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.

The West CDA Court #829 would like to thank everyone who supported the Visa Gift Care Raffle. Winners of the drawing are: Anna Urbanovsky \$4,000 gift card; Libbie Veselka \$3,000 gift card; and David and Cathy Matus \$2,000 gift card.

## **LOCAL EVENTS**

### 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.

Sunday (September 19, 2021) Nativity BVM Annual Bazaar – Nativity BVM Parish Hall, Penelope
Barbecue Beef Tips and Sausage with all the Trimmings. Raffle, Bingo, Surprise Package, Country Store, Grab Bag, Auction,
Horseshoe Tournament, Food, Snacks, etc.

Sunday (September 26, 2021) Fried Chicken & Sausage Drive Thru – St. Martin Catholic Church, Tours, TX
Fried Chicken & Sausage Drive Thru Plates To Go Dinner starting at 11:00am. Price of meal is \$12. A raffle drawing will be held at 3:00pm. Over \$3,000 in prizes. Donations are 6 for \$5.00.

# NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



219 W. Magnolia St. Penelope, TX 76676

REV. BRIJIL LAWRENCE, PASTOR



Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 12, 2021



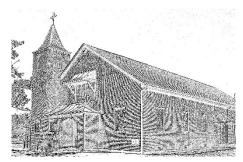
254-582-3092 (Abbott office) or 254-533-2325 (Penelope office)

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

## Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time September 12, 2021

## **Weekly Schedule:**

Date	Day	Tim9e	Mass Intention	Parish Event
9/12	Sunday	10:00 am	+Annie Machac	
9/16	Thursday	7:00 pm	+Shorty Stuckly	
9/17	Friday	7:00 am	+Lillian Kucera	
9/19	Sunday	10:00 am	Success of the Bazaar	

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

CONDOLENCES to the Family of Jessica Hanzlicek. May the perpetual light shine upon her and may she rest in peace, Amen.

CONDOLENCES to the Family Jeannie Mikuda. May the perpetual light shine upon her and may she rest in peace, Amen.

Second Collection – This weekend, parishes in the Diocese of Fort Worth are taking up the National Collection for the Catholic University of America in Washington, D.C. 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 donation will also enable the continuance of The Catholic Project. Jumpstarted by philanthropic gifts. The Catholic Project is an initiative of the University that aims to help clergy 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. Thank you for your generosity.



Next Week's Attendants			
9/19 SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS
Cross: Dylan Lednicky	Toby Matula	Rodger Chase	David Lednicky
			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						
Abbgy, Linda	Fabian, Mary Ann	Mikuda, George	Peoples, Jessica			
Baily, Samuel	Fleming, Bert & Barbara	Miller, Janet	Perras, Jean			
Barton, Evelyn	Fulton, Eugene	Miller, Jim	Rejcek, Anthony			
Carlie, Carolyn	Hanzlicek, Pam	Mills, Adira	Roessler, John & Alma			
Cassano, Vince	Kral, Donna	Mills, Margie	Roskos, David			
Castleberry, Gladys	Lopez, Angel	Mitchell, Audrey	Stuckly, Evelyn			
Crawley, Danelle	Machac, Matthew	Moreno, Jr., Perfecto	Talley, Renee			
Cuevas. Lou	Martin, Brantley	Mynarcik, Diane	Taylor, Kent			
Disher, Benjamin	Matula, Ruby	Oelrich, Don				
Dudik, Ronnie	Matus, Brian	Ohnhieser, Bernice				
Dvorak, Mary Ann		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 next 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 next Sunday.

If anyone is interested in serving on the Knapek Scholarship Committee, please contact Debbie Lednicky (254) 709-6003. The Committee for the 2022 Year will meet at the end of this month or mid next month. Thank you!

### REFLECTIONS

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." MARK 8:34

Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for my own life, but for the lives of others as well. We realize that our gifts are not intended for ourselves, rather they are meant to be shared with others. "Taking up my cross" means doing things when someone else needs me and not when it's convenient for me.

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

Collection 9/5					
Envelopes	\$	1135.00			
Loose	\$	12.00			
TOTAL	\$	1147.00			

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)