

**Angelus prayer**

**V. The Angel of the Lord declared unto Mary**  
**R. And she conceived of the Holy Spirit.**

*Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee.  
Blessed art thou among woman  
and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus.  
Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
pray for us sinners  
now and at the hour of our death  
Amen.*

**V. Behold the handmaid of the Lord.**  
**R. Be it done unto me according to Thy word.**

*Hail Mary.....*

**V. And the Word was made flesh**  
**R. And dwelt among us.**

*Hail Mary.....*

V. Pray for us, O Holy Mother of God  
R. *That we may be made worthy of the promises of Christ.*

Let us pray:

*Pour forth we beseech Thee, O Lord, thy Grace into our hearts;  
that we, to whom the Incarnation of Christ,  
Thy Son, was made known  
by the message of an angel,  
may by His Passion and Cross be brought  
to the glory of His Resurrection,  
through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.*



*English speaking Catholic Mission Archdiocese of Berlin*

***Sunday Bulletin***

**September 30, 2018**

**Twenty-sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Missal no. 929**

**First Reading**

*Numbers 11:25-29*

The Lord bestows his spirit on the seventy elders.

**Responsorial Psalm**

*Psalm 19:8,10,12-13,14*

The Law of the Lord brings joy.

**Second Reading**

*James 5:1-6*

James chastises the rich.

**Gospel Reading**

*Mark 9:38-43,45,47-48*

Jesus teaches that whoever is not against him is for him

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**Join us for**  
**YOUTHS' MASS AND**  
**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

**6Pm on Friday October 5, at All Saints**  
**Chapel of the Blessed Sacrament.**  
**Youths and Parents are invited**

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Wednesday and Friday-by appointment

## Background on the Gospel Reading

Today we continue to read from the Gospel of Mark. Recall that last week we heard Jesus chastise his disciples for their argument about who among them was the greatest. Jesus taught them that the greatest among them will be those who serve the least ones. In today's Gospel, the disciple John questions Jesus about an unknown exorcist who was driving out demons in Jesus' name. John's question might have been motivated by jealousy. Previously in Mark's Gospel, Jesus healed a boy whom the disciples had been unable to heal. John's question is further evidence that the disciples have not yet grasped Jesus' words to them. They continue to compare themselves to others who seem to have greater healing powers, and they do not want to share the power of Jesus' name with others.

Today the demon possession described in the Gospels might be seen as a form of mental illness, but the need for healing these syndromes was as real then as it is now. Exorcism was a common practice in first-century Palestine. Some people had the power to heal the symptoms of possession. One of the strategies used was to invoke the name of a person or figure who was believed to have the power to heal.

The disciples observed that the unknown exorcist invoked Jesus' name and was successful in his healing efforts. This unknown healer recognized the power of Jesus' name, yet he was not a follower of Jesus. In his reply to his disciples, Jesus acknowledges that deeds of faith can precede the words of faith. He also teaches that the disciples should not be reluctant to share Jesus' healing powers with others.

Later in this Gospel, Jesus teaches us not to create obstacles for those who are just beginning to have faith but to encourage even the smallest signs of faith. The Greek word used here for sin also connotes "stumbling" or "causing scandal." In vivid terms Jesus teaches his disciples the consequences to those who would put obstacles before people who are on the road to faith..

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### Eucharistic Adoration at St. Bernard's

**Monday, October 1, 2018 - 20:00**

Come join us for Eucharistic Adoration, beginning with the Rosary and followed by silent adoration. Those attending are given the opportunity to pray the Rosary in their native languages, while all respond in English.

## NEXT RCIA PREPARATION CLASS

Catechism class for Adult baptism and Confirmation has started.

Next class is on Wednesday October 10

at International Pastoral Center, Kranoldstraße 24a 12051 Berlin at 7pm.

## MARK YOUR CALENDAR:

- Monday October 1, 2018: Eucharistic Adoration at St. Bernard's, 20:00
- Friday October 5, ESM youth's Mass and Eucharistic Adoration at All Saints, 18:00
- Sunday October 7, Preparation class for First Holy communion at St. Bernard's, 10:00-11:00
- Sunday October 7, Children's Liturgy of the Word at St. Bernard's 11:00
- Wednesday October 10, RCIA class, 19:00 (location to be announced)
- Saturday October 13, Conference of African Catholic Women, Germany, at St. Bernard's, 10:00-18:00
- Saturday October 13, ESM's Christian Literature club, 20:00
- Sunday October 14, Preparation for First Holy Communion, St. Bernard's 10:00-10:45
- Sunday October 14 Baptism at St. Bernard's after Mass 12:30
- Wednesday October 17, RCIA class 19:00 (location to be announced)
- Saturday October 20, Child's Abuse prevention course 10:00-16:00 at St. Bernard's

## General Information about the English-speaking Mission

- Our mission offers pastoral care for immigrants, religious education, catechism classes for 1st Holy Communion and confirmation, preparation for baptism (infants and adults) and marriage courses. Hospital and home visits can be arranged through the mission's office or the priests. For weddings please contact Father Sylvester Ajunwa 3 months in advance.
- Sunday Masses: St. Bernard's 11.00, 19.00; St. Elisabeth's 14.00; All Saints 10.00; Catholic Academy 10.30
- Confession: Sundays at St. Bernard's - 12.00, 18.30-19.00; at St. Elisabeth - 14.00; Fridays at All Saints 17.30
- Eucharistic Adoration at St. Bernard's 1st and 3rd Mondays 20.00-21.00

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