

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

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January 9, 2022 – The Baptism of the Lord

Join Our Parish

We welcome all new parishioners who would like to join our community. If you have made the Parish your spiritual home but have not yet registered, please do. This will help us to help you in case you are asked to be a godparent or in case you would like to get married here. It will also help the Dominicans more intentionally to keep you in their prayers. Moreover, it will be a great means to help you get rooted in and connected to a community. Please visit our website, *svsc.info/join-our-parish* to register as a parishioner. You can also stop by the Parish office to complete a registration form.

PARISH EMAIL

To receive up to date information regarding the Parish schedule and important announcements, please sign-up for Parish emails via our website, *svsc.info* or email the Parish office, *parish@svsc.info*.

SECOND COLLECTION — CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN

Today, January 9, we take up the collection for the Catholic Communications Campaign (CCC). Your support helps CCC engage and build Catholic communities in the Unites States and around the world using the Internet, television, radio, and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Archdiocese of New York to support local efforts. Be part of a campaign to spread the Gospel message. Support the collection today! To learn more visit www.usccb.org/ccc. Thank you for your generosity.

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Today, Sunday, January 9, is the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. It was historically fixed on January 13 as the Octave of the Epiphany, with the Sunday after the Epiphany observing the Feast of the Holy Family (now celebrated on the Sunday within the Octave of Christmas). The Baptism is the official end of the Christmas season, although some Christmas traditions continue until Candlemas.

FAMILY FELLOWSHIP AT ST. VINCENT FERRER

Today, Sunday, January 9, the Parish welcomes families with young children to attend the 9:30 AM Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer. After the Mass, please come to the Friars' Chapel for a blessing from one of our priests. After the blessing, we will have some fellowship together. To stay updated, please email *family@svsc.info*. We also welcome engaged couples, newlyweds, and any parishioner that would like to support the sacredness of human life and love, especially in marriage and family.

NEW YORK PURGATORIAL SOCIETY MASS

On Monday, January 10 at 7 PM, a sung Requiem Mass in the Dominican Rite sponsored by the New York Purgatorial Society will be offered at St. Vincent Ferrer.

Mass and Confessions

St. Vincent Ferrer

Weekdays: 8 AM, 12:10 PM*, 6 PM Saturday: 8 AM, 6 PM (VIGIL) Sunday: 8 AM, 9:30 AM,

12 noon (Solemn) * , 6 pm

Confessions

Weekdays: 5:20–5:50 рм Wednesday: 7:15–7:55 рм Saturday: 5–5:50 рм

St. Catherine of Siena

Weekdays: 7 AM, 5:15 PM Saturday: 9 AM*, 4 PM (VIGIL) Sunday: 10 AM, 5 PM

Confessions Weekdays: 4:40–5:05 pm Saturday: 3–3:50 pm

*Mass is livestreamed via svsc.info.

LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYER

St. VINCENT FERRER

Weekdays:

7:25 am: Reading and Lauds 5:30 pm: Rosary and Vespers *Wednesday*:

6:30 pm: Eucharistic Adoration Saturday:

8:30 am: Reading and Lauds 5:30 pm: Rosary and Vespers

Sunday:

8:45 am: Reading and Lauds 5:30 pm: Rosary and Vespers

St. Catherine of Siena

Weekdays:

4:50 pm: Rosary

Thursday:

5:45 pm: Eucharistic Adoration

Sunday:

3 pm: Eucharistic Adoration

Parish Office

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St. Vincent Ferrer

869 Lexington Ave, NY, NY 10065 *Office Hours:* Monday–Friday:

9 AM-1 PM and 2 PM-4 PM*

St. Catherine of Siena

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10 ам-3 рм

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SATURDAY MIDDAY RETREAT WITH THE MYSTICS: St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta

On Saturday, January 15, NOON to 3 PM, at St. Catherine of Siena (411 E 68th Street), we will continue our Midday Retreat with the Mystics (every 3rd Saturday of the month), this day focusing on St. Mother Teresa of Calcutta. Mother Teresa lived in our time and walked in our city; she puts sanctity within our grasp. Fr. Ignatius John Schweitzer, O.P. will give a conference talk on Mother Teresa, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and guided meditations from her writings with some help from the Sisters of Life. We will see how the "I thirst!" of Jesus from the Cross echoed in Mother Teresa's heart as she served Christ in her neighbor. For more information visit www.uppergarden.org/midday-retreat-with-the-mysticsat-st-catherines-nyc/

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY

In observance of Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Day, the Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, January 17, but the Parish will offer regular weekday Mass and Confession schedule.

