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Youth Mass: **1st Friday** at 6 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Sundays at 10 a.m. in the main Sanctuary

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February 9th, 2020 – Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings (Missal no. 865): Isa 58:7-10 • Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 • 1 Cor 2:1-5 • Mat 5:13-16

Welcome to our 10:00 am Mass at All Saints. Fr. Wolfgang Felber will preside the Eucharist

• Lector: Rachael Ruckeis • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Jennifer Evans, Johannes Ploog •
Greeter: NN • Altar Servers: Konrad Giersdorf, Bobot Quiming •
Hospitality: NN • Designated collection: All Saints

Reflections on the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

God's Word, through whom all things were made, was himself made flesh and dwelt on man's earth.

Thus, God's Word entered the world's history as a perfect man, taking that history up into himself and summarizing it.

God's Word revealed to us that 'God is love' (I John 4:8) and at the same time taught us that the new command of love was the basic law of human perfection and hence of the world's transformation.

To those, therefore, who believe in divine love, God's Word gives assurance that the way of love lies open to men and that the effort to establish a universal brotherhood is not a hopeless one.

**Vatican II, "*Gaudium et Spes*"
[*Constitution on the Church in the Modern World*], 1965: 38**

With regard to any project,
we must put ourselves in God's hands
as if our success depended on Him,
but with regard to choosing the means and doing the work,
we must labor
as if everything depended on us.

**Ignatius of Loyola
(founder of the Society of Jesus, the Jesuits)**

Today, we celebrate Scout Sunday

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 on February 2nd: 78

Collection: All Saints: €238.10

Confirmation Preparation Continues . . . Did you know

The confirmation class of 6 students continues its preparation begun in September 2018. We ask the All Saints community to hold our students and their families in prayer during this time of preparation for this final sacrament of initiation. The Confirmation mass is scheduled for Saturday, June 13th at 1400 at St. Elisabeth's Church, Kolonnenstrasse in Schöneberg. All are welcome.

Our confirmation candidates are: Benjamin Ademi; Claire Castellon; Charlotte Görsch; Timothy Pedussel; Merle Vogel and Nisha Wunder.

After an initial study of the Bible timeline, we have been studying all aspects of the church, its liturgical year, the sacraments, the saints, and are now using a Matthew Kelly authored book called, Decision Point. A recent class focused on prayer, its importance, how prayer can make a difference in our lives, and included a 7 step "how to pray" process.

What is Confirmation?

Confirmation is the sacrament that completes Baptism; in it the gift of the Holy Spirit is bestowed upon us. Anyone who freely decides to live a life as God's child and asks for God's Spirit under the signs of the imposition of hands and anointing with chrism receives the strength to witness to God's love and might in word and deed. S/he is now a full-fledged, responsible member of the Catholic Church. (source: Youcat 203)



Mark your calendars for our annual **ST. PATRICK'S DAY POTLUCK** celebration on Saturday, March 14th

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

The potluck dinner begins at 6:00 p.m. with a prayer and will continue 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 on Saturday, March 14th at 2 p.m. and to help clean the hall after the dinner.

Please sign-up with Konrad Giersdorf (giersdorf@hotmail.de).



Children's Liturgy meets every Sundays!

We welcome your children to join in our fun. Each week we have a little singing, our readings and, of course, our weekly craft.

Parents are welcome to join us. We meet each week in the Nursery.



Thank you for your offerings each Sunday. We are a self-financed community so every cent makes a big difference!

Your tithes finance our rent, daily running costs and our Community Life which includes Children's & Youth Ministries, Hospitality and many others.

As Lent approaches your family may consider making a special donation to support the All Saints Community.

Your generous giving will really make a difference!

February 16th Mass at All Saints. Fr. Wolfgang Felber presiding the Eucharist

- Lector: Eric Bertrand • Eucharistic Ministers: Jennifer Evans, Johannes Ploog, Thomas Schmidt •
- Greeter: NN • Altar Servers: Konrad Giersdorf, Bobot Quiming •
- Hospitality: Benjamin Ademi, Claire Castellon • Designated collection: Catholic Schools •

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