

PALM SUNDAY MASS ON APRIL 14TH AT 10:30AM

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

APRIL 7, 2019 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT “

Even now, says the Lord, return to me with your whole hart; for I am gracious and merciful.” John 8

The Liturgy this Lent has shown us the God of the Exodus. He is a mighty and gracious God, Who out of faithfulness to His covenant has done “great things” for His people, as today’s Psalm puts it. But the “things of long ago,” Isaiah tells us in today’s First Reading, are nothing compared to the “something new” that He will do in the future. Today’s First Reading and Psalm look back to the marvelous deeds of the Exodus. Both see in the Exodus a pattern and prophecy of the future, when God will restore the fortunes of His people fallen in sin. The readings today look forward to a still greater Exodus, when God will gather in the exiled tribes of Israel that had been scattered to the four winds, the ends of the earth. The new Exodus that Israel waited and hoped for has come in the death and resurrection of Jesus. Like the adulterous woman in today’s Gospel, all have been spared by the Lord’s compassion. All have heard His words of forgiveness, His urging to repentance, to be sinners no more. Like Paul in today’s Epistle, Christ has taken possession of every one, claimed each as a child of our heavenly Father. In the Church, God has formed a people for Himself to announce His praise, just as Isaiah said He would. And as Isaiah promised, He has given His “chosen people” living waters to drink in the desert wastelands of the world (see John 7:37–39). But our God is ever a God of the future, not of the past. We are to live with hopeful hearts, “forgetting what lies behind but straining forward to what lies ahead,” as Paul tells us. His salvation, Paul says, is power in the present, “the power of His resurrection.” We are to live awaiting a still greater and final Exodus, pursuing “the goal, the prize of God’s upward calling,” striving in faith to attain the last new thing God promises—“the resurrection of the dead.”



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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 April 14

Rosary: Raymond Tomek

Eucharistic Minister: Misty Green

Offertory: Garrey & Cindy Prcin

Lector: Suzanne Duskocil & Jeannine Dohnalik

Ushers: Josh Pratt & Robert Vansa

Altar Servers: Gracie Duskocil, Carter Duskocil, Tessa Vaculin

Sanctuary Light: April 8th-14th —Stephanie B. Krumnow by Merlene Slavik



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: Gerald Beach, Andrea Enga(Cousin of Ethel Marak), Seth Litzman (nephew of Lynne Hornung), Albina Vrazel, JoLeen Cayhill, 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—April 7-14, 2019

Date	Time	Intentions
Today— 4/7	10:15am	+ Daniel Hromcik by Kevin & Anna Givens
4/10 - Wed.—Mass & Stations of the Cross	5:30pm	+ John Thompson by Tony & Debbie Dohnalik
4/14—Palm Sunday	10:30am	+ Jerry & Mary Ann Plachy by Robert & Betty Brenek & Robert & Vickie Plachy

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4/9– Tuesday	7:00am	+ Robert Dach by Alice & Ellen Stojanik
4/11— Thursday	7:00am	+ Douglas Duskocil by Nancy & Dale Pechal & Family
4/12—Friday—Stations of the Cross &	6:00pm	+ Royella Roessler by Bill & Carol Smetana
4/13– Saturday Vigil	5:30pm	+ Clint Kasberg by Monica Mikeska
4/14— Sunday—Palm Sunday	8:15am	+ Joycelyn Litzman by Jim Litzman

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

- **APRIL 14TH—PALM SUNDAY:** Mass begins at 10:30am and parishioners should meet in front of the church for prayers and the Gospel.
- **THANK YOU:** A special Thank you to the KJZT Jrs. for the purchase of 2 Side Altar Crosses. May God bless you for your generous donation on beautifying our Altar.
- **TODAY: SECOND COLLECTION:** Building and Maintenance Fund.
- **APRIL 8:** Parish Social and Pot Luck—6-9pm—Marak Parish Hall.
- **APRIL 11:** Pet Vaccinations by Dr. Johnnie Richter—6:00—8:00pm at St. Joseph’s—Cyclone. Hamburgers will be available for sale by the Cyclone CYO.
- **APRIL 14:** St. Joseph’s Altar Society will be sponsoring their annual Spring Fest Lunch fundraiser. Homemade chicken and sausage and all the trimmings. Plates are \$10.00 and serving starts at 11am to 1:30pm. See bulletin board in the church entry for more information.
- **APRIL 14:** REP Bake Sale after Mass in the church entry. Please support our Religious Education.
- **IDEAS OR INPUT:** The cemetery board is in the planning phase of erecting a graveside directory at the cemetery. If anyone has any ideas or input on this project or would like to contribute in anyway, please let us know. Contact any board member or attend the June 9th meeting after mass.