

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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June 10th, 2018 – Tenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings (Missal no. 881): Gen 3:9-15 • Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 • 2 Cor 4:13-5:1 • Mk 3:20-35 (G)

Welcome to our 10:00 a.m. Mass. Our Celebrant today is Fr. Wolfgang Schonecke, MAfr

Lector: Tom FitzPatrick • Eucharistic Ministers: Johannes Ploog, Beate Hausmann, Thomas Schmidt •

Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar Servers: Konrad Giersdorf, Buck Chisolm • Hospitality: Goodbye BBQ •

• Designated collection: All Saints •

Solemnity of the Corpus Christi

Today we celebrate the great solemnity of Corpus Christi – the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ – which has the Last Supper on Holy Thursday night as its backdrop and origin. We celebrate it today in thanksgiving for the great gift we receive through the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ freely given for us. In today's solemnity we celebrate in a very special way the fact that the Lord is really, truly and substantially present under the appearance of bread and wine. This Sacred Host, this True Presence is reserved in the tabernacles in our churches and chapels and strengthens us and the Church along the path to salvation. Jesus made a new and everlasting covenant with us which brings eternal life to all who believe in him and this covenant was sealed in his blood on the Cross. Traditionally, this day was marked by processions with the Blessed Sacrament carried through towns and villages whose streets and neighbourhoods were cleaned up and decorated for the occasion. The solemnity marks one of the great mysteries of our faith and with it one of the great gifts which God has given to his Church.

In the first reading from the Book of Exodus, Moses has returned to the people and tells them God's commandments and his judgements. The people assent to all of this and the rituals for sealing the covenant between them and God are carried out. Part of that was the sprinkling of some of the blood on the altar (which represented God) and the sprinkling of the remaining blood on the people which showed their close union with God and their willingness to be faithful to the covenant or contract they had just agreed.

In the second reading from the letter to the Hebrews, the author speaks about the blood of Jesus Christ which not only brings eternal life but also purifies the people. The blood of bulls and calves of the Old Testament only brought an outward purification, whereas the blood of Jesus Christ brings inner purification to the believer and allows them to become better servants or faithful disciples for God.

The gospel from St Mark recounts the preparations in the lead-up to the Last Supper of the Lord. During that meal, Jesus instituted the Eucharist by giving the bread and wine as his body and blood to his disciples. At the end of the meal the group moved to the Mount of Olives as the Lord prepared to give his life, to shed his blood for his people that they may have life. Jesus is really, truly and substantially present in the bread and wine after the consecration and these remain forever his Body and Blood which we receive at Mass or return to adore in the Eucharistic presence in the tabernacle. There is no greater possession in the world than the Body and Blood of Christ but it is worthless to us if we do not believe and live the life to which it calls us.

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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: June 3rd: 84

Collection: All Saints: €277.86 Caritas €33.82

2018 Registration forms are now available in the office



Registration is open for preparation for First Holy Communion (FHC) and Confirmation 2018-2019

Registration for Communion and Confirmation classes is now open! Classes will begin in the fall with the beginning of the new school year.

Please fill out the registration form of the English-speaking Mission which can be found outside the church office. Please submit it to the office (directly or via the mail box). Watch our website for more details.



Teens sought for service to the community.

Tom FitzPatrick has been asked to help spearhead an effort for our teens to be more involved in our church life. We are looking for help with our Youth Ministries in the Fall, especially, for Children's Liturgy of the Word which is held during Mass. We are also planning food drives and other activities where teen participation will be most welcome.

If you are already interested in being more involved speak with Tom.

Mark your calendar:

- June 16th – **Child Protection Training in English** – at St. Bernard's from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. – reservations required and seating is limited. Contact Buck Chisolm if you would like to attend. See announcement in the bulletin or website for more details.
- June 30th - **English Speaking Mission Day** – at St. Bernard's (Königin-Luise-Straße 33, 14195 Berlin) from 6:00 p.m. Please watch the bulletin and our website for additional information coming soon.

✓ Check for the latest "News" at the **All Saints website** (<http://www.all-saints-berlin.de/home.shtml>) or visit us on Facebook: **All Saints Catholic Community Berlin**

Last chance to enroll. If you would like to be involved in our Youth Religious Education, even part time, please join us in this class.



Child Protection Training in English at St. Bernard's on June 16th

A course is being offered at St Bernard's on 16 June (10:30 to 17:00) for members of the ESM who may wish to teach or be a substitute teacher for our Youth Religious Ministry (FHC, CLOW & Confirmation).

Seating is limited to 25 so if you would like to attend please email b.chisolm@gmx.de and we will reserve a seat for you.

June 17th, 10:00 a.m.: Mass: Celebrant Fr. Wolfgang Felber, SJ

Lector: NN • Eucharistic Ministers: Beate Hausmann, Thomas Schmidt, Heide Doblhofer • Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar Servers: Konrad Giersdorf, Tom FitzPatrick • Hospitality: Beata McGreal • Designated collection: All Saints

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