



Catholic Community
Member of the English-Speaking Mission
Sundays at 10 a.m. in the main Sanctuary

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Bulletin for December 15th, 2024
Third Sunday of Advent

December 15th, 2024 Third Sunday of Advent	Mass at 10 am Presiding the Eucharist: n.n. Lector: Clive Mendes • Greeters: Jost Ruckeis & Tony Luther Music: Johannes Wrembek Eucharistic Minister: Thomas Schmidt Altar Servers: Konrad Giersdorf • Designated collection: Caritas collection for the homeless Readings: Glory & Praise, No. 791
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Reflection:

"Let us get ready for Christmas by being close to Our Lady. Let us try, as well, to get ready for the Holy Season by encouraging an atmosphere of Christian peace where we live and work, and by doing all we can in small ways to bring pleasure and affection to those around us. People tend to be convinced that Christ has really been born in Bethlehem, and few things are more convincing than the habitual happiness of the Christian, even in the midst of pain and contradictions. Our Lady knew many such contradictions when she came to Bethlehem tired out and after such a long journey, and unable to find a place fit for the birth of her Son. But these problems did not cause her to lose her joy when God became Man, and dwelt amongst us. "

~from *In Conversation with God, Daily Meditations, Volume One: Advent and Christmastide*

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mark your calendars: First Friday Mass and Night Vigil at All-Saints

Remain here and stay awake with me (Matthew 26:38)

The English-speaking Mission will celebrate Friday mass on **January 3rd, 2025 in the evening**, followed by adoration hours during the night.

The arrangement of adoration will be divided between different parishes. A priest from the mission will be present during the night.

Between Friday 7pm and 9:30pm All Saints will take charge, followed by St. Bernard until midnight. From 12 to 5 am, St. Elizabeth takes charge.

Sign-up sheets will be available in the Community Hall after the Mass for interested parishioners to sign up. For safety reasons, participants should register with the Mission at ESMfaith@gmail.com.

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday, December 20th, 2024, 11:00 am to 1:00 pm, Blessed Chapel

We all face trials and carry burdens in our journey of life. As Christians, we do not carry these crosses alone. There is One who walks with us, helps us, and brings peace to our hearts, if we turn to Him. Come and find rest and peace before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament

Pilgrimage in Poland

The English-Speaking Catholic Mission in Berlin invites you to join them on a 6-day pilgrimage from 21-26 May 2025 to some of the most beautiful and holy places in Poland. This will include the shrine of Our Lady Czestochowa, St. Faustina's convent, the Divine Mercy Sanctuary in Cracow, the birth-place of Pope John Paul II, and much more. A Catholic pilgrimage is more than visiting a historic site or viewing religious relics: it is a journey with a higher purpose: to honor God and grow in faith. A pilgrimage is an opportunity for conversion of the heart.

The pilgrimage will be led by a bilingual guide (German-English), though the principal language will be English.

Cost: €760 per person in a double room. The fee includes hotels, meals (except lunch), transport, tour guides, and entrance fees.

To register, contact Sharon at nemethst@aol.com. A flyer is available for download on the ESM website.

VOLUNTEER



Did you know that All Saints is run entirely by volunteers?

We pride ourselves that we are a self-supporting parish, but new helping hands are always appreciated! Please consider joining one of the volunteer groups that make the community work, e.g.:

- Are you 16 years or older and think being a Lector is your cup of tea? Then contact **Johannes Ploog**.
- Altar Servers are always welcome – just turn to **Konrad Giersdorf!**
- The choir is always looking for more members too – just say hello to **Johannes Wrembek!**
- Enjoying this bulletin? Help our community to write short pieces of information and review with others the draft. Want to help? Don't hesitate to contact Jennifer Evans.

Designated collections are for special purposes in the Archdiocese of Berlin and are transferred in full. **However, in agreement with the Archdiocese, All Saints receives no financial support, so 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 written below. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!** • ***Friends of All Saints e.V.***, IBAN: DE15 3706 0193 6001 6690 18, BIC: GENODED1PAX