

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 24, 2022 SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house.” Psalm 68: 6

Though we be “but dust and ashes,” we can presume to draw near and speak boldly to our Lord, as Abraham dares to do in this week’s First Reading. But even Abraham—the friend of God (see [Isaiah 41:8](#)), our father in the faith (see [Romans 4:12](#))—did not know the intimacy that we know as children of Abraham, heirs of the blessings promised to his descendants (see [Galatians 3:7, 29](#)).

The mystery of prayer, as Jesus reveals to His disciples in this week’s Gospel, is the living relationship of beloved sons and daughters with their heavenly Father. Our prayer is pure gift, made possible by the “good gift” of the Father—the Holy Spirit of His Son. It is the fruit of the New Covenant by which we are made children of God in Christ Jesus (see [Galatians 4:6-7](#); [Romans 8:15-16](#)). Through the Spirit given to us in Baptism, we can cry to Him as our Father—knowing that when we call He will answer.

Jesus teaches His disciples to persist in their prayer, as Abraham persisted in begging God’s mercy for the innocent of Sodom and Gomorrah. For the sake of the one just Man, Jesus, God spared the city of man from destruction (see [Jeremiah 5:1](#); [Isaiah 53](#)), “obliterating the bond against us,” as Paul says in this week’s Epistle. On the Cross, Jesus bore the guilt of us all. He canceled the debt we owed to God, the death we deserved to die for our transgressions. We pray as ones who have been visited in our affliction and saved from our enemies, as ones who have been spared. We pray always a prayer of thanksgiving, which is the literal meaning of “Eucharist.” We have realized the promise of this week’s Psalm: we worship in His holy temple, in the presence of angels, hallowing His name. In confidence we ask, knowing that we will receive, that He will bring to completion what He has done for us—raising us from the dead, bringing us to everlasting life along with Him.

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Bulletin Information: Marak: Patsy Gaines (254 482 0570) – 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, July 30

Communion: Katherine Pechal
Lector : Kenneth Pechal
Altar Servers: Marek Family
Ushers: Volunteers

Sunday, July 31

Communion: Lacy Jahns
Lector: Cheyenne Jahns
Altar Servers: K. Hejl—K. Anderson—A. Ledford
Ushers: Andrew Brenek & Moody Glasgow

MASSES THIS WEEK: CYCLONE

7/24 Sunday 8:15 am: + Gennie Bartek by Danny & Jane Bruggman
+ Marvin Wilde by Monica Mikeska
7/26 Tues. 7:00 am: + Mary Marburger by Bill & Carol Smetana
+ Linda Hering by Ken & Jeanette Driska
7/28 Thurs. 7:00 am + Edward Zavodny by Monica Mikeska
+ Royella Roessler by Maxie Roessler
7/29 Friday 7:00 am: + Barbara Eixman by Joan Moeller
+ Scot Eixman by Joan Moeller
7/30 Sat. Vigil 5:30 pm: + Frank Lynn Jez by Mary Ann Mangold
+ Gilbert & Pauline Wilde by Daniel & Linda Wilde
7/31 Sunday 8:15 am: + Wilbert Mikeska by Mike & Nella Spurlin
+ Darwin Bruggman by Bill & Lucille Stock

MASSES THIS WEEK: MARAK

7/24 Sunday 10:15 am: +Albert Michalka by Evelyn Marek +Marilyn Kemp by Rebecca Barton
In Honor of Sts. Joachim & Anne—Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary (St. Anne Day 7/26) Patroness of Christian Mothers by St. Anne's Altar Society
7/27 Wednesday 5:30 pm: +Eugene Marak by Alfred & Bernice Vrazel +Ida Hertenberger by Pat Thompson +Martha Tomek by Ernie & Colleen Provasek
7/31 Sunday 10:15 am: +Jerry Sipula Jr. by Lester & Glenda Hayes +Martha Tomek by Ronald & Irene Kaulfus +Eugene Marak by Richard & Janice Johnson

In your charity, please pray for: Homebound: Leora Hering, Alice Stojanik, Jerome Schoppe.
Good health: A. J. Stermer, Bill Stock, Lawrence Stermer, Viola Duskocil, Dorothy Haisler, Evelyn Richter, Deacon Bill Smetana, Buddy Roessler, Nick Schneider.

Sanctuary Light—July 17—30—In memory of Marvin Wilde by Monica Mikeska.

Stewardship—July 17—\$2390 Thank you for your generosity.

NEW MINISTRY LISTS are in the church entrance and on the church website stjyclone.org

PICNIC NEWS: We are in need of picnic raffle donations. Please let Steve or Patricia Pechal know what you would like to donate by August 1 or leave a message at 254-217-6622. Thank you. Steve & Patricia Pechal

UPCOMING EVENTS

July 24, August 7—Jesus: The Way, The Truth, and The Life class following mass. Bring a breakfast “pot luck” dish to share with the class.

August 7—The KC's will be sponsoring a Summer Fun Day at Sts. Cyril and Methodius Church, Marak. There will be water slides, hog dogs, soft drinks, and water. Bring your own chairs and BYOB. Time 4:00—8:00 pm.

KC Council 10186 has donated and installed Automated External Defibrillators at St. Joseph's & Sts. Cyril & Methodius. St. Joseph's is located at the base of the stairs to the balcony. We encourage all parishioners to watch this training video and learn to recognize the symptoms of sudden cardiac arrest.



ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS:

- Next Altar Society meeting is August 14 following mass. There are no meetings in June and July. Contact Pat Balz for any questions or immediate needs. Thank you.
- Clerical Endowment Fund Cards are available through the Altar Society. CEF sales help fund education for seminarians and make good gifts for special occasions. Recipients receive spiritual benefits of masses offered monthly and prayers from seminarians. If you would like to buy cards, contact Carla Kacir.