

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.

JULY 21, 2024 SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart.” Psalm 54:6,8

As the Twelve return from their first missionary journey in today’s Gospel, our readings continue to reflect on the authority and mission of the Church. Jeremiah says in the First Reading that Israel’s leaders, through godlessness and fanciful teachings, had misled and scattered God’s people. He promises God will send a shepherd, a king and son of David, to gather the lost sheep and appoint for them new shepherds (see [Ezekiel 34:23](#)).

The crowd gathering on the green grass (see [Mark 6:39](#)) in today’s Gospel is the start of the remnant that Jeremiah promised would be brought back to the meadow of Israel. The people seem to sense that Jesus is the Lord, the good shepherd (see [John 10:11](#)), the king they’ve been waiting for (see [Hosea 3:1–5](#)). Jesus is moved to pity, seeing them as sheep without a shepherd. This phrase was used by Moses to describe Israel’s need for a shepherd to succeed him (see [Numbers 27:17](#)). And as Moses appointed Joshua, Jesus appointed the Twelve to continue shepherding His people on earth. Jesus had said there were other sheep who did not belong to Israel’s fold but would hear His voice and be joined to the one flock of the one shepherd (see [John 10:16](#)).

In God’s plan, the Church is to seek out first the lost sheep of the house of Israel and then to bring all nations into the fold (see [Acts 13:36](#); [Romans 1:16](#)). Paul, too, in today’s Epistle, sees the Church as a new creation, in which those nations who were once far off from God are joined as “one new person” with the children of Israel. As we sing in today’s Psalm, through the Church, the Lord, our good shepherd, still leads people to the verdant pastures of the kingdom, to the restful waters of baptism; He still anoints with the oil of confirmation, and spreads the Eucharistic table before all people, filling their cups to overflowing.



Bulletin Information: Cyclone: Nancy Posvar (254 913-2696) Marak: Anna Givens (512-809-9889)

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

MINISTRIES

Saturday, July 27

Communion: Pauline Marek
Lector: Letha Novosad
Altar Servers: Novosad Family
Ushers: Volunteers

Sunday, July 28

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

UPCOMING MASSES

7/21 Sunday 8:15 am: + Linda Hering by Roy & Debbie Buckholt
+ Jerome Schoppe by Monica Mikeska
7/23 Tuesday 7:00 am: COMMUNION SERVICE
7/25 Thursday 7:00 am: COMMUNION SERVICE
7/27 Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm: + Alice Stojanik by Shirley Dach
+ Marvin Wilde by Monica Mikeska
7/28 Sunday 8:15 am: + Nancy Hubnik by Mary Ann & Billy Seaton
+ Darwin Bruggman by Ricky & Brita McNeill

MARAK MASSES

7/21 Sunday 10:15 am
7/28 Sunday 10:15 am

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

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

Stewardship—July 14 —\$2060 Building Fund—\$50 Ben & Mary Duskocil Family Foundation—\$15,000

Sanctuary Light—July 21—27—In Memory of Jerome Schoppe by Family.

WE ARE IN NEED OF PICNIC RAFFLE DONATIONS. PLEASE LET STEVE OR PATRICIA PECHAL KNOW WHAT YOU WOULD LIKE TO DONATE BY AUGUST 5 OR LEAVE A MESSAGE AT 254-217-6622. THANK YOU.

REP registration will be available beginning the weekend of August 3 and 4.

We are looking for a few new faces to add to our REP teaching staff. A couple of our age groups need some help! Please pray about this and if it is something that the Lord is leading you to...please contact Shirley Hoelscher—DRE at 254-541-7950. Thank you!

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 28—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 austindioocese.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@austindioocese.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 July 28 at 9:30am—Noon 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.

NOTE: This coming week is the last week before class. If anyone still needs help signing up, please call Shirley Hoelscher.
