

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

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March 20, 2022 - 3rd Sunday of Lent

IOIN 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*.

SOLEMNITY OF THE **A**NNUNCIATION

Friday, March 25 is the Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord. There will be a Solemn Mass at 6 pm at St. Vincent Ferrer for which the Schola Cantorum will sing *Missa Ave Regina* and *Ave Regina á* 8 by Tomás Luis de Victoria.

Stations of the Cross will be held as usual following the 6 PM Solemn Mass, as well as after the 5:15 PM Mass at St. Catherine of Siena. Because it is a Solemnity, the abstention from meat is lifted on Friday, March 25.

New York Purgatorial Society Mass

On Monday, March 21 at 7 pm, a sung Requiem Mass in the Dominican Rite sponsored by the New York Purgatorial Society will be offered at St. Vincent Ferrer.

THANK YOU FROM THE SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

Thank you for your wonderful response to our food drive to benefit the New York Common Pantry. You donated approximately 60 boxes of food requested by the Pantry. Your kindness and generosity to those in need went beyond our expectations. We have set up a contribution link on our website so that you can continue to donate funds through our parish to the many programs run by the NYCP. Use the link *svsc.info/new-york-common-pantry-2*. You can contribute at any time.

Parish Study: Imitating Christ

Join us for a Parish Study on how to better imitate Christ. Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P. will examine the teachings of St. Thomas Aquinas and Bl. Columba Marmion on how meditating on Christ's life can lead us to imitate His virtues. The conferences will be on Tuesday nights in the Parish Hall at 6:45 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer from March 8 through April 5.

To register for the Parish Study, please visit our parish website, *svsc.info*, to complete the brief registration or call the parish office.

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 рм Saturday: 5—5:50 рм

Additional Confession Hours

DURING LENT:

Sunday: 7:45–8 am, 9:10–9:30 am, 11:30–12 noon, 5:30–6 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 рм Saturday: 3–3:50 рм

Additional Confession Hours

During Lent: Sunday: 9:30–10 AM

*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

Parish Office

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9 am-1 pm and 2 pm-4 pm

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LENTEN ALMSGIVING BABY DRIVE: MARCH 18-31

Our annual baby drive to support the Sisters of Life and the women they serve is underway. This is a great way to do some almsgiving this Lent. Each church will have a playpen with tags that list what is needed. Please come in, take a tag and then return the item you purchased to the playpen in either church. The Baby Drive will begin on March 18 and will continue until March 31.

CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES COLLECTION

Next week our parish will take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at **www.usccb.org/catholic-relief**. You can also contribute electronically via WeShare on our parish web-site **svsc.info.**

LAETARE SUNDAY

Next Sunday, the Church will celebrate "Laetare" Sunday. This Latin title is taken from the incipit (first phrase) of the Introit of the Mass: *Laetare Jerusalem, et conventum facite omnes qui diligitis eam.* (Rejoice, O Jerusalem, and come together all you who love her.) (Isaiah 66:10) The analogous Sunday in Advent is the Third Sunday, called "Gaudete."

Pope Innocent III in 1216 expounded on it in a sermon: "On this Sunday, which marks the middle of Lent, a measure of consoling relaxation is provided, so that the faithful may not break down under the severe strain of Lenten fast but may continue to bear the restrictions with a refreshed and easier heart."

As a reprieve from the penitential violet, the traditional liturgical color for Laetare Sunday is rose. Furthermore, the use of the organ and moderate floral decorations are permitted.

Music Notes

Next Sunday, for the Fourth Sunday of Lent (Laetare Sunday), the sopranos and altos of the Schola will sing music of music of the German Romantic period. Music for women's voices was a very popular genre in the 19th century. Brahms, known principally as a symphonist, and Rheinberger, whose music the Schola sings frequently, were nearly exact contemporaries.

Missa in G minor, Op. 187 (Sincere in memoriam)

- Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)

Adoramus te, Christe, Op. 37, No. 2 – Johannes Brahms (1833-1897)

Ave Regina, Op. 171, No. 6 – Josef Rheinberger (1839-1901)

Mass Intentions St. Vincent Ferrer

Sunday, March 20
6:00 pm (Vigil) Albina
Belardinelli (D)
8:00 am Living Members of the
Martin Family
9:30 am Luca Presciutti
12 NOON Matthe LeStrange
6:00 pm Deceased Members of
the Armstrong, Foye, Gorman,
Donohoe, and Murphy Families

Monday, March 21 8:00 am For the Deceased of the Parish and the Order 12:10 pm Eugene Gaughan (D) 6:00 pm Jayne Wrightsman (D)

Tuesday, March 22 8:00 am Edward C. Perry (D) 12:10 pm Members of the St. John Paul II Society 6:00 pm Frederick Purches (D)

Wednesday, March 23 8:00 am Jayne Wrightsman (D) 12:10 pm Sean Sculley (D) 6:00 pm Joan M. & Salvatore Carvo (D)

Thursday, March 24
8:00 am Rene Concepcion (D)
12:10 pm Gloria Sanz (D)
6:00 pm Deceased Members of the
Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic (D)

