

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.

JUNE 30, 2024 THIRTEENH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“Bless the Lord, O my soul, and all within me, his holy name.” Psalm 103:1

God, who formed us in His imperishable image, did not intend for us to die, we hear in today’s First Reading. Death entered the world through the devil’s envy and Adam and Eve’s sin; as a result, we are all bound to die. But in the moving story in today’s Gospel, we see Jesus liberate a little girl from the possession of death.

On one level, Mark is recounting an event that led the disciples to understand Jesus’ authority and power over even the final enemy, death (see [1 Corinthians 15:26](#)). On another level, however, this episode is written to strengthen our hope that we too will be raised from the dead, along with all our loved ones who sleep in Christ (see [1 Corinthians 15:18](#)). Jesus commands the girl to “Arise!”—using the same Greek word used to describe His own resurrection (see [Mark 16:6](#)). And the consoling message of today’s Gospel is that Jesus is the resurrection and the life. If we believe in Him, even though we die, we will live (see [John 15:25–26](#)).

We are called to have the same faith as the parents in the Gospel today—praying for our loved ones, trusting in Jesus’ promise that even death cannot keep us apart. Notice the parents follow Him even though those in their own house tell them there is no hope, and even though others ridicule Jesus’ claim that the dead have only fallen asleep (see [1 Thessalonians 4:13–18](#)). Already in Baptism, we’ve been raised to new life in Christ. And the Eucharist, like the food given to the little girl today, is the pledge that He will raise us on the last day.

We should rejoice, as we sing in today’s Psalm, that He has brought us up from the netherworld, the pit of death. And, as Paul exhorts in today’s Epistle, we should offer our lives in thanksgiving for this gracious act, imitating Christ in our love and generosity for others.



Bulletin Information: Cyclone: Nancy Posvar (254 913 696) 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 6

Communion: Pat Armstrong
Lector: Kristen Parker
Altar Servers: J Marek—L & S Jahns
Ushers: Volunteers

Sunday, July 7

Communion: Cathy Bruggman
Lector: Patty Glasgow
Altar Servers: D & R Jahns—C & A Glasgow
Ushers: David Kasner & Kyle Kacir

UPCOMING MASSES

6/30 Sunday 8:15 am: + Barbara Macek by David & Janet Kasner
+ Lucille Stock by Smetana Family

7/2 Tuesday 7:00 am: COMMUNION SERVICE

7/4 Thursday 7:00 am: COMMUNION SERVICE

7/6 Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm: + Janis Fry by Monica Mikeska
+ Don Mikeska by Charlie & Jackie Green

7/7 Sunday 8:15 am: + Randolph & Evelyn Green by Family
+ Kenneth Halfmann by Roy & Debbie Buckholt

MARAK MASSES

6/30 Sunday 10:15 am

7/7 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—June 23 —\$1580

Sanctuary Light—June 29—July 6—In memory of Janis Fry by Monica Mikeska.

PICNIC RAFFLE DONATION ITEMS ARE BEING ACCEPTED BY STEVE & PATRICIA PECHAL OR LEAVE A MESSAGE AT 254-217-6622.

NEW MINISTRY LISTS ARE IN THE CHURCH ENTRY.

UPCOMING EVENTS

June 30—Cyclone-Marak Altar Server Appreciation Party—Spacetime—Temple—1:00—3:00 pm—Please RSVP to Brian Kopriva at brian.kopriva@gmail.com before Wednesday June 26.

July 14—Cyclone-Marak Summer Party for all parishioners hosted by KC's—Under the Father Walter Pavilion at Marak—4:00—8:00 pm—Serving hotdogs, chips, and drinks—Meal at 6:00 pm—There will be water slides for kids and tables & chairs set up under pavilion. Come when you can and enjoy visiting with all our church family.
