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Parish of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena

July 27, 2025 | Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



"The Importunate Neighbour," William Holman Hunt, 1895, National Gallery of Victoria, Melbourne

St. Vincent Ferrer

869 Lexington Avenue | New York, NY 10065

MASS	TI	MES
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Weekday 8 AM | 12:10 PM | 6 PM

Saturday 8 AM | 9:30 AM (Dominican Rite) | 6 PM (Vigil)

Sunday 8 AM | 9:30 AM | 12 NOON (Solemn) | 6 PM

CONFESSION

Monday - Saturday 5:15 - 6 PM + Wed. 7:15 - 7:55 PM

Sunday 7:45 - 8 AM | 9:15 - 9:30 AM | 11:30 AM - 12 NOON

5:15 - 6 PM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday 6:30 - 8 PM

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MASS TIMES

Weekday 7 AM | 11:45 AM | 5:15 PM

 Saturday
 9 AM | 4 PM (Vigil)

 Sunday
 10 AM | 5 PM

CONFESSION

Weekday 4:40 - 5:05 PM **Saturday** 3 - 3:50 PM

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Sunday 3 - 4:30 PM (September 14 through Corpus Christi)

Thursday 5:45 - 7 PM

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"The Mass of Saint Gregory" Simon Bening, 1535 – 1540, Getty Museum

St. Catherine of Siena

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION & CONFIRMATION

To learn more about children's First Holy Communion or Confirmation, email Lisa Harrelson, Director of Religious Education, at **LHarrelson@svsc.info**.

MARRIAGE

For information about the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony at either St. Vincent Ferrer or St. Catherine of Siena, visit: **svsc.info/sacrament-of-holy-matrimony**. Please review the Wedding and Marriage Preparation Policy and note that it takes a minimum of six months preparation time before the wedding.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Parish Office if you or a loved one would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick at the church or at home (for those who are homebound). Email **parish@svsc.info** or call **(212) 744-2080** to set up an appointment.

RCIA

For adults looking to become Catholic or receive Confirmation, email **rcia@svsc.info** to ask about our RCIA program.

SACRAMENTAL RECORDS

St. Vincent Ferrer

To request a copy of your certificate of Baptism, Marriage, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation visit: svsc.info/sacramental-record-request.

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Weekday	7:25 AM 5:25 PM	Matins and Lauds Rosary and Vespers	Mon, Wed, Friday	8 AM 4:45 PM 7 PM	Lauds Rosary Vespers	
Saturday	8:30 AM 5:25 PM	Matins and Lauds Rosary and Vespers	Tuesday	8 AM 4:45 PM 6 PM	Lauds Rosary Vespers	
Sunday	8:45 AM 5:25 PM	Matins and Lauds Rosary and Vespers	Saturday	8:40 AM 9 AM	Rosary Lauds and Mass	
			Sunday	7 PM	Vespers	

Plucked by Love

A RADICAL OFFERING

While I prefer mountain majesty, I will admit that beaches can be beautiful. From the crashing of the waves to the rising of the sun and to the nobility of the swimming dolphins (more on that later), beaches do have many elements that can lead the mind to the goodness and love of God.

Just think of pelicans. Scooping up fish in their bills, they seemingly float back to their nests to offer the gift of their labors to their chirping chicks. As the myth has it, though, there is more to the pelican than just this. For when pelicans are unable to find fish to feed their young, they peck at their own breast to feed the little ones with their own body and blood.

In the Christian tradition, this was very quickly adopted as a symbol of Christ. He offered the gift of Himself as the fruit of His labors, and He gave us His very Body and Blood (Matthew 26:26-28). To do this, He laid down His life. This wasn't just so that He could destroy sin and death. While that was necessary, it wasn't the same thing as giving sustenance to support us on our journey. Rather, for that, He needed to provide us with food that would nourish the body and the spirit. So, the Lord gave us Himself, "the true bread from heaven" (John 6:32), which He even now continues to give us at each and every Mass. For in the Mass, we enter into the mystery of the Lord's passion, death, and resurrection. We are filled with the graces of redemption and fed by His Body and Blood, which come to us in the Eucharist, In other words, Christ, the Divine Pelican, feeds us with Himself so that we can be nourished and sustained for our journey to heaven.

This is why we so often see pelican imagery in Catholic churches. From vestments to decorative elements on the walls, pelicans can take a prominent place as a symbol that unites Christ's sacrifice to our entrance into that reality at Mass.

