

Thought for the week: ‘Let us ask Him to make us true in our love’. “Demandons-lui de nous rendre vrais dans notre amour”. *St Elizabeth of the Trinity*

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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

Confirmation programme: please contact the parish office (parish@catholic.lu) for the registration form and to receive more information. Candidates should be at school and should be at least 16 years old by 30 June 2025. The first meeting is for the young people and their parents on Sunday 25 Feb 2024 after the 11:00 Mass in Belair Church.

Ash Wednesday, 14 February - no Mass in English. Please attend Mass at your local church. There will be Mass in French with the imposition of ashes at 18.15 in the Garden Chapel at St Alphonse.

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

Baptisms and marriages: If you would like your son/daughter baptised, or you are planning to get married (please give at least 4 months notice for weddings), please contact the parish office.

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

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MASS SETTING : Mass of a joyful heart

OPENING HYMN : Gather the people

*Gather the people! Enter the feast!
All are invited, the greatest and least.
The banquet is ready, now to be shared.
Join in the heavenly feast that God has prepared.*

1. Around this table we dine as kin,
beloved family of God.
We share the body of Christ, the Lord.
Here we become what we eat.
2. Around this table we tell great tales,
the wondrous stories of grace.
We hold the memory of Christ, the Lord.
So we become what we eat.

3. Around this table God's bounty falls
on all who hunger and thirst.
We drink the fullness of Christ, the Lord.
So we become what we eat.
4. Around this table our hearts rejoice
in love that's stronger than death.
We'll rise in glory with Christ, the Lord.
Then we become what we eat.

PSALM 146 : Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.



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PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS : Into your presence

1. Take as our offering the bread and the wine,
Fruit of our labour and work of our hands.
Into your presence we bring them.
Take as our offering the lives that we lead.
Bless all our efforts to grow in your love.
Into your presence we enter.

*In the bread and the wine,
You give us hope with your presence.
In the bread and the wine,
we are made whole in your giving.*

2. Take as our offering the music we sing.
Songs of rejoicing for your gift of love.
Into your presence we bring them.
Take as our offering the joy in our hearts.
For in this gathering you come to give life.
Into your presence we enter.

COMMUNION I : Now the green blade riseth

1. Now the green blade riseth
from the buried grain,
Wheat that in the dark earth
many days has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead had been:
Love is come again,
like wheat that springeth green.
2. In the grave they laid him,
love whom men had slain,
Thinking that never he would wake again,
Laid in the earth like grain that sleeps unseen:
Love is come again,
like wheat that springeth green.

3. Forth he came at Easter, like the risen grain,
He that for three days in the grave had lain;
Quick from the dead my risen Lord is seen:
Love is come again,
like wheat that springeth green.
4. When our hearts are wintry, grieving or in pain,
Thy touch call us back to life again;
Fields of our hearts that dead
and bare have been:
Love is come again,
like wheat that springeth green.

COMMUNION II : Lay your hands gently upon us

1. Lay your hands gently upon us
Let their touch render your peace
Let them bring your forgiveness and healing
Lay your hands gently lay your hands
2. You were sent to free the broken hearted
You were sent to give sight to the blind
You desire to heal all our illness
Lay your hands gently lay your hands.

3. Lord we come to you through one another
Lord we come to you in our need
Lord we come to you seeking wholeness
Lay your hands gently lay your hands

RECESSATIONAL : How great thou art

1. O Lord, my God, when I in awesome wonder
Consider all the worlds thy hand has made,
I see the stars, I hear the rolling thunder,
Thy pow'r throughout the universe displayed.
*Then sings my soul, my Saviour God, to thee:
How great thou art, how great thou art.*
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2. When Christ shall come
with shout of acclamation
And take me home,
what joy shall fill my heart;
When I shall bow in humble adoration,
And there proclaim: my God,
how great thou art.