THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CYCLONE-MARAK

St. Joseph, Cyclone & Sts. Cyril & Methodius, Marak.

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The Sacraments

Baptism: Saturday 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: SATURDAYS 4:00-5:00 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT.

Marriage: Couples planning to be married should contact the pastor at least six months in advance before you set the date of wedding. Completion of required paperwork and a preparation program needed.

MAY 9, 2021 SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

"If you love me, keep my commandments says the Lord." John 14:15

God is love, and He revealed that love in sending His only Son to be a sacrificial offering for our sins. In these words from today's Epistle, we should hear an echo of the story of Abraham's offering of Isaac at the dawn of salvation history. Because Abraham obeyed God's command and did not withhold his only beloved son, God promised that Abraham's descendants, the children of Israel, would be the source of blessing for all nations (see <u>Genesis 22:16–18</u>). We see that promise coming to fulfillment in today's First Reading. God pours out His Spirit upon the Gentiles, the non-Israelites, as they listen to the word of Peter's preaching. Notice they receive the same gifts received by the devout Jews who heard Peter's preaching at Pentecost—the Spirit comes to rest upon them and they speak in tongues, glorifying God (see <u>Acts 2:5–11</u>).

In His love today, God reveals that His salvation embraces the house of Israel and peoples of all nations. Not by

circumcision or blood relation to Abraham but by faith in the Word of Christ, sealed in the Sacrament of Baptism, people are to be made children of Abraham, heirs to God's covenants of promise (see <u>Galatians 3:799</u>; <u>Ephesians 2:12</u>). This is the wondrous work of God that we sing of in today's Psalm. It is the work of the Church, the good fruit that Jesus chooses and appoints His Apostles for in today's Gospel. As Peter raises up Cornelius today, the Church continues to lift all eyes to Christ, the only one in whose name they can find salvation. In the Church, each of us has been begotten by the love of God. But the Scriptures today reveal that this divine gift brings with it a command and a duty. We are to love one another as we have been loved. We are to lay down our lives in giving ourselves to others—that they too might find friendship with Christ and new life through Him.



Bulletin Information: Marak: Patsy Gaines (254 482 0570) – Cyclone: Nancy Posvar (254 913 2696)

Bulletin deadline: Please call or send by email all info for the bulletin by Wednesday before the weekend!

MINISTRIES

Saturday, May 15 Sunday, May 16

Communion: Pat Balz Communion: Christina Brenek

Lector: Letha Novosad Lector: REP

Altar Servers: Novosad Family

Altar Servers: Stumbaugh & Pettyjohn Families

Ushers: Volunteers Ushers: REP

MASSES THIS WEEK: CYCLONE

5/9 Sunday 8:15 am: + Royella Roessler by Nelda & Larry Fritz

& Louise Thompson

5/11 Tuesday 7:00 am: Communion Service 5/13 Thursday 7:00 am: Communion Service

5/14 Friday NO COMMUNION SERVICE 5/15 Sat. Vigil 5:30 pm: + Albina Vrazel by M/M Carl Trojacek 5/16 Sunday 8:15 am: + Barbara Eixman by Joan Moeller

MASSES THIS WEEK: MARAK

5/9 Sunday 10:15 am: + Gene Vaculin by Dolly & Bernard Hyzak + Henry Hubnik, Sr. by Family + Daniel Hromcik by Victor & Mary Jane Balcar

5/16 Sunday 10:15 am: + Louis & Delia Vansa by Richard & Barbara Vansa Family + Frank & Helen Hubnik by Richard & Barbara Vansa Family + In Honor of Paul & Albina Krenek 100th Anniversary

In your charity, please pray for: Homebound: Leora Hering, Alice Stojanik, Edward Zavodny, Jerome Schoppe. Good health: A. J. Stermer, Darwin Bruggman, Bill Stock, Lawrence Stermer, Viola Doskocil, Dorothy Haisler, Evelyn Richter.

<u>Stewardship</u>—May 2—\$2864 Building Fund—\$905 Seminarians & Priest Education—\$25 Good Friday—\$25 Thank you for your generosity.

Sanctuary Light—May 9—22—In memory of Patrick Geistman by Pat Armstrong.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

May 18—KC Meeting—7:30 pm.

May 19—Killeen-Temple Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Meeting—St. Joseph's—Cyclone—10:00 am.

May 22—Pet Vaccination Clinic—8:00 am—11:00 am—Westphalia Parish Hall—Sponsored by Westphalia KC's.

June 6—Holy Trinity Catholic Church—Corn Hill—June Fundraiser—Fried chicken & sausage dinner—11:00 am—1:00 pm or until sold out—\$11/plate—8x8" cakes \$5—Drive-Thru Only.

<u>June 28-29</u>—Austin Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention—St. Luke's—Temple—If you are interested in attending, please let Carla Kacir know by June 7.

REP NEWS

May 12—End-of-School Party

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS: PLEASE NOTE NEW DUE DATE FOR RECIPES:

THE ALTAR SOCIETY will be publishing a new cookbook. Please put your recipes along with your name and phone number (phone number in case we need to contact you for any recipe clarification) into the drop box in the church entry. DEADLINE FOR RECIPES: JUNE 1, 2021. Contact Linda Machicek at 254-718-2909 or at Linda2909@Live.com for more information.