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

# March 24, 2024 – Palm Sunday



"The Entry into Jerusalem," Willem van Herp, mid to late 17th cent., National Museum, Stockholm, Sweden

# St. Vincent Ferrer

# MASS TIMES

**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 TIMES**

**Monday-** 5:15-6 PM

**Saturday** (plus Wednesday at 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

# St. Catherine of Siena

### **MASS TIMES**

 Weekday
 7 AM, 5:15 PM

 Saturday
 9 AM, 4 PM (Vigil)

 Sunday
 10 AM, 5 PM

### **CONFESSION TIMES**

 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 Parish

# Parish Information

**GENERAL INFORMATION** 

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# St. Vincent Ferrer

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Address 869 Lexington Avenue

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Office Hours Mon-Fri, 9 AM-1 PM and 2-4 PM

## LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYERS

Weekday 7:25 AM Matins and Lauds 5:25 PM Rosary and Vespers

Saturday 8:30 AM Matins and Lauds 5:25 PM Rosary and Vespers

**Sunday** 8:45 AM Matins and Lauds

5:25 AM Rosary and Vespers

# St. Catherine of Siena

### **GENERAL INFORMATION**

Address 411 East 68th Street

New York, NY 10065

Office Hours Mon-Fri, 10 AM-3 PM

## LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYERS

Monday, 8 AM Lauds
Wednesday, 4:45 PM Rosary
and Friday 7 PM Vespers
Tuesday 8 AM Lauds
4:45 PM Posary

4:45 PM Rosary 6 PM Vespers

Saturday 8:40 AM Rosary

9 AM Lauds during Mass

Sunday 7 PM Vespers

# Sacraments and Sacramentals

### SACRAMENTAL RECORDS

To request a copy of your certificate of Baptism, Marriage, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation visit:

svsc.info/sacramental-record-request.

### **BAPTISM**

To arrange for the baptism of a child at St. Vincent Ferrer or St. Catherine of Siena please visit our website, svsc.info/baptism and download the Baptism request form and email it to parish@svsc.info. A priest will be in touch with you to set up a meeting and to schedule the Baptism.

#### MARRIAGE

For information about the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony at either St. Vincent Ferrer or St. Catherine of Siena, visit:

svsc.info/sacrament-of-holymatrimony. Please review the Wedding and Marriage Preparation Policy and note that it takes a minimum of six months preparation time before the wedding.

#### **RCIA**

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

# FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

To learn more about having a child begin formal preparation for First Holy Communion or Confirmation, email Lisa Harrelson, Director of Religious Education at **LHarrelson@svsc.info**.

### **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.

# Parish Prayer Intentions

### **GENERAL PRAYER INTENTIONS**

Elaine Arace, Frank Boyle, Catherine Carty, Tony Crowly, Annette Cunningham, Concepcion De La Cruz, Angie Guyott, Jeremy Kyser, Frank Maillano, Fred Marks, Agnes McGrath, Elizabeth Rice Moore, Carmen Santiago, Helen Skoratowicz, Denise Swantek, and Edward Williams.

## FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Win Brown, Sandy Campasano, Marian Clark, Mattie Connolly, Jose Countinho, Sr. Maureen Doonan, Mary Fordiani, Eugene F. Gaughan, Fr. William Holt, O.P., Jeanette McCloskey-Moore, Emanuel Orjugo, Eddie Reyes, Lucille Witty, 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.

# Join and Donate



#### **COME JOIN THE PARISH**

We welcome all new parishioners who would like to join our Parish community. Visit svsc.info/join-our-parish, or stop by the Parish office to register as a parishioner. To receive up to date information also, sign-up for Parish emails via our website or email the Parish office, parish@svsc.info.