At St. Vincent Ferrer, there is another striking placement of a pelican. At the apex of the vault above the baptistry, we see a pelican. There, it signifies that those who are baptized are washed clean by the Blood of the Lord, symbolically pouring forth from the heavens. Similarly, in the new rite of baptism, those who are baptized are sometimes led to the altar so that the connection between the sacraments of initiation becomes even more prominent. In other words, the baptism should lead us forward to confirmation and Holy Communion. The graces of the heavenly Pelican should lead us from the place of being washed in His Blood to the place where we are fed by His Body and Blood in the Eucharist.



Pelican above the baptistry, St. Vincent Ferrer Church, New York, photo by Lisa V. López-Lupo

OUR OFFERING

What does this mean for us, though? It's one thing for us to accept Christ's self-offering, but it's another thing for us to return that offering of ourselves to Him.

How much do we hold back? How much do we see our time and our resources as something that we're owed or that we need to keep safe? Should we not rather see them as sheer gifts from a loving God? When you think about it, all our time on this earth is a gift from God. All of our financial resources during this life are gifts from God. None of that is ours to hoard or hide away. Rather, we are called to radically give ourselves and all that we have back to God. Each and every day, He invites us to give thanks to Him by growing in faith, hope, and charity and offering everything back to Him as we make the sacrificial offering of ourselves.

While this is hard, the Lord is generous and gives us the grace to do just this. In the Eucharist, He gives us all the strength and grace to give of ourselves. In the Eucharist, He gives us the grace to respond to His invitation of love so that we can return everything back to Him. Is this challenging? Absolutely. But, is this possible? 100 percent!

May the Lord give all of us the graces needed to radically offer everything back to Him!

In the Son of God, the Divine Architect, Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P.



"Christ Healing the Blind," El Greco, 1570

GENERAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

Isabel Aldrich, Elaine Arace,
Jose and Rosa Cerrito,
Joseph Cintron, Concepcion De La Cruz,
Ann Holderness, Tobias Houghton,
Amy J., Frederick J. Jinks,
Anthony V. Leness,
Miguel Angel Madera,
Marilyn McDonald, Tinsley Roske,
Josephine Rotolo, Helen Skoratowicz,
Annabel Strife, Ivonne Vega,
Edward Williams, Healing for Teresa

FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

John Bolebruch, Kevin Carey,
Ligia & Anthony Fermin,
Maria Madolena Figueiredo,
Altamirando Figueiredo Andrade,
Eduardo Figueiredo Andrade,
Carlos Alberto Figueiredo-Natos,
Albert Carlos Figueiredo-Natos,
Juliaro Figueiredo-Natos, Michael Gutierrez,
Patrica Hack, Michael Martinez,
Matthew Martinez, Barbara Jean Pentz,
Irving Pushkin, Yvonne Quintian,
Sheila Robinson, Josephine Rotolo,
Joao Genesio, Archangel Sebastian,
Ruby Sebastian, Simeon Sebastian, and the
souls of all our recently deceased.

HOSPITAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

We continue to pray for the sick, the dying, and their families in Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York-Presbyterian Hospital, Hospital for Special Surgery, Rockefeller University Hospital, Residents of the Mary Manning Walsh Home, and the Intentions of the Dominican Healthcare Ministry.

MUSIC NOTES

The Franco-Flemish musician, Jean Richafort, was one of the most highly-respected composers of the generation that followed Josquin. Richafort was employed in the French Royal Court, composing the motet Consulator captivorum for the funeral of King Louis XII in 1515, and then joined the musical entourage of King Francois I in 1516. It is very likely that Richafort spent several of his most productive years in Rome as a singer in the Papal choir, following Josquin's example. Although few personal details of his life survive, Richafort was highly respect by colleagues. Gombert, Morales, Mouton, and Palestrina each set parody Masses to Richafort's motets.

For This Sunday

Confitemini Domino
Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594)

Pater noster

Jean Richafort (c. 1480-c. 1547)

For Next Sunday

Precatus est Moyses
Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

Ave verum corpus

Jean L'Heritier (c. 1480-after 1551)

Salve Regina

Dominique Phinot (c. 1510-c. 1556)

St. Vincent Ferrer **Mass Intentions**

SUNDAY, JULY 27

6 PM (Vigil) St. Joseph Hill Academy 8 AM Adolfo Sardina (D) 9:30 AM Fernando Trevino Espinosa (D) 12 NOON Marie and Jack Powers (D) **6 PM** Lidia Brusone (D)

MONDAY, JULY 28

8 AM For the deceased of the Parish, the deceased parents of members of the Order, and the deceased brothers, sisters, familiars, and benefactors of the Order 12:10 PM Archdeacon, Hade, Kerlin, Vallely