Music Notes

Last Sunday, this Sunday for the Baptism of the Lord, and next Sunday whereon the Wedding Feast of Cana Gospel passage is read, the Schola will sing three different settings of the text *Tribus miraculis*. This is the Antiphon to the Magnificat at Second Vespers of the Epiphany, describing the three manifestations (or, "epiphanies") of the Lord: "Today a star led the Magi to the manger; today wine was made from water at the wedding; today Christ desired to be baptized by John, so that he might save us, alleluia.

Choral Music for the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time:

Tribus miraculis – Claudio Merulo (1533-1604)

Ecce prandium – Comedite panem meum – Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

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Mass Intentions St. Vincent Ferrer

Sunday, January 9
6:00 pm (Vigil) Catherine and
Patrick McGlade (D)
8:00 am William Sirico(D)
9:30 am Thomas & Julia Downey
12 NOON William Wade (D)
6:00 pm Nancy & Luke A.
Foye, Sr. (D)

Monday, January 10 8:00 am For the Deceased of the Parish & the Order 12:10 pm Kathleen Sweeney 6:00 pm Michael Conforti (D)

Tuesday, January 11 8:00 am Eva Arreaga 12:10 pm Monica Gorski (D) 6:00 pm Mary O'Brien Heller (D)

Wednesday, January 12
8:00 am James R. Fay, Sr., &
Margaret C. Fay (D)
12:10 pm Marie Tschinkel (D)
6:00 pm Deceased Members of
the Foye, Armstrong, Gorman,
Donohoe, and Murphy Families.

Thursday, January 13 8:00 am Hope Lee (D) 12:10 pm Jeanne Gorski (D) 6:00 pm Mary Murray (D)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14
8:00 AM Joseph McGovern &
Kathleen Redmond (D)
12:10 PM Patricia, Richard, &
Garrett Keegan (D)
6:00 PM Luciano Ventrone (D)

Saturday, January 15 8:00 am Alicia D. Turtur (D) 6:00 pm Deceased Members of the Sharbel Family

MASS INTENTIONS St. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY, JANUARY 9
4:00 PM David Gale (D)
10:00 AM For the People of the
Parish
5:00 PM Phil Smith (D)

Monday, January 10
7:00 am For the Province of
St. Joseph
5:15 pm Xandra & Bob Bernardo

Tuesday, January 11 7:00 am Gavino P. Abaya (D) 5:15 pm Letty Dolan

Wednesday, January 12
7:00 am Patrons of the Shrine of
St. Jude
5:15 pm Crucillo Family

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13
7:00 AM The Costanzo Family
5:15 PM Phil Phillyss &
Donatella (D)

FRIDAY, JANUARY 14
7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society
of St. Catherine of Siena
5:15 PM David Johnson (D)

Saturday, January 15 9:00 am Jimmy Neary (D) 4:00 pm Mr. & Mrs. Oettinger & Family (D)

Parish Prayer Intentions

August Arace, Roseann Connelly, Angela Gabriela, Maggie Heath, Jeanne Krause, Kathy Bojta Krause, Barbara Decker Lenihan, Diane Piro, Blair Scribner, James Sterling, and Margery Sugarman.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Susan Augustine, George Brooksbank, Joseph DeFranca, Teresa Fenimore, Francisca Garcia, Lloyd Garcia, George Hart, Michael Privitello, Gloria Sanz, Adolfo Sardina, and the souls of all our recently deceased.

