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

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Masses: Cyclone: Sat. 5:30PM & Sun. 8:15AM; Weekdays: Tue, Thurs & Friday: 7AM

Marak: Sundays: 10:15AM and Wednesday 5:30PM(unless otherwise stated)

The Sacraments:

Baptism: On Sundays 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: Before Mass on the weekend and anytime by appointment.

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

JULY 12, 2020—FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME "But when the grain is ripe, at once he puts in the sickle, because the harvest has come "

Today's readings, like last week's, ask us to meditate on Israel's response to God's Word—and our own. Why do some hear the word of the kingdom, yet fail to accept it as a call to conversion and faith in Jesus? That question underlies today's Gospel, especially.

Again we see, as we did last week, that the kingdom's mysteries are unfolded to those who open their hearts, making of them a rich soil in which the Word can grow and bear fruit.

As we sing in today's Psalm, in Jesus, God's Word has visited our land, to water the stony earth of our hearts with the living waters of the Spirit (see John 7:38; Revelation 22:1). The first fruit of the Word is the Spirit of love and adoption poured into our hearts in Baptism, making us children of God, as Paul reminds us in today's Epistle (see Romans 5:5; 8:15–16). In this, we are made a "new creation" (see <u>2 Corinthians 5:17</u>), the first fruits of a new heaven and a new earth (see <u>2 Peter 3:13</u>) Since the first humans rejected God's Word, creation has been enslaved to futility (see <u>Genesis 3:17–19</u>; 5:29). But God's Word does not go forth only to return to Him void, as we hear in today's First Reading. His Word awaits our response. We must show ourselves to be children of that Word. We must allow that Word to accomplish God's will in our lives. As Jesus warns today, we must take care lest the devil steal it away or lest it be choked by worldly concerns.

In the Eucharist, the Word gives Himself to us as bread to eat. He does so that we might be made fertile, yielding fruits of holiness. And we await the crowning of the year, the great harvest of the Lord's Day (see <u>Mark 4:29; 2 Peter</u> <u>3:10; Revelation 1:10</u>)—when His Word will have achieved the end for which it was sent.

7/5: Stewardship: Regular Offering: \$1,095.00 7/5: Building Fund Offering: \$155.00 Thank you for Your Generosity!

Bulletin Information: <u>MARAK</u>: Patsy Gaines (254-482-0570) - Email—pagaines2002@yahoo.com <u>CYCLONE:</u> Nancy Posvar (254-913-2696)

Bulletin deadline : Please call or e-mail info for the bulletin by Wednesday before the weekend!

<u>Rosary:</u> Volunteers <u>Offertory:</u> KJZT JRS. Ushers: KJZT JRS. <u>Ministries for July 19</u> <u>Eucharistic Minister</u>: Cynthia Prcin <u>Lector: KJZT JRS.</u>



Altar Servers: Camryn Green, Colby Green, Garrison Prcin Sanctuary Light: July 13th-19th: Bob Michna by Glenn & Kelly Laurence

Prayer Chain...Please remember in your daily prayers the faithfully departed, those souls in purgatory, those of our community that are in special need of prayer, those who are homebound or in nursing homes, all those in the military and to all those who have been affected by the Covid-19 Virus and for the following: Monsignor Victor Goertz. Prayers are powerful! To be added to the prayer chain, please contact: Merlene Slavik—254-697-1247 or email—Slavik@farm-market.net

	MARAK	MASSES—July 12-19, 2020
Date	Time	Intentions
Today– 7/12	10:15am	+ Deceased Family of Phillip & Frances Hubnik by Cecilia Marak + Mary Ann Plachy by Richard & Betty Brenek
7/15 —Wednesday	5:30pm	+ John David Thompson by Leroy & Kathy Vansa
7/19—Sunday	10:15am	+ Albert Michalka by Knights of Columbus #10186 + Daniel Hromcik by Margie & Jerry Wade
	CYCLONE	MASSES— July 12-19, 2020
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Today – 7/12	8:15am	+ William Schneider by Janet & David Kasner
7/14—Tuesday	7:00am	+ Michelle Crews by Francis Reese
7/16—Thursday	7:00am	+ Shirley Skala by Bill & Carol Smetana
7/17—Friday	7:00am	+ Rosa Pechal by Charlie & Jackie Green
7/18—Saturday Vigil	5:30pm	+ Albina Vrazel by Denis Kubiak
7/19—Sunday	8:15am	+ Randolph Green by Family

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

- <u>ALTAR SOCIETY NAME BADGES:</u> If you would like to order a name badge, please contact Kay Moraw—254-482-1345. The name badges are \$12.00.
- <u>KJZT JRS.</u> will be selling raffle tickets after mass for the Jr. program. Please support our KJZT Jrs.
- <u>PICNIC:</u> We decided to cancel the picnic this year so as not to endanger anyone with the ongoing COVID 19 pandemic. Our main emphasis was keeping each of you safe. We couldn't figure out how we could bunch that many workers together and keep them safe. This will have an economic impact on our parish but, it is one that we can handle. You can still make donations just as you would if we were having the picnic, whether it's the money you would have spent on cakes; or funds that you donated for meat; or the raffle; or even beer tickets! Just mail them in to the church office or leave it in the church basket and specify it is for the picnic.

We want everyone to stay safe and healthy so we can get back to doing normal activities as soon as we can. God Bless each and every one of you.

