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December 4, 2022 – Second Sunday of Advent

COME 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.

SIGN-UP FOR 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.

SISTERS OF LIFE CHRISTMAS GIFT DRIVE

Beginning **December 4**, the Christmas drive this year is to benefit vulnerable pregnant women and their families served by the Sisters of Life Visitation Mission. At Christmas, we celebrate the gift of the Christ Child, and every birth of a child is a renewal of this greatest gift. Thank you for helping us to celebrate! In both Church vestibules, the name of an item is written on each tag on the Giving Tree that would benefit the woman and/or child in need. Please take a tag or tags as you are able, and return the **unwrapped** gift to the bin. We will be collecting these unwrapped gifts until December 18. You may also participate by purchasing something from the Sisters' Amazon Gift Registry, which can be found at www.sistersoflife.org/registry. Thank you so much for your generosity!

PARISH STUDY

A CHRISTMAS LITANY: THE SAINTS OF ADVENT AND YULETIDE

Tuesdays from December 6 through December 20 at 6:45 PM, in the Lower Church at St. Vincent Ferrer, Fr. Francis Belanger, O.P. will discuss how seasonal saints link such themes as apostleship, generosity, and ecumenism to the Birth of the Lord. Christmas Day is so powerful a celebration that it draws in the surrounding saints' celebrations and lends them an Advent and Christmas flavoring. Just as the "spirit of the season" affects our lives on more than just Christmas Day, so the memory and celebration of such saints days as St. Nicholas (December 6), St. Lucy (December 13), and St. Stephen (December 26), are suffused with joy and incarnation. Please visit our website, svsc.info/parish-study to register so that we know how many people to expect.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Thursday, 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 *Missa in G minor*, Op. 187; *Alma Redemptoris Mater*, Op. 171, No. 2; and *Ave maris stella*, Op. 171, No. 4 by Josef Rheinberger.

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 Wednesday, 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 Thursday's 5:15 PM Mass at St. Catherine of Siena.

MASS AND CONFESSIONS

ST. VINCENT FERRER

MASSSES

Weekdays: 8 AM, 12:10 PM, 6 PM

Saturday: 8 AM, 9:30 AM (LATIN)
6 PM (VIGIL)

Sunday: 8 AM, 9:30 AM,
12 NOON (SOLEMN), 6 PM

CONFESSIONS

Weekdays: 5:20–6 PM

Wednesday: 7:15–8 PM

Saturday: 5–6 PM

Sunday: 7:45–8 AM, 9:15–9:30 AM,
11:30 AM–12 NOON, 5:30–6 PM

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

MASSSES

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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS

AND OTHER PRAYER

ST. VINCENT FERRER

Weekdays:

7:25 AM: MATINS AND LAUDS

5:25 PM: ROSARY AND VESPERS

Wednesday:

6:30 PM: EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Saturday:

8:30 AM: MATINS AND LAUDS

5:25 PM: ROSARY AND VESPERS

Sunday:

8:45 AM: MATINS AND LAUDS

5:25 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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MESSAGE FROM THE SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Thank you to our parishioners for your extraordinary reply to our request for Christmas gifts for the Women at the Shelter. It was beyond generous!

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 will also 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 online using WeShare via our website, svsc.info/ways-to-give, to make your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

FAMILY FELLOWSHIP

Next weekend, Sunday, December 11, the Parish will welcome 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 the friars; fellowship will follow. To stay updated, 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.

MARIAN LESSONS AND CAROLS

On **Monday, December 12**, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, 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.

Tomorrow shall be dancing day – John Gardner (1917-2011)

I sing of a maiden – Philip Radcliffe (1905-1986)

There is no rose of such virtue – Jonathan Lane

Magnificat and Nunc dimittis – Alan Gray (1855-1935)

Venite, gaudete! – Adrian Peacock

Rise up, my love, my fair one – Healey Willan (1880-1968)

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Monday, December 19 is Reconciliation Monday throughout the entire Archdiocese of New York and the Diocese of Brooklyn, an opportunity for all to make their confession before Christmas. Confessions will be heard at St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena (and are supposed to be heard similarly in all parishes) from 2–4 PM and from 6–8 PM.