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# Intentions

# St. Vincent Ferrer Mass Intentions

## SUNDAY, MARCH 24

6 PM (Vigil) Sean Scully (D) 8 AM For the People of the Parish 9:30 AM Rene Concepcion (D) 12 NOON AnnaRose Panebianco & Alphonso Piscano (D) 6 PM Nancy & Luke A. Foye Sr. (D)

## **MONDAY, MARCH 25**

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 Mercedes Castromayor (D) 6 PM Catherine McHale (L) & John McHale (D) and living and deceased members of the Lionetti & McHale families

# TUESDAY, MARCH 26

8 AM Adolfo Sardina (D) 12:10 PM Alex Presciutti 6 PM Lunetta family (D)

# WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

8 AM Dominic Romeo (D) 12:10 PM Vincent Bocchicchio (D) 6 PM Holiness in all vocations

# THURSDAY, MARCH 28

8 AM No Mass - Holy Thursday12:10 PM No Mass - Holy Thursday6:30 PM Solemn Mass of the Lord's SupperNo Announced Intentions

## FRIDAY, MARCH 29

8 AM No Mass - Good Friday 12:10 PM No Mass - Good Friday 6 PM No Mass - Good Friday

### SATURDAY, MARCH 30

8 AM No Mass - Holy Saturday

# St. Catherine of Siena Mass Intentions

# SUNDAY, MARCH 24

4 PM (Vigil) Nora M. Hickey (D) 10 AM Perpetuo Silan, Sr. (D) 5 PM Living & Deceased Parish Priests

## **MONDAY, MARCH 25**

7 AM For the Province of St. Joseph 5:15 PM Special Intention (D)

## TUESDAY, MARCH 26

7 AM For the Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena 5:15 PM Felicita Spani (D)

## WEDNESDAY, MARCH 27

7 AM For the Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude 5:15 PM Hilda & Albert Erker (D)

### THURSDAY, MARCH 28

7 AM No Mass - Holy Thursday 5 PM Healthcare Ministry Low Mass of the Lord's Supper - No Announced Intentions

## FRIDAY, MARCH 29

7 AM No Mass- Good Friday 5:15 PM No Mass - Good Friday

## SATURDAY, MARCH 30

9 AM No Mass - Holy Saturday

# Candle Intentions

#### ST. VINCENT FERRER

## **Sanctuary Lamps**

Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez; Mary Wilson (D); Elizabeth Donnelly (D); Parsons and Romeo Families (L & D); Souls in Purgatory; People of the Parish; Intention of Donor

# Sanctuary Madonna

Jack Ryan Keegan

# Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

Peace in the World

# **Rosary Altar**

Carmen Taton

## 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); and Pedro Litrenta, Jr. (D)

# Blessed Mother Shrine, Sanctuary Lamp

Priscilla Ventigan

St. Martin de Porres Shrine

Maria Marta Litrenta

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

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

# The Holiest Week of the Year

#### HOLY MYSTERIES

We are here, entering into the holiest week of the year. These are the principal moments of our Lord's passion, death, and resurrection upon us. Even the Annunciation, when the Son of God became incarnate in the womb of Mary, gets moved until after the Easter Octave (April 8 this year). Here, we journey with Christ into Jerusalem, up to the Upper Room and into Gethsemani on Holy Thursday, to Calvary and the tomb on Good Friday, into hell on Holy Saturday, and to the empty tomb on Easter Sunday and every day of the Easter Octave.

These mysteries in the life of Christ sanctify us. When we pray with the Biblical texts, contemplate them during the Rosary, and traverse them during the Stations of the Cross, Christ pours out the graces that He merited for us in them. Most perfectly, though, this happens when we attend the sacred liturgies on those days. For at the altar and in the midst of the Church's liturgies, the font of grace is opened, and we encounter the full power of Christ's love for us. There, at the altar, He transforms us by His grace to make us like Him.

### FERVENT PRAYERS FOR THOSE IN RCIA

With this in mind, it is so important to recall the invitation to a communal intention this Lent: our RCIA class. At the Easter Vigil, those who are to be baptized will be cleansed of original sin and forgiven for all their sins, will be united to God in a completely new way, and will be filled with an abundance of graces. They and all those who will be confirmed will then be strengthened by the grace of the Holy Spirit to be public witnesses for Christ, and they will enter into a most intimate and real union with the one true God through the reception of Holy Communion.

As their brothers and sisters in Christ, let us pray for their preparation for their reception of the sacraments.

### **RUSSIAN BYZANTINE CATHOLICS**

On a different but somewhat related topic, many of you may have noticed the Russian Byzantine Catholics during their Saturday Vespers and Sunday Divine Liturgy at St. Catherine's. I wanted to offer a little note about who they are and a welcome to join them.

