

Serving Berlin's English-speaking Catholic Community since 1957



Catholic Community

Member of the English-Speaking Mission

Mass: Fridays at 6 p.m. in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel

Sundays at 10 a.m. in the main Sanctuary

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May 13th, 2018 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

Readings (Missal no. 843): Acts 1:15-17, 20a, 20c-26 • Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20 • 1 Jn 4:11-16 • Jn 17:11b-19 (W)

Welcome to our 10:00 a.m. Mass. Our Celebrant today is Fr. TBD

Lector: Tamas Meggyes • Eucharistic Ministers: Heide Doblhofer, Jennifer Evans, John Massey •
Greeter: Andreas Urechia • Altar Servers: Konrad Giersdorf, Tom FitzPatrick • Hospitality: Marianne Sihotang •
• Designated collection: All Saints •

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48; Psalm 97; 1John 4:7-10; John 15:9-17

Our first reading for today returns to the first reading on Easter Day and we see St Peter arriving at the house of Cornelius, a Roman convert to the faith. While Peter is teaching them, the group receive the gift of the Holy Spirit which takes them by surprise, especially as they had yet to be baptised. The text is a reminder that the gift of the Holy Spirit is exactly that: a freely given gift from God the Father who bestows the gift on whoever he chooses. There is also a reminder that the Holy Spirit is more powerful than the institution of the Church and that where the Holy Spirit leads, the Church follows.

St John speaks to us in the second reading about the love of God and tells us that God is love and that he revealed his love by sending his Son into the world for us. The greatest example of love is not how we love God but how God loves us, and so he sacrificed his Son for each of us. Those who do live by love are born from the Father.

The theme of love is continued in the gospel where Jesus tells us to remain in his love and we do this by keeping the commandments and loving God above all else. The Lord calls us friends in the text which implies a greater relationship than slaves or servants, one which requires mutual respect and love. If we live in love we will reach out to others no matter where they come from, and we will work to build up the Kingdom of God in peace, harmony and love. In the text, Jesus also tells us that he is commissioning each of us to go out and spread this love wherever we may find ourselves, and which we do by loving others which displays the love of God for his people. He has called us and he is waiting for our reply and our full commitment.

<http://www.carmelites.ie/readingsreflect.html>

Spring Potluck BBQ - After Mass TODAY



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: May 6th: **92**

Collection: All Saints: **€318.09**



Registration open for preparation for First Holy Communion (FHC) and Confirmation 2018-2019

Registration for Communion and Confirmation classes is now open! Classes will begin in the fall with the beginning of the new school year.

Please fill out the registration form of the English-speaking Mission which can be found outside the church office. Please submit it to the office (directly or via the mail box). Watch our website for more details.

Mark your calendar:

- May 27th - **First Holy Communion Mass** at 11 a.m. at St. Bernard's
- June 9th – **All Saints Youth/Family Event** - Details to be announced.
- June 16th – **Child Protection Training in English** – at St. Bernard's from 10:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. – reservations required and seating is limited. Contact Buck Chisolm if you would like to attend. See announcement in the bulletin or website for more details.
- June 30th - **English Speaking Mission Day** – at St. Bernard's (Königin-Luise-Straße 33, 14195 Berlin) from 6:00 p.m. Please watch the bulletin and our website for additional information coming soon.

✓ Check for the latest "News" at the **All Saints website** (<http://www.all-saints-berlin.de/home.shtml>) or visit us on Facebook: **All Saints Catholic Community Berlin**



Thank you, **yes, YOU** - for making the All Saints Catholic Community special! We couldn't do it without your contributions, whether big or small, all make a difference. From greeters, ushers to gift bearers; from lectors, choir singers to altar servers; from brownie bakers, hospitality assistants to clean-up crew; from catechists, event organizers to parent volunteers; from flowers, candle holders to coffee machine donors - **YOU are the All Saints Catholic Community and we are grateful to have you here.**



Child Protection Training in English at St. Bernard's on June 16th

A course is being offered at St Bernard's on 16 June (10:30 to 17:00) for members of the ESM who may wish to teach or be a substitute teacher for our Youth Religious Ministry (FHC, CLOW & Confirmation).

Seating is limited to 25 so if you would like to attend please email b.chisolm@gmx.de and we will reserve a seat for you.

Thank you to all who helped with our Spring All Saints Family Bazaar on Saturday, May 5th. Special thanks go to **Heide Doblhofer** who organized and helped to manage this event. It was a huge success and is one of our major fund raisers for the All Saints Community.

May 20th, 10:00 a.m.: Mass: Celebrant Fr. Wolfgang Schonecke, MAfr.

Lector: Howard Eyth • Eucharistic Ministers: Jennifer Evans, John & Glenda Massey • Greeter: Andreas Urechia • Altar Servers: NN • Hospitality: NN • Designated collection: RENOVABIS

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