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Sunday Masses: Saturday Vigil: 5.00pm;

Sunday: 9.45am (Usus Antiquior 1962 Missal); 11.00am

Confessions: after Masses on Saturday and any time on request

Weekday Masses (Monday–Saturday) at 10am

A parish in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Glasgow Registered Charity Number SC018140

SUNDAY 30th DECEMBER 2018 ✱ FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY YEAR C

MASS SCHEDULE FOR NEW YEAR

Mass on New Year's Day Tuesday 1st January 2019 Feast of Mary Mother of God at 11am

Mass on Wednesday 2nd January at 11am

PARISH CALENDARS

If you have not already done so, please collect your copy of the parish calendar for 2019. There is one copy for every household. If you wish to take additional copies a donation of £1 is requested.

JANUARY

Please note that during the month of January Monsignor Conroy is taking a break. Sunday and weekday Masses will be covered by Father Sweeney. Father Mark Morris will be here to celebrate the Latin Mass on Sunday mornings.

For the duration of January there will be no bulletin. However, names for inclusion in the next bulletin will be published in February.

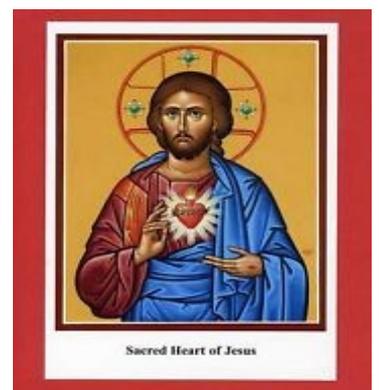
Wishing you and your loved ones peace and every blessing in 2019

Confessions after the 10.00am & 5.00pm Vigil Mass on Saturday & any time on request. Rosary each morning beginning 20 minutes before Mass. Holy Hour or Devotions: Thursday at 7.00pm when announced. To arrange Marriages, Baptisms or for other enquiries please see Monsignor Conroy after Mass or 'phone the Parish to make an appointment.



Most Sacred Heart of Jesus,
I place all my trust in thee!

THE HEART
OF BRIDGETON AND DALMARNOCK



THE CHARITY OF YOUR PRAYERS IS REQUESTED FOR:

THE SICK, especially Mary Reilly, Vera Hunter, Ann Shields, June Frame, Mary McMahon, William Collum, William Murdoch and May Lamont.

Please see the notice in this bulletin explaining how to have the names of the sick included in the bulletin. Forms are available at the back of the church.

ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED especially all those who have died recently and David Anderson, John, Mary and Eugene McCabe and all those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

THIS WEEK

Tuesday 1st January Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Wednesday 2nd January St Basil the Great and St Gregory Nazianzen

Thursday 3rd January The Most Holy Name of Jesus

LAST WEEK'S COLLECTIONS

FIRST COLLECTION £354.92

SECOND COLLECTION £296.15

CHRISTMAS DAY COLLECTIONS £807.69

Thank you!

The Second Collection this weekend is for the Parish Building and Maintenance Fund

The Second Collection next weekend is the annual Justice and Peace Collection.

The Justice and Peace collection is used to support the work of the National Commission and Justice and Peace Office and initiatives promoting the Social Teaching of the Church within the Archdiocese.

PARISH FINANCIAL MATTERS AND GIFTAID

Thank you for your support if you are part of the GiftAid scheme—the government (HMRC) gives back to the parish the tax you have paid on what you give.

If you are a tax payer and haven't signed up for the GiftAid scheme yet, please consider doing so. Weekly collection envelopes can be provided for anyone who wants to be in the GiftAid scheme. You can also make your offering by Standing Order. Please ask. Through the GiftAid scheme the government allows the parish to reclaim the tax you have paid on what you give to the parish in your offerings.

It's easy to GiftAid, it costs you nothing extra and is a great benefit to the parish. Why not sign up today?

ALTAR SOCIETY

Many thanks to the Altar Society for their recent welcome donation, which helps to ensure the celebrations that take place in the church are conducted in a worthy environment. If you wish to know more about the Altar Society or would like to become a member, please speak to Kathy Lamont at the 11am Mass on Sundays or at any weekday Mass.

MONTHLY MASS TO PRAY FOR THE BEATIFICATION OF MARGARET SINCLAIR

Mass is offered at 7pm on the first Monday of every month at the National Shrine of the Venerable Margaret Sinclair in St Patrick's Church, Cowgate, Edinburgh EH1 1TQ. Followed by Refreshments. Petitions can be sent to the shrine by post or email. Visit the website. www.margaretsinclair.scot

THE CHRISTMAS SEASON

We continue to celebrate the Season of Christmas. Today's celebration reminds us how the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph lived their lives in on obedience to the will of God and found happiness and peace. According to the Church's liturgy, the season of Christmas began with the Mass on Christmas Eve and will end on the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord, which we will celebrate on Sunday 13th January. During the course of the season there are a number of beautiful opportunities to deepen our appreciation of the Mystery of Our Lord's Nativity. Highlights of the season are Christmas Day itself, the Feast of the Holy Family (Sunday 30th December), the Feast of Mary, Mother of God (1st January) and the Feast of the Epiphany (Sunday 6th January). However, we also honour St Stephen, the first martyr (26th December), St John the Evangelist (27th December), the Holy Innocents (28th December).

