

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

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March 22, 2020 - 4th Sunday of Lent

PARISH OUTREACH

We continue to wrestle with the dangers of gathering. In light of canceling Masses, adoration, and confession we would like to continue to stay connected with each of our parishioners. Fr. Walter continues to grace us with his beautiful relfections, Fr. Joseph has provided for us some refresher lessons that he has so wonderfully shared with our Canidates and Catechumens, and Br. Hyacinth has graciously been livestreaming a nightly rosary through Facebook. You can access these wonderful opportunities for prayer and reflection on our website (http://www.svsc.info/outreach/), through our emails, and on our Facebook page (https://www.facebook.com/StVincentAndStCatherine/)

If you are not receiving our parish emails but would like to, please email us at *parish@svsc.info*.

We hope to be able to continue to serve your faith throughout this confusing and difficult time.

MAGNIFICAT

Magnificat has generously gifted all of us with complimentary access to their online version to help us all pray from home during this time. To use this beautiful source of for prayer, please visit https://us.magnificat.net/free.

CANCELED MASSES

While all Masses in the Archdiocese of New York continue to be canceled you can still access Mass online at https://www.saintpatrickscathedral.org/live and https://www.catholicfaithnetwork.org/.

*We will continue to keep you up to date as we are informed of new information and guidelines.

MASS AND CONFESSIONS St. VINCENT FERRER

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am, 9:30 am, 12:00 noon, 6:00 pm Weekdays: 8:00 am, 12:10 pm,

6:00 PM Saturday: 8:00 AM *Confessions*

Saturday: 5:00–5:50 pm Weekdays: 5:20–5:50 pm

St. Catherine of Siena

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Sunday: 10:00 am, 5:00 pm Weekdays: 7:00 am, 5:15 pm Saturday: 9:00 am

Confessions
SATURDAY: 3:00–3:50 PM
WEEKDAYS: 4:40–5:05 PM

LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYER St. VINCENT FERRER

SUNDAY:

8:50 AM (MORNING PRAYER)

5:30 PM (SUNG VESPERS)

Monday-Friday:

7:25 AM (MORNING PRAYER) 5:30 PM (OFFICE OF READINGS AND VESPERS)

Wednesday:

7:30 PM (HOLY HOUR)

St. Catherine of Siena

SUNDAY:

3:00 pm (Eucharistic Adoration)

Monday-Friday: 5:00 pm (Rosary)

Our Lady of Perpetual Help

PRAYER GROUP

Wednesday: 5:45 PM

QUEEN OF PEACE PRAYER GROUP

SATURDAY: 9:30 AM

Parish Office

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Parish Staff

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PARISH INFORMATION

Welcome to the Parish of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York, served by the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph.

For general information about the Parish, its many organizations, an overview of the current year's schedule of events, and how to become more involved in our common life, please take a green Parish Handbook.

For information about the music program, please take a Music List, 'Music as Holy Preaching'. Both of these booklets are available in the narthex and online.

To register as a parishioner, please use the form found at the back of the Handbook or online. Follow us on facebook @StVincentAndStCatherine and sign-up for email alerts by notifying parish@svsc.info.

Parish Calendar

MARCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 22 – LAETARE SUNDAY

12 NOON Solemn Mass with Second Scrutiny at St. Vincent Ferrer Tuesday, March 24

6:45 рм Parish Study at St. Vincent Ferrer

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25 – ANNUNCIATION

6 рм Solemn Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer

Friday, March 27

Stations of the Cross following the evening Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer & St. Catherine of Siena

SUNDAY, MARCH 29 – FIFTH SUNDAY OF LENT

12 NOON Solemn Mass with Third Scrutiny at St. Vincent Ferrer

FRIDAY, APRIL 3

Stations of the Cross following the evening Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer & St. Catherine of Siena

SATURDAY, APRIL 4

4 PM Low Mass for Palm Sunday at St. Catherine of Siena

6 рм Sung Mass for Palm Sunday at St. Vincent Ferrer

SUNDAY, APRIL 5 – PALM SUNDAY OF THE LORD'S PASSION

8 AM Low Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer

9:30 AM Sung Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer

10 AM Low Mass at St. Catherine of Siena

11:15 AM Blessing of Palms at St. Catherine of Siena Procession through the Streets of the Neighborhood

