

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!

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

219 W. MAGNOLIA ST.
PENELOPE, TX 76676

REV. BRIJIL LAWRENCE, PASTOR



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 22, 2020

CONTACT US

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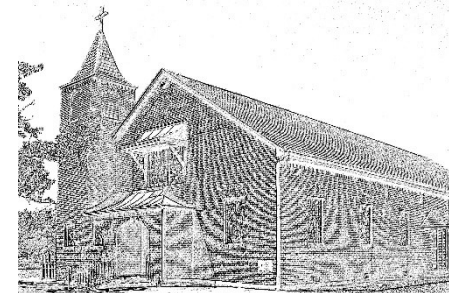
254-246-9997 (Fr. Lawrence)

Parish Email: penelopenatholicchurch@windstream.net

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
11/22	Sunday	10:00 am	+ Urbis & Firasek Family	
11/25	Wednesday	7:00 pm	+	Mass of Thanksgiving
11/29	Sunday	10:00 am	+Michael Kucera	

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

Nov. 19: MASS OF LIGHT – Our first Mass of Light was a success! It was a beautiful ceremony. Many loved ones were prayerfully remembered.

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.

Oh, my Jesus, in union with all the angels and saints, I adore thee in the most holy Sacrament of the Altar in which thou art concealed for the love of me. I adore thee as my Lord, my God, my Creator and my Redeemer.

Next Week's Attendants				
11/29/20	SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS
	Cross: Melyssa Herrera	Treston Esparza	Debi Lednický	Derek Lednický
	Jose Herrera		volunteer	Devin 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
Cassano, Vince	Hanzlicek, Jessica	Miller, Jim	Peoples, Jessica
Castleberry, Gladys	Hanzlicek, Pam	Mills, Adira	Perras, Jean
Chase, Janice	Kral, Donna	Mills, Margie	Rebollar, Margarita
Crawley, Danelle	Machac, Matthew	Mitchell, Audrey	Roessler, John & Alma
Cuevas, Lou	Martin, Brantley	Moreno, Jr., Perfecto	Roskos, David
Disher, Benjamin	Matula, Ruby	Oelrich, Don	Stuckly, Evelyn
Dudik, Ronnie	Matus, Brian		Talley, Pete and Renee
Dvorak, Mary Ann			

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

One Sunday morning, the pastor noticed little Alex staring up at the large plaque that hung in the foyer of the church. The plaque was covered with names, and small American flags were mounted on either side of it. The seven-year-old had been staring at the plaque for some time, so the pastor walked up, stood beside him and said quietly, "Good morning, Alex." Good morning, Pastor," replied the young man, still focused on the plaque. "Pastor Phillips, what is this?" Alex asked. "Well, son, it's a memorial to all the men and women who have died in the service." Soberly, they stood together, staring at the large plaque. Little Alex's voice was barely audible when he finally managed to ask, "Which one, the 9:00 or 10:30 service?"

Our fourth grader celebrated his birthday on crutches, so he could not carry the cupcakes into school without help. I asked our sixth-grader, Noah, to help his brother carry them in. "I could," he said, "but I'd prefer not to." Spotting a teaching moment, my husband asked Noah, "What would Jesus do?" Noah answered, "Jesus would heal him so he could carry his own cupcakes."

Weekly Offering for Church Support

If you would like, you may mail your offering to Nativity BVM, PO Box 98, Penelope, TX 76676

COLLECTION 11/15/20	
Envelopes	\$ 910.00
Loose	\$ 96.00
TOTAL	\$1,006.00

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)

COMMUNION FOR SHUT-INS: Contact Marcella Sinkule 254-826-3860