FRIDAY, MARCH 25 8:00 AM Laura Sanchez (D) 12:10 PM Josefa Dancel & Anunciacion Gonzales Dancel (D) 6:00 PM Souls in Purgatory

Saturday, March 26 8:00 am Souls in Purgatory 6:00 pm Rev. Barnabas Gorski, Ofm (D)

Mass Intentions St. Catherine of Siena

SUNDAY, MARCH 20 4:00 PM (Vigil) Gretta Lodes (D) 10:00 AM Renato S. Ventigan (D) 5:00 PM John Ahern (D)

Monday, March 21
7:00 am For the Province of St.
Joseph
5:15 pm Nora Hickey (D)

Tuesday, March 22 7:00 am For the Protection of Life 5:15 pm Giuseppe Cichi (D)

Wednesday, March 23
7:00 am For the Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude
5:15 pm Nenita Ony (D)

THURSDAY, MARCH 24
7:00 AM People of the Parish
5:15 PM Felicita Spani (D)

Friday, March 25 7:00 am For the Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena 5:15 pm Josephine & Franz Sheffield (D)

Saturday, March 26 9:00 am In Thanksgiving for Finnegan's Wake & Neary's 4:00 pm Mr. & Mrs. Oettinger & Family (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

Eduardo Abreu, Isidro Almonte, Elaine Arace, August Arace, Roseann Connolly, Arnold Drucker, Dale Graves, Maggie Heath, Susan Heller, Barbara Decker Lenihan, Luca Lopez, James Sterling, and Norma Altagracin Torres.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of: Noreen Delaney, Shirley Radcliffe Dolan, Francis Lesperance, Monica Meade, P.O. Wilbert Mora, P.O. Jason Rivera, Michael Rizzo, Joseph Rondina, 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; Patrick McCarthy (D);
Elizabeth Donnelly (D); Zacharilla
Family (D); Peter J. Zacharilla;
People of the Parish; Souls in
Purgatory.

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Madonna Jack Ryan Keegan

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

St. Vincent – Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

Peace in Ukraine

St. Vincent – Rosary Altar Elaine & August Arace

St. Catherine – Sanctuary Lamp Maria Marta Litrenta

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

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St. Catherine – Blessed Mother Priscilla Ventigan

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

The Dominican Charism - The Source of Community

A little before 1170, a young man named Mannes followed the example of his older brother Antonio and began his studies for the priesthood. Jane, their mother, was known to be a generous and holy woman, and Felix, their father, was a well-respected nobleman. They had obviously raised their sons well. It was their third son, who was conceived soon after Manne's departure for studies, who became the most famous—St. Dominic de Guzman.

At the time when St. Dominic was founding the Dominican Order, his older brother Bl. Mannes came to join him. This is remarkable! St. Dominic was about fifteen years younger than Bl. Mannes, but Mannes had incredible humility, entrusting himself to the guidance and directions of his little brother. Dominic even sent Mannes first to help found the new priory in Paris and then later back to their native Spain, where Mannes went to serve the cloistered Dominican nuns. That is a beautiful witness to humility, trust, and obedience.

There's something else at play here, though, that is even more fundamental to brothers living in unity (cf. Psalm 133:1). What was it that ultimately led to that fraternity, charity, and obedience in the first place? What was their model for living with one mind and heart? Sure, the example of Bl. Jane and Ven. Felix, their parents, was a good and holy one—charity, sacrifice, faith, amidst other virtues. Yet, when it comes down to it, the thing that led Bl. Mannes to follow St. Dominic was the Holy Trinity.

The *Book of Constitutions* for the friars says, "The unanimity of our life has its roots in the love of God, and it ought to be a living example of universal reconciliation in Christ which we proclaim by our preaching" (*LCO*, 2§2). The *Book of Constitutions* also adds:

As with the Church of the Apostles, communion among us also is established and made firm in the Holy Spirit, the same Spirit through whom we receive the Word in one faith from God the Father: the Word we contemplate with one heart, praise with one voice, and in whom we share one bread and are formed into one body. In the same Word, we hold everything in common and all of us are committed to the same work of evangelization. (*LCO*, 3§1)

In other words, the communal life for the Dominican is centered on the Trinitarian life. It is not just that Dominicans who all happen to love God can live a healthy communal life because of a shared interest. Rather, it is the very love of God that binds the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit that becomes the source of a healthy communal life.

The unity between the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit is the unity that all Christian communities should imitate. This is true not only of religious orders but also of families and of parishes. For a Dominican parish, this means that being involved in some sort of group—Family Fellowship, Visitation Circle, Frassati Fellowship, Social Concerns Committee, and any others—should not only revolve around shared interests but also be centered on the unity and love that we see in the Trinity.

On a wider scale, this should also affect the Parish as a whole. It is a wonderful blessing that many people who live outside the Parish boundaries have made our two churches their spiritual home. Often it is because of the preaching, liturgy, and community here. Yet, if there is not also a shared identity as Christians living in Trinitarian communion with God and through that with one another too, then something fundamentally important is lacking. You see, without the graces flowing from the Trinity to draw us together, we become like individual silos who happen to do the same thing. On other hand, when we are able to enter into union with one another through God's graces binding us together, then a truly communal life can develop in a parish.

