

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.

Fr Ed's final Mass with the English-speaking Community will be on Sunday 20 September at 11.30 with Cardinal Hollerich. If you would like to attend this Mass, please contact the parish office.

Farewell collection for Fr Ed: If you wish to contribute to a gift for Fr Ed, there will be a collection at the back of the church after Mass for the next 2 weeks. Alternatively a donation can be made via the parish bank account on the 'Giving' tab on catholic.lu. Please include in the reference "Fr Ed's gift".

Fr Michael Cusack CSsR has been confirmed by the Cardinal as Fr Ed's successor. He will arrive in early October in Luxembourg.

Fr Ed is away this weekend and we are grateful to Fr Daniel Sonveaux SJ and Fr Thierry Monfils SJ for celebrating the Masses as Fr HP is still struggling with a broken wrist.

Weekday Masses at St Alphonse: the 7.30 am Mass has been cancelled until further notice.

First Holy Communion 2020 important update: This will be celebrated at two special Saturday Masses: 11.00 am on 14 and 21 November. More information will be sent out via email.

Rosary: you are invited to join in saying the Rosary on Sundays either from 10.30 am in the Garden Room or from 5.30pm before evening Mass.

Attending Sunday Mass: Please note the change of times in Sunday Masses in English: 11.30 am and 6.30 pm. We are reaching capacity with seats available in St Alphonse at the 11.30 Mass. Please arrive in good time for Mass wearing a mask so the welcomers can seat people as efficiently as possible under Covid restrictions. If you arrive and the church is already full, you may unfortunately be turned away - there is Mass in French at 12 noon at the cathedral. We are trying to add extra chairs where we can safely. Alternatively the Sunday evening 18.30 Mass has more space at the moment, so please consider attending that Mass. Thank you for your understanding.

Children's Liturgy: There is no Children's Liturgy during the 11.30 am Mass at the moment. Arrangements for the new school year will be announced soon.

Confirmation programme for adults: If you would be interested in enrolling in a preparation programme for adults, please contact the parish office in the first instance: parish@catholic.lu

If you have notices for the newsletter, please contact the parish office before Wednesday.

MASS SETTING : Mass of Joy

OPENING HYMN : Oh the word of my Lord

*Oh the word of my Lord
Deep within my being,
Oh the word of my Lord,
You have filled my mind.*

1. Before I formed you in the womb
I knew you through and through,
I chose you to be mine.
Before you left your mother's side
I called to you, my child, to be my sign.
2. I know that you are very young,
But I will make you strong
I'll fill you with my word;

And you will travel through the land,
Fulfilling my command
Which you have heard.

3. And everywhere you are to go
My hand will follow you;
You will not be alone.
In all the danger that you fear
You'll find me very near,
Your words my own.

PSALM 94 : O that today you listen to his voice

The image shows two staves of musical notation in G major (one sharp) and common time (C). The first staff contains the melody for the first line of the psalm: "O that to-day you listen to his". The second staff contains the melody for the second line: "voice! Har - den not your hearts!". The lyrics are written below the notes.

PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS : All that I am

1. All that I am, all that I do
All that I ever have I offer now to you
Take and sanctify these gifts
For your honour, lord
Knowing that to love and serve you
Is enough reward
All that I am, all that I do
All that I ever have I offer now to you
2. All that I dream, all that I pray
All that I'll ever make
I give to you today.
Take and sanctify these gifts
For your honour, lord
Knowing that to love and serve you
Is enough reward
All that I am, all that I do
All that I ever have I offer now to you.

COMMUNION : Father we adore you

1. Father, we adore you, lay our lives before you.
How we love you!
2. Jesus, we adore you, lay our lives before you.
How we love you!
3. Spirit, we adore you, lay our lives before you.
How we love you!

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COMMUNION II: A new commandment

*A new commandment I give unto you,
That you love one another as I loved you,
That you love one another as I have loved
you.*

1. By this shall all men know that you are my
disciples,
if you have love one for another. x2
2. You are my friends if you do what I command
you.
Without my help you can do nothing. x2
3. I am the true vine, my Father is the gardener
Abide in me, I will be with you. x2
4. True love is patient, not arrogant nor boastful,
Love bears all things, love is eternal.

RECESSIONAL : Awake from your slumber

1. Awake from your slumber! Arise from your sleep!
A new day is dawning for all those who weep.
The people in darkness have seen a great light.
The Lord of our longing has conquered the night.
*Let us build the city of God.
May our tears be turned into dancing!
For the Lord, our light and our Love,
has turned the night into day!*
2. We are sons of the morning; we are daughters of day.
The One who has loved us has brightened our way.
The Lord of all kindness has called us to be
a light for his people to set their hearts free.
3. God is light; in him there is no darkness.
Let us walk in his light, his children one and all.
O comfort my people make gentle your words,
proclaim to my city the day of her birth.
4. O city of gladness, now lift up your voice!
proclaim the good tidings that all may rejoice!