



THE PARISH OF ST. VINCENT FERRER AND ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

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November 28, 2021 – First Sunday of Advent

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.

GIVING TUESDAY

November 30 is Giving Tuesday, a day when communities come together to support the causes they hold closest in their hearts. On this special day, please consider a gift to the Parish of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena, our parish high school, and our parish religious education programs. With your generous gift today, our parish community will be able to make upgrades to our technology, enrichment programs, and facilities to better serve our parish community.

FEAST OF ST. ANDREW

Tuesday, November 30 is the Feast of St. Andrew, Apostle, brother of St. Peter, and patron of Scotland and Russia. There will be a Sung Mass at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer.

HANDEL'S MESSIAH AT ST. VINCENT FERRER

The highly-acclaimed New York City-based early music ensemble TENET VOCAL ARTISTS will present George Frideric Handel's *Messiah* at St. Vincent Ferrer on Friday, December 3 and Saturday, December 4 at 7:30 PM, and on Sunday, December 5 at 2 PM. The oratorio will be performed with twelve soloists and chamber orchestra, led from the keyboard by Jeffrey Grossman. Jolle Greenleaf is the group's artistic director. For more information and to purchase tickets, visit tenet.nyc.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Wednesday, December 8 is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation and the Patronal Feast of the United States. There will be a Solemn Mass at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer for which the Schola Cantorum will sing Felix Mendelssohn's *Mass for Double Choir* and Anton Bruckner's *Ave Maria* and *Tota pulchra es, Maria*.

The 12:10 PM Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer will be a Sung Mass.

In addition to the regular weekday Mass and Confession schedule, there will be a 1 PM Low Mass at St. Catherine of Siena.

The evening Masses on Tuesday, December 7 will be for the Vigil of the Solemnity.

The Act of Total Consecration to Jesus Christ through Mary will be made after Wednesday's 5:15 PM Mass at St. Catherine of Siena.

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 PM

Wednesday: 7:15–7:55 PM

Saturday: 5–5:50 PM

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

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OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE – ST. JUAN DIEGO

This year, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe (December 12) is superseded by the Third Sunday of Advent. Therefore, the Parish will instead have a Sung Mass and Procession to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe on Thursday, December 9 at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer. This is the Feast day of St. Juan Diego, the Mexican peasant to whom the Blessed Virgin appeared on Tepeyac hill in Mexico City. Canonized by Pope John Paul II in 2002, Juan Diego is the first Catholic saint indigenous to the Americas.

MISA DEL GALLO AND ADVENT NOVENA

The Parish will offer a Novena of Masses in honor of Our Lady of the Expectation from December 17–24. A special early morning Mass, known as the Misa de Gallo, will be offered each of these days at 6 AM at St. Vincent Ferrer. The intention during this Novena is for the safety of children.

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Monday, December 20 is Reconciliation Monday throughout the Archdiocese, an opportunity for all to make their confession before Christmas. Confessions will be heard at both churches from 11 AM–1 PM. In the evening, confessions will be heard at St. Vincent Ferrer from 4–6 PM and at St. Catherine of Siena from 6–8 PM.

CHRISTMAS CARDS

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

ONLINE GIVING

Fulfill your stewardship with an online service. Liturgical Publications (WeShare) allows you to make donations anytime, based on your personal schedule. Donations can be made with a credit card, debit card, or e-check. To enroll, visit svsc.info and go to "Ways to Give." You can also give via text message: text keyword SVSC to 800-950-9952. Click the link and complete your gift.

CORPORATE MATCHING GIFTS

Does your employer participate in corporate matching or corporate grants? If so, we are a registered non-profit with Benevity Causes. Donations can be made through your work place giving portal or SPARK. Please search your company portal for *The Roman Catholic Church of Saint Vincent Ferrer and Saint Catherine of Siena* to submit your matching donation.

MUSIC NOTES

Over the preceding fall Sunday of Ordinary Time, the organ voluntaries have been by English composers. Many of the postludes were in the form of a march, similar in style and structure to the famous *Pomp and Circumstance* of Edward Elgar. Several large organ building companies active in the later half of the 19th century, including Henry Willis and Sons, Harrison and Harrison, Norman and Beard, and William Hill and Sons, crafted grand instruments for the Cathedrals of England. Many of these masterpieces can still be heard today. Composers such as Herbert Brewer, Charles Stanford, Herbert Howells, and Elgar wrote colorful, symphonic music to utilize these technologically advanced organs. Some voluntaries, like last Sunday's *Orb and Sceptre* by William Walton, were actually transcriptions of pieces originally conceived for orchestra.

Last year, we surveyed the works of Bach. This coming spring, we will consider the music of Felix Mendelssohn and some 20th century French music. The voluntaries for Advent will be specifically of the season.

Next weekend, for the Second Sunday of Advent, the Schola will sing music the Spanish Renaissance.