12 рм Solemn Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer

5 PM Sung Mass at St. Catherine of Siena

5:30 PM Sung Vespers at St. Vincent Ferrer

6 рм Sung Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer

Monday, April 6 – Reconciliation Monday

3 – 9 РМ Confessions at St. Vincent Ferrer & St. Catherine of Siena

Tuesday, April 7

6:45 рм Holy Week Parish Study at St. Vincent Ferrer

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 8

Holy Hour at St. Vincent Ferrer is cancelled

THURSDAY, APRIL 9 – HOLY THURSDAY

4 РМ Low Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Catherine of Siena 6:30 рм Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper at St. Vincent Ferrer 8 рм Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at St. Vincent Ferrer

Friday, April 10 - Good Friday

12 NOON Seven Last Words of Christ at St. Catherine of Siena

3 PM Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at St. Vincent Ferrer

5:15 РМ Sung Liturgy of the Lord's Passion at St. Catherine of Siena

7 PM Watch at the Sepulcher at St. Vincent Ferrer

Mass Intentions St. Vincent Ferrer

SUNDAY, MARCH 22 6:00 PM (Vigil) Ante Loncar (D) 8:00 AM Louie Dedvukaj 9:30 AM Lucrecia Reyes (D) 12 NOON Pelagia Sabon (D) 6:00 PM Edward C. Perry (D)

Monday, March 23 8:00 am For the Deceased Members of the Parish & the Order (D) 12:10 pm Melissa Fishel (D) 6:00 pm Mary Jane Marks (D)

TUESDAY, MARCH 24 8:00 AM Archbishop Harry J. Flynn (D) 12:10 PM Rene Concepcion (D) 6:00 PM Danny Orlock (D)

Wednesday, March 25 8:00 am Joseph Gambino (D) 12:10 pm Melissa Fishel (D) 6:00 pm Raymundo Suarez (D)

Thursday, March 26 8:00 am Michael & Sophie Tobin (D) 12:10 pm Vid Suljick (D) 6:00 pm Geraldine Ferraro Zaccaro (D)

Friday, March 27 8:00 am Louuie Dedvukaj 12:10 pm Rev. Barnabas Gorski, ofm (D) 6:00 pm Richard & Frances Reynolds (D)

Saturday, March 28 8:00 ам Giovanna Pagliuca (D) 6:00 рм (Vigil) Zaldy Isidoro (D)

Mass Intentions

St. Catherine of Siena

SUNDAY, MARCH 22
4:00 PM (Vigil) For the People of
the Parish
10:00 AM Henry L. Zuzze (D)
5:00 PM For the Living & Deceased
Priests of the Parish

Monday, March 23 7:00 am For the Province of St. Joseph 5:15 pm Sean Ayoung (D)

Tuesday, March 24 7:00 am Yvonne Slattery (D) 5:15 pm Philip Tusa (D)

Wednesday, March 25 7:00 am For the Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude 5:15 pm Sabina Quiguyan (D)

Thursday, March 26
7:00 am For the Annual Enrollment of the Living
5:15 pm Marie Therese Andre

FRIDAY, MARCH 27 7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena (D) 5:15 PM The Martins Family (D)

Saturday, March 28 9:00 am Mr. Douglas Kozak 4:00 pm (Vigil) David Gale (D)

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

Contact the Parish Office to add a name to this list.

Dr. Aborosi, Mike Borland, Jan Donovan, Jarrod Dubesko, William Feeley, Emily Garnett, Maggie Heath, Christine Heller, Joseph Henao, Douglas Kozak, Jack Mangin, Maurice Jared Miller, Murphy, David Olivier, Fernandez Randely, David Reid, Isabelle Rivera, Lorna Shepherd, Anchalee Sae-Lim, Adolfo Sardina, Lisa Selby, Prechry Thongtha, Barbara Tracy, & Michael Travis.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Ethel Garcia, Lawrence Marquez, Ellorine Martinez, Pakie McMahon, William Selby, Margy Stewart, & Lucille Witty, 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, NewYork-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 (L); Nora Griffin (D); James Mohr (D); For the Souls in Purgatory; For the People of the Parish; Intention of Donor; Special Intention

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Madonna Jack Ryan Keegan (L)

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

MUSIC NOTES

This week, for the Fourth Sunday of Lent, the Schola will sing music for upper voices (sopranos and altos) by the German Romantic era titans Johannes Brahms, remembered primarily for his four Symphonies, and the more liturgically-focused Josef Rheinberger.

