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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.

### **June 08, 2014 Pentecost Sunday**

**Acts 2:1-11 • Psalm 104:1, 29-31, 34 • 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13 • John 20:19-23**

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

Lector: Cathleen Rückeis • Eucharistic Ministers: Celso and Levina Menjares, Heide Doblhofer •  
Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar server: Conrad Chisolm • Hospitality: Rückeis Family •  
The designated collection is for Renovabis.

### **Speak of the ONE who strengthens and encourages us**

*„Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks you for a reason for your hope...If you are asked about your Christian hope, always be ready to explain it” (1 Peter 3 15).* The first letter of Saint Peter is addressed to first-century Christians who were living in a non-Christian environment. They were regarded with suspicion because they were different from the others. Although discriminated, they were encouraged to be true to their faith in Jesus without being pretentious or having to defend themselves – because there was no justified reproach towards them. They were encouraged to remain calm and serene.

Encouragement and high standard are demanded: Christians need to be able to justify themselves and their faith not by words but by the way they live. Do we not also live in a non-Christian environment? *“Why are you going to church every Sunday? Isn't your church odd, boring and dusty, narrow and stubborn? Doesn't it forbid too many things? Where is the joy of your faith?”* Or the final remark could be: *“Well, yes, if you need something like “the church”, it is OK for you – but as for me...”* These are questions we may hear. On the other hand, Christians are expected to live according to their faith. They are expected to show the joy of their faith, the difference their faith makes. Nietzsche, the German philosopher said in the 19<sup>th</sup> century: *„Me too, I would believe, if the Christians would only look more redeemed.”*

*„Always be ready to give an explanation to anyone who asks your reason for hope...if you are asked about your Christian hope, always be ready to explain it”.* This is an encouragement to accept the gift of faith, God's nearness and love. If we are attentive enough to see signs and traces of this love, we need not worry about what we should tell others about our faith. If we see the signs and the traces of God's love for us, then we can speak of what and WHO lives in us. We won't need to quote dogmas or truths written in books. People who are in contact with us will see what encourages and consoles us and transmit this love to those who may need a sign of encouragement.

*“So I pray that God, who gives you hope, will keep you happy and full of peace as you believe in him. May you overflow with hope through the power of the Holy Spirit.”*

**Wolfgang Felber SJ**

**All Saints Council will meet today after Mass**



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance on June 1st: 75

Collection: Friends: €136.00, Catholic Kitas: €4.00

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

- June 29th: Annual Summer **Barbecue**.
- July 5th: We will celebrate a special Mass with Fr. Schonecke in honor of the 50th anniversary of his priesthood. Johannes Wrembek will direct a choir and orchestra of former Theresienschule students.

### Notes

- We are in great need of a **Hospitality Volunteer Coordinator(s)**. Both **Lupita** and **Levina** will be stepping down in July after many years of service. We would like to warmly thank them both for their continued commitment to our community. If you are interested in taking over the position, please contact Heide or Vanessa. The primary function of this position is to coordinate volunteers for hospitality throughout the year.
- 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.
- Please visit our website at <http://www.all-saints-berlin.de>.

### **Most Holy Trinity, June 15th, 10 am Mass. Our Celebrant will be Fr. Wolfgang Felber SJ**

Lector: Johannes Ploog • Eucharistic Ministers: Levina Menjares, Heide Doblhofer, Beate Hausmann • Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar servers: Erik Walton, Gwendolyn Walton • Hospitality: Rose Oruga • The designated collection on June 15th 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!

**Friends of All Saints Verein:** Bank Account No.: 6001669018, BLZ 370 601 93, Pax-Bank eG  
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### **Our celebrants: Jesuits and White Fathers**

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**All Saints Council:** Konrad Giersdorf (Co-Chair) \* Vanessa Hansen (Co-Chair) \* Rudolf Hausmann \* Nora Loebach \* Tamás Meggyes \* Marianne Sihotang

**Friends of All Saints Verein:** Howard Eyth, Mike Hoth, Lupita Wilhelm, Heide Doblhofer, Eddie McGreal

**Rector Ecclesiae:** Fr. Gillissen, English-Speak. Cath. Mission, Johann-Georg-Str. 8, Berlin, Tel 8132026

**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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