

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

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Noticeboard

Vigil Mass of the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God,
Sunday, 6 p.m.

Monday Morning Mass for the New Year (Solemnity of Mary the
Mother of God), 10.30 a.m.

Tuesday to Saturday, Masses at 10.15 a.m. (Unless otherwise announced)

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday
9.45 to 10 a.m. 4 to 4.30 p.m.

Tuesday is the Memorial of St. Basil and St. Gregory Nazienzen.

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, on New Year's Day is not a Holiday of Obligation, but many Catholics like to begin the New Year by honouring Our Lady, the Mother of God, and celebrating the Eucharist. Please note this year's Mass times. They are on Sunday, the Vigil Mass at 6 p.m. and Morning Mass on New Year's Day at 10.30 am.

Please remember the **Crib's Missionary Children** collection! Encourage our youngsters to make their own modest contributions, something precious in the eyes of the Lord. *And next Sunday we have the annual collection for the Church's work in Justice and Peace.* Whatever you can give is really appreciated. .

We pray for our Faithful Departed, especially those whose anniversaries are about this time: **Neil MacVarish, Canon Calum MacNeill, Peggy Cameron, Charles Fitzsimons, Alister Matheson, Archie MacDonald, John Maguire, Michael McEleney, Flora Buchanan, Margaret Mitchell, Bob Gribben, Catherine Kearney and David MacPherson.** May all our loved ones rest in Christ's eternal peace and joy.

We pray also for one of Fr. MacKinnon's dearest friends. **Tony Valbonesi**, who has died recently, aged 93. Many of you will remember Tony and Margaret as they stayed with Fr. MacKinnon each summer. They did likewise in Oban and Arisaig, until great old age made it no longer possible. For many years, their home in Bishopbriggs was truly a quiet, welcoming and peaceful place for Fr. MacKinnon. There are bereavements of friendship that are akin to the loss of parents and sisters. Tony's death is such. Please keep Margaret – and all a close and loving family - in your prayers.

We wish you all many blessings in the coming New Year

A short Bulletin this week