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Growing in the Spirit

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Mass Schedule

Weekends
Saturday - 4:30 PM
Sunday - 7:30 AM
Sunday - 10:00 AM

Sunday 10:00 AM Mass will also be
Livestreamed on Facebook and can be
viewed later on our website.

Reconciliation

Wednesday 4:30-6:30 PM

WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS CATHOLIC CHURCH

No matter who you are, or where you are in your faith journey, you are welcome at All Saints Parish.

Would you like to join us as an active parishioner?

Please visit our website: allsaintsberlin.org

Find **Registration** under the **About Us** tab at the top.

We are blessed to have you here.

The Sanctuary Lamp is lit to signal the True Presence of Christ in the Tabernacle and is donated this week in memory of Henrietta & John Arnold

Congratulations! Andreas & Elizabeth (Heil) Fritz who were united in the holy sacrament of matrimony at our church on November 28.

May God bless you in your new life together.

Please Note: Mass times for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception are Tues., Dec. 8 at 9:15 AM, with our school children, and at 6:00 PM. Both Masses will be at the church location. The 9:15 Mass will be live-streamed and available to watch later in the day as well.



MASS INTENTIONS

SAT 12/5	4:30 pm	Margaret Schramer
SUN 12/6	7:30 AM	Norbert Ottman
	10:00 AM	All Saints Family
MON 12/7	No Mass	
TUES 12/8	9:15 AM Holy Day	All Saints Family
	6:00 PM Holy Day	Special Intention for Fr. Max
WED 12/9	8:00 AM	Fran, Norb, and Bernie Sedarski
THURS 12/10	9:15 AM	Jim Schmidt
FRI 12/11	8:00 AM	Jeremy Trampf
SAT 12/12	4:30 PM	David Marchenkuski
SUN 12/13	7:30 AM	All Saints Family
	10:00 AM	Kathy Baxter

PARISH PRESS

December 8th is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, which is a holy day of obligation. It's important to understand what the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception is, and what it is not. Some people think this feast day celebrates Christ's conception in Mary's womb by the power of the Holy Spirit, but that is the Incarnation. Others think the Immaculate Conception means Mary was conceived "by the power of the Holy Spirit," in the way Jesus was, but that, too, is incorrect. The Immaculate Conception means that Mary, whose conception was brought about the normal way, was conceived without original sin—or its effects. All human beings born after Adam and Eve, with the sole exception of Mary, are born with original sin, and without sanctifying grace. This means we are subject to the effects of original sin such as a weakened will. Therefore we are susceptible to temptations and commit sins. Mary was preserved from these defects by God's grace; from the first instant of her existence she was in the state of sanctifying grace and was free from the corrupt nature original sin brings. We know this in part, because of the Angel Gabriel's greeting to Mary when he says, "Hail, full of grace. The Lord is with you." Being "full of grace" implies that Mary had sanctifying grace all along. And that would not have been possible had she been conceived with original sin. But Mary too, was dependent on the redeeming act of Christ. By God's grace and the sacrifice her Son would make, Mary was granted this gift of grace **in advance**, making her womb a pure and worthy tabernacle for the Son of God.

Mass times and livestream times for this Holy Day are listed above.

(parts of this article were taken from <https://www.catholic.com/tract/immaculate-conception-and-assumption>)

Communal Penance Services—Wednesday, December 9th

We will have 3 separate opportunities to receive the sacrament of Reconciliation on this day: 1:30 PM, 4:00 PM, and 6:00 PM. All services will be held at the Church location. We will be practicing social distancing, and ask that you please wear a mask to protect your health and the health of everyone present, including our visiting priests. Fr. David also is available for private confessions on all other Wednesdays from 4:30-6:30 PM.

EVENTS



BINGO is CANCELED
until January 3rd.

LifeSavers for Life! Help save babies' lives by buying candy! Look for our KC members selling Life Savers candy outside after Masses on December 5 & 6. Proceeds will go to pro-life organizations.

Our Council of Catholic Women (CCW) will gather on Monday, Dec. 7 at 5:30 PM in the parish hall to take care of the last business of the year and to look ahead to what we all hope and pray will be a healthy and joyful New Year. As usual, we will not meet in January.

Knights of Columbus Charity Benefit Raffle Tickets now available. Tickets are: 1 for \$5; 3 for \$10; 9 for \$20. **All** proceeds go to charitable causes including our own church and school. Lots of great prizes including several cash prizes. Contact Tom Pionke at 920-290-0984 or Jim Cariveau for more information or to get your tickets. Attention KC members, we will not meet in December.

