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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 5, 2013 Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 15: 1-2,22-29 • Psalm 67:2-3,5,6,8 • Revelation 21:10-14,22-23 • John 14:23-29

In things, people and events interrupting our plans we will most notice God entering our lives

We humans constantly work on trying to be in control of our lives. Scheduling almost every minute of our day is of utmost importance, without our datebook or digital organizer we are lost. If we have a destiny in life, it should be one of our own making. There are spiritual authors who encourage us in such a quest, but for a reason quite different from "being in control". "Everyone should at least try to schedule his or her day because it's in those things, people and events which interrupt our plans that we will most notice God entering our lives." The key to understanding such unplanned interruptions is in the gospel passage (John 13:31-33, 34-35). "*I give you a new commandment. Love one another. Such as my love has been for you, so must your love be for one another.*" Nothing does more effectively interfere with order in our lives than the decision to love another person. Deeply loving people quickly discover the "disorder" which takes over when they make such a life-changing choice. No matter their "*best laid plans,*" things rarely work out that way.

Barnabas and Paul do come face to face with opposition to their message in the synagogues: the Jews are not willing to listen to them. Therefore they turn to those who eagerly accept their good news: Gentiles, non-Jews who have no intention of becoming Jewish converts. "*On their arrival (in Antioch), they called the congregation together and related all that God had helped them accomplish, and how God had opened the door of faith to the Gentiles.*" The love with which they approached all people forced them to imitate the love with which God approaches all people.

Only when love interrupts our everyday patterns and plans will anything change for the better. We can trust Jesus that our love of one another will bring about something a lot better than we have now. Jesus promises that we will be known as his disciples by our love of one another. We, friends of Jesus, the Christians, shall be known as people who don't mind having their plans overturned by a loving God. cf: <http://www.dignityusa.org/breath/may-2-2010-fifth-sunday-easter>

Fr. Wolfgang Felber SJ

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

Lector: Howard Eyth • Eucharistic Ministers: Levina Menjares, Beate Hausmann, Celso Menjares •

Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Anthony Reilly • Hospitality: Hansen-Waliszewski family •

The designated collection today is for Pro Vita.

First Holy Communion & Confirmation Classes after Mass today

May 12th 11 am: First Holy Communion at St Bernhard's



ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance on April 28th: 105

Collection: Friends €232.17

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

- May 8th, Wednesday 7:00 pm: **BibleLive** study at Muthesiusstraße 4, 12163 Berlin. Bus: Kieler Straße, Subway: Schloßstraße, Exit Zimmermannstraße, S-Bahn: Rathaus Steglitz. More information: Klaudia Höfig, 01573-870-3659, 030-60975944 (office) or info@ipz-berlin.de.
- May 11th, Saturday 10 – 12 am: **First Holy Communion Rehearsal** and 2nd reconciliation
- May 12th 11 am: Celebration of the **First Holy Communion** at St Bernhard's
- May 26th 11:00 am – 12:30 pm: **Confirmation Class** after Mass.
- May 30th, Corpus Christi: **First Holy Communion & Confirmation Classes**: Mass and Procession with Cardinal Woelki, Gendarmenmarkt, Stadtmitte 6-8 pm. **Meet at 5:30 pm** in front of the Hilton at Gendarmenmarkt.
- June 1st 10 – 12 am: **Confirmation Rehearsal**, 2nd reconciliation and decoration at St Bernhard's
- June 2nd 11 am: Celebration of the **Confirmation** at St Bernhard's

Other Notes

- **Bus 285**: It is very likely that beginning summer/fall of this year the bus schedule for bus 285 will be changed to the final stop of Am Waldfriedhof until approx. 10pm.

Sunday, May 12th, 10 am Mass. Our Celebrant will be Fr. Wolfgang Schonecke MAfr.

Lector: Howard Eyth • Eucharistic Ministers: Celso, Levina and Renée Menjares •

Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Anthony Reilly • Hospitality: Levina Menjares •

The designated collection on May 12th is for All Saints.

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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Our celebrants: Jesuits and White Fathers

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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)

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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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