CRIB OFFERINGS

Crib offerings go to support the work of St Margaret's Children and Family Society (the Catholic Adoption agency). Please take one of the home collection boxes and return it at the end of January. In keeping with an ancient tradition, the crib in front of the altar will stay in place until the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord on 2nd February.

YEAR C IN THE CYCLE OF SUNDAY READINGS

Year C is the Year of Luke, when the Sunday Gospels give us the opportunity to read the Gospel of Luke, regularly linking the Gospel passage with a passage from the Old Testament. St Luke's Gospel has particular associations with the Blessed Virgin Mary and lays special emphasis on the care shown by Jesus to the poor, the sick, the outcast and the marginalised. During the course of the coming year the Sunday Lectionary will help us to draw closer to the Person of Jesus as he is portrayed for us by St Luke.

HOGMANY WATCHNIGHT SERVICE

An ecumenical service to welcome in the New Year will take place in Glasgow Cathedral (High Street) at 11pm on Monday 31st December. The event is hosted by Glasgow Churches Together, Hope and Alba and this year takes for its theme "Hope for Travellers". The service includes, music, carols, prayers, readings and a time for reflection. All are welcome.

REQUESTING THAT THE SANCTUARY LAMP BURNS FOR YOUR INTENTION

To support the parish, for an offering of £10, you may request that the name of a loved one or some other person or intention be associated with the sanctuary lamp as it burns before the Blessed Sacrament. Donations have been received asking prayers for the intentions of Agnes McCabe, for William Collum, June Frame and William Murdoch who are ill. (Please note: sanctuary lamp donations are not Mass offerings.)

THANK YOU

Thanks to Bizzie Bees Florist at Bridgeton cross for generously donating the Advent wreaths and flowers for the altar, the house and the door.

Thanks to Thomas and James who have built the outdoor crib as a sign for us and our wider community that we are want to celebrate God's love for the world and the birth of our Saviour in the stable at Bethlehem. Thanks to them as well for helping to set up and decorate the Christmas trees and to everyone who has helped to clean and prepare the Church so beautifully to enable us to enjoy our Saviour's birth in this wonderful season of love, joy and hope.

PLEASE CHECK THE NOTICE BOARD AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH FOR POSTERS GIVING INFORMATION ABOUT EVENTS WHICH ARE TAKING PLACE IN THE NEAR FUTURE.



THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH YEAR C (The Year of Luke)

FIRST READING

I Samuel 1:20—22; 24—28 *“This is the child I prayed for: he is made over to the Lord..”*

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 127 “O blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.”

SECOND READING

Colossians 3: 12—21 *“Family life in the Lord.”*

GOSPEL

Luke 2: 41—52 *“Mary stored up all these things in her heart.”*

SHORT REFLECTION

In some ways the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph is quite different from every other family but, as the readings and prayers of today’s Mass suggest, this family is just like any family in so many other ways. Today’s celebration is a further celebration of the Incarnation, reminding us that the Son of God became human like us and shares our nature, our experiences and has become part of our world in every way, except that he was without sin. At the same time, the feast of the Holy Family is a reminder to us that our families can aspire to create the same experience in our families as Jesus, Mary and Joseph had in theirs. The values by which they lived are values we too can adopt. The gospels don’t go into much detail but we can identify some of the elements which characterised the Holy Family from what they do say. First of all, God was given first place in their home and the love and obedience they showed towards God overflowed into the love and respect they had for each other. Both Mary and Joseph gave themselves over completely to the service of God but that service of God was often expressed in their love and service towards each other. They were obedient to the will of God and obviously devoted to each other, always putting the other two before themselves. In the family we learn to take our place in the wider community and in society at large. This is where Jesus began to learn about his own identity as Son of God. Our families need to be the places where our children also can learn what it means to be children of God, being brought up to know, love and serve God their neighbour as themselves.

SUNDAY MORNING TEA AND COFFEE

Tea and Coffee are available in the dining room in the parish house after the 9.45am and 11am Masses on Sunday mornings, for anyone who wishes to stay on for refreshments and a chat. A small donation of 50p is requested. Thanks to those who help to set up and clear up and to those who from time to time bring along biscuits and cakes.

SAFEGUARDING: KEEPING CHILDREN AND ADULTS AT RISK SAFE

If you have any concerns speak to or contact Mgr Conroy, Gerry Whiteside or Irene McIntosh (0141 554 0806 or 07735037905) or contact the Diocesan Safeguarding Office (0141 226 5898).

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