

Serving Berlin's English-speaking Catholic Community since 1957



Catholic Community

Member of the English-Speaking Mission

Mass: Fridays at 6 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Sundays at 10 a.m. in the main Sanctuary

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October 8th, 2017 – Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings (Missal p 209 et seq.): Isa 5:1-7 • Ps 80:9, 12-16, 19-20 • Phil 4:6-9 • Mt 21:33-43

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

Lector: Rachel Rückeis • Eucharistic Ministers: Thomas Schmidt, Heide Doblhofer, Johannes Ploog •
Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar Servers: Madeline Rueckeis, Samantha Scott • Hospitality: Marianne Sihotang,
Vanessa Hansen, Lupita Wilhelm •

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY OF THE YEAR

The first reading from the Prophet Ezekiel tells us that we are the ones who are unjust when we go astray, not God. God punishes us for our sinfulness but he is just in doing so. We are also reminded that those who change their ways and repent of their transgressions are welcomed back by God. The good man who commits evil will die; the sinner who renounces sin and converts will live. The Psalm asks the Lord to be merciful and to teach us his ways.

In the gospel, Jesus is admonishing some of the chief priests and elders for not listening to God's messengers and for not living righteously before God. He gives a parable concerning two sons: the first refused to do what the father asked him to do, but then thought about it and did as he was asked; the second said he would do what the father asked, but didn't do it. The Lord was highlighting two groups of people who both heard the message preached by John the Baptist, a message which concerned repentance and conversion. He tells the chief priests and elders that those whom they considered to be sinners – tax collectors and prostitutes – were getting in to heaven ahead of them because these sinners heard the call to live holy lives but, though they initially didn't, they converted and answered the call. The chief priests and elders had also heard the message and the call but judged themselves to be in no need of conversion and so continued in their own blind and somewhat arrogant ways. The parable was part of a series given by the Lord following his triumphal entry into Jerusalem and which helped seal his fate as he challenged the religious authorities in their own home. We too are called on to believe in God and to not fool ourselves with our own ideas, judgements and values.

In the second reading, St Paul tells the people of Philippi that they should be a humble people. They are to see each other as equals, they are to be self-effacing, they are not to compete with one another. Instead they are to live the Christian life seeing others as better than themselves while striving to make themselves better in the sight of God. They should think of Jesus Christ who gave up everything, becoming a slave for their sake and, in that humble act, was glorified by God. We, too, must give up our earthly ways and become like Christ if we are to enter the Kingdom of heaven, and share in the Lord's glory.

<http://www.carmelites.ie/readingsreflect.html>

Children's Liturgy of the Word TODAY during Mass

ANNOUNCEMENTS



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

Attendance on October 1st: 85

Collection: All Saints: €222.28

BENEFIT CONCERT

The Papurri Shalom Choir from the Filipino Catholic community, will be holding a benefit concert for the orphans and street children of Bulacan, Philippines.

The concert is on Saturday, October 14th at 5 pm at All Saints.

Entrance is free but donations are welcome and will go to the benefit of the children.

Please spread the word!

Special Halloween Hospitality

After Mass on October 29th we will have a special Hallows Eve Hospitality with suitable beverages and ghoulish treats!



Young children are welcome to knock on the door to the room full of ghosts, goblins and zombies and say "trick or treat" to win a sweet.

But, only knock on the door if you are really brave!



Join the choir...
**You'll Be Glad
You Did!**

We are seeking several new volunteers to join our choir. If you feel the calling, please speak with Johannes Wrembek

Clip out and put on your fridge or family board!

Mark your calendars:

- October 12th - **English-Speaking Mission Council (ESM)** meets in the Fellowship Hall 1700 – 2100 h
- October 15th – **Combined Confirmation Class** meets at St Bernard's from 1645 – 1845 h.
- October 22nd – **Children's Liturgy of the Word** during Mass
- November 7th - **Girl's Confirmation Class** meets at 1330 at Family Pedussel's house.
- November 8th - **Boy's Confirmation Class** meets at 1800. Location TBA.
- November 12th – **Combined Confirmation Class** meets at St Bernard's from 1645 – 1845 h.
- November 12th – **Children's Liturgy of the Word** during Mass
- November 13th - **Girl's Confirmation Class** meets at 1330 at Family Pedussel's house.
- November 19th - **Girl's Confirmation Class** meets at noon at All Saints (nursery).
- November 24th – **Thanksgiving Dinner** from 1800 h in the Fellowship Hall
- November 26th – **Children's Liturgy of the Word** during Mass
- December 1st – **Christmas Tree arrives.** Tree set up / decorated and church decorated with ivy beginning at 17:00 h. Volunteers to help with the tree and church decorations should contact Konrad Giersdorf.
- December 3rd – **Annual Christmas Caroling** at Elder Folks Home starting at 1500 h.
- December 3rd – **Combined Confirmation Class** meets at St Bernard's from 1645 – 1845 h.
- December 7th, **Boy's Confirmation Class** meets at 1800 at Family Dethlefsen.
- December 10th – **Children's Liturgy of the Word** during Mass

October 15th, 2017, 10 am Mass: Celebrant: Fr. Wolfgang Felber, SJ

Lector: Johannes Ploog • Eucharistic Ministers: Glenda Massey, Johannes Ploog, Beate Hausmann • Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar Servers: NN • Hospitality: Karen Castellon • Designated collection: For the renovation of the St. Hedwig's Cathedral

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