MUSIC NOTES

Next Sunday, for the Third Sunday of Advent (Gaudete), the Schola will sing music a double motet by Palestrina. The Mass Ordinary by Duarte Lôbo uses the musical themes from this motet as its framework. The works of Lôbo, along with those of Manuel Cardoso, represent the golden age of Portuguese polyphony, roughly corresponding to the period of Spanish rule (1580-1640). A pupil of Manuel Mendes of Évora Cathedral, Lôbo was later appointed *mestre de capela* there. He subsequently served at Lisbon's Hospital Real before becoming *mestre* of Lisbon's Cathedral in 1594.

Missa Veni Domine – Duarte Lôbo (c. 1565-1646)

Veni Domine – Ecce Domine – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

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

CHRISTMAS CARDS

Christmas cards, including 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.

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. VINCENT FERRER

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4
6:00 PM (Vigil) Crew Leighton Barley (D)
8:00 AM Bart & Bridget McGovern (D)
9:30 AM Michael J. Monaghan (D)
12 NOON For the People of the Parish
6:00 PM Peter J. Zacharilla (D)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5
8:00 AM For the Deceased of the Parish and the Order
12:10 PM Frank Kelly
6:00 PM Jayne Wrightsman (D)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6
8:00 AM Klajdi Plasari
12:10 PM George Hart (D)
6:00 PM Jayne Wrightsman (D)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7
8:00 AM Violet I. A. DiMaio(D)
12:10 PM Roseann Connolly (D)
6:00 PM Joan M. & Salvatore Carvo (D)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8
8:00 AM Louise & Charles Buckley (D)
12:10 PM For the People of the Parish
6:00 PM Frank Kelly

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9
8:00 AM Mary Cunningham Luby (D)
12:10 PM Catherine & Patrick McGlade (D)
6:00 PM Helen Saulnier (D)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10
8:00 AM Joseph McGovern & Kathleen Redmond (D)
6:00 PM Jeanne Gorski (D)

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4
4:00 PM (Vigil) David Gale (D)
10:00 AM Maureen Omondi (D)
5:00 PM Catherine & Patrick Gorman (D)

MONDAY, DECEMBER 5
7:00 AM For the Province of St. Joseph
5:15 PM Marcelo Jovenio (D)

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6
7:00 AM Martin Behan (D)
5:15 PM Maria & John Tramosch (D)

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7
7:00 AM For the Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude
5:15 PM Living & Deceased Priests of the Parish

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8
7:00 AM Isabell Morales (D)
1:00 PM David Johnson (D)
5:15 PM Ventigan Family

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9
7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena
5:15 PM Michael DeStefano (D)

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10
9:00 AM Maureen Omondi (D)
4:00 PM Nora M. Hickey (D)

HOSPITAL MINISTRY
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 Friars Health Care Ministry.

PARISH PRAYER
INTENTIONS

Elaine Arace, August Arace, Frank Brennan, Maggie Heath, Jeremy Kyser, Mary Kate McShane, Hope Niceta, Jocelyne Owarish, Lillian Previda, Robert T. Quackenbush, and Eric Rodriguez
Please pray for the repose of the souls of:
Judith Brofman, John De Jesus Cifuentes, Stanley Costillo, Roseann Connolly, Dale Giles Earhardt, George Irish, Edmund Lukas, Ellorine Martinez, Fr. Sam Matarazzo, O.P., Libby Mavroleon, Lucy McGrath, Vincent Murray, Billie Pierre, Ann Quinlan, Jim Reed, Mary Ellen Rustum, and the souls of all the recently deceased.

CANDLE INTENTIONS
ST. VINCENT FERRER

Sanctuary Lamps
Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez; Jack Ryan Keegan; Sr. Mary Ellen, O.P. (D); Mary Donoghue (D); Billie Pierre (D); Souls in Purgatory; and the People of the Parish.

Advent Wreath
Mary & Angelo Soldato (D)
Pryor & Adrian Families

Our Lady of Fatima Shrine
Peace in Ukraine

Rosary Altar
Elaine and August Arace

CANDLE INTENTIONS
ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Purgatorial Altar Candle
Renato S. Ventigan (D); Rosa J. Silan (D)

Blessed Mother Shrine
Priscilla Ventigan

Sanctuary Lamp,
St. Martin de Porres,
St. Thomas Chapel,
Sacred Heart of Jesus,
St. Margaret of Costello,
and St. Jude Shrine
Maria Marta Litrenta

Rosary Altar
Maria Marta Litrenta;
Intention of Donor

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.

