive dates: n.d.
Volume: 1 pamphlet
Description: Within Saints of the Pueblos by Charles M. Carrillo.

San Ildefonso Church

C. Sacramental records
Inclusive dates: ca. 1880-present
Volume: Several volumes
Description: Baptisms, first communions, confirmations, marriages, and deaths for San Ildefonso Church and its attended missions.

Santa Clara Church

D. Sacramental records
Inclusive dates: ca. 1856-present
Volume: Several volumes
Description: Baptisms, first communions, confirmations, marriages, and deaths for Santa Clara Church and its attended missions.