

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

September 16, 2018 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"I will walk before the Lord in the land of the living" Psalm 116

In today's Gospel, we reach a pivotal moment in our walk with the Lord. After weeks of listening to His words and witnessing His deeds, along with the disciples we're asked to decide who Jesus truly is. Peter answers for them, and for us, too, when he declares: "You are the Messiah." Many expected the Messiah to be a miracle worker who would vanquish Israel's enemies and restore the kingdom of David. Jesus today reveals a different portrait. He calls himself the Son of Man, evoking the royal figure Daniel saw in his heavenly visions. But Jesus' kingship is not to be of this world. And the path to His throne, as He reveals, is by way of suffering and death.

Jesus identifies the Messiah with the suffering servant that Isaiah foretells in today's First Reading. The words of Isaiah's servant are Jesus' words—as He gives himself to be shamed and beaten, trusting that God will be His help. We hear our Lord's voice again in today's Psalm, as He gives thanks that God has freed Him from the cords of death. As Jesus tells us today, to believe that He is the Messiah is to follow His way of self-denial—losing our lives to save them, in order to rise with Him to new life. Our faith, we hear again in today's Epistle, must express itself in works of love. Notice that Jesus questions the apostles today "along the way." They are on the way to Jerusalem, where the Lord will lay down His life. We, too, are on a journey with the Lord. We must take up our cross, giving to others and enduring all our trials for His sake and the sake of the Gospel. Our lives must be an offering of thanksgiving for the new life He has given us, until that day when we reach our destination, and walk before the Lord in the land of the living.



9/8 Stewardship: Regular Offering: \$ 422.00

9/9 Stewardship: Regular Offering: \$924.00

9/9 Building Fund Offering: \$35.00

Thank you for Your Generosity!

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

CYCLONE: Nancy Posvar (254-869-2511)

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

Ministries for Sunday, September 23

Rosary: Adolph & Dorothy Vansa

Offertory: REP

Eucharistic Minister: Johnny Winkler

Lector: REP

Ushers: David Hertenberger & Joe Mayer

Altar Servers: Pat Higgins & Kate Higgins Gracie Daskocil

Sanctuary Light : Sept. 10-16 —For the Parishioners Picnic



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 the following: John David Thompson and Ethel Marak. Prayers are powerful and with God nothing shall be impossible.

Contact Merlene Slavik—254-697-1247 or email—Slavik@farm-market.net to be put on the prayer chain.

MARAK MASSES—September 16-23, 2018

Date	Time	Intentions
Today— 9/16	10:15am	+ Delia Vansa by Louis & Mary Frances Vansa
9/19— Wednesday	5:30pm	+ Lawrence Vrazel by Robert & Debbie Vansa
9/23- Sunday	10:15am	+ Honor of Living Members of Henry Litzman, Jr. Families by Lynne Hornung

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Today — 9/16	8:15am	+ Lucy Mihatsch by Karen & Lloyd Morgan
9/18— Tuesday	7:00am	+ Larry Posvar by Joe & Betty Vrana
9/20—Thursday	7:00am	+ Lucy Mihatsch by Ouida Black & Holly Morgan
9/21—Friday	7:00am	+ Randolph Green by Evelyn Green
9/22 — Saturday Vigil	5:30pm	+ Larry Posvar by Danny & Jane Bruggman
9/23— Sunday	8:15am	+ Dolores Motl by Connie & Howard Hail

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

- **CONGRATULATIONS:** Clay Robert Junek on his baptism today. Parents—George (Buster) & Leanna Junek. May God's blessings be upon all of the family.
- **THANKS TO ALL WHO MADE OUR PICNIC A BIG SUCCESS! MAY GOD BLESS YOU!!**
- **SEPTEMBER 16: Today—**Rockdale KC Fall Fest—Doors open at 10:30am—Fried Chicken and sausage dinner \$10 per plate—Check the bulletin board at the back of the church for more information!
- **SEPTEMBER 17:** Parish social and pot luck—6pm—9pm— Marak Parish Hall
- **SEPTEMBER 18:** KC Meeting—Cyclone—7:30pm
- **SEPTEMBER 23:** St. Joseph's Cyclone Picnic—Sausage and Home Fried Chicken—\$10/plate—Games begin at 12 noon—Live music—11am-2pm Jerry Haisler—Auction at 2PM—see bulletin board in the back of the church for more information. Let's support our sister parish!
- **SYMPATHY:** Deepest sympathy to the Family of *Dorothy Vaculin*. Her love for the church and all the parishioners is beyond measure. May God bless the family during their loss. May God's Love comfort and bring peace to your heart. Heaven gained an Angel!