

# March 26, 2023 – Fifth Sunday of Lent

# COME JOIN OUR PARISH - ALL ARE WELCOME

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

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#### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

The Stations of the Cross are prayed every Friday during Lent after the evening Masses: 5:15 PM at St. Catherine of Siena and 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer.

We will be using The Way of the Cross booklet published by Magnificat. Copies are available for a \$2.00 to cover the cost of the book.

# **CARDINAL'S APPEAL**

Every year, Cardinal Dolan asks for support for the Cardinal's Appeal. The donations for this go to support the work of the Archdiocese, and much of the money is used directly to support the evangelical efforts of the Church throughout the Archdiocese. From initiatives to supporting the poor, to helping parish churches that are falling apart, to helping struggling schools keep their doors open, to many other initiatives, this money provides support for so many people.

This weekend is our Parish's commitment weekend. In the midst of the Lenten season with the common Lenten practice of almsgiving right before our eyes and our hearts, this is a great opportunity to reflect on how much you are willing to offer to support the work of the Cardinal throughout the Archdiocese. Please prayerfully consider how much you are willing to contribute, remembering that almsgiving also atones for sins. As we hear in Sirach and Tobit, just as "water extinguishes a blazing fire: so almsgiving atones for sin" (Sir. 3:30), and "almsgiving delivers from death, and it will purge away every sin" (Tob. 12:9).

# 40 DAYS FOR LIFE HOLY HOUR

On **Thursday, March 30** at 6:45 pm at St. Vincent's, there will be a special Holy Hour to pray for the efforts of 40 Days for Life and the great work they do to support mothers and babies in need.

For more information on 40 Days for Life, visit 40daysforlife.com.

#### MEN'S GROUP

On **Saturday, April 1** at 10:30 AM the newly formed Men's Group will meet in the Parish Center. There will be prayer, a reflection by one of the priests, and fellowship. Email Fr. Francis if you have any questions, *vicarscs@svsc.info*.

# MASS AND CONFESSIONS ST. VINCENT FERRER

Masses Weekdays: 8 ам, 12:10 рм, 6 рм Saturday: 8 ам, 9:30 ам (Dominican Rite) 6 рм (Vigil) Sunday: 8 ам, 9:30 ам, 12 noon (Solemn), 6 рм

#### CONFESSIONS

Weekdays: 5:15–6 рм Wednesday: 7:15–8 рм Saturday: 5:15–6 рм Sunday: 7:45–8 ам, 9:15–9:30 ам, 11:30 ам–12 NOON, 5:15–6 рм

#### ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

MASSES 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

5:45 pm: Eucharistic Adoration Sunday: 3 pm: Eucharistic Adoration

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# PALM SUNDAY

Holy Week begins next **Sunday**, **April 2**, with Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord. On this day the Church recalls the entrance of Christ the Lord into Jerusalem to accomplish his Paschal Mystery. This is liturgically observed with a procession, blessing of palms, and proclamation of the Gospel passage recounting Christ's entrance. The Gospel of the Mass itself is the Passion according to Matthew (or Luke or Mark in other years). The liturgical color is now red throughout, although purple was traditionally worn for the Mass itself.

In our Parish, the 12 NOON Solemn Mass of Palm Sunday is preceded by the Solemn Blessing of Palms and the chanting of the brief Office of Sext at 11:30 AM at St. Catherine of Siena. After the Office, the congregation, with palms in hand, and accompanied by a brass quartet, processes through the streets over to St. Vincent Ferrer for the Mass. Pews will be reserved at St. Vincent Ferrer for those participating in the Procession.

# **RECONCILIATION MONDAY**

Monday of Holy Week, **April 3**, is Reconciliation Monday throughout the Archdiocese, an opportunity for all to make their confession before Easter. Confessions will be heard at St. Catherine of Siena from 2–5:05 PM and 6–9 PM and at St. Vincent Ferrer from 2–4 PM and 5:15–9 PM.

