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Weekend Masses: 7.30 pm Saturdays (vigil), Sundays 11.30am and 6.30pm. We can now admit more than 150 worshippers but 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 by one of the welcomers. Thank you for your support and understanding. Fr Michael.

Livestreaming of Mass: The Sunday 11.30 Mass is live-streamed via our Facebook page: www.facebook.com/stalphonseluxembourg/live

Children's liturgy has recommenced at the 11.30 Mass for children from the age of 3. Children will be invited to leave the church at the beginning of Mass and will return to Mass at the offertory. Parents are welcome to accompany their child. A session will also be run each week at 10.30am via Zoom. If you would like to register your child for the group, please contact the parish office: parish@catholic.lu

World Day of Migrants & Refugees Sunday 26 September: Each parish has been called to celebrate World Day of Migrants and Refugees by Pope Francis in his message 'Towards an ever wider We'. You can read the Cardinal's letter with the detail of the 11.30am Mass which will be celebrated at St Alphonse on catholic.lu The church will be decorated with the work of a local artist. As part of the challenge to mark the occasion there will be a collection of new/ unused coloured pencils and feltip pens for children in refugee centres to use at school. A box will be available at the back of the church from next weekend.

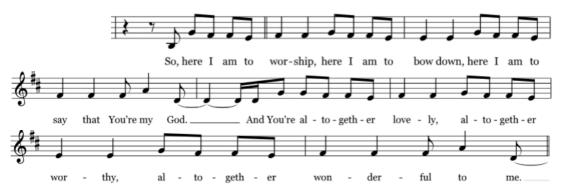
Christian Meditation weekly group has resumed after a short summer break. It continues to meet weekly online on Thursdays at 6.30 pm. All newcomers welcome. For further information email marcellacreed@hotmail.com

Donations to the English-speaking Catholic Community: please note the new bank account for donations by bank transfer: Friends Engl. Cath. Comm. LU10 0019 5155 8196 2000. Donations can also be made via your mobile using Digicash (payconig)

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MASS SETTING: Mass of Hope

OPENING HYMN: Here I am to worship



- 1. Light of the world you stepped down into darkness, opened my eyes, let me see; beauty that made this heart adore you hope of a life spent with you.
- 2. King of all days, oh, so highly exalted, glorious in heaven above;

humbly you came to the earth you created all for love's sake became poor

after 3rd refrain:

I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross; I'll never know how much it cost to see my sin upon that cross And I'll never know how much it cost...

PSALM 115 (116): I will walk in the presence of the Lord



PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS: The Servant King

 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

COMMUNION: Shepherd me, O God

Shepherd me, O God, beyond my wants, beyond my fears, from death into life.

- God is my shepherd, so nothing shall I want, I rest in the meadows of faithfulness and love, I walk by the quiet waters of peace.
- 2. Gently you raise me and heal my weary soul, you lead me by pathways of righteousness and truth, my spirit shall sing the music of your name,

- His heart with sorrow was torn 'Yet not my will but yours,' he said
- 3. Come see his hands and his feet The scars that speak of sacrifice Hands that flung stars into space To cruel nails surrendered
- 4. So let us learn how to serve And in our lives enthrone him Each other's needs to prefer For it is Christ we're serving..
- 3. Though I should wander the valley of death, I fear no evil, for you are at my side, your rod and your staff, my comfort and my hope.
- 4. You have set me a banquet of love in the face of hatred, crowning me with love beyond my power to hold.
- 5. Surely your kindness and mercy follow me all the days of my life; I will dwell in the house of my God forevermore.

COMMUNION: O the love of my Lord is the essence

- Oh, the love of my Lord is the essence of all that I love here on earth.
 All the beauty I see he has given to me and his giving is gentle as silence.
- Every day, every hour, every moment have been blessed by the strength of his love. At the turn of each tide he is there at my side, and his touch is as gentle as silence.
- 3. There've been times when I've turned from his presence, and I've walked other paths, other ways. But I've called on his name in the dark of my shame, and his mercy was gentle as silence.

RECESSIONAL: I will be with you

I will be with you wherever you go, go now throughout the world, I will be with you in all that you say, go now and spread my word.

- 1. Come walk with me on stormy waters, Why fear? Reach out and I'll be there.
- 2. And you, my friend, will you now leave me, or do you know me as your Lord?
- 3. Your life will be transformed with power by living truly in my name.
- 4. And if you say, 'Yes Lord, I love you,' then feed my lambs and feed my sheep.