Upon the request of the Archbishop of New York, the late Patrick Cardinal Hayes, the Vatican's Sacred Oriental Congregation in



"The Communion of the Apostles," James Jacques Tissot, 1884-1896, Brooklyn Museum, New York

1936 sent Fr. Andrew Rogosh to New York to establish a mission parish for Russian Catholics. This community was dedicated to the Archangel Michael and continues in its service today as a guest community at St Catherine's. They regularly celebrate their weekly liturgies as follows:

Sundays: Divine Liturgy at 12 NOON Saturdays: Great Vespers at 6 PM

St. Michael's is a parish of the sui juris Russian Byzantine Catholic Church with valid sacraments. All Catholics (in a state of grace as usual) may validly and licitly receive the Holy Eucharist at the Divine Liturgy in fulfillment of their Sunday obligation.

Likewise, the Mystery of Penance (sacrament of penance in the Roman language) is available to those in need prior to 11:30 AM on Sunday mornings or by prior arrangement with Fr. Volodymyr.

During the Triduum, their liturgies will be at the following times:

Holy Thursday: Vespers at 2 PM Good Friday: Vespers and Procession with the Shroud at 2 PM Holy Saturday: Vesperal Divine Liturgy at 12 NOON Easter Sunday: Matins and Divine Liturgy at 12 NOON

You may address questions to Fr. Volodymyr Sybirnyy, Deacon Thomas Stadnik, or Reader Samuel Howard. They welcome all visitors.

In Christ our Redeemer,

Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P.

# Upcoming Events

# SUNDAY, MARCH 24 Palm Sunday with Procession

Holy Week begins today with Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. On this day the Church recalls the entrance of Christ the Lord into Jerusalem to accomplish his Paschal Mystery. This is liturgically observed with a procession, blessing of palms, and proclamation of the Gospel passage recounting Christ's entrance. The Gospel of the Mass itself is the Passion according to Mark and the liturgical color is red.

In our Parish, the 12 NOON Solemn Mass of Palm Sunday is preceded by the Solemn Blessing of Palms at 11:30 AM at St. Catherine's. The congregation then processes through the streets over to St. Vincent's for the Mass. Pews will be reserved at St. Vincent's for those participating in the Procession.

# MONDAY, MARCH 25 Reconciliation Monday

Monday of Holy Week, March 25, is Reconciliation Monday throughout the Archdiocese of New York and the Dioceses of Brooklyn and Rockville Center. This is an opportunity for all to make their confession before Easter. Confessions will be heard at St. Catherine's from 2-5:05 PM and 6-9 PM and at St. Vincent's from 2-4 PM and 5:15-9 PM.

## **HOLY WEEK SCHEDULES**

The complete Mass and Confession for Holy Week are available on the Parish website, svsc.info, and a booklet is also available in both churches.



# THURSDAY, MARCH 28 Holy Thursday

On Holy Thursday, the Evening Mass commemorates the Institution of the Holy Eucharist at the Last Supper and the ordination of the Apostles. (No other Mass is celebrated on this day.) The Mass of the Lord's Supper is therefore a Mass of joy and thanksgiving. Hence the Church replaces her penitential violet with white; the altar is decorated; and the Gloria is sung during which bells are rung for the last time until the Easter Vigil. Also at this Mass, an extra ciborium of hosts, consecrated for Good Friday's Solemn Liturgy, is borne in procession to an Altar of Repose. The other altars are stripped, signifying that the holy Sacrifice will not be offered again until the Vigil.

## PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

In observance of Good Friday and Easter, the Parish Offices will be closed on Friday, March 29 and Monday, April 1. The Offices will reopen on Tuesday, April 2.



# FRIDAY, MARCH 29 Good Friday

Good Friday is the anniversary of the death and burial of our Lord, who, being both High Priest and Victim, offered himself on the cross for the salvation of the world. This day is called "Good" because on it the condescension and goodness of God were exceedingly manifested toward mankind in Christ's self-sacrifice. Its Solemn Liturgy, celebrated at the hour of the Crucifixion, consists of three parts:

- The Liturgy of the Word, with the Johannine Passion and the Solemn Intercessions.
  - 2. The Adoration of the Holy Cross.
- 3. The Holy Communion, with the Sacred Host which was consecrated on Holy Thursday. On this and the following day, by a most ancient tradition, the Church does not celebrate the Sacraments at all, except for Penance and the Anointing of the Sick.

