

**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:** 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 wedding. Completion of required paperwork and a preparation program needed.

**AUGUST 2, 2020 EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

**“You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness in every taste.”**

In Jesus and the Church, Isaiah’s promises in today’s First Reading are fulfilled. All who are thirsty come to the living waters of Baptism (see [John 4:14](#)). The hungry delight in rich fare—given bread to eat and wine to drink at the Eucharistic table. This is the point, too, of today’s Gospel. The story of Jesus’ feeding of the 5,000 brims with allusions to the Old Testament. Jesus is portrayed as a David-like shepherd who leads His flock to lie down on green grass as He spreads the table of the Messiah’s banquet before them (see Psalm 23). Jesus is shown as a new Moses, who likewise feeds vast crowds in a deserted place. Finally, Jesus is shown doing what the prophet Elisha did—satisfying the hunger of the crowd with a few loaves and having some left over (see [2 Kings 4:42–44](#)). Matthew also wants us to see the feeding of the 5,000 as a sign of the Eucharist. Notice that Jesus performs the same actions in the same sequence as at the Last Supper—He takes bread, says a blessing, breaks it, and gives it (see [Matthew 26:26](#)).

Jesus instructed His Apostles to celebrate the Eucharist in memory of Him. And the ministry of the Twelve is subtly stressed in today’s account. Before He performs the miracle, Jesus instructs the Twelve to give the crowd “some food yourselves.” Indeed, the Apostles themselves distribute the bread blessed by Jesus (see [Matthew 15:36](#)). And the leftovers are enough to fill precisely 12 baskets—corresponding to each of the Apostles, the pillars of the Church (see [Galatians 2:9](#); [Revelation 21:14](#)). In the Church, as we sing in today’s Psalm, God gives us food in due season, opens His hands and satisfies the desires of every living thing. Now, as Paul reminds us in today’s Epistle, nothing can separate us from the love of God in Christ Jesus.



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**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, August 8

Communion: Kristen Parker  
Lector : Zelda Carpenter  
Altar Servers: Parker & LaCoure Families  
Ushers: Volunteers

### Sunday, August 9

Communion: Jason Hoelscher  
Lector: Donna Poteet  
Altar Servers: Hoelscher/Hejl/Cowen Families  
Ushers: David Kasner & Aaron Carpenter

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### MASSES THIS WEEK: CYCLONE

8/2 Sunday 8:15 am: + Royella Roessler by Craig Green  
8/4 Tuesday 7:00 am: + Shirley Skala by Bill & Carol Smetana  
8/6 Thursday 7:00 am: + Michelle Crews by Sindy Greenwood  
8/7 Friday 7:00 am: + Marvin Wilde by Monica Mikeska  
8/8 Sat. Vigil 5:30 pm: + Louis Driska by Ken & Jeanette Driska  
8/9 Sunday 8:15 am: + Randolph Green by Joan Plumlee

### MASSES THIS WEEK: MARAK

8/2 Sunday: +Julie Motyka Padgett by Julie & Tom Motyka AND + Cyril & Dorothy Vaculin by Alfred & Bernice Vrazel  
8/5 Wednesday: + Joe Vansa by Norman & Evelyn Mushinski  
8/9 Sunday: + Lynette Jochec by Leon Hollas

In your charity, please pray for: Homebound: Naomi Green, Leora Hering, Alice Stojanik, Edward Zavodny. Good health: A. J. Stermer, Darwin Bruggman, Bill Stock, Lawrence Stermer, Patrick Geistman, Viola Doscocil, Barbara Johnson, Dorothy Haisler.

Sanctuary Light—August 2—15 —In memory of Lenora & Robert Hoelscher by Alice & Bobby Hoelscher.

Stewardship—July 26—\$2714 Building Fund—\$185 Thank you for your generosity.

It has been decided that we will NOT have a drive-through meal for our picnic this year.

### Upcoming Events:

August 1 & 2—Father Enrique will be here for a Mission Appeal for the Franciscan Community.

August 9—Altar Society Meeting following mass.

August 9—REP Catechists/Teachers meeting in the Parish Hall at 4:00 pm. We are still in need of a couple more teachers. If you would be willing to share your time with our students, please come.

August 18—KC Meeting—7:30 pm.