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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# March 11th 2018 - Fourth Sunday of Lent (V/R)

Readings (Missal no. 818): 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 • Ps 137:1-6 • Eph 2:4-10 • Jn 3:14-21

#### Welcome to our 10:00 a.m. Mass at All Saints. Our Celebrant today is Fr. Wolfgang Felber, SJ

Lector: Johannes Ploog • Eucharistic Ministers: Beate Hausmann, Thomas Schmidt, Heide Doblhofer • Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar Servers: NN • Hospitality: Marianne Sihotang • • Designated collection: All Saints •

## Third Sunday of Lent

Exodus 20:1-17; Psalm 18; 1Corinthians 1:22-25; John 2:13-25

In our first reading today, we are presented with the Ten Commandments – the most basic law for moral living. It is a reminder in this season of Lent of the basic commands we should refer to when reviewing our life and to consider that these might be the summary or checklist that the Lord himself might use when we come before his throne and seek admittance to his Kingdom. The Psalm tells us that 'the law of the Lord is perfect, it revives the soul'.

In the second reading St Paul tells the Corinthians that while others may scoff at the notion of a crucified Christ, they, as Christians, know that Jesus Christ is the wisdom of God and that, following his law, they too will enter into the Father's glory. Paul reminds the reader that God acts and judges in ways that are different to human ways and that they must think differently when it comes to God. The Jews refused to believe in Jesus because they could not reconcile a weak Messiah dying in this fashion. The Greeks rejected the crucified Christ because it went against their rationalism – God could not be killed by humans and would not die for them. But as Christians we must see with God's eyes and understand that Jesus is the Christ who brings us salvation through his death and resurrection.

In the gospel, we see Jesus driving the money changers out of the Temple because they have profaned the building and have not given it its due respect as the house of God, the one building where God dwelt among his people. In the questioning after this, Jesus predicts his own death and resurrection which his questioners did not fully understand, and which the apostles only understood after his resurrection had occurred. There is also a shift is this episode: the great Temple, which was built as the house of God in Jerusalem, is no longer to be his house where he dwells on earth, but his Son is the new temple and so God can be worshipped anywhere rather than in one specific building in one city. Through Jesus Christ's death and resurrection, we are given the supreme example of love: the love of God the Son who died that we might have life. In the light of this we are challenged to really look at our lives in the light of the Ten Commandments – which are very short indeed – and to live by them in order to win the glory promised us.

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

### **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: March 4<sup>th</sup>: 82 Collection: All Saints: €518,24 Caritas €42.20

## **Easter Triduum**



The English-speaking Mission celebrates the Triduum as one large community, with All Saints, St. Bernard's, and St. Elisabeth's each hosting one of the liturgies.

Holy Thursday (29.03) - Mass of the Lord's Supper - St. Bernard's Church, 7 p.m. The faithful are invited to stay for a period of quiet adoration after the transfer of the Blessed Sacrament.

Good Friday (30.03) - Celebration of the Lord's Passion - All Saints Church - with distribution of Holy Communion, at 3 p.m., preceded by the Stations of the Cross at 2 p.m. Opportunity for individual confessions.

**Holy Saturday (31.03)** - Easter Vigil Mass - St. Elisabeth's Church, 9 p.m.

Easter Sunday (01.04) - Masses will be celebrated according to the usual Sunday schedule in each community.



Mark your calendars for our annual ST. PATRICK'S DAY POTLUCK

celebration on Saturday, March 17<sup>th</sup>

'cause everyone is Irish when celebrating St. Patrick's Day!

We will celebrate Mass this year in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel at 5 p.m.

Dinner follows beginning at 6 p.m. and continuing until the last leprechaun has gone home!

Please bring a main or side dish, a salad or a desert to share with the others.

Volunteers needed to help set-up and clean the hall so please sign-up with Vanessa Hansen (vhansen980@hotmail.com).

### Mark your calendar:

- March 17<sup>th</sup> St Patrick's Day potluck dinner.
   Mass at 5 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel with dinner to follow at 6 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall.
- March 21<sup>st</sup> Boy's Confirmation Class meets at 6 p.m. at Family Chisolm's house.
- March 29<sup>th</sup> Setup for Good Friday at 3 p.m. in the main church. Volunteers sought.
- March 30<sup>th -</sup> Good Friday Liturgy 3 p.m. in the main church.
- April 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Easter Egg Hunt following Easter Mass.
- NEW April 11<sup>th</sup> Children's Liturgy of the Word during Mass.
- April 15<sup>th</sup> Confirmation Mass at 11 a.m. at St. Bernard's
- NEW April 22<sup>nd</sup> Children's Liturgy of the Word during Mass.
- May 5<sup>th</sup> Spring Family Bazaar from 8 a.m. until about 3 p.m. This is one of two annual fund-raising events for All Saints. Volunteers sought to help with this event. Please speak with Heide Doblhofer.
- NEW May 5<sup>th</sup> All Saints Youth/Family Event -Details to be announced.
- May 13<sup>th</sup> Spring All Saints Family BBQ in the Fellowship Hall and Garden after Mass
- May 21<sup>st</sup> First Holy Communion Mass at 11 a.m. at St. Bernard's
- June 9<sup>th</sup> All Saints Youth/Family Event Details to be announced.
- June 30<sup>th</sup> 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 All Saints on Facebook: All Saints Catholic Community Berlin

#### March 18th, 10:00 a.m.: Mass: Celebrant Fr. Wolfgang Schonecke, MAfr

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