Oplatki Christmas Wafers are now available. Once again, they are \$1 per envelope. This year, due to Covid, we will not have them in the gathering space but they can be picked up in the church office during business hours, or you can call the office to make other arrangements. Thank you.

Donations for Christmas Flowers - If you are able to help defray the cost of bringing the beauty of the season into our worship space, you can place your donation in the weekend collection, drop it in the mail slot or at the office, or send it in the mail to PO Box 269. Thanks!!

Poinsettias & Wreaths - The Parent Network still has about 25 poinsettias and 5 wreaths left for sale from the fundraiser last weekend. Please email or call the school office if you would like to purchase one! We have red, white and pink available for \$13.00 each. Cross Wreaths for \$30.00 and 24 inches round wreaths for \$25.00 each. We will be selling them after Mass this weekend as well in the library. ASCS would like to thank the Parent Network for all of their dedication and fundraising efforts. I would also like to thank Karen from the LadyBug Floral and Gifts, in Berlin, for helping Parent Network with the sale.

Next Weekend! Bless Our Priests Collection for Diocesan Retired Priests - Please take advantage of this opportunity to offer support to the retired priests of our diocese by helping provide for their retirement needs. There will be an envelope in next week's bulletin for your donation. Your donation will help serve those who have faithfully served us! Thank you.

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Angel Tree—Adopt a Family

Our Parish is working with the Boys & Girls Club again this year to adopt one local family in need this giving season to help make their Christmas a little brighter. Our family has 2 boys (Ages 10 and 14) and 2 girls (ages 5 and 8). Our Adopt-A-Family Giving Tree had several tags with gifts listed for each child. We have had a huge response from our parishioners, and all of our tags have already been claimed! We are grateful for this enormous outpouring of generosity from our parishioners! If you didn't get a chance to claim a tag, but still feel inclined to help, you can support the general needs of this family by providing things like: gas cards, grocery store cards, hygiene products, cleaning products, hair service gift cards, or family experiences like movies, games, or puzzles.

We remind people who are providing a gift(s) for this family to wrap the gift or put it in a gift bag and attach the angel tag to it. **Return the wrapped gift(s) to the parish office by 4 PM on Tuesday, December 8th.**

Thank you for your generous support of this program!

THIS WEEK AT **ALL SAINTS PARISH**

December 7 - 13, 2020

Monday:	Parish Office and Church Closed
Tuesday:	Holy Day Masses - 9:15 AM & 6:00 PM
Wednesday:	Religious Ed. 3:30 & 6:00 PM Communal Penance Services-1:30, 4:00, 6:00 All services will be held at the Church
Saturday:	4:30 PM Mass
Sunday:	7:30 AM & 10:00 AM Mass Confirmation Class - 8:15 AM - noon

All Saints Catholic School

Building Saints, Scholars, and Children of God

What's Happening at All Saints Catholic School

Students at All Saints Catholic School recently had quite a musical experience learning through music. Deacon Jim Hoegemeier of All Saints Catholic Parish spent the whole day teaching students about the ukulele and electric guitar! He also taught the seventh and eighth grade students prayers in American Sign Language.

According to fine arts and music teacher Jamie Lynn Kraft, it was wonderful to have the Deacon spend time with the students and give them the gift of music. The Deacon arrived in the morning and worked with students as they rotated by grade level to music class. Kraft shared that Deacon's goal is to spread the love of music to everyone and share the gift of music, starting with our youth. She also said that since his visit, many students have asked for a ukulele for Christmas because they enjoy learning to play! Everyone had fun as they jammed out as they played Jingle Bells, La Bamba, and The Chicken Dance.

Deacon even stuck around to teach the 7th and 8th grade Religion class. The students learned how to say some prayers in American Sign Language, too. It was another event and another great day at All Saints Catholic School for the Deacon and the students who were blessed with his presence! It's a wonderful gift to have our parish staff and students connecting and learning from each other.



FAITH FORMATION

Living Nativity Window - Students and Families from our Catholic School and Religious Education program took turns on Saturday, Nov. 28 depicting the first Christmas in a living nativity window during Berlin's Elf Extravaganza. Visitors to downtown were able to view this scene in the window of the old radio station. There was also a poinsettia and wreath fundraiser sale in a separate room in the same building. The Holy Family, shepherds, angels, and kings also went on the road in a horse-drawn wagon to bring the nativity scene,

a reminder of the real reason for the season, to the entire downtown.

