

2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER CELEBRATING THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD

OPENING HYMN : Rejoice in the Lord always

Rejoice in the Lord always
and again I say rejoice x2
Rejoice, rejoice, and again I say rejoice!

MASS SETTING : Mass of Joy

PSALM 118:

Melody



Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia,

Hamony



al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.



PREPARATION OF THE GIFTS: The Servant King

1. 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

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.

COMMUNION : Now the green blade rises

*Now the green blade rises
from the buried grain,
Wheat that in the dark earth
many years has lain;
Love lives again, that with the dead has been:
Love is come again, like wheat
that springeth green.*

1. 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.

2. 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.

3. When our hearts are wintry,
grieving or in pain,
Thy touch can 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: Hallelujah, my Father

1. Hallelujah, my Father for giving us your Son
Sending him into the world
to be given up for men
Knowing we would bruise him

and smite him from the earth
Hallelujah, my Father, in his death is my birth
Hallelujah, my Father, in his life is my life

RECESSIONAL : Lord of the Dance

1. I danced in the morning
when the world was begun,
And I danced in the moon and the stars
and the sun,
I came down from heaven
and I danced on the earth;
At Bethlehem I had my birth.

*Dance, then, wherever you may be;
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he,
And I'll lead you all, wherever you may be,
and I'll lead you all in the dance, said he.*

2. I danced for the scribe and the pharisee,
But they would not dance
and they wouldn't follow me.
I danced for the fishermen,
for James and John
They came with me
and the dance went on.



3. They cut me down and I leapt up high;
I am the life that will never, never die;
I'll live in you if you'll live in me-
I am the Lord of the Dance said he.

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Weekend Masses: 7.30 pm Saturdays (vigil), Sundays 11.30am and 6.30pm. Most Covid restrictions have now been lifted and it is your personal choice whether you wear a mask.

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

Children's liturgy for children from the age of 3. If you would like to register your child for this group please contact the parish office: parish@catholic.lu

Synod 2021-2023: A summary of the survey can be found at: www.catholic.lu/synod-2021-2023

Young adults group (20-40 years approx) meet this Sunday: Gary from the group invites young adults to join him and other group members for an informal get together after the 11.30 Mass today at the Fischer Café in the rue des capucins, just down the street from St Alphonse.

Tea/coffee after the 11:30 Mass: Annette is planning to re-start refreshments after the 11.30 Mass in early May and needs more volunteers for the rota to serve the refreshments. If you would like to take a turn on the rota, please email annettepower@gmail.com or contact the parish office.

Hear the Cry of the Earth; hear the cry of the poor. (Pope Francis) This week's suggestion from the Diakonia group: I will drink tap water instead of bottled water. Tap water quality in Luxembourg is excellent and generally throughout the EU it is safe and healthy. Bottled water is often in plastic non-returnable bottles and transported over long distances.

Easter wall hanging - Please take the time to admire the beautiful wallhanging which represents the Resurrection with the rising sun. It was designed and put together by Donatella with all the squares crocheted by members of our community, not only in Luxembourg, but also in France, Ireland and the UK.

Baptisms and marriages: If you would like your son/daughter baptised or you are planning to get married, please contact the parish office in the first instance.

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

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