



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

November 19, 2023 – 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



"The Parable of the Talents," Rembrandt, c.1652, Louvre, Paris

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– Saturday	5:15–6 PM (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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday	6:30–8 PM
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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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Sunday	3–4:30 PM (September 14 through Corpus Christi)
Thursday	5:45–7 PM

The Parish

Parish Information

GENERAL INFORMATION

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St. Vincent Ferrer

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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
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LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYERS

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

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, Michael Carty, Nimah Collins, Annette Cunningham, Maureen Dorsey, Roland Goslett, Pat Groh, Angie Guyott, Maggie Heath, Bill Horning, Jeremy Kyser, Judy McLennan, Robert J. Quackenbush, Elizabeth Rice, and Helen Skorutowicz.

FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Rochelle Balter, Dennis Caliz, Oscar Fermin, Fr. William Holt, O.P., Duane Kashak, Adolfo Lorian, Michael Martinez Sr., Fr. Kevin McGrath O.P., Peter Henry Moens, Lorraine Montuori, Jeanne Conway O'Connor, Peggy Phillips, Steven Rinaldi, Jr., Ines Stonehouse, 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

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Intentions

St. Vincent Ferrer Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

6 PM (Vigil) Deceased Members of the Sharbel Family
8 AM Thomas Parsons (D)
9:30 AM For the People of the Parish
12 NOON Annarose Panebianco-Cecere (D)
6 PM Foye, Armstrong, Gorman, Donohoe, & Murphy Families (L&D)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

8 AM 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 Marie & Jack Powers (D)
6 PM William Shanahan (D)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

8 AM Archie D'Addio (D)
12:10 PM Mousseau Tremblay (D)
6 PM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

8 AM Benefactors of the St. John Paul II Society
12:10 PM Edward C. Perry (D)
6 PM Reynolds & Lukas Families (L&D)

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

8 AM Joseph A. Meehan (D)
12:10 PM No Mass - Thanksgiving Day
6 PM No Mass - Thanksgiving Day

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

8 AM Rene Concepcion (D)
12:10 PM Michael & Elizabeth Regan (D)
6 PM Elizabeth & Benjamin Reidy (D)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

8 AM Anthony Mortelliti (D)
9:30 AM Holy Souls In Purgatory

St. Catherine of Siena Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

4 PM (Vigil) Mr. & Mrs. Oettinger and Family (L&D)
10 AM Carol Bohan (D)
5 PM Thanksgiving Novena

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20

7 AM For the Province of St. Joseph
5:15 PM Thanksgiving Novena

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 21

7 AM Ravi Rajmani (D)
5:15 PM Thanksgiving Novena

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22

7 AM For the Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude
5:15 PM Thanksgiving Novena

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

7 AM Thanksgiving Novena
5:15 PM No Mass - Thanksgiving Day

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24

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

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 25

9 AM Peter & Dolores Zorsh (D)

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.

Candle Intentions

ST. VINCENT FERRER

Sanctuary Lamps

Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez;
Bro. Michael Downey, O.P. (D);
Bro. Kevin O'Connell, O.P. (D)
Jennifer Diaz for Recovery ; Special Intention; People of the Parish; and Souls in Purgatory

Sanctuary Madonna

Jack Ryan Keegan

Rosary Altar

Peace in the World

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 Candle

Maria Marta Litrenta; Rose Ann Connolly (D); Bridget Heeran (D)

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

Living from Thanksgiving

TABLES LADEN WITH DELICIOUSNESS

The Thanksgiving table can be decorated with many things. On the one hand, there are turkey and mashed potatoes, very frequently family and football, and the pleasantness of parades and pies. On the other hand, different customs can reveal the culture of a place. For instance, when in Baltimore, savor the sauerkraut; when in New England, make glad over a Marlborough Pie (this actually might be the most unique apple pie I've ever had). In my hometown, there is the Turkey Trot; at the Dominican House of Studies in Washington, there is the Turkey Bowl (both of which ironically happen before the turkey is consumed).

Around my sister's table, adorned with turketta and the Baltimorean sauerkraut, there was a most beautiful custom, one that gets to the deeper meaning of the day. The first time I experienced this was in 2020. My grandmother was dying, and so I drove from Providence to Maryland during Thanksgiving week. During that week, I was blessed to have a double Thanksgiving both the Dominicans at Ss. Philip and James and later that day with my sister and her family. As the dinner progressed, the normal banter and culinary delectables came out. At the end, though, my sister opened the floor for everyone to share things for which they were thankful. Most everyone included something related to family and some included things that clearly came as a result of God's providence. Normally, I am with the Dominicans every year for Thanksgiving, but in that year, because of the circumstances of my grandmother's health, I was blessed to experience this great grace in my sister's home. There, her table was decorated with a most beautiful thing, the virtue of gratitude.

