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.

Annual Diocesan Appeal

Support Catholic Schools in our Diocese through the Annual Diocesan Appeal 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 us reach 100 percent participation by giving online at bit.ly/ADADonate (case sensitive). Last year the Annual Diocesan Appeal provided \$247,000 in operational grants for Catholic school needs such as textbooks, technology upgrades and teaching training. Thanks to you

LOCAL EVENTS

Sunday (February 27, 2022) Save the Date Fried Chicken Dinner – Nativity BVM Parish Hall, Penelope TX Serving beginning at 10:30am until sold out. All plates \$12.00. Meal consisting of fried chicken, sausage, sauerkraut, parsley potatoes, slaw & dessert.

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REV. BRIJIL LAWRENCE, PASTOR



Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 30, 2022



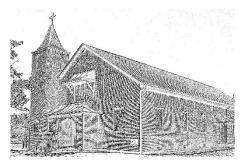
CONTACT US

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
ſ	1/30	Sunday	10:00 am	+Henrietta Beseda	
	2/60	Sunday	10:00 am	+Ben Knapek	

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

PLEASE NOTE:

There will no weekday Masses this week.

SAVE THE DATE:

The annual fried chicken dinner will be held on Sunday, February 27 with serving to begin at 10:30am. Stay tuned for further announcements as the event draws closer. Parishioners will be asked to bring a dessert.

Next Week's Attendants				
SERVERS	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS	GREETERS	
Cross: Lillie Dudik	Treston Esparza	David Lednicky	Deven Lednicy	
Adrianna Kucera			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	Martin, Brantley	Oelrich, Don			
Baily, Samuel	Dvorak, Mary Ann	Matus, Brian	Ohnhieser, Bernice			
Barton, Evelyn	Fabian, Mary Ann	Mikuda, George	Peoples, Jessica			
Carlie, Carolyn	Fleming, Bert & Barbara	Miller, Janet	Perras, Jean			
Cassano, Vince	Fulton, Eugene	Miller, Jim	Roessler, John & Alma			
Castleberry, Gladys	Hanzlicek, Pam	Mills, Adira	Roskos, David			
Crawley, Danelle	Kral, Donna	Moreno, Jr., Perfecto	Short, Meredith			
Cuevas. Lou	Lopez, Angel	Mynarcik, Diane	Talley, Renee			
Disher, Benjamin	Machac, Matthew		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.

"Love is patient, love is kind. It is not jealous, it is not pompous..." (1 Corinthians 13:4)

Do you get jealous? Do you focus more on the things that other people have than on the gifts that God has given to you? Are you pompous? Do you acquire more possessions to impress others? At times we are all guilty of these things. Pray for more humility. Humility helps us become less "self-centered" and become more "God-centered" for the sake of others.

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. **PLEASE NOTE:** Mass intentions are for **one person only** and the 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.

COLLECTION 1/23			
Envelopes	\$	595.00	
Loose	\$	368.00	
TOTAL	\$	963.00	

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)