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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.

October 4, 2015 Twenty-seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

Readings (*Missalette* p 61 et seq.): Gen 2:18-24 • Ps 128:1-6 • Heb 2:9-11 • Mk 10:2-16

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

Lector: Howard Eyth • Eucharistic Ministers: Beate Hausmann, Johannes Ploog, Heide Doblhofer • Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar Servers: Conrad Chisolm, Viktor Lohwasser • Hospitality: Lupita Wilhelm & Friends • Designated collection: All Saints

Jesus' love changes people, enables them to love others.

Celebrating the feast of St. Matthew, a day he considers a turning point in his own faith journey, Pope Francis told thousands of Cubans that Jesus knows who they really are and calls them to walk with him. Arriving in Holguin, the pope spoke at the city's Revolution Square for the feast day Mass. The pope explained that Matthew, a tax collector for the Roman occupiers, was seen as a traitor to be shunned. But Jesus "looked at him with the eyes of mercy; he looked at him as no one had ever looked at him before." "And this look unlocked Matthew's heart," the pope said. "It set him free, it healed him, it gave him hope, a new life," just as Jesus' merciful gaze gives new life to men and women today.

The pope speaks often of St. Matthew's call and conversion. It was on the feast day in 1953 that a 17-year-old Jorge Mario Bergoglio felt an urge to enter a church and go to confession. He often recounts the story and his feeling that the priest in the confessional was waiting for him; it was the beginning of his vocation as a Jesuit and priest. During his first interview as pope, Francis said that the painting, *The Calling of St. Matthew*, reminds him of himself. "That finger of Jesus, pointing at Matthew. That's me. I feel like him... It is the gesture of Matthew that strikes me: he holds on to his money as if to say, 'No, not me! No, this money is mine.' Here, this is me, a sinner on whom the Lord has turned his gaze. And this is what I said when they asked me if I would accept my election as pontiff."

Pope Francis told the crowd, "Jesus' love goes before us, his look anticipates our needs. He can see beyond appearances, beyond sin, beyond failures and unworthiness." Jesus sees "our dignity as sons and daughters, a dignity all of us have, a dignity sometimes sullied by sin, but one which endures in the depth of our soul." He asked people in the crowd to find a quiet time at home or in a church to remember in silence and with gratitude an occasion when they felt that merciful gaze of Christ. Jesus' love, his mercy and his call to follow are also calls to love others, respect their dignity and show them mercy, the pope said. "Jesus' love heals our short-sightedness and pushes us to look beyond, not to be satisfied with appearances or with what is politically correct." Pope Francis asked for them to practice gazing upon Jesus in the Eucharist, in confession and "in our brothers and sisters, especially those who feel excluded or abandoned. May we learn to see them as Jesus sees us."

Source: Catholic News, www.papalvisit.americamedia.org/

Please join us after Mass for **OCTOBERFEST
and to celebrate Mrs. Wilhelm's 90th birthday!**

Scripture Study TODAY after Mass at 11.15 am.



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!

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Attendance on September 27: 133

Collection: Friends: €201.43

*Thank you to all who participated in the Altar Server and Cross Bearer training yesterday.
Your service to our community is greatly appreciated!*

Guided Scripture Study: "Six Weeks with the Bible" (Catholic Perspectives)



TODAY – after Mass!

The program is offered after Sunday Mass (11:15 – ca. 12:00 h) over 12 sessions until May 2016. The first six sessions are entitled "**God Makes a Start**" and will focus on Genesis 1-11. The second series of six sessions is called "**Getting to Know Jesus**" and will focus on the Gospel of Mark. Grab a coffee and join us in the classroom. John Bibby is the facilitator.

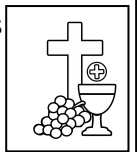
Next scheduled sessions: **Today, Nov 1st, Nov 22nd.**

Join one or more sessions – no need to attend all of them! Contact Jenny at: jgebhar@yahoo.de.

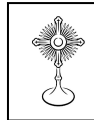
Pilgrimage Mass - Friday, October 9th at 2 pm in the All Saints Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

A group of American pilgrims has invited us to worship with them on their last pilgrimage stop through Europe. There will be hospitality after Mass.

Fruit of the Vine Social - October 11th directly after Mass in the Fellowship Hall! Help us choose our sacramental wine! Join us to sample some wines your vote on which one you prefer. Cheese and crackers will also be provided. Youth under 18 will be served grape juice.



Eucharistic Adoration



Wednesday, **October 14th** at 8 pm in the All Saints Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Looking ahead to November & December

Nov. 1st: Family Mass and All Saints Feast
Nov. 8th: Youth in Action with Fr. Schonecke
Nov. 21st: All Saints Thanksgiving Potluck
Nov. 21st & 22nd: Parish Council election
Nov. 27th: Set-up of the Christmas tree
Dec. 6th: Christmas Caroling at Senior Residence
Dec. 24th: 3 pm Children's Mass & Christmas Pageant
Dec. 24th: 10 pm Midnight Mass/Caroling at 9.30 pm

Youth in Action - monthly meetings: Sunday, OCT 18th

Please join Fr. Schonecke after Mass from 11.15-11.45 in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel - for teens & preteens.
Put your faith in action through community service!

All Saints Church Council Elections - Call for Candidates!

There are six elected positions on the council. Candidates (16 yrs and older) should submit a brief, one-page (DIN A4) profile with a picture to Mike Hoth or Jenny Gebhardt. Profiles will be published. Deadline: October 18th. Elections will take place on Saturday, Nov 21st (Thanksgiving Potluck) and on Sunday, Nov 22nd.

October 11th, 10 am Mass: Our Celebrant will be Fr. Wolfgang Felber SJ

Lector: Johannes Ploog • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Beate Hausmann, Jennifer Evans • Greeter: Buck Chisolm • Altar Servers: Aidan & Hanna Mei Doeringer, Madeleine & Samantha Rückeis • Hospitality: Fruit of the Vine Social • Designated collection: Catholic schools

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Directions 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 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>)