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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.

January 6, 2013, The Epiphany of the Lord

Isaiah 60:1-6 Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13 Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 Matthew 2:1-12

Holy Father's Prayer Intentions for January 2013

The Faith of Christians: That in this Year of Faith Christians may deepen their knowledge of the mystery of Christ and witness joyfully to the gift of faith in him.

Middle Eastern Christians: That the Christian communities of the Middle East, often discriminated against, may receive from the Holy Spirit the strength of fidelity and perseverance.

The Tradition of Three Kings Day

January 6th is Three Kings Day. It is a date celebrated throughout Latin America, Spain, and in Hispanic communities of the United States. This is the Epiphany of the church calendar, the 12th day after Christmas, when the Magi arrived bearing gifts for baby Jesus. In Latin America but also in orthodox countries, traditionally January 6th is the day that children receive their gifts, brought by the three kings.

In the days preceding Three Kings Day, children write letters to the Magi requesting a toy or gift that they would like. On the night of January 5th, the figures of the Wise Men are placed in the nativity scene. In Mexico, children would traditionally leave out their shoes with a bit of hay in them to feed the animals of the Magi (they are often shown with a camel.) When the children wake up in the morning, their gifts will have appeared in the place of the hay. Nowadays, like Santa Claus, the Kings tend to place their gifts under the Christmas tree instead of in a shoe.

The most iconic tradition associated with Three Kings Day is the customary eating of a Rosca de Reyes (King's Ring), a sweet bread shaped like a wreath, with candied fruit on top, and a figurine of a baby Jesus baked inside. The person who finds the figurine is expected to host a party on Día de la Candelaria (Candlemas), celebrated on February 2nd.

Source: <http://tudecidesmedia.com/traditions-the-tradition-of-three-kings-day-p3002-128.htm>

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

Lector: Ruby Schmidt • Eucharistic Ministers: Celso and Renée Menjares, Heide Doblhofer • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Konrad Giersdorf • Altar Servers: Tait Doeringer, Joshua Wunder • Hospitality: Three Kings Day • The designated collection today is for African Catechists.

***Today we will be celebrating Three Kings Day
during Hospitality!***



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance on December 30th: 89

Collection: Friends €210.05

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

- **Wednesday, January 9: BibleLive** at All Saints at 7:30 pm. More information: Klaudia Höfig, 01573-870-3659, 030-60975944 (office) or info@ipz-berlin.de.
- **First Holy Communion class** takes place on Jan. 13th after Mass from 11:00am to 12:30pm
- **Confirmation class** takes place on Jan. 13th after Mass from 11:00am to 12:30pm
- **First Reconciliation** takes place at St. Bernhard's on January 19th at 3:30 pm.

Other Notes

- **Lectors:** The January through February lector schedule for 2013 has been sent off by email. Please check your inbox.
- **Confirmation class** today after Mass from 11:00am to 12:30pm

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!

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January 13th, 10 am Mass. Our Celebrant will be Fr. Wolfgang Felber SJ

Lector: Tamás Meggyes • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Levina Menjares, Beate Hausmann • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Konrad Giersdorf • Hospitality: Marianne Sihotang •
The designated collection on January 13th is for All Saints.

Celebrants		Father Wolfgang Felber SJ Fathers of the Jesuit Community	
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	Hospitality	Levina Menjares, Lupita Wilhelm	466 09 788, 305 82 45
	Lectors	Mike Hoth	354 06 724
	Music Director	Johannes Wrembek	341 31 90
	Office, Treasurer	Heide Doblhofer	832 62 72
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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)

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: A115 Avus highway, Hüttenweg exit or Clayallee (<http://berlinonline.de/citymap>)

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