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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.

April 1, 2012, Palm Sunday

Isaiah 50:4-7; Psalm 22:8-9, 17-18, 19-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Mark 14:1-15:471

Holy Father's Prayer intentions for April 2012

General Intention: Vocations. That many young people may hear the call of Christ and follow him in the priesthood and religious life.

Missionary Intention: Christ, Hope for Africans. That the risen Christ may be a sign of certain hope for the men and women of the African continent.

If the grain of wheat dies, it bears much fruit...

The death of a loved person can be devastating. Jesus offers us a completely different vision of death, his own death and ours, in the image of the grain of wheat that has to be sown in the ground and die in order to produce a hundredfold harvest. For Jesus, death is part of a larger picture, just one scene in the drama of life. Dying to make room for a new life seems the law of nature. If the dinosaurs had not died out, the mammals, including the human race, would not have had a chance to develop. If the elder generation does not step aside, the younger has no chance to develop their own ideas and possibilities.

The Church has experienced this law of life through death throughout its history. "The blood of martyrs is the seed of new Christians..." was a saying in the early Church. The missionaries in Uganda had to leave a small fragile Christian community on their own and flee because of political troubles. When they returned some years later it had grown tenfold. Dying to come to new life is also the law of our spiritual growth. The 6-year-old has to stop believing in Santa Claus to discover the love of his parents in their gifts. Teenagers have to leave behind much of socialized religion to build their personal relationship with God. Sometimes God takes away the felt experience of his presence in prayer to lead us into the darkness of deeper faith, as Mother Theresa experienced in the last decades of her life.

If we refuse to let go, we get stuck in rigid lifeless pattern of thinking, praying and living. Jesus invites us to "embrace" the cross in whatever form it comes and promises that more abundant life and greater fruitfulness will follow.

Fr. Wolfgang Schonecke



ANNOUNCEMENTS

March 25 attendance: 79

Collection: Friends € 288.67, Misereor: 50.60

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

Lectors: Rachel Rückeis, Matthias Waliszewski, Cathleen Rückeis • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Celso Menjares, Beate Hausmann • Altar Server: Isabelle Gneist, Philip Rückeis, Samantha Rückeis • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Konrad Giersdorf • Hospitality: Lupita Wilhelm
Collection today is designated for the Holy Land.

- **Holy Thursday**, 8 pm at St. Bernhard's, Königin-Luise Str. 33, 14195 Berlin
- **Good Friday, 3 pm at All Saints.** Celebrant: Fr Clemens Pfaff, Lectors: Johannes Ploog, Ruby Schmidt, Anna Berger
- **Holy Saturday**, 8 pm at St. Albert's, Nestorstr.10, 10709 Berlin
- We will be holding our **annual Easter Egg Hunt after Mass on Easter Sunday, April 8th.** Please donate Easter candy for the event. Donations can be dropped off at the Office.
- A **membership meeting for the Friends of All Saints Association** has been scheduled for **April 22nd** after Mass. Please mark your calendars and, if necessary, check that you have paid your membership dues for this year.
- 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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April 8th 10 am Mass. Our Celebrant will be Fr Wolfgang Schonecke, M.Afr.

Lector: Howard Eyth • Eucharistic Ministers: Celso Menjares, Heide Doblhofer, Renée Menjares • Altar Servers: Aidan Brinda, Aidan Doeringer, Tait Doeringer • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Konrad Giersdorf • Hospitality: Marianne Sihotang
Collection on April 8th is designated for All Saints.

Celebrants		Father Wolfgang Felber SJ Fathers of the Jesuit Community	
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	Greeters, Family Group	Konrad Giersdorf	797 83 709
	Hospitality	Levina Menjares, Lupita Wilhelm	466 09 788, 305 82 45
	Lectors	Mike Hoth	354 06 724
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	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 ASSOCIATION: Howard Eyth * Mike Hoth * Lupita Wilhelm * Heide Doblhofer * Eddie McGreal

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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)

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 M11: stop Oskar-Helene-Heim (10-min. walk) or Bus 115: stop Hüttenweg (5-min. walk),

Car: Via Clayallee (<http://berlinonline.de/citymap>). Currently, **no access** from the A115 **Avus highway**.

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