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Weekend Masses: 7.30 pm Saturdays (vigil), Sundays 11.30am and 6.30pm. We are still restricted to 200 worshippers at Mass. We ask you to maintain a safe distance between households of 2 metres. Please arrive early and wear a mask; disinfectant gel will be available. You will be shown to a seat. Thank you for your support and understanding. Fr Michael.

**Livestreaming of Mass:** The Sunday 11.30 Mass is live-streamed via our Facebook page: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/stalphonseluxembourg/live">www.facebook.com/stalphonseluxembourg/live</a>

Children's liturgy for children from the age of 3. This group has returned to church. Children will be invited to join the group with the catechists at the beginning of the 11.30 Mass and they return at the Offertory. If you would like to register your child for this group please contact the parish office: parish@catholic.lu.

**Synod 2021-2023:** Thank you to everyone who contributed to the recent written consultation. We received over 130 responses. We aim to share a summary of the contributions in the coming days.

The next stage of the Synodal consultation within our English-speaking community is a series of small group discussions over the next two weeks. Go to <a href="https://www.catholic.lu/synod-2021-2023">www.catholic.lu/synod-2021-2023</a> to find out more. If you would like to join one of these groups, please contact <a href="mailto:parish@catholic.lu">parish@catholic.lu</a>.

The final stage will be a workshop open to everyone on <u>Sunday 27 March 2022</u>. The outcomes of the online consultation and the small group discussions will be shared and participants will reflect on the key messages to be included in our community's contribution to the wider Synodal process. The event will take place from 13:00 to 15:00 in Le Royal Hotel. Tea and coffee will be served. Everyone is welcome to attend but we would especially encourage the participation of younger members of our community (under 30). If you intend to join, please inform <u>parish@catholic.lu</u>.

**Feast of St Patrick:** Fr Michael will celebrate Mass in English for the Feast of St Patrick at 11.30am on Saturday 19th March.

Hear the Cry of the Earth; hear the cry of the poor. (Pope Francis) From the start of Lent the Diakonia group will make a weekly suggestion on how we might hear 'The cry of the Earth". As Christians we should strive to change the way we live on God's Earth. This week's suggestion: I will turn down the thermostat by 1 degree because of the impact on the environment. (According to the IEA, if every European household does it, gas consumption will be reduced by 10 billion cubic metres annually.

**Coffee and crochet** - The group will meet again Wednesday 23 March at 11am in the Couvent. We are approaching the end so please hurry and finish your squares! You can bring them to the parish office any morning or leave them at the back of the church after Mass.

**Baptisms and marriages:** If you would like your son/daughter baptised or you are planning to get married, please contact the parish office in the first instance

Mass sheet - Please take home your copy of the Sunday Message

Donations to the English-speaking Catholic Community: a number of parishioners have commented that they no longer carry cash. Please consider making a donation via bank transfer or even better, set up a monthly direct payment:

Friends Engl. Cath. Comm. LU10 0019 5155 8196 2000. Donations can also be made via your mobile using Digicash (payconiq)

Thank you for all your donations - your generosity is much appreciated.



## MASS SETTING: Mass of St Alphonse

### **OPENING HYMN:** Be thou my vision

- 1. Be thou my vision, O Lord of my heart; Naught be all else to me, save that thou art; Thou my best thought in the day and the night,
  - Waking and sleeping, thy presence my light.
- 2. Be thou my wisdom, be thou my true word; I ever with thee, and thou with me, Lord; Thou my great Father, and I thy true son; Thou in me dwelling, and I with thee one.
- 3. Be thou my breastplate, my sword for the fight; Be thou my whole armour, be thou my might; Be thou my soul's shelter, and thou my high tower: Raise thou me heavenward. O power of my power.

# PSALM 26 (27): The Lord is my light and my help



## PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS: The Servant King

1. From heaven you came helpless babe Entered our world, your glory veiled Not to be served but to serve And give your life that we might live This is our God, the Servant King He calls us now to follow him

To bring our lives as a daily offering Of worship to the Servant King

2. There in the garden of tears My heavy load he chose to bear His heart with sorrow was torn 'Yet not my will but yours,' he said

#### COMMUNION: Come back to me

1. Come back to me with all your heart, don't let fear keep us apart. Trees do bend, tho' straight and tall; so must we to others' call. Long have I waited

for your coming home to me and living deeply our new life.

- 2. The wilderness will lead you to your heart where I will speak.
- 3. Integrity and justice with tenderness you shall know.
- 4. You shall sleep secure with peace: faithfulness will be your joy.

#### **RECESSIONAL**: Shine Jesus shine

1. Lord, the light of your love is shining in the midst of the darkness, shining; Jesus, Light of the World, shine upon us, Set us free by the truth you now bring us, Shine on me, shine on me.

> Shine Jesus shine. fill this land with the Father's glory; Blaze, Spirit, blaze, set our hearts on fire. Flow river flow, flood the nations

with grace and mercy; Send forth your word, Lord, And let there be light.

2. Lord, I come to your awesome presence. From the shadows into your radiance; By the blood I may enter your brightness, Search me, try me, consume all my darkness, Shine on me, shine on me.