Tomás Luis de Victoria, known as the 'Spanish Palestrina,' was born in Ávila but in 1565 went to Rome to become cantor at the Collegium Germanicum. Ordained a priest in 1575, he received a chaplaincy at S. Girolamo della Carità until King Philip II appointed Victoria chaplain to his sister, the Dowager Empress María in 1587. The Schola will one of his polyphonic Marian antiphons and a Mass Ordinary modeled after it for the Annunciation.

Choral Music for Upcoming Solemn Masses:

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT (LAETARE) – MARCH 22 12 NOON Solemn Mass at St. Vincent

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 Caelorum, Op. 171, No. 6

– Rheinberger

SOLEMNITY OF THE ANNUNCIATION
- WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

6 PM Solemn Mass at St. Vincent

Music of Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548-1611):

Missa Ave Regina Congratulatmini mihi Ave Regina Caelorum á 8

For information about the music program, please take this season's Music List, 'Music as Holy Preaching', available in the narthex and online.

DOMINICAN THIRD ORDER

Are you a layperson who believes that you are called to a more profound interior life through the charisms of the Dominican Order? You may want to visit the Dominican Third Order (Lay Fraternity) Chapter that meets in the Parish Center of St. Vincent Ferrer on the third Thursday of each month from 6 – 8 PM. All are welcome. To learn more visit http://laydominicans.org/, or visit our blog at http://lotac.blogspot.com/.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary welcomes memberships into the council that meets at St. Catherine of Siena on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 pm. Legion meetings consist of prayers. review of work projects, and assignments for the coming week. Our ministry is visiting the sick at Mary Manning Walsh and bringing Communion to catholic residents. If you are interested please contact the spiritual moderator, Fr. Joseph Allen, o.p. or the president Lettie Dolan at (917) 775-4930 or (212) 288-6384.

HEALTH CARE EMERGENCIES

For Health Care emergencies please call (212) 988-8303. The Dominican Friars Health Care Ministry of New York provides pastoral and sacramental care of Dominican Friars at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center, and Hospital for Special Surgery.

LEGACY OF FAITH

The Edward Cardinal Egan Pavilion at the St. John Vianney Clergy Residence in Riverdale is home to more than 35 priests. It provides peace, serenity, fellowship, and the hightest-quality care for those who have dedicated their lives to serving the glory of God and the well-being of their communities. It is a tangible response to Christ's call to help others. When you sit down to review your estate to reflect your lifelong devotion to the priesthood, you might think about a gift to the Egan Pavilion. The Planned Giving Office can be reached at (646) 794-3317 or plannedgiving@archny.org.

ONLINE GIVING

Fulfill your stewardship with an online service. Liturgical Publications (WeShare) allows you to make donations to the Parish of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena anytime, based on your personal schedule. Donations can be made with a credit card, debit card, or e-check. To enroll, visit www.svsc. info and go to "Sign up for Online Giving," or visit www.churchgiving.com/?pc=ztm3ks26 and click "Start Giving."

HELP US HELP THE POOR

The Social Concerns Committee is accepting monetary donations in the "poor box" on the left side of St. Vincent Ferrer as you enter from Lexington Avenue. We will use this money for our celebrations for the women living at the shelter and other events that do come up during the upcoming year. Please be as generous as you can. Any contribution will be greatly appreciated.

Parish Social Media

The Parish has Facebook and Instagram pages to help spread the word about special liturgies, lectures, and social events at the Parish. Find us and 'like' us by searching @StVincentAndStCatherine within Facebook or svsc_nyc on Instagram.

ADMITTING BLINDNESS AND RECEIVING VISION

I write you this on March 12. Yesterday the St. Patrick's Day Parade was canceled and flight restrictions on European travel went into effect. So I wonder what will have happened in 10 days when you read this letter. As far as one can predict we will be spending more time alone, and so our challenge is how to make these hours, days (and weeks?) sane, productive, and spiritually fruitful. Last week in these pages we opened an initiative that might be of some help.

My hope was that we could share with our catechumens the unique experiences of prayer we have named "scrutinies." On the Third, Fourth, and Fifth Sundays of Lent we gather them in the midst of the parish at the 12 PM Solemn Mass and we ask the Holy Spirit to scrutinize their hearts. Lovingly he will probe them to heal what is sinful and weak and to strengthen what is healthy and good. The prayers of the scrutiny, referred to as exorcisms, draw on the Gospels we read at Mass this year. The long stories of the Woman of Samaria (Third Sunday), the Man Born Blind (Fourth Sunday), and the Raising of Lazarus (Fifth Sunday) are themselves scrutinies. In these Jesus scrutinizes the hearts of the protagonists, liberating them from fear and freeing them for life in him.

