

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 only300 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



Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 5, 2021

CONTACT US

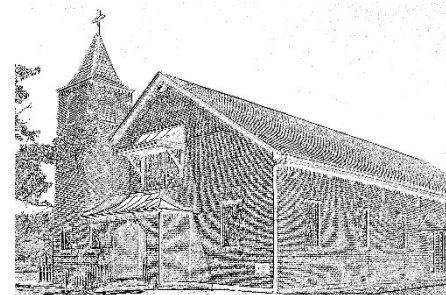
254-582-3092 (Abbott office) or 254-533-2325 (Penelope office)
254-246-9997 (Fr. Lawrence)

Parish Email: penelopezatholicchurch@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
9/5	Sunday	10:00 am	+Pete Talley & Carrie Pittenger	
9/9	Thursday	7:00 pm	+Johnie Hynek, Joe & Mary Bartosh, Vaclav & Theresa Hynek	
9/10	Friday	7:00 am	+Robert Kucera	
9/12	Sunday	10:00 am	+Annie Machac	

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

Second Collection – Next Sunday, September 12, 2021, we will be taking up the National Collection for The Catholic University of America. Located in the heart of the nation's capital, Catholic University offers graduate and undergraduate courses in more than 180 academic programs. By giving to the National Collection, you will help support more than 6,000 students who are seeking a faith-filled education at an institution that supports cutting-edge research in multiple fields. Your investment will enable the University to continue to support the Church and to advance its work of preparing the next generation of leadership, both religious and lay, of our Church and nation. It will also enable the continuance of The Catholic Project, a university initiative jumpstarted by philanthropy which aims to help bishops, priests, and the lay faithful develop a deeper understanding of the lay vocation and principles for effective action in the wake of the recent Church crisis. Through research new academic programs and dialogue, the project brings together the clergy and lay leaders to develop solutions to the issues facing our Church and bring about reforms. Thank you for your generosity. Learn more at: collection.catholic.edu.

Please bring to the BAZAAR



- **\$25.00 donation for meat**
- **15 lbs. Red Potatoes Boiled & Cut (or More)**
- **Two Desserts**

Also, don't forget gifts or prizes for:



**Grab Bag, Surprise Package,
Country Store & Bingo**



Next Week's Attendants				
9/12	SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS
	Cross: Addi Crawford	David Holub	Rodger Chase	Debi Lednicki
	Adrianna Kucera		Debi Lednicki	David Holub

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	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 jac76707@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 are in need of items for the auction. If you would like to donate an item for the auction please contact David Holub at (254) 652-8802 or you may bring it to the Nativity Parish Rectory on Sundays.

REFLECTIONS

"Did not God choose those who are poor in the world to be rich in faith and heirs of the kingdom that he promised to those who love him?" JAMES 2:5

What is more important – being rich in faith or rich in possessions? Society tells us that possessions are most important. God teaches a different lesson. When we are rich in faith, we keep God first and experience true joy and peace. When we put possessions first, we soon realize we can never have enough, and happiness is fleeting. When we put faith over possessions, we truly realize it is better to give than receive.

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

COLLECTION 8/29

Envelopes	\$ 1075.00
Loose	\$ 163.00
TOTAL	\$ 1238.00

NATIVITY PARISH HALL RENTALS: Contact Debbie Lednicki 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)