# PARISH COFFEE HOUR

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

#### Parish Study "Lord, Give Me This Water" What it Means to be a Baptized Christian

Our final Lenten Parish Study is **Tuesday, March 28** at 6:45 PM in St. Vincent Ferrer Lower Church. The Sunday Readings in Lent this year are meant to teach us about the meaning of Baptism. We take the opportunity to reflect on why the Church of old has seen three passages from John's Gospel — the Samaritan woman, the healing of the man born blind, and the raising of Lazarus — to be about Christian initiation. These, as well as the other Lenten Gospels, reveal to us the implications of baptism in our private, ecclesial, and social lives.

# **MUSIC NOTES**

Next Sunday, for Palm Sunday, the Schola will sing Franco-Flemish and German Renaissance polyphony. The Passion according to St. Matthew will also be chanted at the Solemn Mass. Please consult the Holy Week Brochure for more information about the Schola's repertoire during Holy Week.

Missa Creta fortiter - Orlando di Lasso (1532-1594)

*Improperium exspectavit* – Orlando di Lasso

O Domine Jesu Christe, adoro te in cruce vulneratum

- Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

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# MASS INTENTIONS ST. VINCENT FERRER

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 26

6:00 PM (Vigil) Deceased Members of the Foye, Armstrong, Gorman, Donohoe, and Murphy Families
8:00 AM Christopher Brayley (D)
9:30 AM Linda Ann Cosentino (D)
12 NOON Deceased Members of the Garza & Fernandez Families
6:00 PM For the Paople of the

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#### MONDAY, MARCH 27

8:00 AM For the 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 Adolfo Sardina (D) 6:00 PM Lydia Ogaldez (D)

#### TUESDAY, MARCH 28

8:00 ам Fr. Allan Moran and the welfare of the Province of St. Joseph 12:10 рм Rev. Barnabas Gorski, оFM (D) 6:00 рм Jan Wilson (D)

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

8:00 ам Christopher Brayley (D) 12:10 рм Natalie Frankowski (D) 6:00 рм Alexander & Michaela Presciutti

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 30

- 8:00 AM Welfare of the missions of the Vicarate of East Africa, the Vice-Province of Pakistan, & all our missionary brothers
- 12:10 рм Rashan Quinones & Sonja Brybag (D)

6:00 PM Frances & Richard Reynolds and Edmund Lukas (D)

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 31

- 8:00 AM For an increase and perseverances in vocations to the order
- 12:10 рм Victoria Osejo Special Intention
- 6:00 рм Jane D'Agostino (D)

# SATURDAY, APRIL 1

8:00 AM For the Contemplative Nuns of the Order

6:00 рм Teresa Latawiec Zatorska (D)

#### MASS INTENTIONS ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

#### SUNDAY, MARCH 26

4:00 рм (Vigil) David Gale (D) 10:00 ам Richard Surazynski 5:00 рм Special Intention

#### MONDAY, MARCH 27

7:00 AM For the Province of St. Joseph5:15 РМ Pietro & Anna Spani (D)

### TUESDAY, MARCH 28

7:00 AM Richard Surazynski 5:15 рм Cesar Bernardo (D)

#### WEDNESDAY, MARCH 29

7:00 AM For the Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude5:15 РМ Hilda & Albert Erker (D)

#### THURSDAY, MARCH 30

7:00 AMRichard Surazynski5:15 PMTom Powers (D)

#### FRIDAY, MARCH 31

7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena 5:15 PM David O'Regan (D)

#### SATURDAY, APRIL 1

9:00 AM Richard Surazynski 4:00 рм David Gale (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 Healthcare Ministry.

# PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

Elaine Arace, August Arace, Annette Cunningham, Maggie Heath, Gaye Hooks, Jeremy Kyser, Robert J. Quackenbush, Giovanni Rampone, and Bruce Trousdell.

# Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Eleanor Barba, William Breen, Sr. Michael Mary Campbell, Mary Keegan, Michael Muretti, Emmanuel Orjiugo, Annette Simon, Marilyn Tracy, Amelia Weitzman, and the souls of all the recently deceased.

#### CANDLE INTENTIONS St. VINCENT FERRER

#### Sanctuary Lamps

Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez; john Donaghue (D); John Russell (D); Intention of Donor; Souls in Purgatory; Special Intention; and the People of the Parish.

