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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 23, 2014 Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Leviticus 19:1-2, 17-18 • Psalm 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13 • 1 Corinthians 3:16-23 •
Matthew 5:38-48**

Welcome to our 10 am Mass at All Saints. Our Celebrant today is 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 is for Caritas.

Jesus demands more

Last Sunday we welcomed the Scouts to our Eucharistic celebration. A good scout follows the Scout Law and the ten Scout Laws which are expressed in a non-religious language but are based on the Ten Commandments. These are the fundamental requirements for a good life and a peaceful society. In the Gospel, Jesus quotes some of these basic moral rules but gives them a new and far more radical meaning. Our "righteousness" must be much more than external morality. Its model and measure is God Himself.

Let us look at three examples given in the Gospel and compare them with the Scout Law.

1. Jesus quotes the "ancestors", the moral tradition of humanity, which says: you must not kill. Have we fulfilled the commandment just because we have not murdered anybody? No, says Jesus, you must not only refrain from harming people physically in their body, but also from hurting them in their soul and their feelings. Stop mobbing people, killing their reputation by spreading rumors about them, inflicting pain by insults and verbal aggression. *Be a friend to all, be courteous*, says the Scout Law.
2. We find happiness mainly in loving relationships and most of all in a loving family where we feel accepted as we are always welcome. People who were humiliated and brutalized in their childhood at home tend to become violent and destructive later in life. The commandment: Do not commit adultery wants to protect the love between wife and husband because betraying that love kills the family and causes endless pain to all concerned as children from broken homes can tell. Jesus goes even further. All sin, all unfaithfulness begins in the heart with selfish desires. The heart is the true battlefield. The Scout Law says: *A Scout is clean in thought, word and deed*.
3. Not to keep an oath, a solemn promise made to God, is a serious breach of trust. Jesus wants his followers to be always trustworthy whatever they say, to be like God who can always be trusted to keep His promises. Moreover, mutual trust is the foundation of any true friendship. Telling lies, not keeping one's word is the surest recipe to kill love and friendship. So it is right that the first Scout Law says: *A Scout's honor is to be trusted*.

Wolfgang Schonecke MAfr



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance on February 16th: 125

Collection: Friends: €171.26

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

- **Taizé prayer and singing:** Alte Dorfkirche, Zehlendorf, **February 27th** 6:30 pm.
- **Thursday, March 13th** 2014, 8 p.m.: **Evidence of things not seen.** American songs on Hüttenweg 46, U.S. Army Chapel. Ticket service: www.rias-kammerchor.de, tickets@rias-kammerchor.de, phone (030) 20 29 87 25. Entrance fee: € 20.
- **April 12th** 13:00 – 22:00: International **Catholic Youth Day** at St. Matthias' in Berlin-Schöneberg. Please contact Vanessa (vhansen980@hotmail.com) if you are interested in participating.

Notes

- Members from **Boy Scout Troop 46**, Cub Scout Pack 152 and Girl Scouts Troop 502 participated in the annual **Scout Sunday at All Saints** on February 16th. They were involved in all aspects of the Mass - Lector, Altar Servers, Ushers and Hospitality. Thank you! Your service to All Saints is greatly appreciated!
- **Confessions** can be heard on request. Please contact the celebrant.

Sunday, March 2nd, 10 am Mass. Our Celebrant will be Fr. Herbert Gillessen

Lector: Johannes Ploog • Eucharistic Ministers: Beate Hausmann, Renée and Celso Menjares •
Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar Servers: Caroline Rosenberg, Sebastian Rosenberg •
Hospitality: Buck Chisolm • The designated collection on March 2nd is for All Saints.

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. We are completely **dependent** upon your donations. 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)

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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