#### 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:

**<u>Baptism:</u>** 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.

<u>Marriage:</u> 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.

# JANUARY 31, 2021—FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Now is the judgment of this world, now shall the ruler of this world be cast out"; John 31

Last week, Jesus announced the kingdom of God is at hand. This week, in mighty words and deeds, He exercises His dominion—asserting royal authority over the ruler of this world, Satan (see John 12:31). Notice that today's events take place on the sabbath. The sabbath was to be an everlasting sign—both of God's covenant love for His creation (see Exodus 20:8–11; 31:12–17), and His deliverance of His covenant people, Israel, from slavery (see Deuteronomy 6:12–15).

On this sabbath, Jesus signals a new creation—that the Holy One has come to purify His people and deliver the world from evil. "With an unclean spirit" is biblical language for a man possessed by a demon, Satan being the prince of demons (see Mark 3:22). The demons' question: "What have you to do with us?" is often used in Old Testament scenes of combat and judgment (see Judges 11:12; 1 Kings 17:18).

And as God by His Word "rebuked" the forces of chaos in creating the world (see Psalms 104:7; Job 26:10–12), and again rebuked the Red Sea so the Israelites could make their exodus (see Psalm 106:9), Mark uses the same word to describe Jesus rebuking the demons (see Mark 4:39; Zechariah 3:2).

Jesus is the prophet foretold by Moses in today's First Reading (see Acts 3:22). Though He has authority over heaven and earth (see Daniel 7:14, 27; Revelation 12:10), He becomes one of our own kinsmen.

He comes to rebuke the forces of evil and chaos—not only in the world, but in our lives. He wants to make us holy in body and spirit, as Paul says in today's Epistle (see Exodus 31:12).

In this liturgy, we hear His voice and "see" His works, as we sing in today's Psalm. And as Moses tells us today, we should listen to Him.



1/24: Stewardship: Sunday Offering: \$1,125.00 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 February 7, 2021

<u>Rosary:</u> Lynne Hornung <u>Eucharistic Minister</u>: Jill Stermer

Offertory: KJZT JRS. Lector: Tessa Vaculin, lan Brunson & Jet Vaculin

<u>Ushers:</u> KJZT JRS. <u>Altar Servers</u>: Camryn, Colby, Garrison, Annalee

Sanctuary Light: February 1st—7th: Henry Sr. & Jonathan Hubnik by Kathryn Hubnik

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: Paulette Hubnik Foster, Carolyn Klecka, Edward Brenek, Jr., Marilyn Junek Gonzalez, Doris Matocha, and 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 — January 31– February 7, 2021			
Date	Time	Mass Intentions	
Today- 1/31	10:15am	+ Martha Hertenberger by Christa Wade Konderla + Dorothy Vaculin by Christa Wade Konderla	
2/3—Wednesday	5:30pm	+ Annie Mae Hubnik by Zarosky Family + Cyril Vaculin by Christa Wade Konderla	
2/7—Sunday	10:15am	+ John & Marcella Dohnalik by James & Jeannine Dohnalik + Joe Vansa by Alfred & Bernice Vrazel	

CYCLONE MASSES —January 31– February 7, 2021			
Date	Time	Mass Intentions	
Today – 1/31	8:15am	+ Randolph & Evelyn Green by Kyle & Carla Kacir	
2/2—Tuesday	7:00am	+ Naomi Green by Green Family	
2/4—Thursday	7:00am	+ Evelyn Green by Monica Mikeska	
2/5—Friday	7:00am	+ Robert Dach by Delores & Donald Zipperlin	
2/6—Saturday Vigil	5:30pm	+ Albina Vrazel by Mr. & Mrs. Carl Trojacek	
2/7—Sunday	8:15am	+ Denise Posvar, Joe & Martha Dubcak by Family	

### **UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION**

- FEBRUARY 3RD: Altar Society meeting at the Milam County Museum in Cameron at 9am.
- FEBRUARY 7TH: Second Collection for Building and Maintenance Fund.
- CONGRATULATIONS: Our parish has reached our Catholic Services Appeal pledge goal of \$3,800.00. We are at 105% of our pledge goal and 100% of our Challenge Goal. To date, 38 families have made a gift to the appeal. Last year, we had 53 participating families. Our parish has earned 1 tickets for the Parish Incentive Program. We have the opportunity to win \$5,000.00 in parish grants. Our hearts are filled with gratitude! Thank you to everyone who said "yes" to support the priests, seminarians, families and poor of our diocese. If you are still prayerfully considering your CSA gift, you can make a secure gift online at austindiocese.org/give.