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

December 3, 2023 – 1st Sunday of Advent



"The Last Judgment," Chrispijn van de Broeck, 1573, North Carolina Museum of Art, Raleigh

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

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LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYERS

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

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

8:45 AM Matins and Lauds Sunday

5:25 AM Rosary and Vespers

St. Catherine of Siena

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LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYERS

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

4:45 PM Rosary 6 PM Vespers

8:40 AM Saturday 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, Annette Cunningham, Sr. Pius Fagan, O.P., Jeremy Kyser, Judy McLennan, Nidia Pichardo, Robert J. Quackenbush, Elizabeth Rice, Helen Skoratowicz, and Ingrid & Guido Urzua.

FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Rochelle Balter, Stanley Castillo, Dalvin Castillo, Adele Cerasoli, Maureen Dorsey, Oscar Fermin, Fr. William Holt, O.P., Ellorine Martinez, Lorraine Montuori, Jeanne Conway O'Connor, Peggy Phillips, Steven Rinaldi, Jr., Edna Rivera, William Young, 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.

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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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You can also give via text message: text keyword **SVSC to (800) 950-9952**. Click the link and complete your donation.

Intentions

St. Vincent Ferrer Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

6 PM (Vigil) Aleksandra Olszewska (D) 8 AM Jayne Wrightsman (D) 9:30 AM People of the Parish 12 NOON Deceased Members of the Vega & Cruz Families 6 PM Mary Ann Levzinski (D)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

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 Lorraine Vaccari (D)
6 PM Maureen Omondi (D)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

8 AM Jayne Wrightsman (D) 12:10 PM Rufo Peralta (D) 6 PM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

8 AM Diosdado Ventura (D) 12:10 PM Dorothy & Jim Hill (D) 6 PM Joan M. & Salvatore Carvo (D)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

8 AM Frances (L) & Edmund (D) Lukas and Francis & Richard Reynolds (D) 12:10 PM Mary Presciutti 6 PM Holiness for all Vocations

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

8 AM Louise & Charles Buckley (D) 12:10 PM For the People of the Parish 6 PM Thomas Francis Foye (D)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

8 AM Mary Cunningham Luby (D) 9:30 AM Holy Souls In Purgatory

St. Catherine of Siena Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3

4 PM (Vigil) David Gale (D) 10 AM Michael Padavano (D) 5 PM Jay Adams (D)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 4

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

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 5

7 AM Maria & John Tramposch (D) 5:15 PM Marcelino Jovero (D)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 6

7 AM For the Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude 5:15 PM Camillo Scaccia (D)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7

7 AM Tory & Joey Saponare (D) 5:15 PM Poor Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8

7 AM For the Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena 1 PM Special Intention 5:15 PM Fabian Ventigan (D)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9

9 AM Roseann Connolly (D)

Candle Intentions

ST. VINCENT FERRER

Sanctuary Lamps

Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez; Michael Griffin (D); John Russell (D); Jack Ryan Keegan; Intention Of Donor; People of the Parish; and Souls in Purgatory. Sanctuary Madonna Advent Wreath Mary & Angel Soldato

Rosary Altar Special Intention

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

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.

Faith among Family and Friends

As I have written before, there are beautiful ways that we can transform our home life to be more welcoming to Christ. This past Lent, the Parish produced a little booklet with different ideas on how to carry home the liturgies of the Triduum and live in a holy home during Holy Week. This idea can be expanded for the whole liturgical year so that we might be able to open our hearts, homes, families, and friendships to Christ who comes and knocks on our doors at all times. As we being a new liturgical year, here are some examples that can be reflected on with families or with a group of friends over a festive or reflective meal or at another time together:

For Christmas: Christ is born among us, visibly revealing God's love for us. What can we do from Christmas until the Baptism of the Lord to visibly manifest God's love to our family, friends, and coworkers/classmates?

For New Year's Eve: The beginning of each calendar year is a new opportunity to turn away from sin and to grow in virtue. What are the virtues in which I would like to grow this year? What do I need to do to make that a reality?

For Epiphany: The magi brought Christ gold, frankincense, and myrrh, which reflected His kingship, divinity, and sacrificial love. What gifts can we offer Him in gratitude for his kingship, divinity, and sacrificial love between now and Lent?

For Lent: Prayer, fasting, and almsgiving are the traditional practices for Lent. What can we do as a family/friend group to enter into Lent with practices that will help us grow closer to the Lord and to one another?

For St. Patrick's Day: St. Patrick drove out the snakes of sin (and maybe real snakes too!) from Ireland, especially through His preaching of the Trinity. What can I do to draw deeper in my devotion to the Father, to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit as I prepare for Easter?

For St. Joseph's Day: St. Joseph was tasked with caring for the Incarnate Son of God and the Immaculate Conception. This was a tall task for the only member of the Holy Family conceived with original sin. What can I do to grow in my fidelity to what has been tasked to me, especially any responsibilities at home and with work/schoolwork?

For Easter: Christ's rising from the dead is a witness to faith, hope, and charity. What can I do to grow in each of these virtues this Easter season?



"The Light of the World," William Holman Hunt, 1851, Keble College, Oxford

For Corpus Christi: The Eucharist is truly the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. What can I do to grow in my Eucharistic devotion this summer?

For St. Dominic's Day: St. Dominic was the faithful preacher of the Lord who offered the Truth of the Gospel. What can I do this fall to grow in my understanding of the teachings of Christ and His Church?

