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.

## Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel

Saint Michael, the Archangel, defend us in battle; be our defense against the wickedness and snares of the devil. May God rebuke him, we humbly pray; and do thou, O Prince of the heavenly host, by the power of God, thrust into hell Satan and the other evil spirits who prowl about the world seeking the ruin of souls. Amen.

**LOCAL EVENTS** 

# NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



219 W. Magnolia St. Penelope, TX 76676

REV. BRIJIL LAWRENCE, PASTOR



Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph December 26, 2021



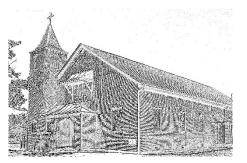
254-582-3092 (Abbott office) or 254-533-2325 (Penelope office)

254-246-9997 (Fr. Lawrence)

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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

# Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph **December 26, 2021**

## **Weekly Schedule:**

Date	Day	Tim9e	Mass Intention	Parish Event
12/24	Friday	8:00 pm		Pageant & Singing Begins at 7:30pm
12/26	Sunday	10:00 am	+Pete Talley	
12/30	Thursday	7:00 pm	+Jeanne Nicholson	
12/31	Friday	7:00 am	+Mary Chase	
1/1	Saturday	9:00 am		Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary
1/2	Sunday	10:00 am	+Martha Sinkule	

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

A special thanks to all who helped prepare for the Christmas Mass as well as participated in the pageant and Mass. Thank you to those who decorated a window: Claudine Kucera, Debi Lednicky, Karen Osborne, and Marcella Sinkule.

Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, The Mother of God – Mass will be celebrated on Saturday, January 1, 2022 at 9:00am.

The end of the year is here please remember to select your sanctuary and Mass intentions for the New Year. Please contact Janice Chase at Home: (254) 826-3977 Cell: (254) 723-7943 or intentions may be placed in the collection basket. Suggested donation is \$5.00 per intention.

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

Next Week's Attendants			
1/1 SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS
Cross: Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
			Volunteer
1/2 SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS
Cross: Addi Crawford	Jean Disher	Debi Lednicky	David Lednicky
			Debi 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	Dudik, Ronnie	Matula, Ruby	Owens, Darrell & Theresa				
Baily, Samuel	Dvorak, Mary Ann	Matus, Brian	Peoples, Jessica				
Barton, Evelyn	Fabian, Mary Ann	Mikuda, George	Perras, Jean				
Bledsoe, Dean	Fleming, Bert & Barbara	Miller, Janet	Roessler, John & Alma				
Carlie, Carolyn	Fulton, Eugene	Miller, Jim	Roskos, David				
Cassano, Vince	Hanzlicek, Pam	Mills, Adira	Short, Meredith				
Castleberry, Gladys	Kral, Donna	Moreno, Jr., Perfecto	Talley, Renee				
Crawley, Danelle	Lopez, Angel	Mynarcik, Diane	Taylor, Kent				
Cuevas. Lou	Machac, Matthew	Oelrich, Don					
Disher, Benjamin	Martin, Brantley	Ohnhieser, Bernice					

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.

## Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

#### Solemnity of Mary Mother of God (1/1/22)

Nativity BVM – Mass 9:00 am IHOM – Mass 5:00 pm

## A special thanks to all who purchased poinsettias in honor and memory of their loved ones!

Rodger & Janice Chase - In Memory of George & Frances Chase, Robert & Judy Kucera Darlene Herring, Charlotte Hromadka & Elton Stuckly - In Memory of Evelyn & Shorty Stuckly, Mary & Charlie Mikuda, Mary & Ed Stuckly and **Eddy Herring** 

Lottie Knapek - In Memory of Ben Knapek & Eugene Knapek, Jim & Albina Grones Joe & Mary Knapek, Jerry Grones

David & Susan Kucera - In Memory of Patrick Kucera, Wilson & Lillian Kucera, Robert & Judy Kucera, Michael, Bernie & Stephen Kucera, Ronnie Matua, Colby Hutyra and **Bernice Sawyer** 

Johnny & Claudine Kucera - In Memory or Michael Kucera, Raymond & Henrietta Beseda, Wilson & Lillian Kucera and Bernie Kucera

Toby & LuAnn Matula - In Memory of Henry & Georgia Macik, Toby & Dorothy Matula Marcella Sinkule - In Memory of Jimmy Sinkule, Jim & Martha Sinkule, Jim & Clara Nors Steve & Rita Wright - In Memory of Svacina, Wright Families

Collection 12/19				
Envelopes		410.00		
Loose	\$	336.00		
Masses	\$	20.00		
TOTAL	\$	766.00		

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

SANCTUARY LIGHT & MASS INTENTIONS: Contact Janice Chase 254-826-

(Suggested donation \$5.00 per intention. Intentions may be placed in the collection basket)