

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.

JANUARY 17, 2021 SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“ All the earth shall bow down before you, O God, and shall sing to you, O Most High” Psalm 66:4

In the call of Samuel and of the first Apostles, today's readings shed light on our own calling to be followers of Christ. Notice in the Gospel today that John's disciples are prepared to hear God's call. They are already looking for the Messiah, so they trust in John's word and follow when he points out the Lamb of God walking by. Samuel is also waiting on the Lord—sleeping near the Ark of the Covenant where God's glory dwells, taking instruction from Eli, the high priest. Samuel listened to God's word and the Lord was with him. And Samuel, through his word, turned all Israel to the Lord (see [1 Samuel 3:21](#); [7:2–3](#)). The disciples too heard and followed—words we hear repeatedly in today's Gospel. They stayed with the Lord and by their testimony brought others to the Lord.

These scenes from salvation history should give us strength to embrace God's will and to follow His call in our lives. God is constantly calling to each of us—personally, by name (see [Isaiah 43:1](#); [John 10:3](#)). He wants us to seek Him in love, to long for His word (see [Wisdom 6:11–12](#)). We must desire always, as the apostles did, to stay where the Lord stays, to constantly seek His face (see [Psalm 42:2](#)). For we are not our own, but belong to the Lord, as Paul says in today's Epistle. We must have ears open to obedience, and write His word within our hearts. We must trust in the Lord's promise—that if we come to Him in faith, He will abide with us (see [John 15:14](#); [14:21–23](#)), and raise us by His power. And we must reflect in our lives the love He has shown us, so that others too may find the Messiah.



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, January 23

Communion: Monica Mikeska
Lector : Kristen Parker
Altar Servers: Parker & LaCoure Families
Ushers: Volunteers

Sunday, January 24

Communion: Carla Kacir
Lector: Cathy Bruggman
Altar Servers: Glasgow Family
Ushers: Tim Cowen & Steve Bruggman

MASSES THIS WEEK: CYCLONE

1/17 Sunday 8:15 am: + Evelyn Green by Green Family
1/19 Tuesday 7:00 am: + Sharon Fletcher by Monica Mikeska
1/21 Thursday 7:00 am + Rosa Pechal by Anton, Carole, & Angela Pechal
1/22 Friday 7:00 am: + Douglas Daskocil by Nancy & Dale Pechal
1/23 Sat. Vigil 5:30 pm: + Naomi Green by Bill & Carol Smetana
1/24 Sunday 8:15 am: + Edna Simecek by Carolyn Talafuse

MASSES THIS WEEK: MARAK

1/17 Sunday 10:15 am: Deceased Members of Henry Litzman Sr. & Frank Plachy Families AND + Doris Bruggman by Eileen Schneider
1/20 Wednesday 5:30 pm: + Annie Mae Hubnik by Art & Anna Ferrell AND + Rita Mikulec by Joetta Ehler
1/24 Sunday 10:15 am: + Cyril Vaculin by Julie McLerran AND + Valeria Kostisha by Robert & Debbie Vansa

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

Sanctuary Light—January 17-30—In memory of Jack & Betty Tomasek and Zucha/Tomasek Family Members by Barbara & L. P. Fowler.

Stewardship—January 10—\$1784 Solemnity of Mary—\$30 Building Fund—\$155 Thank you for your generosity.

REP NEWS

REP classes 6:45—8:00 pm for 2nd—HS. PreK, Kindergarten, and 1st grade dismiss at 7:30 pm.

CONGRATULATIONS to the students who received their Sacrament of First Reconciliation on January 9 and celebrated Mass together that night. They are Kyla Anderson, Ethan Cazares, Eleanor Glasgow, Luke Halfmann, Joseph Hoelscher, Drake Jahns, Slade Jahns, Jess LaCoure, Aniston Ledford, and Abigail Stumbaugh.

THANK YOU goes to Crystal Cowen for all the preparation made to make this First Reconciliation possible.

THANK YOU to the Altar Society for the embroidered towels and for providing the meal.

UPCOMING MEETINGS/EVENTS

January 17—CYO will be selling breakfast tacos after mass. Please support our youth!

January 19—KC Meeting—7:30 pm.

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS:

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: FEBRUARY 28, 2021. Contact Linda Machicek at 254-718-2909 or at Linda2909@Live.com for more information.

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAYS 4:00-5:00 PM OR BY APPOINTMENT.