Missa Alma Redemptoris Mater – Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548-1611)

Canite tuba in Sion – Sebastián de Vivanco (c. 1551-1622)

Ecce Dominus veniet – *Ecce apparebit Dominus* – Tomás Luis de Victoria

**MASS INTENTIONS
ST. VINCENT FERRER**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28
6:00 PM (Vigil) Andres Quintian (D)
8:00 AM Special Intention
9:30 AM Moira Scott (D)
12 NOON Valeriana Gloria (D)
6:00 PM John Patrick Foye (D)

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29
8:00 AM For the Deceased of the Parish & the Order
12:10 PM Mr. & Mrs. Alexander Rossani (D)
6:00 PM Arilda Palces

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30
8:00 AM Esperanza Palma
12:10 PM Brendan O'Leary & Family
6:00 PM Andres Quintian (D)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1
8:00 AM Living Members of the Redmond Family
12:10 PM Arilda Palces
6:00 PM Catherine & Patrick Gorman (D)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2
8:00 AM Arilda Palces
12:10 PM Kim and Irene Yu
6:00 PM Michael & Marie Pape (D)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3
8:00 AM Arilda Palces
12:10 PM Andrew Blinn (D)
6:00 PM Deceased Members of the Pape & D'Ambrosio Family

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4
8:00 AM Bart & Bridget McGovern (D)
6:00 PM Dr. Frank Ciaciola (D)

**MASS INTENTIONS
ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA**

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 28
4:00 PM (Vigil) David Gale (D)
10:00 AM For the People of the Parish
5:00 PM Carmina & Jeff Levine

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 29
7:00 AM For the Province of St. Joseph
5:15 PM Cesar Bernardo (D)

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 30
7:00 AM Tom Moran (D)
5:15 PM In Thanksgiving for God's Mercy & Love

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 1
7:00 AM Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude
5:15 PM Joseph Padovano (D)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 2
7:00 AM Ellen Keane
5:15 PM Max Lunstead (D)

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 3
7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena
5:15 PM Peter Dolan (D)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 4
9:00 AM Maria & John Tramosch (D)
4:00 PM David Gale (D)

**PARISH PRAYER
INTENTIONS**

August Arace, Lorraine Capuano, Roseann Connelly, Bill Fisher, Jr., Angela Gabriela, Maggie Heath, Susan Rick Heller, Anne Hills, Barbara Decker Lenihan, Luca Dominic Mathew, Anna Nixon, Diane Piro, Gregory Rocofort, Lourdes Rodriguez, Adolfo Sardina, Blair Scribner, Manfred Stapff, James Sterling, Margery Sugarman, Rafael Velasquez, and Kieran Wrynn

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Anita Brancaccio, Anne Brown, John D. Heffernan, Ana Lobo, Ellorine Martinez, Patrick Tumelty, 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, New York-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; Sr. Catherine Alphonise, O.P. (D) Patrick McCarthy (D); Anita Brancaccio (D); Jack Ryan Keegan; Souls in Purgatory; All Souls Novena.

St. Vincent – Advent Wreath
Mary & Angelo Soldato

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

St. Catherine – Sanctuary Lamp
Maria Marta Litrenta

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

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

St. Catherine – Blessed Mother Candle
Priscilla Ventigan

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

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 of Siena Monday–Friday, 10 AM–3 PM.

Advent – The Beginning of our Conformity to Christ

Saints Balderdash. That was a staple game for the annual Catholic New Year's Party at the Dominican House of Studies while I was in formation. Each year on the Vigil of the First Sunday of Advent, we would have a party to celebrate the beginning of the new liturgical year when everything started fresh again. Instead of a ball dropping to the timing of midnight, we would kick off the new year with Vespers and a celebratory meal. Entering into a little bit of the spirit of penance that can come with Advent (yes, not just Lent but also Advent has penitential elements), we would have sparkling grape juice rather than nice wine. We would then spend time in recreation with Catholic versions of different popular games.

While this was a lighthearted entrance into the Catholic new year, there is something so profound about having a new year's celebration for the Church. Just like with New Year's Day when so many people try and begin things anew (albeit dieting usually doesn't start until January 2), there is great reason to view the beginning of the Church year in the same light. Each time the liturgical year begins again at the outset of Advent, we are in a very different place than we were the year before, and the same spiritual things might hit us completely differently. Moreover, our hearts within and the world without have both changed in clear ways over the past year, and so a new year gives a chance to reflect on how we need to grow and where we need to go in the spiritual life. So the new year can bring with it new graces that can in turn lead to a whole new you.

Still what is the purpose of the whole liturgical calendar? With the flow from Advent to Christmas; then to a little bit of Ordinary Time; followed up by Lent, the Sacred Triduum, and Easter; and then finally the second part of Ordinary Time, the whole of the liturgical year is meant to shape us to become more and more like Christ. While celebrating the various feast and mysteries in Christ's life, we are meant to be conformed to the humility of His incarnation, the poverty of His birth, the charity of His crucifixion, the holiness of His resurrection, and so forth. Throughout all the mysteries and events in Christ's life, He won for us certain graces that shape and mold us to become like Him. The whole of the liturgical year, then, leads us on this path through the most important mysteries in Christ's in the major liturgical seasons as well as through the rest of His mysteries in Ordinary Time. In other words, the liturgical year is structured so that we can be conformed to Christ.