For the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary: The Rosary is Our Lady's gift to us so that we can more fully enter into the graces of Christ's mysteries. What can I do to grow deeper in my devotion to Christ's mysteries by learning from Mary while praying the Rosary?

For Thanksgiving: This is a beautiful (but sometimes challenging) time with family or friends in which we reflect on God's gifts to us during the course of the previous year. What can we do to thank God for those graces individually and collectively?

There are many more ways that this can be drawn out throughout the course of the year (you might even see a little booklet to that effect soon). Ultimately, things like this are invitations to draw closer to the Lord and open the door when He knocks. May we be given the grace to do just that!

In Christ.

Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P.

Upcoming Events

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 3 Almsgiving Sunday

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

Donations also will be taken-up after Mass by members of the Social Concerns Committee to support the work of the New York Common Pantry.

You can also contribute on-line using WeShare via our website, svsc.info/ways-to-give, to make your donations.

Thank you for your generosity.

EVERY SUNDAY Parish Coffee Hour

Our parish coffee hour is held at St. Vincent after the 12 Noon Mass. Take some time to connect with your fellow Parishioners and enjoy some light refreshments. All are most welcome!

DECEMBER AND JANUARY Coffee Hour Volunteers Needed

To continue our successful coffee hours, we are in need of additional volunteers for December and January. Can you help one time, once a month, or even more if your schedule allows? If you can help, please reach out to coffee@svsc.info.

Thank you for considering serving the Parish in this way.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 2-17 Christmas Giving Tree begins

The Christmas Giving Tree begins on December 2 this year to benefit vulnerable pregnant women and their families served by the Sisters of Life Visitation Mission. The name of an item is written on each tag on the tree that would benefit the woman and/or child in need. Please take a tag, or tags as you are able, and return the items unwrapped to the bins in the back of either church. All items are due back to the church by December 17. You may also participate by purchasing something from the Sisters' Amazon Gift Registry, which can be found at sistersoflife.org/registry, and it will be shipped directly to them.



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

Christmas Mass 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.



SEASON OF ADVENT Beginning Sunday, December 3

Sunday, December 3 is the First Sunday of Advent, which marks the beginning of the new liturgical year: Year B in the three-year lectionary cycle during which we hear from the Gospel of St. Mark. The season of Advent (from the Latin adventus meaning "coming") looks forward to the birth of Christ, calling the faithful to prepare for his arrival: first in meekness and mercy and ultimately in judgment and glory.

Liturgies during this "privileged" season of Advent strike a note of anticipation and repentance that is mingled with joy and hope; hence, although penitential violet is the season's liturgical color, the Gloria is omitted, and the use of the organ is moderated, the Alleluia is retained.

The congregational Ordinary (Kyrie, Sanctus, and Agnus Dei) at Sung Masses changes to the Latin-version of Missa XVIII. The Marian Antiphon at the conclusion of Mass changes from Salve Regina (sung from Trinity Sunday until Advent) to Alma Redemptoris Mater (from Advent until Candlemas).

The Advent Wreath at both churches will be blessed at the Vigil Masses on December 2.

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 7, 7 PM Catholic Medical Association Monthly Meeting

The Catholic Medical Association of New York City Guild regularly meets on the first Thursday of every month, following our Healthcare Holy Hour at St. Catherine's. All physicians, nurses, medical students, and allied health professionals are invited to attend.



FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8 Immaculate Conception

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is 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's.

In addition to the regular weekday Mass and Confession schedule, there will be a 10 AM School Mass at St. Vincent's and a 1 PM Low Mass at St. Catherine's. The evening Masses on Thursday, December 7 will be for the Vigil of the Solemnity and will satisfy the obligation.

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

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 8, 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, DECEMBER 10, 9:30 AM Family Fellowship

Next Sunday, after the 9:30 AM Mass at St. Vincent's, we will have our monthly Family Fellowship. Families gather after Mass for a blessing in the Friars' Chapel and then have time for fellowship and food. We welcome all families to attend. 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.

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 12 Marian Lessons and Carols

On the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, at 7 PM at St. Vincent's, there will be the Parish's annual 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.

A reception will follow in the Lower Church with some traditional Mexican fare and music.

MUSIC NOTES

For This Sunday

Missa Sicut lilium inter spinas

– Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

Buccinate in neomenia tuba

– Giovanni Croce (c. 1557-1609)

– Giovanni Croce (c. 1557-1609) Canite tuba in Sion

- Curzio Valcampi (c. 1570-c. 1620)

For Friday, December 8, 6 PM

For the Immaculate Conception, the Schola will sing Marian music from the Romantic era. Born on the Austro-Italian border, Vinzenz Goller studied in Innsbruck and the Vienna Academy of Music. He served in the Austrian army in the First World War and was later elected mayor of Klosterneuburg.

Festliche Messe, Op. 107

– Vinzenz Goller (1873-1953)

Ave Maria – Moritz Brosig (1815-1887)

Sub tuum praesidium, Op. 45, No. 3

– Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

For Sunday, December 8, 12 Noon

For the Second Sunday of Advent, the Schola will sing music from two great Germanic Renaissance composers who are stylistically similar. Jacob Handl was born in the Duchy of Carniola in the Holy Roman Empire. He sang in the Benedictine Melk Abbey in lower Austria and later served as a musician in the Viennese court chapel, as choirmaster for a Moravian bishop, and as organist of the Church of St. John on the Balustrade in Prague from 1585 until his death in 1591.

Missa Pater noster – Jacob Handl (1550-1591)

Deus tu conversus Alma Redemptoris Mater á 8 – Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594)







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