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

Tuesday (September 7, 2021) CDA Court 829 Meeting – West KC Hall

CDA Court 829 will at West KC Hall. There will be a social at 6:00pm with the gift card raffle drawing. The meeting will begin at 6:30pm.

Sunday (September 12, 2021) Divine Mercy Chaplet – St. Mary's Church, West

Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed in St. Mary's Church in West at 3:00pm. Please join us to pray for the ill in our parishes, in our families, and/or among our friends who are in need of hope and healing. You are encouraged to bring names of those in need of prayer and invite family and friends to join you.

NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



219 W. Magnolia St. Penelope, TX 76676

REV. BRIJIL LAWRENCE, PASTOR



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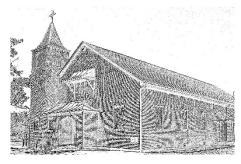
254-582-3092 (Abbott office) or 254-533-2325 (Penelope office)

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 |
|------|----------|----------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|
| 8/29 | Sunday | 10:00 am | +Pete Talley & Carrie Pittenger | |
| 9/2 | Thursday | 7:00 pm | +Anton Rejcek | |
| 9/3 | Friday | 7:00 am | +Fr. Konkiel | Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament |
| 9/5 | Sunday | 10:00 am | +Pete Talley & Carrie Pittenger | |

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

Haiti Disaster Relief Special Emergency Collection:

In response to the recent devastation in Haiti, Most Reverend Michael F. Olson has announced an emergency special collection in the Diocese of Fort Worth on August 29, 2021. Funds collected will be forwarded to the USCCB Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund. This fund addresses humanitarian long-term recovery and significant Church needs arising from calamities like the current situation in Haiti. Please generously support this collection this morning or by visiting https://bitl.ly/DioceseSpecialCollections and select USCCB Bishops Emergency Disaster Fund from the drop-down menu to make a secure online donation.

There is still time to register for CCD this morning, August 29, 2021, in the parish hall. Please complete forms A & B or copies will be available at registration. NBVM is offering PreK through High School, each Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm-7:30pm beginning September 22, 2021. Sacramental Preparation classes (1st Communion and Confirmation) will be included in the CCD program. If you have any questions, please contact Debi Lednicky at (254) 709-6003.

RCIA - Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic (RCIA) should contact Debi Lednicky at (254) 709-6003 for more information.

| Next Week's Attendants | | | |
|------------------------|-----------------|-----------------------|----------------|
| 9/5 SERVERS | LECTOR | EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS | GREETERS |
| Cross: Blane Mynarcik | Treston Esparza | David Lednicky | Derek Lednicky |
| | | Debi Lednicky | Deven 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 | | | | | | |
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| 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 | Stuckly, Evelyn | | | |
| Crawley, Danelle | Lopez, Angel | Moreno, Jr., Perfecto | Talley, Renee | | | |
| Cuevas. Lou | Machac, Matthew | Mynarcik, Diane | Taylor, Kent | | | |
| Disher, Benjamin | Martin, Brantley | Oelrich, Don | | | | |
| 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 ice76707@yahoo.com. Only the person requesting, or the person being prayed for can request removal from the list.

BAZAAR: Our annual Bazaar will be held on Sunday, September 19, 2021. **We still need items for the raffle.** Donations for the raffle include: 2 Quilts, \$200 HEB Gift Card, \$150 Wal-Mart Gift Card, \$100 Gift Card, \$100 Gift Card, and Canned Goods Basket. You may bring the raffle item to the Nativity Parish Rectory on Sundays.

REFLECTIONS

"Be doers of the word and not hearers only..." JAMES 1:22

It's easy to understand the definition of stewardship – living a grateful and generous life. The hard part is doing it! How do your actions reflect God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

| Collection 8/22 | | | | |
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| Envelopes | \$ | 500.00 | | |
| Loose | \$ | 92.00 | | |
| TOTAL | \$ | 592.00 | | |

NATIVITY PARISH HALL RENTALS: Contact Debbie Lednicky 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)