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.

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING RAFFLE WINNERS!**

Television Bill Kolar Flat Top Grill Tanly Svacina King Size Quilt Amy Hutyra \$200 HEB Gift Card **Dorothy Machac** \$150 Wal-Mart Gift Card Tommy Webre \$100 Gift Card JoAnn Kaluza \$100 Gift Card Jean Disher Canned Good Basket James Miller Wine & Strawberry Gift Basket Matthew Hutyra

# **LOCAL EVENTS**

# NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



219 W. Magnolia St. Penelope, TX 76676

REV. BRIJIL LAWRENCE, PASTOR



Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 3, 2021



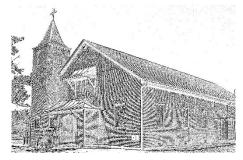
254-582-3092 (Abbott office) or 254-533-2325 (Penelope office)

254-246-9997 (Fr. Lawrence)

Parish Email: <a href="mailto:penelopecatholicchurch@windstream.net">penelopecatholicchurch@windstream.net</a>

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-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time October 3, 2021

#### **Weekly Schedule:**

Date	Day	Tim9e	Mass Intention	Parish Event
10/3	Sunday	10:00 am	+Wilson Kucera	
10/6	Wednesday	7:00 pm	NO MASS	
10/7	Thursday	7:00 pm	No MASS	
10/8	Friday	7:00 am	+Jim & Martha Sinkule	
10/10	Sunday	10:00 am	+Pete Talley & Carrie Pittenger	

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

**PLEASE NOTE:** There will be no Mass on Wednesday, 10/7, or Thursday, 10/8. There will be a Mass on Friday, 10/8 at 7;00am.

Knapek Scholarship Committee - 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!

# FAITH HOPE CHARITY Annual Diocesan Appeal

Give thanks to the Lord! Thank you to all the parishioners of Nativity BVM who have responded generously to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. For those families who have not yet made a donation, please help our parish reach 100 percent participation by using the envelopes located in the Church, the one that was mailed to your home or donate securely online at bit.ly/ADADonate. When you make a commitment to the Annual Diocesan Appeal, you are responding in gratitude to a good and generous God to serve those who need it most.

Next Week's Attendants			
10/10 SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS
Cross: Dylan Lednicky	Treston Esparza	David Lednicky	Debi 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	Dvorak, Mary Ann	Matus, Brian	Ohnhieser, Bernice		
Baily, Samuel	Fabian, Mary Ann	Mikuda, George	Owens, Darrell & Theresa		
Barton, Evelyn	Fleming, Bert & Barbara	Miller, Janet	Peoples, Jessica		
Carlie, Carolyn	Fulton, Eugene	Miller, Jim	Perras, Jean		
Cassano, Vince	Hanzlicek, Pam	Mills, Adira	Rejcek, Anthony		
Castleberry, Gladys	Kral, Donna	Mills, Margie	Roessler, John & Alma		
Crawley, Danelle	Lopez, Angel	Mitchell, Audrey	Roskos, David		
Cuevas. Lou	Machac, Matthew	Moreno, Jr., Perfecto	Stuckly, Evelyn		
Disher, Benjamin	Martin, Brantley	Mynarcik, Diane	Talley, Renee		
Dudik, Ronnie	Matula, Ruby	Oelrich, Don	Taylor, Kent		

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**

"So out of the ground the Lord God formed every beast of the field and every bird of the air, and brought them to the man to see what he would call them; and whatever the man called every living creature, that was its name." (Genesis 2:19)

The creation story reminds us of two important points. First, since the start, God has put the entire world into our care. Second, stewardship has been around since the beginning of mankind, it isn't something recently invented by the Church. Just as past generations built our Church, it is now our responsibility to continue to nurture and develop these gifts for future generations.

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

COLLECTION 9/26		
Envelopes	\$ 590.00	
Loose	\$ 210.96	
Raffle	\$ 50.00	
Second Collection	\$ 161.00	
TOTAL	\$ 1011.00	

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)