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**Parish Office** - Please contact Caroline in the office for all enquiries regarding baptisms, weddings, First Holy Communion, Confirmation and Mass intentions:

Office hours are 08:30-12:30 Mon-Fri. The office address is 34, rue des Capucins, L-1313 Luxembourg.

**Mass times**

**Wednesdays 18:15** - Garden Chapel (Courtyard of St Alphonse/rue Willy Goergen)

**Saturdays 19:30** - Garden Chapel

**Sundays 11:00** - St Pie X, Belair and 18:30, St Michel, Luxembourg-Ville

**Livestreaming of Mass:** Sunday 11:00 Mass on [www.facebook.com/stalphonseluxembourg/live](https://www.facebook.com/stalphonseluxembourg/live)

**Tea/coffee after the 11:00 Mass** : Refreshments are served and donations are for the Ilula Orphanage Program.

**Music group** : New members are always welcome to the music group. Please contact anyone of us on Sunday morning. We also need people to help bring all the equipment back to the cellar after Mass. This too is a real ministry in the parish and greatly appreciated. Thank you!

**Children's Liturgy:** this is for children aged 3 years and above and it takes place at the 11.30 Mass. To register your child please contact the parish office: [parish@catholic.lu](mailto:parish@catholic.lu)

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

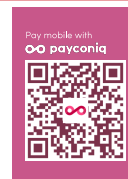
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**OPENING HYMN: We Three kings**

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| <p>1. We three kings of Orient are<br/>Bearing gifts we traverse afar<br/>Field and fountain,<br/>moor and mountain<br/>Following yonder star<br/><i>O Star of wonder, star of night<br/>Star with royal beauty bright<br/>Westward leading, still proceeding<br/>Guide us to thy Perfect Light</i></p> <p>2. Born a King on Bethlehem's plain<br/>Gold I bring to crown Him again<br/>King forever, ceasing never<br/>Over us all to reign</p> | <p>3. Frankincense to offer have I<br/>Incense owns a Deity nigh<br/>Prayer and praising, all men raising<br/>Worship Him, God most high</p> <p>4. Myrrh is mine, its bitter perfume<br/>Breathes of life of gathering gloom<br/>Sorrowing, sighing, bleeding, dying<br/>Sealed in the stone-cold tomb</p> <p>5. Glorious now behold Him arise<br/>King and God and Sacrifice<br/>Alleluia, Alleluia<br/>Earth to heav'n replies<br/>Guide us to Thy perfect light</p> |
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**RESPONSORIAL: What child is this**

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| <p>1. What child is this, who, laid to rest,<br/>On Mary's lap is sleeping?<br/>Whom angels greet<br/>with anthems sweet,<br/>While shepherds watch are keeping?<br/>This, this is Christ the King,<br/>Whom shepherds guard<br/>and angels sing:<br/>Haste, haste to bring Him laud,<br/>The Babe, the son of Mary!</p> <p>2. Why lies He in such mean estate,<br/>Where ox and donkeys are feeding?<br/>Good Christians, fear,<br/>for sinners here<br/>The silent Word is pleading.</p> | <p>Nails, spears, shall<br/>pierce Him through,<br/>the cross be borne for me, for you.<br/>Hail, hail the Word made flesh,<br/>the Babe, the Son of Mary!</p> <p>3. So bring him incense, gold,<br/>and myrrh,<br/>Come, peasant, king, to own Him.<br/>The King of kings salvation brings,<br/>Let loving hearts enthrone Him.<br/>Raise, raise the song on high,<br/>The virgin sings her lullaby<br/>Joy, Joy for Christ is born,<br/>The Babe, the Son of Mary!</p> |
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## PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS : It came upon the midnight clear

1. It came upon the midnight clear,  
That glorious song of old,  
From angels bending near the earth,  
To touch their harps of gold:  
"Peace on the earth, goodwill to men,  
From heaven's all-gracious King."  
The world in solemn stillness lay,  
To hear the angels sing.
2. Yet with the woes of sin and strife  
The world has suffered long;  
Beneath the angel-strain have rolled  
Two thousand years of wrong;  
And man, at war with man, hears not  
The love-song which they bring;  
O hush the noise, ye men of strife,  
And hear the angels sing.
3. For lo! the days are hastening on,  
by prophets seen of old,  
when with the ever-circling years  
shall come the time foretold  
when the new heaven  
and earth shall own  
The Prince of Peace their king,  
and all the world give back the song  
which now the angels sing.



## COMMUNION I : The First Noël

1. The first Noël the Angel did say  
was to three poor shepherds  
in fields as they lay;  
In fields where they lay  
keeping their sheep,  
on a cold winter's night  
that was so deep.  
  
*Noël, Noël, Noël, Noël  
Born is the King of Israel.*
2. They looked up and saw a star,  
shining in the east, beyond them far,  
and to the earth it gave great light,  
and so it continued both day and night.
3. And by the light of that same star  
three wise men came,  
from country far;  
To seek for a King was their intent,  
and to follow the star  
wherever it went.

## COMMUNION II : Away in a manger

1. Away in a manger,  
no crib for a bed  
the little Lord Jesus  
laid down His sweet head  
the stars in the bright sky  
looked down where He lay  
the little Lord Jesus  
asleep on the hay
2. The cattle are lowing  
the baby awakes  
The little Lord Jesus  
no crying he makes.  
  
I love thee, Lord Jesus  
look down from the sky  
and stay by my side,  
'til morning is nigh.
3. Be near me, Lord Jesus,  
I ask thee to stay  
close by me forever  
and love me I pray  
Bless all the dear children  
in thy tender care  
and fit us for heaven  
to live with thee there.

## RECESSIONAL : Joy to the world, the Lord is come

1. Joy to the world, the Lord is come!  
Let earth receive her King;  
let every heart prepare him room,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven and nature sing,  
and heaven, and heaven  
and nature sing.
2. Joy to the world, the Saviour reigns!  
Let all their songs employ;  
while fields and floods, rocks,  
hills, and plains  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat the sounding joy,  
repeat, repeat the sounding joy.
3. He rules the world  
with truth and grace,  
and makes the nations prove  
the glories of his righteousness,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders of his love,  
and wonders, and wonders of his love.