

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.

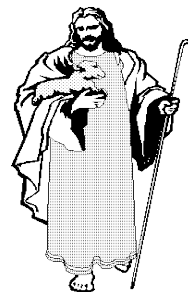
MAY 3, 2020—FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Easter's empty tomb is a call to conversion. By this tomb, we should know for certain that God has made Jesus both Lord and Messiah, as Peter preaches in today's First Reading. He is the "Lord," the divine Son that David foresaw at God's right hand (see Psalms 3; 110:1; 132:10-11; and [Acts 2:34](#)). And He is the Messiah that God had promised to shepherd the scattered flock of the house of Israel (see [Ezekiel 34:11-14](#), [23](#); [37:24](#)). As we hear in today's Gospel, Jesus is that Good Shepherd, sent to a people who were like sheep without a shepherd (see [Mark 6:34](#); [Numbers 27:16-17](#)). He calls not only to the children of Israel, but to all those far off from Him—to whomever the Lord wishes to hear His voice.

The call of the Good Shepherd leads to the restful waters of Baptism, to the anointing oil of Confirmation, and to the table and overflowing cup of the Eucharist, as we sing in today's Psalm.

Again on this Sunday in Easter, we hear His voice calling us His own. He should awaken in us the response of those who heard Peter's preaching. "What are we to do?" they cried. We have been baptized. But each of us goes astray like sheep, as we hear in today's Epistle. We still need daily to repent, to seek forgiveness of our sins, to separate ourselves further from this corrupt generation.

We are called to follow in the footsteps of the Shepherd of our souls. By His suffering He bore our sins in His body to free us from sin. But His suffering is also an example for us. From Him we should learn patience in our afflictions, to hand ourselves over to the will of God. Jesus has gone ahead, driven us through the dark valley of evil and death. His Cross has become the narrow gate through which we must pass to reach His empty tomb—the verdant pastures of life abundant.



Ministries for May 10

Rosary: Raymond Tomek

Eucharistic Minister: Cynthia Prcin

Offertory: Ernest DelBosque Family

Lector: Merlene Slavik

Ushers: Tommy Vaculin & Brad Vaculin

Altar Servers: Gracie Daskocil, Carter Daskocil, Tessa Vaculin

Sanctuary Light: May 4th—May 10th : Paul & Cecilia Sipula by Chester & Margaret Hays



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: JoLeen Cayhill. Prayers are powerful! To be added to the prayer chain, please contact:

Contact Merlene Slavik—254-697-1247 or email—Slavik@farm-market.net

MARAK MASSES—May 3-10, 2020

Date	Time	Intentions
Today- 5/3		+ Albert Michalka by Kevin & Anna Givens + Ethel Moraw by Marilyn Ejem
5/6—Wednesday		+ Annie Mae Jochec by Tony & Debbie Dohnalik + Martha Hertenberger by Richard & Betty Brenek
5/10—Sunday		+ Marcella Dohnalik by James & Jeannine Dohnalik For All Living Mothers of Sts. Cyril & Methodius-Marak

CYCLONE MASSES— May 3-10, 2020

Date	Time	Private Mass Intentions
Today - 5/3		+ Lucille Bruggman by Charles & Cindy Moeller
5/5—Tuesday	7:00am	Valerie Bruggman Ledford—for Health by Family
5/7—Thursday	7:00am	+ Barbara Collins by Monica Mikeska
5/8—Friday	7:00am	+ Royella Roessler by Bill & Carol Smetana
5/9—Saturday Vigil		+ Albina Vrazel by Daniel & Linda Wilde
5/10—Sunday		+ Rosa Pechal by Lucy Hodges

UPCOMING EVENTS AND INFORMATION

- **THANK YOU:** A special Thank you to KJZT Society #21 –Marak for their donation of \$250.00 to the church during this time of crisis.
- **THANK YOU:** A special thank you to KJZT—home office in Austin for matching the donation from Society #21 with a donation of \$250.00

- **PLEASE CHECK OUR WEBSITE—MARAKCHURCH.ORG FOR THE DATE OF OUR FIRST MASS—AND ALSO YOU MAY BE NOTIFIED BY EITHER TEXT MESSAGE, EMAIL OR PHONE CALL.**

- **REP News:** No Classes for the remainder of the school year.

God of silence and stillness, we trust you are with us in this time of noise and chaos. We pray for an end to this pandemic. Whisper your words of comfort, encouragement and hope to all who need them in these days of fear. Draw close to those who are sick and all those who risk illness, caring for them, protecting and uplifting them. In Your name, we pray. Amen.

4/26: Stewardship: Regular Offering: \$515.00

4/5: Building Fund Offering: \$35.00

4/26: Donation by KJZT #21 & KJZT Home Office: \$500.00

Thank you for Your Generosity!

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

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