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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.

## **May 6, 2012, Fifth Sunday of Easter**

**Acts 9:26-31; Psalm 22:26-28, 30-32; 1 John 3:18-24; John 15:1-8**

### **Excerpt from The Good Shepherd**

John was known as the beloved disciple. Not because he was better than the rest, but because he just happened to get along well with the Lord. John concentrated on telling us what Jesus was really like. John, in fact, was writing to the Greek converts and assured them that Christ was God and described what kind a person God was as a man with the name of Jesus the Christ. The emphasis was always on kindness and caring.

It is no surprise that his favorite picture was Christ the loving shepherd and described us as the wandering sheep. No other picture could have been more familiar to the people to whom our Lord was talking. Part of his brilliance as a teacher was the way he used well-known words and scenes. Palestine, as it was called then, was an agricultural country. One could say that it wasn't bad for grazing. Flocks of sheep were wandering over the hillsides and all those flocks had their shepherd who was never off duty day or night. This is the theme of John's gospel: "I am the good shepherd." The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

"I am the gate of the sheepfold." Anyone who enters through me will be safe. He will go freely in and out and be sure to find pasture. "I am the good shepherd and I know mine and mine know me." Before Christ, people only thought of God as a stranger at best and as an enemy at worst. Now, through Jesus, the Good Shepherd, we have a picture of God. He is not cold, distant and aloof, but rather warm and kind. Like the shepherds of old, he knows all of us by name and is always there to save us whenever we get into trouble. He is someone we can talk to because he is interested in our problems. With this picture in mind, it is easy to get an idea what prayer means and to feel happy when praying.

Fr Clemens Pfaff

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

Lector: Ruby Schmidt • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Beate Hausmann, Levina Menjares •  
Altar Servers: Isabella Gneist, Dennis Loebach • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Konrad Giersdorf •  
Hospitality: Lupita Wilhelm

The designated collection today is for Pro Vita.



## ANNOUNCEMENTS

April 29th attendance: 77

Collection: Friends €210.22

- If you are **visiting All Saints for the first time**, please introduce yourself at the end of Mass so we can welcome you, and join us for coffee and cake after Mass in the Community Hall!
- We thank everyone, especially Heide, for organizing our annual **All Saints Spring Family Bazaar**. Our traditional family bazaars at Hüttenweg have become social events and provide a substantial income to our Community.
- The Scouts will be packing small **CARE packages** with Hershey chocolates on **Monday, May 7th from 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm** in the Community Hall in preparation of the Berlin Airlift celebrations. We welcome members of the All Saints Community. Please do join us! RSVP: Vanessa (vhansen980@hotmail.com)
- The Scouts will be hosting the **Airlift veterans and Airlift "kids"** on **Monday, May 14th at All Saints from 5.30 pm to 7.30 pm** for a Potluck dinner. We would like to invite members of the All Saints Community. Please bring a dessert to share. RSVP: Vanessa (vhansen980@hotmail.com)
- 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!**

***Please take this copy of the bulletin and use it to spread the word about All Saints.***

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**May 13th 10 am Mass. Our Celebrant will be Fr Clemens Pfaff**

Lector: Tamás Meggyes • Eucharistic Ministers: Renée Menjares, Heide Doblhofer, Beate Hausmann  
 • Altar Servers: Aidan Brinda, Sarah Schmidt-Bleek, Emma & Karina Whamond • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Konrad Giersdorf • Hospitality: Rückeis Family  
 The designated collection on May 13th is for the German Catholic Day.

<b>Celebrants</b>		<b>Father Wolfgang Felber SJ Fathers of the Jesuit Community</b>	
<b>All Saints Coordinators</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>	Katharine Doeringer	03328/335725
	<b>Bulletin, Website</b>	Tamás Meggyes, Vanessa Hansen	811 06 33; 0157 78 95 9845
	<b>Eucharistic Ministers</b>	Heide Doblhofer	832 62 72
	<b>Greeters, Family Group</b>	Konrad Giersdorf	797 83 709
	<b>Hospitality</b>	Levina Menjares, Lupita Wilhelm	466 09 788, 305 82 45
	<b>Lectors</b>	Mike Hoth	354 06 724
	<b>Music Director</b>	Johannes Wrembek	341 31 90
	<b>Office, Treasurer</b>	Heide Doblhofer	832 62 72
	<b>Rosary</b>	Eleonora Loebach	500 14 506

**ALL SAINTS COUNCIL:** Konrad Giersdorf (Co-Chair) \* Vanessa Hansen (Co-Chair) \* Rudolf Hausmann \* Nora Loebach \* Tamás Meggyes \* Marianne Sihotang

**FRIENDS OF ALL SAINTS ASSOCIATION:** Howard Eyth \* Mike Hoth \* Lupita Wilhelm \* Heide Doblhofer \* Eddie McGreal

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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](http://www.troop46berlin.ScoutLander.com))

### **Access 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 M11: stop Oskar-Helene-Heim (10-min. walk) or Bus 115: stop Hüttenweg (5-min. walk),

**Car:** Via Clayallee (<http://berlinonline.de/citymap>). Currently, **no access** from the A115 **Avus highway**.

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