

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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December 30th, 2018 – The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

Readings (Missal 799: Sir 3:2-6,12-14 • Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 • Col 3:12-21 • Lk 2:41-52)

Welcome to our 10 am Mass at All Saints. Our Celebrant today is Fr. Wolfgang Felber, SJ

- Lector: Rachel Rückeis • Eucharistic Ministers: Thomas Schmidt, Heide Doblhofer, Jennifer Evans •
- Greeter: Christopher Lusaka • Altar Servers: Konrad Giersdorf, Oshin Michael •
- Hospitality: Heide Doblhofer • Designated collection: All Saints •

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We have come so close to the coming of Christ;

it is as though we can stand the waiting no longer. We want to see God's face.

And what is that face like when it comes?

It is the face of God become poor,
the all-powerful God taking flesh in the womb of a virgin,
that most disparaged of creatures in Jewish culture.

It is the face of God become poor,

the all-powerful God being born in an obscure village,
Bethlehem, "too small to be among the clans of Judah."

It is the face of God become poor,

the all-powerful God present in the meeting of two insignificant women,
far from the worldly centers of power.

Christmas happens.

Christ comes, but in strange ways and surprising circumstances.

Many of us miss the coming of Christ because we expect him where and when he is not coming.

God has to "make us turn in a different direction" so that we can find Christ in poverty – like in Bethlehem -
and in the poor and outcast – like in Mary and Elizabeth.

http://liturgy.slu.edu/4AdvC122318/reflections_justice.html

Have a blessed Happy New Year 2019!

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 December 23rd: 84
December 24th (Midnight Mass): 248

Collection: All Saints: € 178.49
Collection: Adveniat: € 187.45, All Saints: € 178.68



Three Kings Day Celebration

We will have a special Three Kings Day hospitality after Mass on **Sunday, January 6th**.

Did you know? - January the 6th is a special day in Mexico. Known as *El Dia de Reyes* (Three Kings Day), this holiday represents the height of the Christmas season. The date marks the culmination of the twelve days of Christmas and commemorates the three wise men who traveled from afar, bearing gifts for the infant baby Jesus. The children of Mexico in particular look forward to this holiday as traditionally, gifts are exchanged on this date, not on Christmas day.

Will you be the lucky one to find the special item in the very special cake? **If so, you get to be the King or Queen of the day!**

Clip out and put on your fridge or family board! **Mark your calendars:**

- January 1st – Holy Mass at St. Bernard's, Königin-Luise-Straße 33, 14195 Berlin, at 11:00 a.m.
- January 6th – Special Three Kings Day hospitality after Mass in the Fellowship Hall.

During Advent dates and times of events may change. 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*



Holy Father's prayer intentions for January 2019

Evangelization: Evangelization – Young People: hat young people, especially in Latin America, follow the example of Mary and respond to the call of the Lord to communicate the joy of the Gospel to the world.



Volunteers sought to become Eucharistic Ministers

Perhaps you have already served as a Eucharistic Minister in a previous parish or would like to explore becoming one.

The ESM will offer a class in English during January 2019. If you are interested please inquire in the office or speak with any of our Eucharistic Ministers.



On Friday, January 11th we will take down the Christmas tree and decorations. Will you help us?? If so, please be at the church at 5:00 p.m. and depending on how many helping hands show up we should be done by 7:00 p.m. or earlier.

Thank you for your generous tithes on December 24th. We are a self-financed community so every cent counts.

The tithes help to finance our rent and every day running as well as our Community Life such as our Children's & Youth Ministries and Hospitality. Thank you for your support.

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