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Catholic Community

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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 20, 2012, Seventh Sunday of Easter

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Psalm 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20; 1 John 4:11-19; John 17:11-19

Each one of us has this very long chain of ancestors. The paleontologists, who study the evolutionary history of life on this planet, reckon with more or less 200,000 years of human ancestors (the homo sapiens) which would give us about 8-10,000 generations (if we reckon with an average generation of around 25 years). Our personal DNA-code, that is our personal identity, is shaped by each one of these men and women. We owe ourselves to them, and if any of them had chosen another partner, I, you or even Jesus would not have existed as we know now; our now, the genetic make-up would have been different.

Isn't it a particular joy to know all that all of our ancestors are in Christ's care? Christ is *raising up those who were sleeping from the ages*. This is a world event of historical importance for all humankind. Our faith has more to say about it than we usually keep before our eyes. This is meaning hidden in the statement of the Apostles' Creed "he descended into hell" (the German translation "*hinabgestiegen in das Reich des Todes*" is much more appealing), and this is truly an Easter event. For it draws the whole of humankind onto the road towards the Father into this wondrous new life that we discover in the Risen Christ; that his disciples visibly saw in him when he appeared to them. We all, and truly all including those who went before us through the long ages of our human history, are in God's care and are called into everlasting life with God – for which we have neither fitting words nor true images on which we could rest contentedly.

Fr Dietmar Lenfers

Welcome to our 10 am Mass at All Saints. Our Celebrant today is Fr Clemens Pfaff

Lector: Anna Berger • Eucharistic Ministers: Beate Hausmann, Celso and Renée Menjares • Altar Servers: Niels Waliszewski, Samantha Rückeis • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Konrad Giersdorf • Hospitality: Vanessa Hansen-Waliszewski

The designated collection today is for All Saints.

OUR COMMUNITY: The All Saints Catholic Community is based on the principle that we, the Community, willingly take on all the responsibilities of running our own Community and supporting our Celebrants. The All Saints Coordinators, whose contact telephone numbers are shown overleaf, guide groups of volunteers in meeting our needs and those of our Celebrants. Please volunteer to help that group to which you feel you can most contribute. Contact the All Saints Coordinator responsible for the group.



ANNOUNCEMENTS

May 13th attendance: 83

Collection: Friends € 176.72, Catholic Day: € 6.80

- If you are **visiting All Saints for the first time**, please introduce yourself at the end of Mass so we can welcome you, and join us for coffee and cake after Mass in the Community Hall!
- The All Saints Catholic Community would like to congratulate Julia and Josephine Waliszewski, Adrian Ademi and Ben Schmidt-Bleek on their **First Communion**.
- **Confessions** can be heard on request. Please contact the celebrant.
- All food donations in the **wicker basket** at the entrance to church go to families in need and to the Soup Kitchen of the Sisters of Charity in Kreuzberg. Thank you for your generosity.
- Please visit our website at <http://www.all-saints-berlin.de>.
- Many of the **designated collections** are for special purposes of the Archdiocese of Berlin. All Saints supports these initiatives and transfers this money in full. However, in agreement with the Archdiocese, All Saints receives no financial support from the Archdiocese. 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 printed below. THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

Please take this copy of the bulletin and use it to spread the word about All Saints.

Friends of All Saints Verein: Bank Account No.: 6001669018, BLZ 370 601 93, Pax-Bank eG

May 27th 10 am Mass. Our Celebrant will be Fr Ludger Hillebrand

Lector: Christian Doeringer • Eucharistic Ministers: Celso, Levina and Renée Menjares • Altar Servers: Aidan Doeringer, Dylan Schmidt • Greeters: Hasmin Quiming, Konrad Giersdorf • Hospitality: Josephine Schmidt

The designated collection on May 27th is for Renovabis.

Celebrants		Father Wolfgang Felber SJ	
		Fathers of the Jesuit Community	
All Saints Coordinators	Altar Servers	Katharine Doeringer	03328/335725
	Bulletin, Website	Tamás Meggyes, Vanessa Hansen	811 06 33; 0157 78 95 9845
	Eucharistic Ministers	Heide Doblhofer	832 62 72
	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
	Music Director	Johannes Wrembek	341 31 90
	Office, Treasurer	Heide Doblhofer	832 62 72
	Rosary	Eleonora Loebach	500 14 506

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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