

Catholic Community

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<u>Our Mission Statement</u>: 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 26, 2013 The Most Holy Trinity

Proverbs 8:22-31 • Psalm 8:4-9 • Romans 5:1-5 • John 16:12-15

A Feast of Transformation

Pentecost is the birthday celebration of the Church, the start of an immense process of transformation: God's Spirit bringing together all His scattered children.

To transform the world has always been a human ambition. The alchemists in the middle ages tried in vain to turn common metals into gold. Political ideologies wanted to create a new society by force and failed. God's Spirit transforms us from within, to change our heart if we let Him act. How does such a spiritual transformation come about? The Eucharist shows us how we can be transformed. At consecration the priest says: Jesus took bread, gave thanks, broke it and gave it saying "This is my body". This is me.

- Jesus owns his life. He is totally free, free to give his life.
 We cannot give ourselves unless we own ourselves, unless we are free, not determined by our instincts, by the opinion of others, by the media, by advertisement. Living in the Spirit makes us free.
- **Jesus gives thanks**. He knows that his life is a gift of His Father. With the help of the Spirit we realize that all we have and all we are is God's gift. We begin to live with a deep sense of gratitude.
- **Jesus breaks the bread**. He allowed his body to be broken, he freely accepts suffering and death.
 - To become a gift to others we must allow the Spirit to break our false ego, we must accept that something in us has to die.
- **Jesus gave himself** to his friends. His life and his death is a gift to others. The purpose of our life is to make a gift of it to God and to the people God puts on our way.

Taking our lives in our own hands, being grateful for everything, saying yes to the cross in our life, giving ourselves, our love, our time for others, this is how we are slowly transformed by the Spirit.

Fr. Wolfgang Schonecke MAfr

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

Lector: Johannes Ploog • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Levina Menjares, Beate Hausmann • Altar Server: Isabella Gneist •Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Anthony Reilly • Hospitality: Beata McGreal • The designated collection today is for All Saints.

We thank Lynn Brinda, Katie Loughran and Rachel Rückeis for teaching the First Communion Class



Attendance on May 19th: 121 Collection: Friends €188.36 Renovabis: €11.20

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

- Confirmation Class today after Mass from 11 am to 12:30 pm.
- All Saints Council Meeting after Mass today.
- Corpus Christi Mass and Procession with Cardinal Woelki for First Holy Communion & Confirmation classes at the Gendarmenmarkt in Stadtmitte on May 30th from 6 to 8 pm. **Meeting time** is at 5:30 pm in front of the Hilton at Gendarmenmarkt. All parishioners are invited to take part.
- Confirmation Rehearsal on June 1st from 10 am to 12 noon at St Bernhard's.
- Confirmation on June 2nd at 11 am at St Bernhard's.
- Annual All Saints Summer Potluck Barbecue after Mass on June 23rd.

Other Notes

• **Bicycle race** on June 9th. Be prepared for road closures in the neighborhood.

Sunday, June 2nd, 10 am Mass. Our Celebrant will be Fr. Herbert Gillessen.

Lector: Anthony Reilly • Eucharistic Ministers: Beate Hausmann, Renée Menjares, Heide Doblhofer • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Anthony Reilly • Hospitality: Rose Oruga • The designated collection on June 2nd is for Caritas.

Many of the **designated collections** are for special purposes of the Archdiocese of Berlin. All Saints supports these initiatives and transfers this money in full. However, in agreement with the Archdiocese, All Saints receives <u>no financial support</u> from the Archdiocese. We are completely **dependent** upon your donations. 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. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

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

Friends of All Saints Verein: Bank Account No.: 6001669018, BLZ 370 601 93, Pax-Bank eG

Our celebrants: Jesuits and White Fathers			
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All Saints Coordinators	Bulletin, Website	Tamás Meggyes, Vanessa Hansen	811 06 33; 0157 78 95 9845
	Eucharistic Ministers	Heide Doblhofer	832 62 72
	Greeters	Anthony Reilly	940 53 619
	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 Verein: Howard Eyth * Mike Hoth * Lupita Wilhelm * Heide Doblhofer * Eddie McGreal Rector Ecclesiae: Fr. Gillessen, English-Speaking Roman Catholic Mission, Johann-Georg-Str. 8, 10709 Berlin, Tel: 8132026

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* (<u>www.troop46berlin.ScoutLander.com</u>)

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 110, or 623: 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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