6 PM Albina Belardinelli (D)

TUESDAY, JULY 29

8 AM Jess Espinosa 12:10 PM Marleny Natal 6 PM Calla Crum

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

8 AM Michael Grant (D) 12:10 PM Infant of Prague Shrine 6 PM Edmund Lukas and Frances and Richard Reynolds

THURSDAY, JULY 31

8 AM Edward J. Malloy (D) 12:10 PM Ismael Betancourt (D) **6 PM** The Holy Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

8 AM Pats Kirby 12:10 PM Audrey Panek **6 PM** Mairead Murray (D)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

8 AM Brenda Omondi (D) 9:30 AM Wilfredo Saligumba (D)

St. Catherine of Siena **Mass Intentions**

SUNDAY, JULY 27

4 PM (Vigil) Special Intention 10 AM For the People of the Parish **5 PM** Salvatore Frank Terillo (D)

MONDAY, JULY 28

7 AM For the Province of St. Joseph 11:45 AM For the deceased of the Parish, the deceased parents of members of the Order, and the deceased brothers, sisters, familiars, and benefactors of the Order 5:15 PM Special Intention

TUESDAY, JULY 29

7 AM Eileen Dunne (D) 11:45 AM Dominican Healthcare Ministry Intention 5:15 PM In Thanksgiving for God's Love and Mercy

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30

7 AM Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude 11:45 AM God Bless Hospital for Special Surgery's patients, families, and staff

5:15 PM Marcus Thaddeus T. Hernandez (D)

THURSDAY, JULY 31

7 AM Michael Fahey (D) 11:45 AM Dominican Healthcare Ministry Intention 5:15 PM Humphrey Donoghue (D)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

7 AM Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena 11:45 AM Charles Catalano (D) **5:15 PM** Hugo Leiva (D)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 2

9 AM Emil Marirrez

Candle **Intentions**

ST. VINCENT FERRER

Sanctuary Lamps

Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez

Our Lady Gate of Heaven

Luz Anais Vazquez

Our Lady of Guadalupe

Maria de la Luz Treviño

St. Joseph

Marleni Maldonado

Rosary Altar

Victor Raby

Fatima:

Tania Vasquez

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Purgatorial Candle

Renato S. Ventigan (D); Rosa J. Silan (D); Marie E. Litrenta (D); Olga Rose Litrenta (D); Pedro Litrenta, Sr. (D); & Pedro Litrenta, Jr. (D)

Blessed Mother Shrine

Priscilla Ventigan Milagros Dolores

Sanctuary Lamp

Priscilla Ventigan

St. Martin de Porres Shrine, St. Thomas Chapel, St. Dominic, Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Joseph, St. Margaret of Costello, Priory Chapel and St. Jude Shrine Maria Marta Litrenta

Rosary Altar

Maria Marta Litrenta; Letty Dolan

St. Lorenzo Ruiz, Infant Jesus of Prague Letty Dolan

St. Anne, St. John Vianney, St. Padre Pio Menada Wind-Anderson

Our Lady of Perpetual Help Candle

Milagros Dolores

Franciscan and Carmelite Shrine

Nellie Lucido

Mass Intentions and Candles may be reserved in the Parish Office Monday - Thursday, 9 AM - 1 PM and 2 PM - 4 PM; Fridays, 9 AM - 1 PM and in the Church Office of St. Catherine Monday - Friday, 10 AM - 3 PM.

Upcoming Events



MEET OUR SUMMER INTERN CHAPLAIN Br. Patrick Mary Bubel, O.P.

My name is Br. Patrick Bubel. I was born in Hyde Park, NY and attended college at SUNY Binghamton, where I studied mechanical engineering. Before entering the Order of Preachers in 2021, I worked for one year in Albany as a naval contractor. I was inspired to be a Dominican by the joy of the Dominican friars, and I hope to spread the joy of the Gospel to the whole world.

Br. Patrick Mary Bubel, O.P., is a summer intern chaplain with the Dominican Healthcare Ministry. You can find him preaching on Thursdays during Holy Hour at St. Catherine's.

TUESDAY, JULY 29, 6:45 PM

Parish Lecture Series

We will resume with our final installment of The Gifts of the Holy Spirit on Tuesday, July 29, at 6:45 PM in the Lower Church.

To catch up on previous sessions, listen to Brother Pius' series online at svsc.podbean.com.

WEDNESDAY, JULY 30, 6:30 PM

Holy Hour Preaching

Throughout Ordinary Time, we will reflect on the Book of Psalms.

