

Serving Berlin's English-speaking Catholic Community since 1957



## *Catholic Community*

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**Our Mission Statement:** The All Saints Catholic Community is a fully integrated, multicultural community with English as its unifying language. It is an open, warm, welcoming, inclusive community that prays together and celebrates its unity in diversity.

## **October 2, 2011, Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Isaiah 5:1-7; Psalm 80:9, 12-16, 19-20; Philippians 4:6-9; Matthew 21:33-43**

**“Are you envious because I am generous?” (Mt 20, 15)**

The logic of human justice requires that those who work a full day, receive a full day's wage, and those who work one hour, receive one hour's pay.

It is not so in the kingdom of God. Those who have labored in the ways of righteousness from early morning receive their full reward – that is OK for us. But prostitutes, tax collectors and sinners who arrive at the eleventh hour receive no less – they also receive their full reward.

This is what the prophet Isaiah suggests when he says: *“My thoughts are not your thoughts and my ways are not your ways”* (Is 55, 8).

The Church is the servant of the kingdom of God, and the Church is bound by the laws of the kingdom, not by the way human law binds people. We are commanded to invite to supper not only those who have earned a place by their long fidelity – but all those as well who have *“just arrived at the gate”*. The host in the gospel asks, *“I am free to do as I please ... am I not? Or are you envious because I am generous?”*

I would like to pray that the Church not only invites the good and the respectable and the pious and the just, - this would be human justice. I would like to pray that our Church is open to practicing God's justice, a justice that cannot be contained by our human thoughts, our human laws and their application. A justice that is not so much the fruit of legalistic thinking but the fruit of an astonishing and unexpected love we are all offered by our loving God who time and again astonishes and surprises us with his overwhelming generosity.

(Cf. Lectionary reflections by Fr. John Bucki SJ, [www.educationforjustice.org](http://www.educationforjustice.org))

### **Welcome to our 10 am Mass at All Saints. Our Celebrant today is Father Herbert Gillessen**

Lector: Cathleen Ruckeis • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Celso & Levina Menjares • Altar Servers: Isabella Gneist, Tait Doeringer, Aidan Doeringer • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Konrad Giersdorf • Hospitality: Lupita Wilhelm

Collection on October 2nd is designated for All Saints

**OUR COMMUNITY:** The All Saints Catholic Community is based on the principle that we, the Community, willingly take on all the responsibilities of running our own Community and supporting our Celebrants. The All Saints Coordinators, whose contact telephone numbers are shown over-leaf, guide groups of volunteers in meeting our needs and those of our Celebrants. Please volunteer to help that group to which you feel you can most contribute. Contact the All Saints Coordinator responsible for the group.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance on September 25th: 68      Collection: Friends €110.57, \$5, Catholic Schools €11.30

- If you are **visiting All Saints for the first time**, please introduce yourself at the end of Mass so we can welcome you and join us for coffee and cake after Mass in the Community Hall.
- Currently, All Saints **cannot** be accessed from the **A115 Avus highway**.
- The **election to All Saints Council and the English-speaking Mission Council** will take place on Sunday, Nov 13, 2011. We are looking for candidates for the All Saints Council and for those who represent All Saints in the Mission Council. The list of candidates must be completed by 16th of October. Please contact Konrad after Mass if you would like to be a candidate.
- Please visit our website at <http://www.all-saints-berlin.de>.
- All **food donations in the wicker basket** at the entrance to church go to families in need and to the Soup Kitchen of the Sisters of Charity in Kreuzberg. Thank you for your generosity.
- Many of the **designated collections** are for special purposes of the Archdiocese of Berlin. All Saints supports these initiatives and transfers this money in full. However, in agreement with the Archdiocese, All Saints receives no financial support from the Archdiocese. We are completely **dependent** upon your donations. Please continue to donate to All Saints by using the **white envelopes** stamped **ALL SAINTS FUND** and/or transferring your donation to the Pax-Bank account printed below. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!**

**Please take this copy of the bulletin and use it to spread the word about All Saints.**

**Friends of All Saints Verein:** Bank Account No.: 6001669018, BLZ 370 601 93, Pax-Bank eG

**October 9th 10 am Mass. Our Celebrant will be Father Wolfgang Felber SJ**

Lector: Mike Hoth • Eucharistic Ministers: Renée & Levina Menjares, Heide Doblhofer • Altar Servers: Dennis Loebach, Aidan Brinda, Justin Oruga • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Konrad Giersdorf • Hospitality: Marianne Sihotang

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Celebrants		Father Wolfgang Felber SJ Fathers of the Jesuit Community	
<b>All Saints Coordinators</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	Katharine Doeringer	03328/335725
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	<b>Greeters, Family Group</b>	Konrad Giersdorf	797 83 709
	<b>Hospitality</b>	Levina Menjares, Lupita Wilhelm	466 09 788, 305 82 45
	<b>Lectors</b>	Mike Hoth	354 06 724
	<b>Music Director</b>	Johannes Wrembek	341 31 90
	<b>Office, Treasurer</b>	Heide Doblhofer	832 62 72
	<b>Rosary</b>	Eleonora Loebach	

**ALL SAINTS COUNCIL:** Konrad Giersdorf (Chair) \* Vanessa Hansen \* Rudolf Hausmann \* Tamás Meggyes \* Grey Okute \* Marianne Sihotang

**FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS ASSOCIATION:** Howard Eyth \* Mike Hoth \* Lupita Wilhelm \* Heide Doblhofer \* Eddie McGreal

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**Boy Scout Troop 46:** All Saints is the proud Chartered Organization for Boy Scout Troop 46 "Freedom Outpost." *True to Scouting Values for Over 55 years* ([www.troop46berlin.ScoutLander.com](http://www.troop46berlin.ScoutLander.com))

### Access to All Saints:

**Subway:** U 3, Oskar-Helene-Heim (10 min. walk) or S 1, Zehlendorf, then bus.

**Bus:** Bus 285: stop Am Waldfriedhof (last stop, 2 min. walk); Bus M11: stop Oskar-Helene-Heim (10 min. walk) or Bus 115: stop Hüttenweg (5 min. walk),

**Car:** Via Clayallee (<http://berlinonline.de/citymap>). Currently, **no access** from the A115 **Avus highway**.

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