May our observance of Lent be a powerful means to draw us deeper into the inner life of the Holy Trinity so that through it our communal life with one another may be rich and rewarding.

In Christ and through Our Holy Father Dominic,

Tr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, o.P.

DONATIONS TO SUPPORT THE PEOPLE OF UKRAINE

On Ash Wednesday, we began our emergency collection to support our Ukrainian brothers and sisters. We are getting close to sending an installment of those donations to the US Catholic Bishops collection as well as the Knights of Columbus's "Ukraine Solidarity Fund." It's not too late to donate to this collection. You can donate via our website *svsc.info* or stop by the church or the parish office to make a donation. To date we have collected \$13,262.50. Thank you for your generosity.

The Knights of Columbus have been providing great support on the ground in Ukraine as well as for the refugees, especially those fleeing to Poland. Fr. Jonathan Kalisch, op and Fr. Patrick Briscoe, op, both from our Dominican Province, have gone to Poland to support this work. You can follow their journey by reading Fr. Patrick's articles on *www.aleteia.org*.



Thank you for your support of the Cardinal's Appeal!

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Shering God's Gifts

Want to be part of saving lives? All it takes is your prayers and presence. 40 Days for Life is a peaceful initiative consisting of 40 days of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil at abortion facilities, and educational outreach with the goal of protecting mothers and their children from abortion. More than 20,000 children have been saved from abortion during 40 Days of Life campaigns. To learn more, visit: *www.40daysforlife.com*.

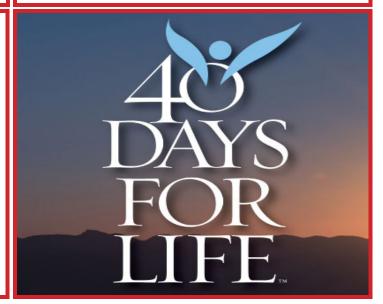
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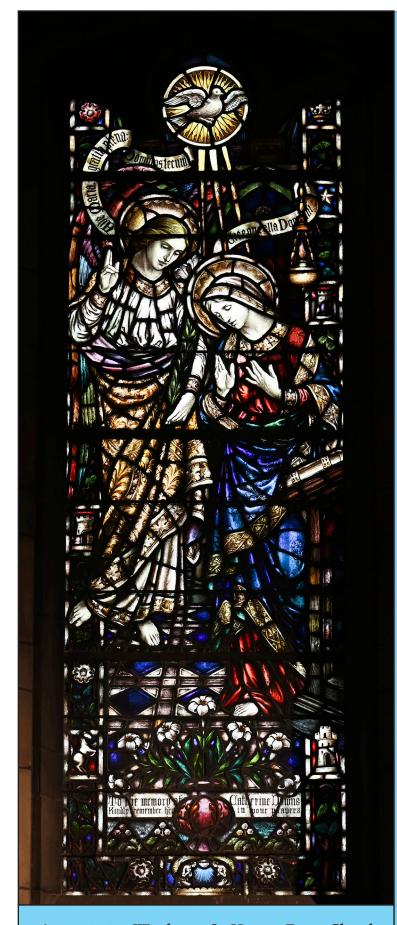
For information about participating in the 40 Days for Life campaigns in the Archdiocese, please contact Laurie at **40days.manhattan@gmail.com**.

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Throughout the challenges of the past year, the Church's witness to the steadfast, unchanging love of God has grounded us in our faith, and it is this commitment to the mission of the universal Church that inspires tens of thousands of parishioners across the Archdiocese of New York to participate in the Appeal every year.

Thank you for the many sacrifices you make for the good of our Church and for The Parish of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena.





Annunciation Window at St. Vincent Ferrer Church Photographed by Lindsay Silverman

Friday, March 25

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION

There will be a Solemn Mass *at* 6 PM *at* St. Vincent Ferrer

The Schola
Cantorum will sing
Missa Ave Regina
and Ave Regina á 8
by Tomás Luis de
Victoria.



Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross is prayed every Friday during Lent after evening Masses

Friday Mass Times:

St. Catherine of Siena – 5:15 PM

St. Vincent Ferrer – 6 PM

We will be using *The Way of the Cross* booklet published by *Magnificat*. Copies will be available for a free will donation. It is the same book that we used last year.

Lenten Fasting and Abstinence

Required Days of Abstinence:

For all aged 14 and older, obligatory abstention from flesh meat on Ash Wednesday and Fridays of Lent.

Required Days of Fast:

For all aged 18 to 59, inclusive, one full meal permitted and two other meals, which, when combined, are less than a full meal, on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday.

Required Days of Penance:

Applies to all the Faithful during the entirety of Lent and also Fridays outside of Lent. However, when a solemnity falls on a Friday, even during Lent, the abstinence is optional.

Self Denial:

Is encouraged on a voluntary basis. Acts may include daily Mass, spiritual study, Lenten Devotions, the Rosary, Stations of the Cross and deeds of mercy and kindness.

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