

THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CYCLONE-MARAK
St. Joseph, Cyclone & Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Marak.

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The Sacraments

Baptism: Saturday after Mass. Please contact the pastor for scheduling a meeting with him; a preparation program may be needed. Parents must be registered parishioners of St Joseph, Cyclone or Sts Cyril & Methodius, Marak.

Confessions: SATURDAYS 4:00-5:00 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT.

Marriage: Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor at least six months in advance before you set the date of wedding. Completion of required paperwork and a preparation program needed.

APRIL 7, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER

“Receive the joy of your glory, giving thanks to God, who has called you into the heavenly kingdom, alleluia.”

Three times in today’s Psalm we cry out a victory shout: “His mercy endures forever.” Truly we’ve known the everlasting love of God, who has come to us as our Savior. By the blood and water that flowed from Jesus’ pierced side (see [John 19:34](#)), we’ve been made God’s children, as we hear in today’s Epistle. Yet we never met Jesus, never heard Him teach, never saw Him raised from the dead. His saving Word came to us in the Church—through the ministry of the apostles, who in today’s Gospel are sent as He was sent.

He was made a life-giving Spirit (see [1 Corinthians 15:45](#)) and He filled His apostles with that Spirit. As we hear in today’s First Reading, they bore witness to His resurrection with great power. And through their witness, handed down in the Church through the centuries, their teaching and traditions have reached us (see [Acts 2:42](#)). We encounter Him as the apostles did—in the breaking of the bread on the Lord’s day (see [Acts 20:7](#); [1 Corinthians 16:2](#); [Revelation 1:10](#)). There is something liturgical about the way today’s Gospel scenes unfold. It’s as if John is trying to show us how the risen Lord comes to us in the liturgy and sacraments.

In both scenes it is Sunday night. The doors are bolted tight, yet Jesus mysteriously comes. He greets them with an expression, “Peace be with you,” used elsewhere by divine messengers (see [Daniel 10:19](#); [Judges 6:23](#)). He shows them signs of His real bodily presence. And on both nights the disciples respond by joyfully receiving Jesus as their “Lord.” Isn’t this what happens in the Mass—where our Lord speaks to us in His Word, and gives himself to us in the sacrament of His body and blood? Let us approach the altar with joy, knowing that every Eucharist is the day the Lord has made—when the victory of Easter is again made wonderful in our eyes.



Bulletin Information: Marak: Irene Kaulfus (254-248-2069) – Cyclone: Nancy Posvar (254 913 2696)

Bulletin Deadline: Please call or send by email all info for the bulletin by Wednesday before the weekend!

MINISTRIES

Saturday, April 13

Communion: Sue Havelka
Lector: Lambert Havelka
Altar Servers: LaCoure Family
Ushers: Volunteers

Sunday, April 14

Communion: Christina Brenek
Lector: Michael Jahns
Altar Servers J Hoelscher—D Jahns—K Anderson—
A Ledford
Ushers: Andrew Brenek & Steve Pechal

UPCOMING MASSES

4/7 Sunday 8:15 am: + Dolores Motl by Ted Motl
+ Denise Posvar by Family

4/9 Tuesday 7:00 am: + Rubin & Leona Gottschalk by Clyde Gottschalk
+ Raymond Dorskocil by Janet & David Kasner

4/11 Thursday 7:00 am: + Alice Stojanik by Shirley Dach
+ Don Greener by Monica Mikeska

4/12 Friday 7:00 am: + Georgia Stermer by Dewayne & Nancy Mesecke
+ Frank Lynn Jez by Pamela Balyeu

4/13 Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm: + Gilbert & Pauline Wilde by Daniel & Linda Wilde
+ Good Health for All by Charlie & Jackie Green

4/14 Sunday 8:15 am: + Barbara Macek by Francis Reese
+ Wilbert Mikeska by Brian & Joan Vanicek

MARAK MASSES

4/7 Easter Sunday 10:15 am
4/10 Wednesday 5:30 pm
4/14 Sunday 10:15 am

In your charity, please pray for: Homebound: Leora Hering.

Good health: A. J. Stermer, Bill Stock, Dorothy Haisler, Evelyn Richter, Deacon Bill Smetana, Buddy Roessler, Al & Lou Buckholt, Mary Jane Underwood, Lindsey Pierce, Monica Mikeska.

Stewardship—March 31—\$3074 Good Friday—\$617

Sanctuary Light—April 7—13—In memory of Denise Posvar by Family.

The Family of BARBARA MACEK was honored and blessed to have Fr. Ranjan officiate at her funeral mass. Thank you, Fr. Ranjan. Thank you to the Altar Society and to ALL who helped with the wonderful meal.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 7 & 21—Bible Study following mass—Bring a breakfast dish if you would like—Everyone welcome.

April 8—TOTAL CONSECRATION ROSARY & MASS—St. Mary Cathedral—Austin 6:00 pm—St. Helen Church—Georgetown 5:15 pm—St. Peter Catholic Student Center—Waco 5:30 pm.

April 14—St. Mary's Church—Temple—Parish Festival—BBQ plates, hotdog and hamburger baskets, music—11:00 am—8:00 pm.

April 15 (Monday)—Pet Vaccination—Parish Hall—5:00—7:00 pm—Youth will be selling hamburgers.

April 16—KC Meeting—7:00 pm.

May 4—Cyclone—Marak KC's Fundraiser—Flag Hall—Tickets \$125—6:00 pm—Tickets can be purchased from Charles Green at Green's Sausage House.

EIM Compliance & Workshop Information—The EIM (Ethics and Integrity in Ministry) Office has completed the conversion to VIRTUS. Active EIM accounts were transferred to VIRTUS Online and an email with login information and instructions was sent in January. New to the EIM process? Or have more questions? Visit austindiocese.org/eim-instructions to learn how to create an account, sign up for a workshop (new applicants only) or update compliance. Contact us at eim@austindiocese.org for further assistance or if you did not receive the welcome email from VIRTUS. St. Joseph Catholic Church is hosting an EIM Workshop on June 9 at 9:45am in the Parish Hall after Mass. Breakfast will be served. You must have an EIM account (complete and submit the EIM Application at VIRTUS.org) and pre-register to attend this workshop. Contact Shirley Hoelscher, EIM Site Administrator, for assistance if needed... 254-541-7950 or svwallace@hotmail.com *NOTES: 1) Plan to arrive promptly as late arrivals will not be admitted and 2) Do not bring children to the workshop. If you are a victim of sexual abuse and have concerns regarding your attendance at a workshop, contact Abby Turner at (512) 949-2447 to discuss an alternative workshop arrangement.

SCHOLARSHIPS

KC 10186 is offering 4-\$500 scholarships to graduating seniors. Please contact Michael Brenek or Ricky Brenek for application. Deadline is April 16.

St. Mary's Altar Society is offering 2-\$1000 scholarships. Application forms in church entry. Deadline April 30.

Burlington—Cameron branch of Catholic Life Insurance is sponsoring a \$300 scholarship to graduating high school seniors. Please contact Charles Schneider or your CCD teacher for application.

KC 4th Degree 2024 Patriotism Scholarship for graduating seniors of St. Luke, Church of the Visitation, St. Joseph, and Sts. Cyril & Methodius Parishes—Due April 30—See bulletin board for more details.

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS:

- Next Meeting—DATE CHANGE—APRIL 11—6:00 PM—PARISH HALL—LIGHT MEAL WILL BE SERVED.