

Steps are being taken to create a safe environment for those who wish to attend and we want to ensure everyone is informed of the following logistical details to undertake this effort until further notice.

- The obligation to physically attend Mass is still lifted through the time of this pandemic especially for the elderly, their caretakers, the immunocompromised, those who are feeling ill, or those who may have been exposed to COVID-19. You are asked not to attend if you are sick, so that we can continue to protect the vulnerable around us.
- Public Masses will be held with 50% occupancy restrictions in place. Family units may sit together but individuals must ensure safe distancing.
- Masks must be worn by anyone in attendance at the Mass.
- Holy Communion will ONLY be distributed in the hand. When you come up, receive the sacred host in your hand, step away from the Eucharistic Minister, then use one hand to pull your mask down, before picking up the sacred host to consume it.
- We ask all those in attendance or receiving Holy Communion to also wash and/or sanitize their hands upon arriving at the Church. Remember, no holding hands for the "Our Father" and the Sign of Peace is suspended.
- The offertory baskets will not be used during Mass, but instead baskets will be available at the exit doors where you can drop your weekly contributions. We appreciate everyone's cooperation with these efforts.
- Sacrament of Reconciliation will be administered on Thursdays from 6:00-6:45pm. Please follow social distancing with the requirement of a mask.
- At this moment, all onsite faith formation, religious education and ministry events continue to be suspended. For a considerable period of time, the remote-learning methods, which are currently offered by the DRE, will be in place.



We love having you as part of our flock! Let's keep in touch! Get important updates via email & text.

Two ways to connect (pick one):

1. Go to www.flocknote.com/IHMNBVM, and then select the main NBVM List.
2. ext NBVMParish to 84576 from your phone to subscribe to updates.

Pope Francis's Prayer to Mary during Coronavirus Pandemic

O Mary, you always shine on our path as a sign of salvation and of hope. We entrust ourselves to you, Health of the Sick, who at the cross took part in Jesus' pain, keeping your faith firm. You, Salvation of the Roman People, know what we need, and we are sure you will provide so that, as in Cana of Galilee, we may return to joy and to feasting after this time of trial. Help us, Mother of Divine Love, to conform to the will of the Father and to do as we are told by Jesus, who has taken upon himself our sufferings and carried our sorrows to lead us, through the cross, to the joy of the resurrection. Amen. Under your protection, we seek refuge, Holy Mother of God. Do not disdain the entreaties of we who are in trial, but deliver us from every danger, O glorious and blessed Virgin. Amen.

LOCAL EVENTS

CDA is currently accepting donated items for nursing home Christmas gifts. Items need to be received by Wednesday, December 9, 2020. Some items needed: men/women house shoes with backs on them (no slip on), lap throws, hankies, puzzles, crayons, coloring books, calendars, lotion, large gift bags to wrap gifts, etc. Any donations are welcome. If you have any questions, please contact Marcella Sinkule (254) 709-2343 or Andrea Sulak (254) 292-0899. Thank you!

Abbott Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church will have a Fish/Chicken drive thru meal Nov 15th 11-1 pm. The meal consists of fish, chicken, homemade potato salad, coleslaw, pinto beans and dessert. Plates are \$11each.

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

219 W. MAGNOLIA ST.
PENELOPE, TX 76676

REV. BRIJIL LAWRENCE, PASTOR



Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
November 8, 2020

CONTACT US

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Parish Website: nbvm.org

Diocesan Website: fwdioc.org

A full list of Parish Staff and Ministry Leaders can be found on our parish website.



MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday: 10:00 am

Thursday: 7:00 pm

Friday: 7:00 am

First Friday: 7:00 am Mass with Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament for one hour after Mass.

Sacrament of Penance: Thursday at 6:00 pm

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Weekly Schedule:

Date	Day	Time	MASS INTENTION	PARISH EVENT
11/8	Sunday	10:00 am	+Jimmy Sinkule	
11/12	Thursday	7:00 pm	+Barbara Rejcek-Smith	
11/13	Friday	7:00 am	+Freddie Machac	
11/15	Sunday	10:00 am	+Anton Roznovsky	
11/19	Thursday	7:00 pm	+All Faithful Departed	Mass of Light

The Sanctuary Light will burn this week in Thanksgiving for God's Blessings.