A Light Shining in the Darkness – Lessons and Carols

A faint light flickers from the Advent Candles in both of our churches. Week by week, we'll light another candle as we draw closer to the Nativity of the Lord. As the darkness increases around us daily, these candles become visible signs of the graces of the Lord shining through the darkness of sin and leading us to the ultimate light, that of the glory of the Lord in heaven. With these candles situated at the feet of the statue of Our Lady, the *Porta Caeli*, at St. Vincent Ferrer, we are also reminded how the Virgin Mary guides us not only to welcome the Lord this Christmas but also through the whole of life so that we might be ready when He calls us through the gates of heaven to Himself at the end of our lives.

For those new to the parish or those who have not attended our Marian Lessons and Carols before, it is a beautiful service that encompasses the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary. In it, we encounter her example of holiness in the various mysteries of her life, and we see her virtues shining forth like candles softly illuminating a darkened church.

This year, we have moved this Lessons and Carols to the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, December 12. Previously, it had been on the Vigil of the Immaculate Conception, December 7. Yet, with a desire to not have two of our events compete with each other, namely this Lessons and Carols as well as the Solemn Mass on the night of the Immaculate Conception, we thought it would be fitting to move Lessons and Carols to the feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe. On that feast, we remember the beautiful gift of faith that Our Lady of Guadalupe brought to Mexico and to the entire American continent. Her loving embrace of the American peoples was a light shining in the darkness that both drove out the sin of child sacrifice and also led millions to quickly embrace her Son, Jesus Christ, as Lord. In the same way, may Our Lady of Guadalupe be instrumental in driving out the darkness of sin in our lives so that we may fully embrace the Light of Christ in all things.

On a similar note and after much reflection, we are going to move the Advent Lessons and Carols that had usually been on the Third Sunday of Advent at St. Catherine's to the Third Sunday of Easter. It was a beautiful service that allowed for deep prayer, but I want to make this adaptation for two reasons. First, I would like to avoid two competing events every year, such as the two Lessons and Carols services seemed to be. Secondly, no one else in the city does a sort of Marian Lessons and Carols in Easter. To have that at St. Catherine's would provide for a spiritual need that is currently not being met anywhere in the city of which I'm aware. Through it, may the Lord bear great fruit in our hearts so that the graces of the Easter Season will sink deeply within us and conform us more closely to Christ our Lord.

In Christ and through Holy Father Dominic,

Fr. Peter Martyr Jungwirth, O.P.



MARIAN

LESSONS & CAROLS

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at 7 PM

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"L'Annunciation," by Philippe de Champaigne

ADVENT WREATH

Again this year at St. Vincent Ferrer, 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, parish@svsc.info, or see Brother Damian 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 candle
The Second Week of Advent	2 candles
The Third Week of Advent	3 candles
The Fourth Week of Advent	4 candles
The Octave of Christmas	4 candles
The Second Week of Christmas	4 candles

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



PARISH STUDY

A Christmas Litany: The Saints of Yuletide



TUESDAYS *from* DECEMBER 6 *to* DECEMBER 20
at 6:45 PM *in the* Lower Church
at ST. VINCENT FERRER

JOIN FR. FRANCIS BELANGER O.P. *to* DISCUSS HOW SEASONAL
SAINTS LINK SUCH THEMES *as* APOSTLESHIP, GENEROSITY,
and ECUMENISM *to the* BIRTH *of the* LORD.

ST. NICHOLAS, ST. LUCY, ST. STEPHEN *are* AMONG *the*
SAINTS THAT *will be* DISCUSSED *in this* SERIES.

WE ASK THAT YOU REGISTER ON OUR WEBSITE, ***svsc.info*** SO
THAT WE KNOW HOW MANY TO EXPECT



THE PARISH OF ST. VINCENT FERRER
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Holy Hour Meditations

For each year of the Eucharistic Revival, we will be using our Wednesday Holy Hour meditations to focus on a set of mysteries in conjunction with the hearts of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

Wednesday Evenings at St. Vincent Ferrer

6 PM

*Mass followed by Exposition of the
Blessed Sacrament*

7 PM

*Preaching on the Mysteries**

7:15 – 8 PM

Confessions

8 PM

Compline followed by Benediction

*Mysteries**

November 30

The Incarnation

December 7

The Visitation

December 14

The Journey of Bethlehem

December 21

The Nativity

December 28

The Visit of the Shepherds

January 4

The Angels and the Birth of Jesus

January 11

The Visit of Magi

January 18

*The Presentation of Jesus in the
Temple*



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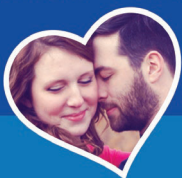
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