Maybe this year's Catholic New Year is a prime opportunity to make a Catholic New Year's Resolution? Instead of dieting, maybe the Lord is inviting you to fast and offer up the sacrifices for the holy souls in purgatory or for a sick family member. Instead of exercising more, maybe the Lord is inviting you to exercise your prayer muscles more by saying a daily Rosary or coming to adoration once a week. Instead of cutting out scrolling while in bed ... well, maybe the Lord is actually inviting you to do that and replace it with time spent in prayer before bed and after waking up. All in all, there are so many ways that we can examine the typical sort of New Year's Resolutions and Catholicize them so that our lives can bear great fruit in this upcoming year: New Year, New Graces, New You.

In Christ and through Our Holy Father Dominic,

Jr. Peter Martyr Jungwirth, O.P.

PS. In the different liturgical years, we also have different sets of readings at Mass. Here are a couple of tips on how to figure out which liturgical year we are in. Both of these hints connect with the calendar year in which most of the liturgical year occurs. So for instance, most of this liturgical year is in 2022 so that is how we will make the calculations.

For Daily Mass, there are Years I and II. Year I corresponds to odd numbered years, and Year II corresponds to even numbered years. Thus, 2022 is Year II.

For Sunday Mass, there are Years A (Matthew), B (Mark), and C (Luke). To calculate this, you take the year number and divide it by three. If it is divisible by three, then it is Year C. The quick way to figure out if a year is divisible by three is to add the sum of its numbers and see if that number is divisible by three.

So $2022 = 2+0+2+2 = 6$, which is divisible by three. So we are now in Year C and will be hearing from Luke's Gospel on most Sundays.



MARIAN LESSONS AND CAROLS

On Tuesday, December 7 at 7 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer, there will be a Service of Lessons and Carols in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This hour-long celebration of the life of Mary will consist of a sequence of scripture readings, motets sung by the Schola Cantorum, and congregational hymns.

There is no rose – Sir Richard Rodney Bennett (1936-2012)

As Dew in Aprylle (I Sing of a Maiden) – Peter Warlock (1894-1930)

There is a flower – John Rutter (b. 1945)

Hymn to the Virgin, Op. 102, No. 2 – John Joubert (b. 1927)

Love came down at Christmas – Richard Lloyd (1933-2021)

Nunc dimittis in B Flat, Op. 52 –

Craig Sellar Lang (1891-1971)

Who is she who ascends so high – Leo Nestor (1948-2019)

ADVENT SERIES ON THE INCARNATION

Join us at St. Vincent Ferrer for Evening Retreats to prepare for Christmas.

6 PM – Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7 PM – Scriptural Preaching*

7:15–8 PM – Confessions

8 PM – Compline followed by Benediction

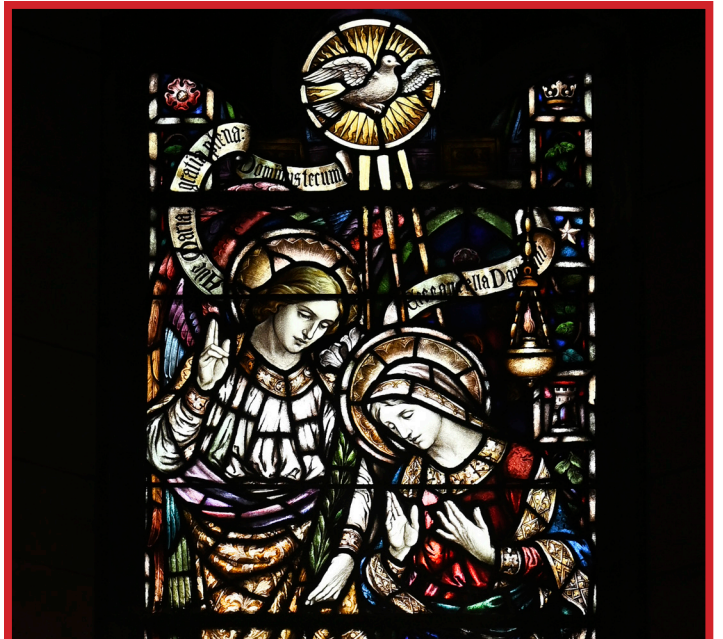
*SCRIPTURAL PREACHING THEMES

December 1 – Genealogy of Jesus
(Luke 3:23b-38)

December 8 – Annunciation to Mary
(Luke 1:26-38)

December 15 – Annunciation to Joseph
(Matthew 1:18-25)

December 22 – Prologue to John



THE ADVENT WREATH

Again this year we will place the Advent Wreath around the base of the Statue of the Blessed Mary, Porta Caeli, to the right of the Crossing Altar. Please contact the parish office or see Brother Damien about this opportunity for spiritual giving during the holy seasons of Advent and Christmas. Availability for Advent candle intentions would be as follows:

The First Week of Advent	1 lamp
The Second Week of Advent	2 lamps
The Third Week of Advent	3 lamps
The Fourth Week of Advent	4 lamps
The Octave of Christmas	4 lamps
The Second Week of Christmas	4 lamps

During these weeks, the Sanctuary Madonna lamp that usually hangs beside the Porta Caeli will not burn.

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