This Week's Psalm: Psalm 23

Listen to our Introduction to the Psalms and previous teachings online at svsc.info/PsalmsHolyHour

THURSDAY, JULY 31, 7 PM

Aguinas Book Club

Our Aquinas Book Club meeting is scheduled for Thursday, July 31, at 7 PM. We will be discussing Chapters 1, 2, and 3 of Part II from Compendium of Morality: St. Thomas Aquinas made simple for everyone by Fr. Vincenzo Ottorino Benetollo, O.P. (Pages 183–214).

Aquinas Book Club meets every two weeks on Thursdays in the Parish Parlors at St. Vincent Ferrer.

For more information, contact Gregory McNiff at gregorymcniff@gmail.com

FRIDAY, AUGUST 1

First Friday Devotions

Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will be offered at St. Vincent Ferrer following the 6 PM Mass, concluding with Benediction at 8 PM.

Confessions will be heard beginning at 6:45 PM.

AUGUST 2-8

Celebrations of St. Dominic

Our Holy Father Dominic, the founder of the Order of Preachers, died on August 6, 1221. To mark the 804th Anniversary, the Parish will have several days' worth of special celebrations.

On Saturday, August 2, we will celebrate the Memorial of Bl. Jane Aza, the mother of St. Dominic, at all the Parish Masses.

On Monday, August 4, the traditional feast day of St. Dominic, we will have a Dominican Rite Mass at 7 PM at St. Vincent's for which the Schola Cantorum will sing Missa in tempore belli in C Major, Hob. XXII:9, 'Paukenmesse' by Franz Joseph Haydn. Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, OP will be the preacher.

On Friday, August 8, we will celebrate the Solemnity of St. Dominic according to the modern liturgical calendar. We will have a Solemn Mass and Procession at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer for which the Schola will sing Missa Sanctae Mariae Magdalenae by William Lloyd Webber; and Jubilate Deo omnis terra and Salve Regina á 8 by Peter Philips. By ancient tradition, a Franciscan is invited to preach at a Dominican church on St. Dominic's Day and vice versa. Fr. Francis Mary, CFR will be the guest preacher.

A reception will follow the Mass and Procession.

SUMMER PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Throughout the Summer (between Memorial Day and Labor Day Weekends) the Parish Office will be open:

Monday-Thursday: 9 AM-1 PM, 2 PM-4 PM Friday: 9 AM-1 PM

SUNDAY, AUGUST 3

Almsgiving Sunday

Next weekend, the Parish's monthly second collection will be taken-up for H.E.L.P. (Heating, Electricity, Lighting, and Property Management).

You can also contribute online at pushpay.com/g/svscnyc or through our website, svsc.info/onlinegiving, to make your donations.

Thank you for your generosity.

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6

Transfiguration

For the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord we will have a Sung Mass at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! **BLOCK PARTY**

Saturday, September 20 10:30 AM - 5:30 PM

Bring the whole family for an afternoon filled with fun: bubbles, face painting, games, and more for kids; plus food trucks, raffles, live music, dance lessons, and guided tours of the church. Explore exhibition tables from different parish groups and discover all the ways to get involved.

Interested in volunteering? Email us at parish@svsc.info

NEW ONLINE GIVING

We are excited to announce that our parish will begin transitioning to Pushpay as our new giving solution in the coming weeks. Pushpay is an industry leader known for creating an easy, secure way to manage your own giving from the convenience of your mobile device.

Parishioners can now give through our mobile-compatible giving page which can be accessed by scanning the QR code.



Through this method, donors can make a one time gift, set up a recurring gift, and log into their account to access their giving history. Using this new giving solution will give you direct access to your giving history and help our finance team provide a more efficient service to the parish.

For for information, please contact parish@svsc.info

ONGOING EVENTS

SUNDAY, JULY 27

St. Vincent's Weekly Coffee Hour

You're invited to our weekly Parish Coffee Hour in St. Vincent's Lower Church after our 12 NOON Mass. This is a great opportunity to meet other parishioners!

SUMMER DEVOTIONS SCHEDULE

The weekly Wednesday evening Holy Hour following the 6 PM Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer and the Thursday Healthcare Ministry Holy Hour following the 5:15 PM Mass at St. Catherine of Siena will continue as usual through the summer.

Sunday afternoon Eucharistic Adoration at St. Catherine of Siena will be suspended through the summer, resuming on September 14, the Sunday after the Feast of the Holy Cross.

Join Our Parish



We invite you to join our Parish community, rooted in the rich Dominican tradition.

Visit svsc.info/join-our-parish or stop by the Parish office to register. To stay informed, sign up for Parish emails on our website or contact us at parish@svsc.info.



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