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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 01, 2015 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Deuteronomy 18:15-20 • Psalm 95:1-2, 6-9 • 1 Corinthians 7:32-35 • Mark 1:21-28**

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

Lector: Matthias Waliszewski • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Celso Menjares •

Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar servers: Conrad Chisolm, Viktor Lohwasser • Gifts: Lohwasser Family •

Hospitality: Marianne Sihotang • Today's designated collection is for All Saints.

### **Holy Father's prayer intentions for February 2015**

**Elders.** That the Church and society may respect the wisdom and experience of older people.

**Collaboration in Evangelization.** That priests, religious, and lay people may work together with generosity.

***"If it is assumed that we all belong to human nature, prejudices and falsehoods can be overcome and an understanding of the other according to a new perspective can begin."***

These were the words said by Pope Francis to the members of the Pontifical Institute of Arabic and Islamic Studies today. The audience coincided with the 50th anniversary of the Institute's opening.

In his address, the Pope noted the progress that has been made in interreligious dialogue. He also reflected on the exercise of listening to one another as not only a condition but a duty in acknowledging the values of others and in shedding a light on shared beliefs.

"At the heart of everything is the need for an adequate formation so that, steadfast in one's own identity, we can grow in mutual knowledge," he said.

The Holy Father cautioned those present on the danger of falling into a "facile syncretism", which leads to a convenient, yet false, approach to dialogue. He explained the consequences of such an approach that "says yes to everything in order to avoid problems."

"It would end up becoming 'a way of deceiving others and denying them the good which we have been given to share generously with others,'" the Pope said.

Regarding the Institute's 50th anniversary, the Pope praised their work and dedication in paving the way for dialogue between Christians and Muslims. Their work, he stressed, is crucial in combating violence.

"Perhaps now more than ever such a need is felt, because the most effective antidote against all forms of violence is education towards the discovery and acceptance of differences," he said.

Concluding his address, Pope Francis expressed his hope that the Pontifical Institute will continue to become a central place of formation for Christians working in the area of interreligious dialogue.

Source: <http://en.radiovaticana.va/>



# ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance on January 25: 88

Collections: Friends €161.86

**Visiting All Saints for the first time?** Please introduce yourself and tell us where you are from at the end of Mass so we can welcome you and join us after Mass for coffee and cake in the Community Hall!

**February 8th, 10 am Mass: Our Celebrant will be Fr Wolfgang Felber SJ**  
Lector: Johannes Ploog • Eucharistic Ministers: Beate Hausmann, Heide Doblhofer, Celso Menjares •  
Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar server: Niels Waliszewski • Gifts: TBD •  
Hospitality: Beata McGreal • Designated collection on February 8th is for All Saints.

## UPCOMING DATES

**Children's Liturgy: Sundays, February 15th and February 22<sup>nd</sup>**

**LIFT Interfaith Youth Group**

**February:** Come celebrate the "Chinese New Year" with a bang! on **Friday, February 20<sup>th</sup>** at the American Church in Berlin from 6.30 pm to 8 pm on Bülowstr.

**March:** "Middle Eastern Evening" on **Saturday, March 7<sup>th</sup> from 6.30 pm to 8 pm.** We will have a unique opportunity to tour a Mosque, learn about Islam and visit Middle East's fascinating history and culture – Middle Eastern hospitality included! This is a family event.

Interested in coming or helping out? Contact Vanessa - [vhansen980@hotmail.com](mailto:vhansen980@hotmail.com)

**This Lent, why not try something a little different?**  
All Saints is offering a **guided scripture study opportunity** for adults wishing to **mark the season of Lent** with a **spiritual enhancement** activity. The theme will be „**Living as Christians,**“ focusing on excerpts from the First Letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians. The program will consist of six evening sessions and utilize materials from the „Six Weeks with the Bible“ Catholic Perspectives program.

**Dates: 23 February, 2 March, 9 March, 16 March, 23 March, 30 March.**  
**Time: 7:30 pm – 8:45 pm**  
**Location: All Saints at Hüttenweg**

You do not need to attend all six sessions! Self-study packets will be sent via email for sessions you miss. If you would like to participate, please contact Jenny Gebhardt (Tel. 847 100 73).

Join us for a **ST. PATRICK'S DAY** celebration at All Saints on **Saturday, March 14<sup>th</sup>**

Support All Saints through our fundraising site at [www.bildungsspender.de/all-saints-berlin](http://www.bildungsspender.de/all-saints-berlin) at no extra cost to yourself. Shop at one of more than 1500 online shops through this website, and All Saints receives a donation from the online-shop for every transaction you make. The funds collected this way will go toward supporting our community life, such as our hospitality ministry.

Please continue to donate to our community by using the "ALL SAINTS FUND" envelopes and/or transferring your donation to the Pax-Bank account below. We are completely **dependent upon your donations**. THANK YOU!

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**New to All Saints? We would like to welcome you!**

Name: .....

Email: .....

Please drop this registration form in the office after Mass.