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 14, 2024 THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

"The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia." Luke 24:35

Jesus in today's Gospel teaches His apostles how to interpret the Scriptures. He tells them that all the Scriptures of what we now call the Old Testament refer to Him. He says that all the promises found in the Old Testament have been fulfilled in His Passion, death, and Resurrection. And He tells them that these Scriptures foretell the mission of the Church—to preach forgiveness of sins to all the nations, beginning at Jerusalem.

In today's First Reading and Epistle, we see the beginnings of that mission. And we see the apostles interpreting the Scriptures as Jesus taught them to. God has brought to fulfillment what He announced beforehand in all the prophets, Peter preaches. His sermon is shot through with Old Testament images. He evokes Moses and the Exodus, in which God revealed himself as the ancestral God of Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob (see <u>Exodus 3:6, 15</u>). He identifies Jesus as Isaiah's suffering servant who has been glorified (see <u>Isaiah</u> <u>52:13</u>).

John, too, describes Jesus in Old Testament terms. Alluding to how Israel's priests offered blood sacrifices to atone for the people's sins (see Leviticus 16; Hebrews 9–10), he says that Jesus intercedes for us before God

(see <u>Romans 8:34</u>), and that His blood is a sacrificial explation for the sins of the world (see <u>1 John 1:7</u>). Notice that in all three readings, the Scriptures are interpreted to serve and advance the Church's mission—to reveal the truth about Jesus, to bring people to repentance, the wiping away of sins, and the perfection of their love for God. This is how we, too, should hear the Scriptures. Not to know more "about" Jesus, but to truly know Him personally, and to know His plan for our lives. In the Scriptures, the light of His face shines upon us, as we sing in today's Psalm. We know the wonders He has done throughout history. And we have the confidence to call to Him, and to know that He hears and answers.



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!

Saturday, April 20

Communion: Jackie Green Lector: Letha Novosad Altar Servers: Novosad Family Ushers: Volunteers

Sunday, April 21Communion:Sherry KoselLector:REPAltar Servers:K Hejl—E Glasgow—I & A StumbaughUshers:REP

UPCOMIING MASSES			
4/14	Sunday 8:15 am:	+ Barbara Macek by Francis Reese	MARAK MASSES
		+ Wilbert Mikeska by Brian & Joan Vanicek	4/14 Sunday 10:15 am
4/16	Tuesday 7:00 am:	+ Josie Kleypas by David & Janet Kasner	.,
		+ Jerome Schoppe by Mark & Monica Guenat	4/17 Wednesday 5:30 pm
4/18	Thursday 7:00 am:	+ Viola Doskocil by Ernest & Irene Smith + Georgia Stermer by Charlie & Jackie Green	4/21 Sunday 10:15 am
4/19	Friday 7:00 am:	+ Bernadine Goonan by Brita & Ricky McNeill + Harold Schneider by David & Lenice Krenek	
4/20	Saturday Vigil 5:30 pm:	+ John Macha by David & Janet Kasner + Don Mikeska by Bill & Carol Smetana	
4/21	Sunday 8:15 am:	+ Linda Hering by Carolyn Buxkemper Dutton + Darwin Bruggman by Bartek Family	

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—April 7—\$2753 Good Friday Holy Land—\$10 Building Fund—\$941

Sanctuary Light—April 14—20—In memory of Jerome Schoppe by Family.

UPCOMING EVENTS

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.

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

April 28—Barclay Community Center Fundraiser 11:00 AM —TBA—BBQ beef with all the trimmings—Dine in or take out—Silent auction.

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

<u>KC 10186</u> 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.

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

<u>KC 4th Degree</u> 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:

College Care Package donations due April 21. Monetary or snack foods. 7 college students. Give monetary donations to Carla Kacir. Leave snack foods in cry room.