Thank you to all of our participants and visitors!



Advent Resources:

If you're looking for a way to be a bit more reflective this advent as we prepare for Christmas, here are a couple of ideas.

You can sign up for daily emails from Dynamic Catholic in their *Best Advent Ever* program. It's free and each email contains a brief video and reflection.

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever.html>



If you haven't already, check out Bishop Hying's YouTube channel where each day he inspires the faithful with a brief *Moment with the Bishop* video:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL2bjxQbqE8m2Bavdf5PiB7sAy5q6jph-y>

We also have *Daily Reflections for Advent and Christmas* booklets available in a basket as you enter the church. These small books are free and contain a short scripture verse, reflection, and prayer for each day during advent and the Christmas season.

News and Announcements

CHRISTMAS MASS SIGN- UP

With Covid-19 still in our midst, this Advent and Christmas Season will present challenges when worshipping the Christ Child and celebrating His nativity. However, using the creativity God has given us, it also gives us the opportunity to do it in new and different ways! This year there will need to be a Christmas Mass Time Sign-Up to ensure we stay within our maximum capacity limits and prevent overcrowding. We ask that parishioners only sign up for one Mass time to fulfill their Holy Day of obligation. Please include the total number of people that will be with you.

Below are the Signup Links for Christmas Mass Times. Each Mass time has its own sign up link. There will be only 200 spots available per Mass and will be first come first serve. If one Mass becomes full, we hope you will sign up for a different Mass time, even though you may not be the one you are used to attending. For those who do not have internet access to sign-up, we ask that family members assist each other in doing so, or you may call the parish to have a parish office team member assist you in signing up for a Mass time.

To sign up - go to the corresponding link for the Mass you wish to attend. Click on the orange box that says Sign UP, then select Submit & Sign UP.

- ◆ Thursday, Dec 24th 4:30PM Christmas Eve Children's Mass:
This Mass has already reached its maximum capacity.
We invite you to sign up for one of the other Masses below.
- ◆ Thursday, Dec 24th 7:00PM Mass Time:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040448A5A923A7FE3-730pm>
- ◆ Thursday, Dec 24th 9:30PM Mass Time:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040448A5A923A7FE3-930pm>
- ◆ Friday, Dec 25th 10:00AM Mass Time:
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040448A5A923A7FE3-1000am>



THANK YOU, VOLUNTEERS

This Thanksgiving we saw faith in action as volunteers from our parish once again prepared, served, and delivered Thanksgiving meals. Just under 500 meals (499 to be exact) found their way into people's homes to bless them with a hot meal they may not have otherwise had. Our hope is that we shared the love and light of Christ with everyone we served that day. A huge thank you to everyone who helped organize the event, prepare food, package meals, run them out to waiting vehicles, make deliveries, and clean up afterwards. A special shout out to the many Confirmation students and other young people who came to help. May God bless you for your efforts!



Stewardship & Sacraments

Stewardship: Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given



**Online Giving
Now Available**

Online giving is a help to the parish finances especially during the summer when vacations and schedules change. Setting up your Pushpay Giving Account is rather effortless. You can find the bright red link as shown above on our website or app. Now it's easier than ever! Just scan the QR code on this page and go directly to our PushPay giving portal. Fr. David asks us all to ponder signing up. E-Giving options include your regular weekly offertory, holy day offering, school support, diocesan assessment or any other unrestricted donation. You may designate your donations to any of these funds, on your preferred schedule. If you have any questions, call the parish office for assistance 920-361-5252.



ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH

- Little Saints Tuition Assistance Fund
- All Saints Congregation Endowment Fund
- The Berlin Catholic School Endowment Fund, Inc.

Envelopes are available in the kiosk in gathering space or contact the parish office.

Remembering the Parish in your Will

An important way for members of one generation to have a lasting impact on the parish and its institutions is to make a lump sum bequest, or estate percentage bequest, in one's Will.

Sacraments

Baptism

At All Saints Parish, Baptisms are usually celebrated on Sundays after the 10 am Mass.

All parents who wish to have a child baptized are asked to call the Parish Office 920-361-5252 to speak with Father David about scheduling the Baptism.

Baptism for adults is part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA program)

Marriages

Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance. Marriage Preparation courses are required.



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Philippians 2:16

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