HEARTS LADEN WITH THANKFULNESS

Is not this the heart of Thanksgiving? With all the beautiful aspects of the day, sometimes mixed with some interesting family interactions, at times the football can obscure gratitude and the menu can supersede the Lord. At its heart, though, Thanksgiving Day should be a day of thanksgiving, in which we give thanks to almighty God for His generous graces. In so many varied ways, the Lord lovingly bestows His gifts upon us. Whether it is an increase of a particular virtue, the generous smile of a passerby when we're having a rough day, a word of encouragement from a friend that comes right when we need it, making it onto the subway just before the doors close,



*"Thanksgiving at Plymouth," Jennie Augusta Brownscombe, 1925,
National Museum of Women in the Arts, Washington*

or even more clearly a sacramental confession or reception of Communion, the Lord is generous to us in so many ways.

Yet, how do we respond? Do we overlook these things, or do we cultivate the virtue of gratitude? Gratitude is such an important part of the spiritual life for it both humbles us before the sheer generosity of God and also leads us to grow in our love for and dependence upon Him. It can be helpful to thank Him on a regular basis, perhaps at the end of each day, as well as to make use of a thing like Thanksgiving Day to have an annual custom of a family time to express gratitude to each other and to God for the various gifts and generous actions we have received.

When it comes down to it, though, what is the best way to thank God? It's to give Him the whole of our lives, to consecrate ourselves to Him so that we can simply be with Him and so that we can offer Him everything in our day and the whole of our life. There are many prayers for this, such as the enthronement of the Sacred Heart in the home. We also have the recent practice of renewing our Parish's consecration to the Sacred Heart on Christ the King, and this can be a beautiful time to personally consecrate oneself to God as well.

May this Thanksgiving be a day filled with deliciousness and thankfulness so that not only may our tables be transformed but also may our hearts be honed. And through it all, may the Lord not only reveal to us how good He has been to us, but also may we respond with the grateful gift of a life consecrated to Him.

In Christ,
Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P.

Upcoming Events

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Archdiocesan Collection - The Campaign for Charity and Justice

The Campaign for Charity and Justice is an initiative to revitalize and increase Catholic Charities' support for the charitable and social justice work of parishes and community groups. The funds raised through this collection will provide grants that support local projects that meet local needs, particularly those of our poor and vulnerable neighbors. Thank you for your generosity.

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 19

Parish Finance Council Presents

This weekend, the Finance Council will be offering their annual update to the Parish about our previous year's finances. If you would like additional information, please contact Lee Ann Rubino in the Parish Office or email her at lrubino@svsc.info.

NOW THROUGH DECEMBER

Christmas cards available

Christmas cards, featuring the art and Christmas decorations of our beautiful churches, are available in the vestibule of St. Vincent's. Here's an opportunity to share with your friends and family the beauty that is ours all year round.

Christmas Octave Mass Card

Cards are now available at the St. Vincent's Parish Office which enables one to remember the living or deceased in the Octave of Masses offered at St. Vincent's beginning Christmas day.

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 7 PM

Mystagogy: Church History, Characters, and Doctrines

The Mystagogy group, led by Fr. Francis Belanger, O.P., meets in the Lower Church at St. Vincent's. The word "mystagogy" refers to the last stage of faith formation for converts. But, in another way, it is the life-long process by which fully initiated Catholics delve more deeply into their faith.

This year we are reflecting on the history of the Church, with an emphasis on Councils like Nicaea, Ephesus and Trent, all the way down to Vatican II. We'll learn about theology, important events, saints, and sinners. Visit our website, svsc.info/mystagogy for past lectures. All are most welcome. Bring a friend!

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 22, 6 PM

Feast of St. Cecilia, Patroness of Music

For the Memorial of St. Cecilia, Virgin Martyr and patron saint of music and musicians, there will be a Solemn Mass at 6 PM at St. Vincent's. St. Cecilia is often depicted playing a small, hand-held pipe organ. For her Memorial, the Schola will sing a textual variation of the Antiphon to the Magnificat of Second Vespers of her feast: *While organs played, the virgin Cecilia sang in her heart to the Lord alone, saying: O Lord, make my heart and my body pure so that I might not be confounded.* The Schola Cantorum will sing *Missa Filiae Jerusalem* á 5 by Tiburtio Massaino; *Afferentur regi virgines* by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina; *Cantantibus organis* by Bernadino Morelli. The Wednesday Evening Holy Hour will follow the 6 PM Mass as usual.

