

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

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### February 13, 2022 – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

#### 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.

#### PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION

Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the activities of the Holy See through which Pope Francis governs the Church and exercises all his charitable works. When used for charitable outreach, funds from this collection help those in need. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy. Please be generous today. For more information visit peterspence.valen.html.

#### HELP FEED THOSE IN NEED A REQUEST FROM THE SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

What was once manna to the Israelites – New York Common Pantry is today to many of God's children of New York. As a parish, we are so very thankful to be one of the sponsors of this organization.

In the 45 years of St. Vincent Ferrer's Social Concerns Committee service to the community, this year has been one of our most challenging. We ask that you join in our effort this coming Lent by donating some select items that the Pantry runs low on at this time of year.

Please select from the foods listed below and drop them off in the bins at the back of either of our churches:

Canned or dry beans; canned fruits and vegetables; canned tuna, salmon and chicken; grains (rice, pastas, barley, quinoa); peanut butter; shelf stable milk; and sugar free hot and cold cereals.

Our food drive will begin on February 14 and end on March 6. Please be as Weekdays: generous as you can be and always are. Thank you.

#### 66TH STREET DOOR REPAIR AT ST. VINCENT FERRER

The automatic opening mechanism for the 66th Street mid-block door at St. Vincent Ferrer is out-of-order and has been for some time. The broken part remains on back-order, but will hopefully arrive soon, allowing the door to be repaired. Thank you for your patience.

#### 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 PM *Saturday*: 5–5:50 рм

#### St. Catherine of Siena

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

Confessions

Weekdays: 4:40-5:05 рм Saturday: 3–3:50 рм

\*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

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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### SATURDAY MIDDAY RETREAT WITH THE MYSTICS: JEAN-PIERRE DE CAUSSADE

Come and learn the secret of finding peace in life! On Saturday, February 19, 12 NOON to 3 PM, at St. Catherine of Siena's Church (411 E. 68th Street), we will continue our Midday Retreat with the Mystics (every 3rd Saturday of the month), this day focusing on Jean-Pierre de Caussade, S.J. (1675-1751). De Caussade has helped generations of Catholics find deeper interior peace and docility to God's ways through his treatise and letters on Self-Abandonment to Divine Providence. Fr. Ignatius John Schweitzer, O.P. will give a conference talk on this practice of trustful surrender to God, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and guided meditations from de Caussade's writings. Through prayer and reflection, we will grow more like Mary, please God, in giving a wholehearted Yes! to God. For more information visit www.uppergarden.org/midday-retreat-with-the-mystics-at-st-catherines-nyc.

#### CHAIR OF ST. PETER

Tuesday, February 22 is the Feast of the Chair of St. Peter (*Cathedra Petri*), celebrating the papacy and St. Peter as the first Bishop of Rome. There will be a Sung Mass at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer.

#### **NEW YORK PURGATORIAL SOCIETY MASS**

On Monday, February 28 at 7 PM, a sung Requiem Mass in the Extraordinary Form of the Roman Rite sponsored by the New York Purgatorial Society will be offered at St. Vincent Ferrer.

#### LENTEN RETREATS – SAVE THE DATE

The Women's Retreat will be held Saturday, March 5 and for the first time, we will be offering a Men's Retreat on Saturday, March 12. Both events will be held in the morning. More details to come in next week's bulletin.

#### Parish Study

Join us for the final session of a Parish Study on 2 Corinthians. Fr. Albert Paretsky closes the series on Tuesday, February 15, from 6:45-7:45 PM in the Parish Hall at St. Vincent Ferrer. Stay tuned for more information about upcoming Parish Studies in both Lent and Easter as well.

#### Music Notes

Next Sunday, for the Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Schola will sing music of the English Renaissance. Peter Philips was an eminent English composer, organist, and Catholic priest exiled to Flanders. He was one of the great keyboard virtuosos of his time, with some of his keyboard works found in the Fitzwilliam Virginal Book. His surviving motets number in the hundreds, and although retaining some English characteristics, they are largely in the style of his conservative Italian contemporaries.

Ave verum corpus – Peter Philips (c. 1560-1628) Fac cum servo tuo – William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)

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#### Mass Intentions St. Vincent Ferrer

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13
6:00 PM (Vigil) Jeanne Gorski (D)
8:00 AM Fr. William C.
Cunningham, s.J. (D)
9:30 AM Peter Gaine (D)
12 NOON For the People of the Parish
6:00 PM Nancy & Luke A.
Foye, Sr. (D)

Monday, February 14 8:00 am Lucille McGrath 12:10 pm Richard Kulp (D) 6:00 pm Jane Sellner (D)

Tuesday, February 15 8:00 am Michela Presciutti 12:10 pm Fr. Daniel Morey(D) 6:00 pm Teresa McGovern (D)

Wednesday, February 16 8:00 am Carol Premone (D) 12:10 pm Katherine S. Meehan (D) 6:00 pm Nancy & Luke A Foye, Sr. (D)

Thursday, February 17 8:00 am For the Deceased of the Parish & the Order 12:10 pm Roseann Connolly 6:00 pm Nancy & Luke A Foye, Sr. (D)

Friday, February 18
8:00 am Joseph McGovern &
Kathleen Redmond (D)
12:10 pm Members of the Bautista,
Romero & Presciutti Families
6:00 pm Thanksgiving to the Sacred
& Immaculate Hearts

Saturday, February 19 8:00 am Bart & Bridget McGovern (D) 6:00 pm Deceased Members of the Sharbel Family

## MASS INTENTIONS St. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 13
4:00 PM (Vigil) Mr. & Mrs.
Oettinger & Family (D)
10:00 AM John Nardine & Family
5:00 PM Fr. Joseph P. Allen, O.P.