Second Collection 11/8- Seminarian Education (Vocations Awareness Week)

Today we take up the special collection for the Diocesan Seminarian Education Fund. Seminarians have responded to God's call and will one day shepherd us on our faith journey. Currently, the Diocese is supporting 32 seminarians on their discernment journey by providing funds to cover their education and formation costs and necessities of living. We have an opportunity to be a help to them by praying for them and by giving generously to this collection. Online: <https://fwdioc.org/special-collections-donate>

Nov. 19: MASS OF LIGHT - We will have the Mass of Light at 7 p.m. on Thursday, Nov. 19, in remembrance of all the faithful departed, especially those from our families. It is our opportunity to bring a candle forward for our loved ones who have died as we hear their names spoken and they are prayerfully remembered. *Candles for the Mass of Light will be provided. There is a sign-up sheet in the back that will be available until next Sunday. PLEASE SIGN-UP IF YOU PLAN TO BE THERE!*

Nov. 25: Mass of Thanksgiving at 7 p.m. on Wednesday, Nov. 25.

Act of Spiritual Communion ~ By St. Alphonsus Liguori

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the most Blessed Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot now receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there, and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Next Week's Attendants				
11/15/20	SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS
Cross:	Melyssa Herrera	Jennifer Mynarcik	Debi Lednický	Derek Lednický
	Jose Herrera		Natalie Timmons	David Lednický

LECTORS and EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS: If you are scheduled and you are not comfortable serving during this pandemic please notify Janice Chase at (254) 723-7943 to have your name temporarily removed. Please remember no volunteers over the age of 65 may serve.

PRAYER LIST

Abby, Linda	Ellis, Bert	Mikuda, George & Jeane	Ohnhieser, Bernice
Baily, Samuel	Fleming, Bert & Barbara	Miller, Janet	Owens, Darrell & Theresa
Castleberry, Gladys	Hanzlicek, Jessica	Miller, Jim	Peoples, Jessica
Chase, Janice	Hanzlicek, Pam	Mills, Adira	Perras, Jean
Crawley, Danelle	Kral, Donna	Mills, Margie	Rebollar, Margarita
Cuevas, Lou	Machac, Matthew	Mitchell, Audrey	Roessler, John & Alma
Disher, Benjamin	Martin, Brantley	Moreno, Jr., Perfecto	Roskos, David
Dudik, Ronnie	Matula, Ruby	Nors, Laura and Baby	Stuckly, Evelyn
Dvorak, Mary Ann	Matus, Brian	Oelrich, Don	Talley, Pete and Renee

It is not necessary to be a member of the parish to be added to the list. You will not be put on the prayer list without your permission. **To have anyone added or removed, please contact Janice Chase via phone, text, or email at (254) 723-7943 or jac76707@yahoo.com.** Only the person requesting, or the person being prayed for can request removal from the list.

Even God Loves a Good Laugh

There was a preacher who fell in the ocean and he could not swim. When a boat came by, the captain yelled, "Do you need help, sir?" The preacher calmly said "No, God will save me." A little later, another boat came by and a fisherman asked, "Hey, do you need help?" The preacher replied again, "No God will save me." Eventually the preacher drowned & went to heaven. The preacher asked God, "Why didn't you save me?" God replied, "Fool, I sent you two boats!"

A bus full of ugly people had a head on collision with a truck. When they died, God granted all of them one wish. The first person said, "I want to be gorgeous." God snapped his fingers and it happened. The second person said the same thing and God did the same thing. This went on and on throughout the group. God noticed the last man in line was laughing hysterically. By the time God got to the last ten people, the last man was laughing and rolling on the ground. When the man's turn came, he laughed and said, "I wish they were all ugly again."

Weekly Offering for Church Support – If you would like, you may mail your offering to Nativity BVM, PO Box 98, Penelope. TX 76676

COLLECTION 11/1/20	
Envelopes	\$ 419.00
Loose	\$ 227.00
TOTAL	\$ 646.00

NATIVITY PARISH HALL RENTALS: Contact Debbie Lednický 254-709-6003.
BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Contact Janice Chase 254-826-3977 or jac76707@yahoo.com
(Announcements due by Wednesday, noon, to be included the following Sunday)
SANCTUARY LIGHT & MASS INTENTIONS: Contact Janice Chase 254-826-3977
 (Suggested donation \$5.00 per intention. Intentions may be placed in the collection basket)