

**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.

**MARCH 29, 2020 FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT**

**“Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.” John 8:10-11**

As we draw near to the end of Lent, today’s Gospel clearly has Jesus’ passion and death in view. That’s why John gives us the detail about Lazarus’ sister, Mary—that she is the one who anointed the Lord for burial (see [John 12:3, 7](#)). His disciples warn against returning to Judea; Thomas even predicts they will “die with Him” if they go back. When Lazarus is raised, John notices the tombstone being taken away, as well as Lazarus’ burial cloths and head covering—all details he later notices with Jesus’ empty tomb (see [John 20:1, 6, 7](#)). Like the blind man in last week’s readings, Lazarus represents all humanity. He stands for “dead man”—for all those Jesus loves and wants to liberate from the bands of sin and death. John even recalls the blind man in his account today (see [John 11:37](#)). Like the man’s birth in blindness, Lazarus’ death is used by Jesus to reveal “the glory of God” (see [John 9:3](#)). And again like last week, Jesus’ words and deeds give sight to those who believe (see [John 11:40](#)). If we believe, we will see—that Jesus loves each of us as He loved Lazarus, that He calls us out of death and into new life.

By His Resurrection Jesus has fulfilled Ezekiel’s promise in today’s First Reading. He has opened the graves that we may rise, put His Spirit in us that we may live. This is the Spirit that Paul writes of in today’s Epistle. The same Spirit that raised Jesus from the dead will give life to we who were once dead in sin. Faith is the key. If we believe as Martha does in today’s Gospel—that Jesus is the resurrection and the life—even if we die, we will live. “I have promised and I will do it,” the Father assures us in the First Reading. We must trust in His word, as we sing in today’s Psalm—that with Him is forgiveness and salvation.



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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, April 4

Communion:

Lector :

Altar Servers:

Ushers:

### Sunday, April 5

Communion:

Lector:

Altar Servers:

Ushers:

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### Private Mass Intentions This Week

#### MASSES THIS WEEK: CYCLONE

**3/29 Sunday 8:15 am:** + William Schneider by Bill & Lucille Stock  
**3/31 Tuesday 7:00 am:** + Alice Gerngross by Georgia & Carol Stermer  
**4/2 Thursday 7:00 am:** + Sylvester Strang Family by Kathleen  
Lutkenhaus  
**4/3 Friday 7:00 am:** + Clarence Bartek by Family  
**4/4 Sat. Vigil 5:30 pm:** + Albina Vrazel by Beatrice Mallory  
**4/5 Sunday 8:15 am:** + Royella Roessler by Carol & Dennis Mauer

#### MASSES THIS WEEK: MARAK

**3/29 Sunday 10:15 am:** + Albina Vrazel  
by Doris Matocha Family AND  
+ Joseph Andrew Tomek by Mike &  
Jane Simon  
**4/1 Wednesday: 5:00 pm:** + Lynette  
Jochec by Veronica Strutz AND  
+ Albert Michalka by Adolph & Dorothy  
Vansa  
**4/5 Sunday 10:15 am:** + Dorothy  
Klecka by Cecilia Marak AND  
+ Eugene Marak by Cecilia Marak

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 Dorskocil,  
Pauline Marek

Sanctuary Light—March 29—April 11—In memory of Joe & Geraldine Frenzel by Justin & Linda Hering.

Please check our website at [stjyclone.org](http://stjyclone.org) for updates during this time of crisis.

Lenten Gospel Reflection books have been placed in the church entrance. Please take one for your Lenten journey.

**NOTE: SPRINGFEST HAS BEEN CANCELLED AS WELL AS TOASTING BREAD AND MIXING DRESSING. IF YOU HAVE SOLD RAFFLE TICKETS, YOU MAY TURN THEM IN TO AN ALTAR SOCIETY OFFICER. WE WILL HAVE A DRAWING AT A DATE TO BE DETERMINED. THANK YOU.**

St. Mary's Purse Bingo scheduled for March 29 has been postponed.

Lenten Fish Fries at Westphalia have been cancelled.

### Upcoming Events

**April 25**—Burlington-Cameron Catholic Life Branch is offering a \$300 scholarship to graduating high school seniors. Applications in church entrance or contact Charles Schneider for more information at 254-421-5439. Due April 25.

### REP News:

**April 1**—No classes.