Inviting the Spirit to scrutinize our own hearts will be a fruitful practice in a time like this. This Sunday's protagonist, the Man Born Blind (John 9), like those of the other scrutiny Gospels, finds himself in a situation of acute stress. For him the work of receiving healing and of recognizing Jesus the healer, comes in tandem with the experience of isolation and rejection. The presence of Jesus makes the increasing stress an occasion not of getting sicker, but of getting better.

Father of mercy, you led the man born blind to the kingdom of light through the gift of faith in your Son. Free these elect from the false values that surround and blind them. Set them firmly in your truth, children of the light forever. We ask this through Christ our Lord.

Here the Celebrant would have imposed hands on the Elect.

Lord Jesus you are the true light that enlightens the world. Through your Spirit of truth free those who are enslaved by the father of lies. Stir up the desire for good in these elect, whom you have chosen for your sacraments. Let them rejoice in your light, that they may see, and, like the man born blind whose sight you restored, let them prove to be staunch and fearless witnesses to the faith, for you are Lord forever and ever.

We now face a crisis that will place each of us under stress and will test us. In a sense, the weeks ahead will be a scrutiny, laying bare our fears and anxieties: some instinctive ways of dealing with isolation and uncertainty may come to the fore. When calm returns we feel saddened and ashamed by what came over us. But the scrutiny of the Holy Spirit can help us change the patterns.

Crisis coming at us looks like darkness for we are blind to its shape and duration. The vision Jesus gives does not take away the unknown but it reveals the one who knows what we do not, and who endures beyond what justly scares us.

Jesus, possessed of this light within, did not thereby escape the pain, degradation, and isolation of his passion, but he knew that the Father saw beyond it in all directions.

This same light enables us to make a more than instinctual response to dislocation and privation. By this light we accept what we would never choose and ask that by his light it may become an occasion of growth for us. New Yorkers like us would never choose to be locked in our rooms by a pandemic, but only ponder what God might do with the hours. What will He show us about ourselves, invite us to challenge in ourselves, and teach us to love in ourselves?

We invite the light into us when we heed the final words of Jesus in the Sunday's gospel: "If you were blind, you would have no sin; but now you are saying, "We see," so your sin remains." (John. 9: 41). The way forward into light is the narrow one of admitting our fear of the dark, because that is the truth. It is the Spirit who exposes the truth about us to the Truth that is God, and His truth heals and enables ours.

Lenten Peace!

Fr. Walter

PS. As I complete this letter I now know that you will read it in a world that is dark with the absence of the Eucharist and the other sacraments and services. I hope you will give yourself some time with this powerful Gospel.

MONTEVERDI IN THE PARK AVENUE ARMORY

Claudio Monteverdi's *Marian Vespers* of 1610 will be performed in the Park Avenue Armory from March 21–29, with concerts on Friday and Saturday at 8 pm, Sunday at 3 pm, and Monday, Tuesday, and Thursday at 7:30 pm. This is the North American premiere of Pierre Audi's celebrated Dutch National Opera production that opened the 2017 Holland Festival. Conductor Raphaël Pichon will lead his renowned Baroque orchestra and choral ensemble Pygmalion. For tickets and more information, visit *www. armoryonpark.org*.

2019 Tax Letters

DP Murphy and WeShare will be distributing tax notices to parishioners for the 2019 tax year in the next week. Please contact the Parish Office if you have not received your notice by the end of the month or if corrections are needed. Thank you for your continued support.

Online Support Group for Individuals & Families Affected by Divorce/Separation

For anyone struggling due to a divorce/separation in their family, there is a free on-line "Webinar-like" support/sharing group. Sponsored by the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith, this groups meets every first Tuesday from 8 – 9 P.M. and is on-going. Prayer, reflection, guidance by Church teachings, and attended by a Mercedarian friar from the Order of Mercy and the Organization's Director, the group allows for listening and optional sharing guided by an experienced facilitator.

To learn more, visit www.nonnatus.org or "Philly Nonnatus" on social media. Call, text, or email the Director of the Foundation at (215) 870-9913 or director.srnf@gmail.com (type SUPPORT in the title to receive direct link).

