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## ***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.

### **February 16, 2014 Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sirach 15:15-20 • Psalm 119:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34 • 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 •  
Matthew 5:17-37**

**Welcome to our 10 am Mass at All Saints. Our Celebrant today is Fr. Wolfgang Schonecke MAfr**

Lector: Tait Doeringer • Eucharistic Ministers: Levina Menjares, Heide Doblhofer, Beate Hausmann •  
Greeters: Niels Waliszewski, Sebastian Rosenberg • Altar Servers: Aidan Doeringer, Conrad Chisolm,  
Julia and Josephine Waliszewski • Hospitality: Boy Scouts • The designated collection is for All Saints.

#### **The lamp which gives light to all**

If Pope Francis has demonstrated anything in his first year of leadership, it is the conviction that no Christian is exempt from trying to imitate the life of Jesus and his dealings with people, authorities and enemies. We, Catholics, are traditionally indulgent and lenient towards some of our leaders when it comes to their lavish life style such as the bishop of Limburg. In Matthew, Jesus forbids his followers to accept honorary titles or "places of honor." We often presume that the leaders' function is to tell us what to do instead of demonstrating how to do it. Pope Francis is turning this often widely-accepted unchristian leadership model upside down.

In his Sermon on the Mount, Jesus reminds his friends of how essential they are in spreading the message of dying and rising. *"You are the salt of the earth ... a city set on a mountain ... a lamp which gives light to all in the house."* Only when people experience our good deeds do they *"glorify your heavenly Father."* It isn't in what we say, it is in what we do. Paul writes (1 Corinthians 2:1-5): *"I resolved to know nothing while I was with you except Jesus Christ and him crucified..."* Paul showed Jesus' dying and rising in the way he lived his own life: *"When I talked with you or preached, ... I simply let God's Spirit show his power."* As a good Jew, one of the ways Paul demonstrated the "mystery" preached was by following the command of Yahweh in Isaiah (58:7-10): *"Share your bread with the hungry, shelter the oppressed and the homeless, clothe the naked when you see them, and do not turn your back on your own,"* (words quoted by Jesus), remove *"oppression, false accusation and malicious speech"* from their midst – thus you become a *"lamp which gives light to all"*.

This longed-for transformation from darkness to light will happen only when we stop talking and start acting. That is why Pope Francis has been like a breath of fresh air. He, like Jesus, Paul and Isaiah, wants to lead by example. His words have strength because of his life style. If he can do what he does in his position, then, no matter our position, we can follow suit. There is a saying: *"It's better to light one candle than to curse the darkness."* Let us keep this in mind.

cf: <http://www.dignityusa.org/breath/february-9-2014-fifth-sunday-year>

**Wolfgang Felber SJ**

**We greet our scouts on Scout Sunday today.**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance on February 9th: 75

Collection: Friends: €178.57

If you are **visiting All Saints for the first time**, please introduce yourself at the end of Mass so we can welcome you. Please join us for coffee and cake after Mass in the Community Hall!

### Mark your Calendars

- The Berlin Diocese is organizing an international **Catholic Youth Day in Berlin on April 12th** at St. Matthias' in Schöneberg from 13.00 to 22.00. Vanessa will coordinate a delegation of English-speaking youth ages 13 and older (13-18) to attend the event. Please contact her (vhansen980@hotmail.com) if you are interested in attending the Catholic Youth Day.

### Notes

- Please visit our website at <http://www.all-saints-berlin.de>.
- **Confessions** can be heard on request. Please contact the celebrant.
- 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. Thank you for your generosity.

#### **Sunday, February 23rd, 10 am Mass. Our Celebrant will be Fr. Wolfgang Felber SJ**

Lector: Tamás Meggyes • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Beate Hausmann, Renée Menjares •  
Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar Servers: Phillip Rückeis, Karoline Stein and Niels Waliszewski •  
Hospitality: Levina Menjares • The designated collection on February 23rd is for Caritas.

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!

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#### **Our celebrants: Jesuits and White Fathers**

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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))

### Directions 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 110 or 623: stop Oskar-Helene-Heim (10-min. walk) or bus 115: stop Hüttenweg (5-min. walk).
- **Car:** A115 Avus highway, Hüttenweg exit or Clayallee (<http://berlinonline.de/citymap>)

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