### **COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND**

Each year, the Holy Father asks each
Catholic parish around the world
to collect a Good Friday offering to assist
Christians in the Holy Land. A donation to
the Holy Land's annual appeal is a direct
way to make a difference in the lives of
those caught up in war, violence, and
instability in this region. Please be generous.
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# SATURDAY, MARCH 30 Holy Saturday

Through Holy Saturday the Church waits at the Lord's tomb in prayer and fasting, meditating on his Passion, Death, and descent into Hell, and awaiting His Resurrection. The Great Vigil, the pinnacle of the liturgical year, consists of four parts:

- 1. The Solemn Entrance, in which the new fire is kindled, the paschal candle is inscribed, the candles of the faithful are lit, and the Easter Proclamation is sung.
- 2. The Liturgy of the Word, in which up to nine readings and a Gospel tell of the relationship between God and his people from the creation through the Resurrection.
- 3. The Baptismal Liturgy, in which the Litany of the Saints is sung, the Baptismal Promises are renewed, and the Elect are baptized and confirmed.
- 4. The Liturgy of the Eucharist, as the first paschal Mass of Easter Sunday.

# SATURDAY, MARCH 30, 12:30 PM Blessing of Easter Baskets

Fr. Peter Martyr will bless Easter Baskets at St. Vincent's at 12:30 PM. A custom in some parts of the world is to bless Easter food on Holy Saturday. These foods would be those used for a family's celebration of Easter and thus creates another level of connection between the parish church and the home church. Please join us!



# SUNDAY, MARCH 31 Solemn Vespers of Easter Sunday

Solemn Paschal Vespers will be celebrated on Easter Sunday afternoon at 5 PM for which the Schola Cantorum will sing. Please consider making this part of your Easter celebrations.

# SUNDAY, MARCH 24 AND MARCH 31 Parish Coffee Hour

Our parish coffee hour is usually held at St. Vincent's after the 12 NOON Mass on Sundays. So that we all may enjoy Palm Sunday and Easter with our family and friends, coffee hour will be canceled this Sunday March 24 and next Sunday, March 31.

# SATURDAY, APRIL 6 Divine Mercy Pilgrimage

The Our Lady Queen of Peace Prayer Group is sponsoring the anual Divine Mercy Pilgrimage to the National Shrine of the Divine Mercy in Stockbridge, Massachusetts. All are welcome to join.

For more information and to register, please visit our website **svsc.info** or contact Ms. Gertie Jackson at 646-853-4254. Please register as soon as possible as tickets sell quickly. The cost is \$63 (cash only), which includes bus transportation and gratuity. Please bring your own lunch.

#### MUSIC DURING HOLY WEEK

The story of the Passion and Resurrection of Christ is told through musical masterpieces from every generation. Foremost in public recognition are the concert-length Passions of Bach, the Stabat Mater of Dvořák and Rossini, and The Last Seven Words of Dubois and Haydn. These works appear annually on the schedules of the City's choral societies, just as Handel's Messiah does in December (although Messiah actually focuses more on the events of Holy Week than of Christmas). However, it is within the context of the liturgy that the greatest musical riches can be heard. From Palm Sunday through Easter Sunday, the Parish will offer 15 services with music, including 8 with the Schola Cantorum which is recognized as one of the finest Catholic choirs in the country. Please consult the Holy Week flier or the Music List on the tables in the narthex and online for a complete list of repertoire, and consider making an Easter contribution to our St. Cecilia Guild, the group of patrons who financially support the music program.

# SUNDAY, APRIL 7 Afternoon Recital and Exposition

On the Second Sunday of Easter, also known as Low Sunday or Divine Mercy Sunday, the Parish's Director of Music, James Wetzel will offer an organ recital at 2 PM at St. Vincent's. Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament will also be offered at St. Vincent's, with Exposition and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 3 PM, and Benediction at 4:30 PM. Confessions will also be heard from 3-6 PM.

Adoration at St. Catherine's from 3-5 PM will also be offered as usual.

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