We continue to pray for the sick, the dying, and their families in Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, NewYork-Presbyterian Hospital, the Hospital for Special Surgery, Rockefeller University Hospital, and the Intentions of the Dominican Friars Health Care Ministry.

CANDLE INTENTIONS

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Lamps
Ramon & Fernando Gonzalez;
Daniel Donoghue (D); Kevin
Wilson (D); People of the Parish;
Souls in Purgatory; Special Intention;
and Intention of Donor.

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Madonna Jack Ryan Keegan

St. Vincent – Pieta LampWell Being of Christians in the Middle East

St. Vincent – Rosary Altar Special Intention

St. Catherine – Sanctuary Lamp Maria Marta Litrenta

St. Catherine – Purgatorial Renato S. Ventigan (D); Rosa J. Silan (D)

St. Catherine – Rosary Altar Maria Marta Litrenta; Intention of Donor

St. Catherine – Blessed Mother Priscilla Ventigan

St. Catherine – St. Martin de Porres Maria Marta Litrenta

What is your Baptism tradition?

When I was in college, my friends loved a good prank, and they used to prank our campus minister all the time. Some were really over the top, some took a long time to unfold, and some were very simple. One of the latter ones was the classic (well, maybe not classic yet) Knock Knock joke: "Knock knock ... Who's there? ... John ... John who? ... John the Baptist!" While the punch line is being delivered, John the Baptist throws water in the other person's face.

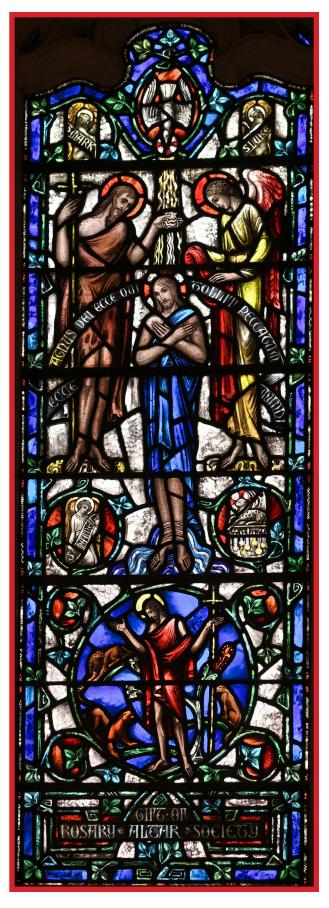
This is obviously a silly little thing that is probably more entertaining to children and to college students trying to find any way they can to procrastinate. Yet, how often do we think about our baptism? It is the fundamental sacrament that is necessary for salvation; it is the font that makes us able to receive the graces of the other sacraments; it is the means to wash away original sin and make us a child of God; and it is the source of faith, hope, charity, and the gifts of the Holy Spirit. All that comes from this one sacrament, and in a sense the whole of our spiritual lives depends on it.

So how do we celebrate this? Knock knock jokes aside, it is a beautiful thing to celebrate our baptism. Having a celebration with family or friends on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord where we renew our baptismal vows can be a rewarding way to allow the liturgical life of the Church to guide our personal lives. Maybe we find out the anniversary of our baptism, and each year on that day pray for the priest or deacon who baptized us. In a Ukranian custom, beautifully drawing together different focal points in Christ's life, the evening meal on the feast of the Baptism of the Lord begins with the *kutya*, which had been saved from Christmas, and then goes on to resemble the Last Supper. Here, Christ's birth and baptism become contextualized by His sacrificial offering of Himself at the Last Supper and eventually on Calvary, and these mysteries of His mission are all interwoven beautifully in a delicious meal.

Whatever traditions we have or might begin, the feast of the Baptism of the Lord is a reminder of the importance of our own baptism into the Lord. May the Lord bless you and your loved ones abundantly each year on this day.

In Christ and through Holy Father Dominic,

Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, o.P.



Stained glass window of the Baptism of the Lord, Church of St. Vincent Ferrer; photo by Lindsay Silverman.

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