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.

APRIL 13, PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD

"Who is this king of glory? He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory." Psalm 24:9

"What is written about Me is coming to fulfillment," Jesus says in today's Gospel (see Luke 22:37). Indeed, we have reached the climax of the liturgical year, the highest peak of salvation history, when all that has been anticipated and promised is to be fulfilled. By the close of today's long Gospel, the work of our redemption will have been accomplished, the new covenant will be written in the blood of His broken body hanging on the Cross at the place called the Skull.

In His Passion, Jesus is "counted among the wicked," as Isaiah had foretold (see Isaiah 53:12). He is revealed definitively as the Suffering Servant the prophet announced, the long-awaited Messiah whose words of obedience and faith ring out in today's First Reading and Psalm. The taunts and torments we hear in these two readings punctuate the Gospel as Jesus is beaten and mocked (see Luke 22:63–65; 23:10–11, 16), as His hands and feet are pierced (see Luke 23:33), as enemies gamble for His clothes (see Luke 23:34), and as three times they dare Him to prove His divinity by saving Himself from suffering (see Luke 23:35, 37, 39). He remains faithful to God's will to the end, does not turn back in His trial. He gives Himself freely to His torturers, confident that, as He speaks in today's First Reading: "The Lord God is My help . . . I shall not be put to shame."

Destined to sin and death as children of Adam's disobedience, we have been set free for holiness and life by Christ's perfect obedience to the Father's will (see Romans 5:12–14, 17–19; Ephesians 2:2; 5:6). This is why God greatly exalted Him. This is why we have salvation in His Name. Following His example of humble obedience in the trials and crosses of our lives, we know we will never be forsaken, that one day we too will be with Him in Paradise (see Luke 23:42).

Bulletin Information: Cyclone: Nancy Posvar (254 913-2696) Marak: Anna Givens 512 809-9889)Bulletin Deadline: Please call or send by email all info for the bulletin by Wednesday before the weekend!

MINISTRIES

Saturday, April 19

Communion:	Jackie Green
Lector:	Kim Campbell
Altar Servers:	T Parker—L & S Jahns—J Hoelscher
Ushers:	Volunteers

Sunday, April 20

Communion:	Lacy Jahns—Andrew Brenek—Christina Brenek
Lector:	Kayley Hejl
Altar Servers:	J Dolgener—D & R Jahns—L Schneider
Ushers:	Bryce Brashear & Steve Bruggman

UPCOMIING MASSES		MARAK	MARAK MASSES	
HOLY THURSDAY APRIL 17 5:30 PM Communion: Pauline Marek Lector: Letha Novosad Altar Servers: J. Hoelscher—H Cowen—A Novosad		4/13	Sunday 10:15 am	
		4/16	Wednesday 5:30 pm	
GOOD FRIDAY APRIL 18 5:30 PM Communion: Carla Kacir Lector: Cathy Bruggman & Andrew Brenek		4/17	Thursday 7:00 pm	
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4/13	Sunday 8:15 am:	+ Barbara Macek by David & Lois Skala + Linda Hering by Frances Ranly Reese		
4/15	Tuesday :	NO MASS		
4/17	Thursday 5:30 pm:	+ Viola Doskocil by Rose Marie Schoppe + Jerome Schoppe by Adolph & Dorothy Vansa		
4/18	Good Friday 3:00 pm: Good Friday 5:30 pm:	STATIONS OF THE CROSS VENERATION OF THE CROSS		
4/19	4/19 Holy Saturday Vigil 8:30 pm: + Glenda Hesse by Marty Knight + Stanley Motl by Katherine Hubnik			
4/20	Sunday 8:15 am:	+ Alice Stojanik by Fred Dach + Lucille Stock by Tammie Sundin		

In your charity, please pray for: <u>Homebound</u>: Leora Hering.

Good health: A. J. Stermer, Bill Stock, Dorothy Haisler, Evelyn Richter, Buddy Roessler, Al & Lou Buckholt, Mary Jane Underwood, Lindsey Pierce, Monica Mikeska, Amanda Beltran, Holly Knecht, Rebecca Marek, Margaret Campbell, Barbara Johnson, Fr. Tom Chamberlain.

Stewardship—April 6—\$2211 Catholic Relief Services—\$15 Building Fund—\$661

Sanctuary Light—April 13-19-—In Memory of Jerome Schoppe by Family.

SPRINGFEST NEWS—Everyone please do the job that has been assigned to you for our Spring Fest.

<u>SCHOLARSHIPS</u>—St. Mary's Altar Society Scholarship applications are available in the church entry for members of St. Joseph Catholic, Cyclone who are graduating high school seniors or college students (previous recipients are not eligible). Deadline April 30. Questions or additional information contact Pat Balz at 254-718-9660.

APPLICATIONS FOR THE BURLINGTON-CAMERON BRANCH CATHOLIC LIFE SCHOLARSHIPS ARE AVAILABLE FOR ST. JOSEPH'S HIGH SCHOOL SENIORS. SEE MICHAEL BRENEK.

KC 4TH DEGREE TEMPLE ASSEMBLY 3488 IS SPONSORING 2—\$500 2025 PATRIOTISM SCHOLARSHIPS FOR GRADUATING HIGH SCHOOL SEN-IORS OF CYCLONE, MARAK, ST. LUKE, WESTPHALIA, AND ST. LUKE PARISHES—APPLICATIONS ARE IN CHURCH ENTRY—DEADLINE IS APRIL 30.

UPCOMING EVENTS

April 12–13–Easter Flower money collection.

April 15—KC Meeting—7:00 pm.

<u>April 18</u>—Way of the Cross Procession—11:00 am—Beginning at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, proceeding to St. Mary Church, and ending at St. Luke Church around 2:00 pm—Entire Killeen/Temple Deanery and all Christians are invited to participate. See bulletin board for more info.

<u>April 27</u>—St. Monica Ladies Society Festival—BBQ Chicken & Sausage Meal—11 am—2 pm—\$15/plate—Dine in or drive thru—Simon George Hall, Cameron.

April 28—Pet Vaccination—Parish Hall—5—7 pm—CYO will have hamburgers to purchase.

Are you ready for a cruise to deepen your faith? Please join speakers Dcn. Ralph Poyo, Dcn. Darrell Wentworth, and Very Rev. James Ekeockha on a Western Caribbean Cruise on the Mariner of the Seas—Sail dates from Galveston January 24-29, 2026—Bus transportation to/ from Waco provided—Contact Glenda Ruiz at 281-216-1859 for more details.

ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

<u>April 13</u>—College care package donations due. We have 4 college students. April 14—Altar Society meeting—Parish Hall—6:00 pm—Light meal served.