

## 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.

### **AUGUST 2, 2020—EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** **“Miracle of the Loaves and Fishes”**

In Jesus and the Church, Isaiah's promises in today's First Reading are fulfilled. All who are thirsty come to the living waters of Baptism (see [John 4:14](#)). The hungry delight in rich fare—given bread to eat and wine to drink at the Eucharistic table. This is the point, too, of today's Gospel. The story of Jesus' feeding of the 5,000 brims with allusions to the Old Testament. Jesus is portrayed as a David-like shepherd who leads His flock to lie down on green grass as He spreads the table of the Messiah's banquet before them (see Psalm 23).

Jesus is shown as a new Moses, who likewise feeds vast crowds in a deserted place. Finally, Jesus is shown doing what the prophet Elisha did—satisfying the hunger of the crowd with a few loaves and having some left over (see [2 Kings 4:42–44](#)).

Matthew also wants us to see the feeding of the 5,000 as a sign of the Eucharist. Notice that Jesus performs the same actions in the same sequence as at the Last Supper—He takes bread, says a blessing, breaks it, and gives it (see [Matthew 26:26](#)).

Jesus instructed His Apostles to celebrate the Eucharist in memory of Him. And the ministry of the Twelve is subtly stressed in today's account. Before He performs the miracle, Jesus instructs the Twelve to give the crowd “some food yourselves.” Indeed, the Apostles themselves distribute the bread blessed by Jesus (see [Matthew 15:36](#)). And the leftovers are enough to fill precisely 12 baskets—corresponding to each of the Apostles, the pillars of the Church (see [Galatians 2:9](#); [Revelation 21:14](#)).

In the Church, as we sing in today's Psalm, God gives us food in due season, opens His hands and satisfies the desires of every living thing. Now, as Paul reminds us in today's Epistle, nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.



**7/26: Stewardship: Regular Offering: \$1,355.00**

**7/26: Building Fund Offering: \$30.00**

**7/26: Children's Offering: \$5.00 7/26 Picnic Donations: \$1,100.00 Thank you for Your Generosity!**

**Bulletin Information: MARAK:** Patsy Gaines (254-482-0570) - Email—pagaines2002@yahoo.com

**CYCLONE:** Nancy Posvar (254-913-2696)

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

### Ministries for August 9

**Rosary:** Raymond Tomek

**Offertory:** Todd Daskocil Family

**Ushers:** Chester Hays & Edward Moraw

**Eucharistic Minister:** Kayla Laurence

**Lector:** Merlene Slavik

**Altar Servers:** Camryn Green, Colby Green, Garrison Prcin

**Sanctuary Light:** Aug. 3rd—Aug. 9th: Henry J. & Lillian Litzman by Lynne Hornung



**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](mailto:Slavik@farm-market.net)**

### **MARAK MASSES—August 2-9, 2020**

Date	Time	Intentions
Today— 8/2	10:15am	+ Julie Motyka Padgett by Julie & Tom Motyka + Cyril & Dorothy Vaculin by Alfred & Bernice Vrazel
8/5 —Wednesday	5:30pm	+ Joe Vansa by Norman & Evelyn Mushinski
8/9—Sunday	10:15am	+ Henry Litzman, Jr. by Lynne Hornung + Albert Michalka by Arvell & Liz Jungmann

### **CYCLONE MASSES— August 2-9, 2020**

Date	Time	Mass Intentions
Today – 8/2	8:15am	+ Royella Roessler by Craig Green
8/4—Tuesday	7:00am	+ Shirley Skala by Bill & Carol Smetana
8/6—Thursday	7:00am	+ Michelle Crews by Sindy Greenwood
8/7—Friday	7:00am	+ Marvin Wilde by Monica Mikeska
8/8—Saturday Vigil	5:30pm	+ Louis Driska by Ken & Jeanette Driska
8/9—Sunday	8:15am	+ Randolph Green by Joan Plumlee

### UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

- **TODAY:** Father Enrique will be here for a Mission Appeal for the Franciscan Community.
- **ALTAR SOCIETY NAME BADGES:** If you would like to order a name badge, please contact Kay Moraw — 254-482-1345. The name badges are \$12.00
- **PICNIC:** NO PICNIC due to the ongoing COVID 19 pandemic. Donations can be made as 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.*

- **AUGUST 5TH:** Parish Council meeting after Mass.