MARIANDALE CENTER RETREAT

There will be a four day retreat at Mariandale Center from April 2 - April 5, "Answering the Soul's Call to Write". The retreat is open to everyone. Fee: \$350. includes a private room, all meals and all workshops. For information call (914) 941-4455. To register: visit https://mariandale.org/event/answering-the-souls-call-to-write/

Mariandale Center is run by The Dominican Sisters of Hope and is located near Ossining, NY.

LENTEN FASTING AND ABSTINENCE

According to the Current Discipline:

Laws of Days of Abstinence:

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

Laws of Days of Penance:

Applies to all the Faithful during the entirety of Lent and Fridays outside of Lent.

Laws of 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.

Law of the Eucharistic Fast:

Complete fast from all food and drink (excluding water and medicine) for one hour before the reception of Holy Communion. This applies throughout the year.

LENTEN LITURGICAL OBSERVANCES

The penitential season of Lent (from the Old English meaning 'spring' and also known as *Quadragesima* in Latin, meaning 'fortieth') begins on Ash Wednesday.

In Lent, violet vestments are worn and the *Gloria* and *Alleluia* are omitted. According to the *General Instructions of the Roman Missal*, the document governing the celebration of the Ordinary Form of the Mass, the organ is to be used only "to give necessary support to the singing." Thus, as much as possible, the Mass is sung *a cappella*, the hymn accompaniments are subdued, and the organ voluntaries are omitted.

As the Church strips herself of festal trimming entering into the spiritual desert, her faithful are likewise called to a heightened order of penitence, fasting, abstinence, and almsgiving. Making a good confession, attending daily Mass, and praying the Office, Stations, and Rosary are all worthy resolutions.

This Week of Grace

The Holy Father's Prayer intention for March 2020

• We pray that the Church in China may persevere in its faithfulness to the Gospel and grow in unity.

General Intentions

- Pray for all those suffering from the Coronavirus, and for those trying to help them.
- Pray for all those whose livelihood and well-being have been affected by this outbreak.
- Pray for all those struggling with the idleness and isolation imposed by our circumstances.
- Pray for the spiritual unity of the parish.

Spiritual Communion

• This prayer may be helpful during a week without Mass:

Lord Jesus, since I am not able to receive you today under the sacramental veil of Holy Communion, I therefore pray to you with my heart full of love for you to be present in my heart with your divine presence, your strength, your graces, your consolation, and most of all, Lord Jesus, your wonderful love. Amen.

N.B.

• During these days of Lent, when there are fewer feasts of the saints, we will focus on the entrance chant of the Mass. Chosen to provide a perspective for each day's Mass, these passages of Scripture can inform our prayer. Now that we cannot celebrate the Eucharist publicly this will be a way to connect with the Church's worship.

March 22 The Fourth Sunday of Lent

- Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful all who were in mourning: exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast. Isaiah 66: 10-11
- On this Sunday of the Man Born Blind, we pray for those whose faith has cost them crucial personal relationships.
- Pray for our Catechumens who today would have undergone the Second Scrutiny.

March 23 Monday of the Fourth Week of Lent

• As for me, I trust in the Lord. Let me be glad and rejoice in your mercy, for you have seen my affliction. Cf. Psalm 30: 7-8

March 24 Tuesday of the Fourth Week of Lent

• All who are thirsty, come to the waters, says the Lord. Though you have no money, come and drink with joy. Cf. Isaiah 55: 1

March 25 The Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

- The Lord said, as he entered the world: Behold, I come to do your will, O God. Hebrews 10: 5, 7
- Pray today for all women who are pregnant.
- Pray for the Sisters of Life who accompany pregnant women who find themselves in difficult circumstances.

March 26 Thursday of the Fourth Week of Lent

• Let the hearts that seek the Lord rejoice:; turn to the Lord and his strength; constantly seek his face. Cf. Psalm 104: 3 - 4

March 27 Friday of the Fourth Week of Lent

• O God, save me by your name; O God, hear my prayer; give ear to the words of my mouth. Cf. Psalm 53: 3 - 4

March 28 Saturday of the Fourth Week of Lent

• The waves of death rose about me; the pains of the netherworld surrounded me. In my anguish I called to the Lord, and from his holy temple he heard my voice. Cf. Psalm 17: 5, 7