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.
- Family units may sit together but must ensure safe distancing of 3 feet between persons and/or other families.
- . Masks are now optional at Mass for all parishes within the Diocese of Fort Worth.
- 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

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.

CDA Court #829 of West is sponsoring a Gift Card Raffle with 3 prizes: \$4000, \$3,000, and \$2000 Visa Gift Cards. Tickets are \$100 each and only 300 tickets will be sold. Winners are responsible for taxes per IRS and Texas law. The drawing will be held on Tuesday, Sept. 7th. For ticket information, contact Mary Brackeen, (254) 716-2876, Charlene Cook (254) 495-0202, Theresa Soukup (254) 709-5329m Tappy Vanek (254) 722-1742, or Cyndi Lair (254) 537-2250.

LOCAL EVENTS

Sunday (August 8, 2021) St. Mary's Church of the Assumption Feast Day Festival – West KC Hall

St. Mary's Church of the Assumption in West will hold their Feast Day Festival at West KC Hall. To-go plates serving begins at 11:00am. Inside dining begins at 11:30am. Fried and baked chicken, sausage, potatoes, green beans, sauerkraut, dessert, and iced tea. Adult plates \$12.00 each and child plates \$8.00 each. Only adult plates will be served in the to-go line for \$12.00 each. They will not include baked chicken or iced tea.

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



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Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time July 25, 2021



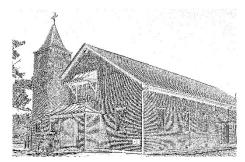
254-582-3092 (Abbott office) or 254-533-2325 (Penelope office)

254-246-9997 (Fr. Lawrence)

Parish Email: penelopecatholicchurch@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 | Tim9e | Mass Intention | Parish Event |
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| Ī | 7/25 | Sunday | 10:00 am | +William Svrcek | |
| | 8/1 | Sunday | 10:00 am | +Freddie Machac | |

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

There will be no weekday Masses until further notice.

Penelope Nativity BVM Vacation Bible School (VBS) was a success. A special thanks to Kelly Dudik and all who helped make this year's VBS a success!

Innocence Lost to Human Trafficking presentation by Dr. Kimberly Robinson, July 29, 2021 - Human Trafficking is a global problem and happens more often than we think. Dr. Robinson is an ambassador for Shared Hope International, a nonprofit organization that combats human trafficking. Please join us for a special Zoom presentation by Dr. Kim Robinson, Thursday, July 29, 2021, at 6:30 pm, to learn why Dallas/Fort Worth is one of the most highly trafficked areas for this crime and how to recognize the signs of recruitment. No cost to attend. For questions contact the Safe Environment Office for the Catholic Diocese of Fort Worth at 817-945-9342. For mature audiences only!

| Next Week's Attendants | | | | |
|------------------------|-------------|-----------------------|----------------|--|
| 8/1 SERVERS | LECTOR | EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS | GREETERS | |
| Cross: Blane Mynarcik | Jean Disher | Rodger Chase | Debi Lednicky | |
| | | Toby Matula | Derek Lednicky | |

LECTORS and EUCHARISTIC 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 | | | | | |
|---------------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|--|--|
| | | FRATEREIST | | | |
| Abbgy, Linda | Fabian, Mary Ann | Mikuda, George & Jeane | Peoples, Jessica | | |
| Baily, Samuel | Fleming, Bert & Barbara | Miller, Janet | Perras, Jean | | |
| Barton, Evelyn | Fulton, Eugene | Miller, Jim | Rejcek, Anthony | | |
| Carlie, Carolyn | Hanzlicek, Jessica | Mills, Adira | Roessler, John & Alma | | |
| Cassano, Vince | Hanzlicek, Pam | Mills, Margie | Roskos, David | | |
| Castleberry, Gladys | Kral, Donna | Mitchell, Audrey | Sinkule, Marcella | | |
| Crawley, Danelle | Lopez, Angel | Moreno, Jr., Perfecto | Stuckly, Evelyn | | |
| Cuevas. Lou | Machac, Matthew | Mynarcik, Diane | Talley, Renee | | |
| Disher, Benjamin | Martin, Brantley | Oelrich, Don | Taylor, Kent | | |
| Dudik, Ronnie | Matula, Ruby | Ohnhieser, Bernice | | | |
| Dvorak, Mary Ann | Matus, Brian | Owens, Darrell & Theresa | | | |

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.

REFLECTIONS

"There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?"

JOHN 6:9

The miracle of the Loaves and Fishes carries two important messages. First, no matter how little we have, we always have enough to share. Second, Christ can take our humble gifts and do great things with them if we are just willing to let Him. Nothing is impossible with God. All of our gifts, big or small, were given to us for a reason. No gift is too small or insignificant!

| COLLECTION 7/18 | |
|-----------------|------------|
| Envelopes | \$ 1210.00 |
| Loose | \$ 228.00 |
| Bazaar Raffle | \$ 100.00 |
| TOTAL | \$ 1538.00 |

NATIVITY PARISH HALL RENTALS: Contact Debbie Lednicky 254-709-6003.

BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS: Contact Janice Chase 254-826-3977 or

(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)