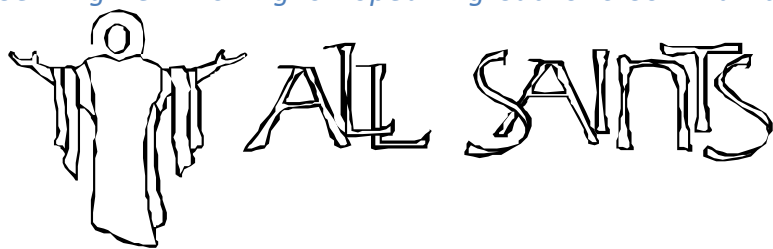


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March 7th, 2021, Third Sunday of Lent

Welcome to our 10 am Mass at All Saints. Our Celebrant today is Fr. Silvester Ajunwa

- Music: Seán Alfken, Benilda de la Cruz, Anna Dziechciarz, Johannes Ploog, Ryan Quiming
- Lector: Karen Castellón • Greeter: Heide Doblhofer • Altar Servers: Michael Oshin •
- Designated collection: All Saints •

First Reading (Ex 20:1-17)

In those days, God delivered all these commandments: "I, the LORD, am your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, that place of slavery. You shall not have other gods besides me. You shall not carve idols for yourselves in the shape of anything in the sky above or on the earth below or in the waters beneath the earth; you shall not bow down before them or worship them. For I, the LORD, your God, am a jealous God, inflicting punishment for their fathers' wickedness on the children of those who hate me, down to the third and fourth generation; but bestowing mercy down to the thousandth generation on the children of those who love me and keep my commandments.

"You shall not take the name of the LORD, your God, in vain. For the LORD will not leave unpunished the one who takes his name in vain.

"Remember to keep holy the sabbath day. Six days you may labor and do all your work, but the seventh day is the sabbath of the LORD, your God. No work may be done then either by you, or your son or daughter, or your male or female slave, or your beast, or by the alien who lives with you. In six days, the LORD made the heavens and the earth, the sea and all that is in them; but on the seventh day he rested. That is why the LORD has blessed the sabbath day and made it holy.

"Honor your father and your mother, that you may have a long life in the land which the LORD, your God, is giving you. You shall not kill. You shall not commit adultery. You shall not steal. You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. You shall not covet your neighbor's house. You shall not covet your neighbor's wife, nor his male or female slave, nor his ox or ass, nor anything else that belongs to him."

Second Reading (1 Cor 1:22-25)

Brothers and sisters: Jews demand signs and Greeks look for wisdom, but we proclaim Christ crucified, a stumbling block to Jews and foolishness to Gentiles, but to those who are called, Jews and Greeks alike, Christ the power of God and the wisdom of God. For the foolishness of God is wiser than human wisdom, and the weakness of God is stronger than human strength.

Gospel (Jn 2:13-25)

Since the Passover of the Jews was near, Jesus went up to Jerusalem. He found in the temple area those who sold oxen, sheep, and doves, as well as the money changers seated there. He made a whip out of cords and drove them all out of the temple area, with the sheep and oxen, and spilled the coins of the money changers and overturned their tables, and to those who sold doves he said, "Take these out of here, and stop making my Father's house a marketplace." His disciples recalled the words of Scripture, "Zeal for your house will consume me. At this the Jews answered and said to him, "What sign can you show us for doing this?" Jesus answered and said to them, "Destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up." The Jews said, "This temple has been under construction for forty-six years, and you will raise it up in three days?" But he was speaking about the temple of his body. Therefore, when he was raised from the dead, his disciples remembered that he had said this, and they came to believe the Scripture and the word Jesus had spoken. While he was in Jerusalem for the feast of Passover, many began to believe in his name when they saw the signs he was doing. But Jesus would not trust himself to them because he knew them all, and did not need anyone to testify about human nature. He himself understood it well.

Designated collections are for special purposes in the Archdiocese of Berlin and are transferred in full. **However, in agreement with the Archdiocese, All Saints receives no financial support, so 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 written below. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!** • ***Friends of All Saints e.V.*, IBAN: DE15 3706 0193 6001 6690 18, BIC: GENODED1PAX**

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Father Sylvester offers pastoral care and time for confession every Friday between 11 and 13 h. The Chapel is open for prayer at this time.

Because of the continued lockdown we have to **postpone the Membership meeting** of the Friends of All Saints e.V. to **Sunday, March 14 after mass.**

Dear Friends of All Saints,

The All Saints Community is part of the English-speaking Catholic Mission of the Archdiocese of Berlin. The legal entity that represents us vis-à-vis the German authorities is the association (*eingetragener Verein*) **Friends of All Saints e.V.**, which was founded after the departure of the US military from Berlin in 1995.

Since then, we have been the legal tenant of the entire church and community facility and are directly responsible for managing it. We are paying the rent to the district of Steglitz-Zehlendorf, leading the cooperation with the Protestant and Baptist communities as well as the kindergarten that share in the use of the facility, and raising the necessary funds together with the other groups.

Head of the board of the All Saints Association is Prof. Dr. Michael Burda, elected in 2018, along with Michael D. Hoth, Heide Doblhofer and Eddie McGreal. After the resignation of Lupita Wilhelm in Feb. 2020, the board nominated Dipl. Ing. Jost Rückeis as her successor, pending confirmation by the membership.

As you know we rely on your continued loyalty and support – especially in these difficult times. Thus, we encourage you to take part in the **membership meeting planned for February 21, 2021 after mass** (postponed since November 2020 due to the pandemic). The agenda will consist of the following:

1. Report on the current state of negotiations with the Berlin Senate and the Bezirksamt Steglitz-Zehlendorf on the status of the Berlin Community Chapel (BCC)
2. Financial situation of All Saints and the BCC
3. Election of Jost and possibly other candidates, and reelection of Eddie and Heide to the Board
4. Miscellaneous items arising

The future of our congregation depends on the active support of our members! To renew or begin your membership (one per family), we would kindly ask you to pay the **5€ membership fee**, either by putting it in an envelope with your name, address, telephone number and email at church, or by transferring the sum to the ASC bank account:

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If you have already given donations to the church this year using the ASC envelope with your name written on it, this can be considered as your membership fee.

We thank you all for your continued support and cooperation and hope to return to our former levels of spiritual strength and fellowship once the pandemic is over.

Best regards,

Michael Burda, Michael Hoth, Eddie McGreal, Heide Doblhofer, Jost Rückeis

Board of the Friends of All Saints