Monday, February 14
7:00 am For the Province of St.
Joseph

5:15 рм David Johnson (D)

Tuesday, February 15 7:00 am Doris Caravaglio (D) 5:15 pm Renato S. Ventigan (D)

Wednesday, February 16
7:00 am For the Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude
5:15 pm Giuseppe Cichi (D)

Thursday, February 17 7:00 am Maria Evangelista (D) 5:15 pm Nora Hickey (D)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 18
7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena
5:15 PM Teodola & Miguel Lucido (D)

Saturday, February 19 9:00 am Vincent S. LaSpina (D) 4:00 pm Nora M. Hickey (D)

#### Parish Prayer Intentions

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, Residents of the Mary Manning Walsh Home, and the Intentions of the Dominican Friars Health Care Ministry.

#### Parish Prayer Intentions

August Arace, Roseann Connolly, Arnold Drucker, Milley Frias, Dale Graves, Maggie Heath, Susan Heller, Barbara Decker Lenihan, Diane Piro, Blair Scribner, James Sterling, and Norma Altagracin Torres.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Rudolph Bachraty, James Cummings, Noreen Delaney, Francis Lesperance, Teresa Fenimore, George Hart, Richard Hawkins, Matthew Martinez, Monica Meade, P.O. Wilbert Mora, P.O. Jason Rivera, Joseph Rondina, Gloria Sanz, Adolfo Sardina, Fr. Giuse Tran Ngoc Thanh, O.P., Lucille Witty. and the souls of all the recently deceased.

#### **CANDLE INTENTIONS**

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Lamps
Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose
Gonzalez; Rose Donoghue (D);
Bro. Jude Locchetto; People of the
Parish; Souls in Purgatory; Special
Intention; Intention of Donor

**St. Vincent – Sanctuary Madonna** Jack Ryan Keegan

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

**St. Vincent – St. Joseph's Altar** Julian Baczynsky (D)

St. Vincent – Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine Maria Baczynsky (D)

**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

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### The Dominican Charism - Study & Sacred Doctrine

Trial by fire. That usually means undergoing a hardship and persevering through it, but in the life of St. Dominic, it was a literal thing. The setting was Fanjeaux, France in the first or second decade of the 13th century. There were a number of Albigensians in the small town, and St. Dominic was working to bring them back to the true faith. A disputation, where each side wrote out its teachings, failed to do the job. So the judges decided on a trial by fire. They would throw the books into the fire, and whichever one was not burned obviously contained the truths of the faith. As Bl. Jordan of Saxony recounts, "The heretical book was immediately consumed by the fire, but the one written by the man of God, Dominic, not only escaped burning, but, in the sight of all, leaped far from the fire. For a second and a third time, it was cast into the fire, but each time it leaped back and thereby openly testified to the truth of its doctrine and the holiness of the person who had written it." (Bl. Jordan of Saxony, *Libellus*, 24-25)

The Dominicans have always loved Sacred Doctrine. Our *Book of Constitutions* states, "In all things, the brothers should be of one mind with the Church and should comply with the different acts of the Magisterium which is entrusted with the authentic interpretation of the word of God...The brothers should study carefully the writings of the holy Fathers and of the illustrious exponents of Christian thought who, with the help of different cultures and of the wisdom of philosophers, have endeavored to achieve a fuller understanding of the word of God" (*LCO*, 80, 81).

There it is clear just how important the study of sacred doctrine is for a Dominican. It should be at the root of all our study and order it all back to God. You see, Sacred Doctrine leads to a fuller exposition of the word of God. Sacred Doctrine is about expounding Sacred Scripture because that is one of the primary places where we encounter God. In other words, our own study of Sacred Doctrine is about coming to know and understand God better. Some can see it as a dry discipline. Yet when carried out with faith and charity, it becomes a rich, life-giving enterprise that leads to a deeper union with the Lord.

The *Book of Constitutions* goes on to say, "The best teacher and model for the accomplishment of this task is St. Thomas whose teaching the Church particularly commends" (*LCO*, 82; see the Code of Canon Law 252§3, which explicitly names St. Thomas as someone to be studied in seminary, and he is the only saint, other than the Blessed Mother, mentioned in the whole Code of Canon Law). Obviously, the Dominicans love our brother St. Thomas because of his holiness, but this also goes to show why we emphasize his teachings. In such a profound way, he guides us to better understand Sacred Doctrine and Sacred Scripture, and thus Christ Himself.

For parishioners in a Dominican parish, the study of Sacred Doctrine can be developed in all kinds of ways. Reading through sections of the Catechism with family or friends is a simple way. Paying attention to the homilies at Mass is extremely fruitful. Our Parish Study has also had studies in the past that were doctrinally rather than biblically based, and so this Lent we will take that up once again and have a series of presentations on imitating Christ in His mysteries. In each of these ways and many more, studying Sacred Doctrine can be a means to grow in union with God.

In Christ and through Our Holy Father Dominic,

Tr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, o.P.



Beam in Fanjeaux that St. Dominic's book landed on after it leaped out of the fire. It has since been installed in the church.

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