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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.

September 7, 2014 Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 33:7-9 • Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9 • Romans 13:8-10 • Matthew 18:15-20

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

Lector: Jennifer Evans • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Beate Hausmann,
Renée Menjares • Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar server: Dylan Schmidt •
Hospitality: Heide Doblhofer • The designated collection is for All Saints.

Copernican Revolution of the Hearts

In the 16th century, there lived a man named Nikolaus Copernicus who was a great Polish astronomer and mathematician. At this time, everybody believed that the sun, moon and stars revolved around the earth and that the earth was the center of the universe. But one day, Copernicus declared the opposite: "The sun is the center of the universe, and the earth and the moon revolve around the sun." Many thought he was joking and some considered him crazy. Today everybody believes that the earth revolves around the sun. We call this the "Copernican Revolution".

Like Copernicus, Jesus often stated the opposite of how people thought at that time. Let us call it the *Copernican Revolution of the Hearts*. He said, "Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me. For whoever wishes to save his life will lose it, but whoever loses his life for my sake, will find it." This is one of the most difficult sayings of Jesus: Whoever wishes to come after me, **must deny himself**. Jesus is simply saying that one should invert the process of our mentality: from SELF to God. That is what is meant by "denying yourself". Empty the selfish purposes from your heart. This is the Copernican Revolution of the Hearts.

If we look at our lives, many of the things we do mostly revolve around the ME or MYSELF: it is the self that comes first – **self-oriented and self-serving**: my purpose, my objective, my needs, wants, desires, and wishes; my vision, my dream, my agenda, my projects, my activities. Just look at Facebook, what do they post – a **selfie!**

St. James tells us: "Where **selfish ambition** exists, there is disorder and every foul practice. . . . Where do wars and where do the conflicts among you come from? Is it not from your passions that make war within your members?" Start thinking less in terms of yourself and your personal interests and more in terms of God. What would Jesus do in such a situation, how would Jesus react to such people? You are the one now who revolves around Jesus.

One way to describe my point is an incident where an LKW needs to pass through an underpass. However, there is a little problem: the truck is a few centimeters too high to get. Everybody contributes with a solution that does not work until a man from a vulcanizing shop stops by and takes a stick and lets air out from the tires and the truck is able to pass through.

This is how the Copernican Revolution of the Hearts works. **Deflate yourself of self-seeking interests**. No wonder when Jesus said, "If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all," he took a child and placed him in their midst. **Fr. Jun Ocampo SVD**

Annual Fall Barbecue on September 14th after Mass

Holy Father's prayer intentions for September 2014

Mentally disabled. That the mentally disabled may receive the love and help they need for a dignified life.

Service to the poor. That Christians, inspired by the Word of God, may serve the poor and suffering.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance on August 31st: 86

Collection: Friends €186.24 Archdiocese: €16

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

- Boy Scout Troop 46 would like to invite the All Saints Community to their **60th anniversary celebration** on **Saturday, September 13th at 5:30 pm** at Hüttenweg.
- We will be having our annual **Fall Welcome BBQ** on **Sunday, September 14th** directly after Mass. Please bring a side-dish to share.

September 14th, 10 am Mass: Our Celebrant will be Fr. Clemens Pfaff

Lector: Christian Doeringer • Eucharistic Ministers: Beate Hausmann, Renée Menjares, Heide Doblhofer • Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar servers: Aidan, Hanna Mei & Tait Doeringer • Hospitality: Barbecue • The designated collection on September 14th is for Church Media.

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)

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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