

**International English-speaking Catholic Community, Parish of Luxembourg Notre-Dame**  
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**Thought for the week:** 'Prayer is a fragrant dew; but we must pray with a pure heart to feel this dew.' *"La prière est une rosée embaumée; mais il faut prier avec un coeur pur pour sentir cette rosée". St Jean-Marie Vianney*

### Christmas Masses

**Sun 24 December:** 11am Mass - Belair

6.30pm Mass- St Michel (first Mass of Christmas, carols from 6pm)

**Mon 25 December:** 11am Christmas Day Mass - Belair. Please note - no evening Mass.

**Sat/ Sun 30 -31 December** - Weekend Masses as usual

**Sat 6 January:** no vigil Mass in English (Mass in French at 18.00 in Garden Chapel at St Alphonse).

**Sun 7 January:** 11am Mass Belair; 6.30pm Mass St Michel.

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**Weekend Masses:** Saturdays (Vigil Mass) 7.30pm, Sundays 11.00am and 6.30pm.

**Livestreaming of Mass:** The Sunday 11.00 Mass is live-streamed via our Facebook page: [www.facebook.com/stalphonseluxembourg/live](https://www.facebook.com/stalphonseluxembourg/live)

**Advance notice for Confirmation programme:** the next programme will start Feb 2024 for young people at school who will be at least 16 years old by 30 June 2025. More information in January.

**Children's liturgy at the 11am Mass.** Children of 3 years and above leave at the beginning of Mass with the catechists and return for the offertory. Parents are welcome to accompany their children.

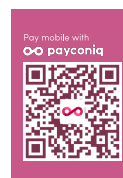
**Christian Meditation group:** The group meets on line and in person - all are welcome. For further information telephone Marcella: 691435788.

**Gift of Remembrance in a Mass:** A number of Christmas Mass Bouquet cards (& Mass cards for other occasions) are available from the parish office, tel: 661 127 962.

**Tea and coffee after Belair Mass:** Please join us for refreshments after Mass: all donations received go to the Ilula Orphanage Program.

**Donations to the English-speaking Catholic Community :** 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 : O come, O come Emmanuel**

1. O come, O come, Emmanuel,  
and ransom captive Israel,  
that mourns in lonely exile here  
until the Son of God appear.

*Rejoice! Rejoice!*

*Emmanuel shall come to thee,  
O Israel.*

2. O come, O come, thou Lord of might,  
who to thy tribes, on Sinai's height  
in ancient times didst give the Law  
in cloud and majesty and awe

3. O come, thou Rod of Jesse, free  
thine own from Satan's tyranny;  
from depths of hell thy people save,  
And give them vict'ry o'er the grave.

4. O come, thou key of David, come,  
and open wide our heavenly home;  
make safe the way that leads on high,  
and close the path to misery.

5. O come, desire of nations bind  
in one the hearts of humankind;  
bid ev'ry sad division cease  
and be thyself our Prince of Peace.