NOVEMBER 15-23

Thanksgiving Novena

From Thursday, November 15 through Thanksgiving Day on Thursday, November 23, the Parish will offer a Thanksgiving Novena of Prayer. Holy cards and petition slips are available at both Churches.



THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 23

Thanksgiving Holiday

On Thursday, November 23, Thanksgiving Day, there will only be two Masses offered in the Parish: a Low Mass at 9 AM at St. Catherine's and a Sung Mass at 10 AM at St. Vincent's. Both churches will close following the Masses.

The Parish Offices will be closed Wednesday-Friday, November 22-24, but Masses and Confessions will be offered as usual on Wednesday and Friday. The Wednesday evening Holy Hour on November 22 will be offered as usual.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 6:15 PM

Cancer Support Group

The Cancer Support Group meets regularly on the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month at 6:15 PM in St. Catherine's. Those who suffer cancer are invited to join a Catholic community of support in carrying this cross. Please email Fr. Hyacinth at director@healthcareministry.org to RSVP and to join the group.

**SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 26****Christ the King Procession**

The Most Reverend Gerardo J. Colacicco, Auxiliary Bishop of New York, will celebrate the 12 NOON Pontifical Mass for the Solemnity of Christ the King, after which he will lead a Eucharistic Procession from St. Vincent's to St. Patrick's Cathedral where Benediction will be offered.

The Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe, is the final Sunday of the liturgical year. This feast, instituted by Pope Pius XI in 1925, is the culmination of the time after Pentecost during which the Church lectionary has been describing the workings of the Holy Spirit in the world, urging the faithful to prepare for the coming (the Advent) of the Lord, both in his lowly birth at Bethlehem and in his kingly glory at the end of the age.

EVERY SUNDAY**Parish Coffee Hour**

Our parish coffee hour is held at St. Vincent's after the 12 NOON Mass. This Sunday, November 19, St. Catherine's will have their monthly coffee hour following the 10 AM Mass. Take some time to connect with your fellow Parishioners and enjoy some light refreshments. All are most welcome.

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 28**Giving Tuesday**

Giving Tuesday is a wonderful day to make a gift to the Parish of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena, our parish high school, and our parish religious education programs. We have some exciting projects on the horizon like a large public reliquary at St. Vincent's, artwork for the newly renovated St. Joseph Hall at St. Catherine's, and several other things at both churches. With your generous gift, our parish community will be able to make upgrades to our faith formation programs and our facilities to better serve our Parish community. Reach out to the parish office if you would like to give to a particular thing, or you can go onto WeShare to make a general donation.

MUSIC NOTES**For This Sunday**

Vigilate

Apparebit in finem

– William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)

For Sunday, November 26, 12 NOON

For the Solemnity of Christ the King, the Schola will sing Mozart's *Mass in C Major*, K. 258. This is one of three Ordinaries Mozart composed in late 1776, just before departing Salzburg for Mannheim, Paris, and eventually Vienna. Its soubriquet seems to refer to the Mass's brevity.

Missa Brevis in C Major, K. 258,

'Piccolomini-Messe'

– Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)

Benedictus Deus Israel

– Claudio Merulo (1533-1604)

Omnes gentes plaudite – Psallite Deo nostro

– Hieronymus Praetorius (1560-1629)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2, 9 AM**Men's Retreat**

The men's retreat will be held Saturday, December 2 from 9 AM to 2 PM at St. Vincent's. The theme will be "Seeing the Eucharist Again for the First Time – Art and the Sacrament" and will be given by Fr. Bonaventure Chapman, O.P.

This retreat focuses on why art is so important to the Catholic sacramental imagination by first looking at how we see art works (with the assistance of SVF parishioner Andy Warhol and the art philosopher Arthur Danto) and then how this kind of seeing is elevated by grace to perceive Christ in the sacrament of the Eucharist.

Fr. Bonaventure Chapman, O.P. was born and raised in Buffalo, NY. After training for the Anglican priesthood at Wycliffe Hall, Oxford University, Fr. Bonaventure converted to Catholicism, entered the Order of Preachers, and was ordained a priest in 2017. After teaching philosophy at Providence College, RI, he completed a Ph.D in philosophy at Catholic University in 2023 and joined the faculty of the School of Philosophy in Fall 2023. Father Bonaventure enjoys viewing great American art, sailing, and finding American toads whenever the opportunity presents itself.

We ask that you please register on our website at [svsc.info/men's retreat](http://svsc.info/men's%20retreat) or scan the QR code below. A \$20 donation is asked to cover the cost of lunch.



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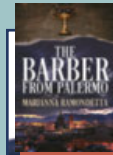
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