

UPDATES: Parish Office - Please contact the office for all enquiries: (+352) 661 127 962 / parish@catholic.lu Office hours are 08:00 - 12:00 Mon - Fri.

Weekend Masses: 7.30 pm Saturdays (vigil), Sundays 11.30am and 6.30pm. We are now limited to 100 worshippers at Mass. Please arrive early or try to attend one of the evening Masses rather than the 11.30 Mass. Please wear a mask and disinfectant gel will be available. You will be shown to a seat by one of the welcomers. Thank you for your support and understanding. Fr Michael.

Livestreaming of Mass: The Sunday 11.30 Mass is live-streamed via our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stalphonseluxembourg/

Weekday Masses: The Wednesday 6.15pm Mass at St Alphonse is celebrated every week in English by Fr Michael.

7.30am Weekday Masses at St Alphonse are cancelled till further notice.

Christmas and New Year Masses:

Christmas Eve: 4pm Vigil Mass for families; 8.30pm.

Christmas Day: 11.30am and 5pm.

26th December: 7.30pm (Vigil Mass). 27th December: 11.30am and 6.30pm.

1 January: Feast of Holy Mother of God - 11.30am.

First Holy Communion 2021: Classes have started online this weekend. Please contact the parish office if you have not collected your child's book yet.

Urgent requirement for an apartment /house for a family in need in Luxembourg. All areas of the country would be considered and they can offer 3 months deposit. Please contact the parish office in the first instance if you can help: parish@catholic.lu

IOP - special call for sponsorships: The charity is in great need of our support due to Covid-19. There is an increasing number of children/young people who need financial help in order to go to school. Education is the surest way to end the cycle of poverty in this region of Africa - Please help by becoming a sponsor to a child in Tanzania for just €240 per year - perhaps you'd like to give a sponsorship as a gift for Christmas or you can make a one off donation of your choosing to IOP Luxembourg asbl - LU27 0019 3955 9582 3000. Thank you for your support. Contact Sonya by email for more information: contact@iopluxembourg.org

Refugees in Luxembourg are looking for following: wool, sewing machines, flutes, percussion instruments, piano teaching books. Do you have any to donate? Thank you. Questions to marijane@pt.lu

Children's Liturgy takes place via Zoom before Sunday Mass at 10.30am. Children must be enrolled and parents will be sent the Zoom invitation. Please contact the parish office to register. **If you have a notice, please contact the parish office before noon on Wednesday.**

MASS SETTING : Mass of St Alphonse

OPENING HYMN : Ready the Way

*Ready the way, ready the way,
ready the way of the Lord.*

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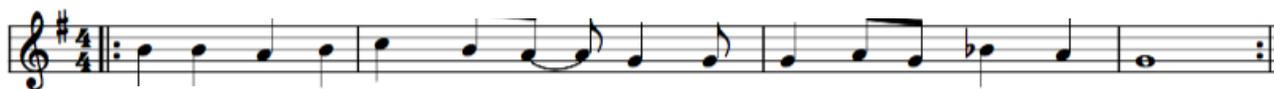
1. Make straight the road,
raise the valleys,
and mountains make low.
Turning from sin,
let the broken be whole,
and ready the way of the Lord.
2. As we wait for you,
give us the strength
to walk in your truth,

so we may love more like you
and ready the way for you, Lord.

3. Let us see your face;
in our hearts we prepare a place.
Come bring this world
your mercy and grace,
as we ready the way for you, Lord



PSALM 84 : Let us see, O Lord, your mercy



Let us see, O Lord, your mer - cy and give us your sa - ving help.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS : Gift of Finest Wheat

*You satisfy the hungry heart
with gift of finest wheat,
come give to us O saving Lord,
the bread of life to eat.*

1. As when the shepherd calls his sheep, they know and heed his voice; so when you call your family Lord, we follow and rejoice.
2. With joyful lips we sing to you, our praise and gratitude, that you should count us worthy Lord, to share this heavenly food.
3. Is not the cup we bless and share the blood of Christ outpoured? Do not one cup, one loaf declare our one-ness in the Lord?

COMMUNION : Shepherd me, O God

*Shepherd me, O God,
beyond my wants,
beyond my fears,
from death into life.*

1. God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet waters of peace.
2. Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth, my spirit shall sing the music of your name.
3. Though I should wander the valley of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side, your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.
4. You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, crowning me with love beyond my power to hold.
5. Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore.

COMMUNION II: Wait for the Lord (Taizé)

Wait for the Lord, his day is near.

Wait for the Lord, keep watch, take heart

RECESSIONAL : Christ, be our light

1. Longing for light, we wait in darkness.
Longing for truth, we turn to you.
Make us your own, your holy people,
Light for the world to see.
*Christ, be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your church gathered today*
2. Longing for peace, our world is troubled.
Longing for hope, many despair.
Your word alone has pow'r to save us,
Make us your living voice.
3. Longing for food, many are hungry,
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
Shared until all are fed.
4. Longing for shelter, many are homeless,
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
Walls made of living stone.
5. Many are the gifts, many the people,
Many the hearts that yearn to belong.
Let us be servants to one another,
Making your kingdom come.