## 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 to schedule 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.

## SEPTEMBER 12, 2021 — TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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 (see <u>John 6:15</u>).

Jesus today reveals a different portrait. He calls Himself the Son of Man, evoking the royal figure Daniel saw in his heavenly visions (see <u>Daniel 7:13–14</u>). But Jesus' kingship is not to be of this world (see <u>John 18:36</u>). 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 (see <u>Galatians 5:6</u>). 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.



9/5: Stewardship: Sunday Offering: \$1,402.00 9/5: Building Fund: \$276.00 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 September 19, 2021

Rosary: Volunteers

Eucharistic Minister: Judy Vaculin Lector: Johnny Winkler

Offertory: Jill Stermer & Marguerite Michalka Ushers: Jeremy Mueck & Gary Talafuse

Altar Servers: Chase, Cade, Cutter

Sanctuary Light: Sept. 13th-19th: Chubby Dohnalik by James & Jeannine Dohnalik

**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 also that the vaccine for the corona virus will help to stop this pandemic & for the following: Anton Vrazel, David Minatra, Reenie Hubnik, Kathy Hubnik, Baby Townes Bush, Carolyn Klecka, Edward Brenek, Jr., Marilyn Junek Gonzalez, and Doris Matocha. 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 —September 12-19, 2021		
Date	Time	Mass Intentions
Today—9/12	10:15am	+ Eugene Marak by Debbie Dohnalik Bush + Daniel Hromcik by Margie Vaculin Kulchak + Albina Vrazel by Mr. & Mrs. Raymond Holy, Jr. + Mary Ann Plachy by Georgia & Carol Stermer
9/15—Wed.	5:30pm	+ Eugene Vaculin by Alfred & Bernice Vrazel + Valeria Kostiha by Johnny & Donna Dohnalik + Albert Michalka by Evelyn Marek + James Junek by Robert & Debbie Vansa
9/19 —Sunday	10:15am	For the Religious Education Teachers & Students by St. Ann's Altar Society + Deceased Members of Phillip & Frances Hubnik Family by Cecilia Marak + Dorothy Vaculin by Margie & Jerry Wade + Mary Ann Plachy by Kevin & Anna Givens

## **UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION**

- TODAY: Prayers for a successful Annual Picnic
- With the new section of the cemetery opening, there is concerns about the way that graves are
  currently purchased/reserved/or assigned. There is discussion as to whether location can be reserved as
  opposed to being assigned the next available grave site. If anyone has any suggestions or strong feels
  about this issue, please make your concerns known. Contact anyone on the cemetery board. Anna
  Teague, Robert Plachy, Adam Dohnalik, Brad Vaculin, Raymond Jochec or George Dohnalik.
- <u>SEPTEMBER 18TH:</u> Pro-Life Waco, along with 200 other cities, will deliver the National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children. The keynote speaker will be Dr. Rev. Clenard Childress of Montclair, NJ. The program is 9-10:30am. Come to Rachel's Park Memorial at 4720 N. 19th St. See Bulletin board for more information.
- <u>SEPTEMBER 19TH:</u> St. Joseph Catholic Church, Marlin will hold its 2021 Fall Festival. See bulletin board for more information.
- <u>SEPTEMBER 26TH:</u> St. Joseph's Catholic Church—Cyclone—Annual Picnic—See bulletin board for more information.