# THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CYCLONE-MARAK

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

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Mass schedule: Cyclone: Sat. 5.30 pm and Sun. 8.15 am; Weekdays: Tue, Thu, & Fri: 7 am....

Marak: Sundays: 10.15 am and Wed 5:30 pm.

# **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.

## FEBRUARY 16, 2020 SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"God so loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son," John 3:16

Jesus tells us in the Gospel this week that He has come not to abolish but to "fulfill" the Law of Moses and the teachings of the prophets. His Gospel reveals the deeper meaning and purpose of the Ten Commandments and the moral Law of the Old Testament. But His Gospel also transcends the Law. He demands a morality far greater than that accomplished by the most pious of Jews, the scribes and Pharisees. Outward observance of the Law is not enough. It is not enough that we do not murder, commit adultery, divorce, or lie. The law of the new covenant is a law that God writes on the heart (see <u>Jer. 31:31–34</u>). The heart is the seat of our motivations, the place from which our words and actions proceed (see <u>Matthew 6:21</u>; <u>15:18–20</u>).

Jesus this week calls us to train our hearts, to master our passions and emotions. And Jesus demands the full obedience of our hearts (see Romans 6:17). He calls us to love God with all our hearts, and to do His will from the heart (see Matthew 22:37; Ephesians 6:6). God never asks more of us than we are capable. That is the message of this week's First Reading. It is up to us to choose life over death, to choose the waters of eternal life over the fires of ungodliness and sin. By His life, death, and resurrection, Jesus has shown us that it is possible to keep His commandments. In baptism, He has given us His Spirit that His Law might be fulfilled in us (Romans 8:4). The wisdom of the Gospel surpasses all the wisdom of this age that is passing away, St. Paul tells us in the Epistle. The revelation of this wisdom fulfills God's plan from before all ages. Let us trust in this wisdom, and live by His kingdom law. As we do in this week's Psalm, let us pray that we grow in being better able to live His Gospel, and to seek the Father with all our heart.



**Bulletin Information:** Marak: Patsy Gaines (254 482 0570) – <u>Cyclone</u>: 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, February 22 Sunday, February 23

Communion: **Debbie Buckholt** Communion: **Pauline Marek** Lector: **Donna Poteet** Monica Mikeska Lector:

Altar Servers: J. Hoelscher, K. Hejl, H. Cowen Altar Servers: Marek Family

**Ushers: Steve Pechal & Elden Zavodny Ushers:** Volunteers

## MASSES THIS WEEK: CYCLONE

2/16 Sunday 8:15 am: +Dolores Motl by Skip & Ann Cockrell

2/18 Tuesday 7:00 am: + Rosa Pechal by C. Knight 2/20 Thursday 7:00 am: + Randolph Green by Family

2/21 Friday 7:00 am: + James Sula by Betty & Gene Engbrock

2/22 Sat. Vigil 5:30 pm: + Larry Posvar by Family 2/23 Sunday 8:15 am: + William Schneider by Wilbert & Margaret

Mikeska

M16SSES THIS WEEK: MARAK

**2/16 Sunday 10:15 am:** + Robert Dach by Gladys Lee, Craig & Laura Dohnalik AND + Albina Vrazel by Terry & Barbara McNeill

**2/19 Wednesday: 5:30 pm: +** Ann Morris by Pete & Maxine Mayer, Neill & Janene Cooper AND + Anton Gaas

by Mathilda Kocurek

**2/23 Sunday 10:15 am: +** Joseph Andrew Tomek by George Tomek Family AND + Mary Ann Plachy by Tricia &

Kelly Kelm

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 Doskocil.

<u>Sanctuary Light</u>—February 9—22—In memory of Denise Posvar by Family.

Stewardship:—Feb. 9—\$1950 Building Fund—\$60 Catholic Higher Education—\$331 Thank you for your generosity.

2019 Contribution Statements are in the church entrance. Please pick yours up.

Congratulations to newly elected Parish Council members Pat Balz and Jason Hoelscher. Other Parish Council members are President Kristen Parker, Andrew Brenek, Lewis Moeller, Eric Landeros, Roy Buckholt, Matt Jahns, Fr. Ranjan.

Finance Committee members are: President Keith Andel, Secretary Rose Marie Schoppe, Carla Kacir, Fr. Ranjan.

Knights of Columbus Texas State Council Needs Based Educational Grant Program information can be found in the church entry. Open to graduating high school seniors. Applications due March 1.

### **Upcoming Events**

February 18—KC Meeting—7:30 pm.

February 19—Killeen-Temple Council of Catholic Women Deanery Meeting—St. Mary's—Temple—10:00 am.

February 23—Buckholts Volunteer Fire Department Fund Raiser—Washpot Stew—\$10/person—At the Buckholts Fire Department—Begins at 11:00 am.

<u>February 27—March 1</u>—Women's ACTS (Adoration, Community, Theology, Service) Retreat sponsored by St. Luke's Catholic Church—\$165/person—For more information contact Ana Placencia at 830-591-6694 or email aplacencia88@yahoo.com. Informational poster on bulletin board.

## **REP News:**

February 19—Regular classes—6:45 pm.

February 22—Confirmation Retreat for Candidates and their Sponsors to attend at St. Joseph's Parish Hall held jointly with Marak Candidates and Sponsors. Starts at 11:00 am. Ends with attending 5:30 pm mass. Lunch and snacks will be provided.

February 26—Ash Wednesday Mass—Counts as our REP class. Students will sit with their class and teacher.