# Sanctuary Madonna

Jack Ryan Keegan

*Our Lady of Fatima Shrine* Peace in Ukraine

#### CANDLE INTENTIONS ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

*Purgatorial Altar 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 of Siena Monday–Friday, 10 AM–3 PM.

# VEILING STATUES IN PASSIONTIDE

In past years, we have been able to maintain the ancient custom of veiling the statues at St. Catherine's. We had not been able to do it at St. Vincent's, though, because of the lack of veils. Previous pastors looked into this, but nothing ever materialized. Sometime last year, though, I was able to begin a few conversations with various parishioners about this topic. Through the attentiveness of a particular parishioner, we were able to find a suitable type of fabric for the veils, and through the incredible generosity of another parishioner, we were able to have the veils made. I am especially grateful for this love for the Lord.

What is the point of veiling the statues, and why did we go to all this trouble though? The history of veiling statues at the end of Lent is a little veiled in mystery, but it seems that it might have derived from the ninth century German practice of hanging a "Hungertuch" (hunger cloth) in front of the altar during Passiontide (the last two weeks of Lent). This practice seems to have been a replacement for the practice of "banishing" sinners from churches, which had been practiced in the early Church. When this Hungertuch was installed in Passiontide it was meant to foster an increased hunger for the Eucharist.

This idea seems to have developed later into the veiling of sacred images and statues in churches so that all those who come to the church would grow in their desire for what is sacred. In other words, it is meant to help us hunger and thirst for the Lord so that when we come to the Easter mysteries, we can truly enter into them with hearts longing for the grace of God.



Moreover, in the older set of readings for Mass, what we now call the 5th Sunday of Lent was previously referred to as Passion Sunday. The Gospel for the day included the passage about when Jesus invoked the Divine Name for Himself in John and how some of the Jews went to stone Him. At that, "Jesus hid Himself, and went out of the temple" (John 8:59). If Jesus hid Himself, then we can respond by hiding the statues and images so that we can enter into that longing for redemption along with Him.

As we enter into Passiontide, may the Lord grant us many graces so that our hearts increasingly can long for Him so that when we come to the fulfillment of the Paschal Mystery in heaven, we finally may be satisifed as we gaze upon Him with eyes and hearts completely unveiled before Him.

In Christ,

Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P.

# **CONFESSION DURING HOLY WEEK – 2023**

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

# PALM SUNDAY – April 2

11–11:30 AM – St. Catherine 7:45–8 AM, 9:15–9:30 AM, 11:30 AM–12 NOON, 5:15–6 PM – St. Vincent

# **RECONCILIATION MONDAY – April 3**

2-5:05 РМ, 6-9 РМ – St. Catherine 2-4 РМ, 5:15-9 РМ – St. Vincent

# **TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK – April 4 and 5**

4:40-5:05 PM - St. Catherine 5:15-6 PM - St. Vincent

# HOLY THURSDAY – April 6

4:15–4:45 PM\* – St. Catherine 6–6:25 PM\*, 8:30–10:30 PM – St. Vincent

# GOOD FRIDAY – April 7

11:30 AM-12:30 PM, 4:15-4:45 PM\* - St. Catherine 1:30-2:45 PM\* - St. Vincent

# HOLY SATURDAY – April 8

10:30 AM-12 NOON - St. Catherine 7-7:45 PM\* - St. Vincent

# EASTER SUNDAY – April 9

7:45-8 AM, 9–9:30 AM, 11:30 AM–12 NOON – St. Vincent

**SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY) – April 16** 7:45–8 AM, 9:15–9:30 AM, 11:30 AM–12 NOON, 2–4 PM, 5:15–6 PM – St. Vincent

\* At these Confessions times, the friars will stop hearing confessions before the liturgy since they cannot celebrate another liturgy that day. Confessions will not be available during the liturgy as they usually are.



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# HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE – 2023

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

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PALM SUNDAY – April 2

4 PM Saturday (April 1): Low Vigil Mass – St. Catherine 6 PM Saturday (April 1): Sung Vigil Mass – St. Vincent

> 8 AM Low Mass – St. Vincent 9:30 AM Sung Mass – St. Vincent 10 AM Low Mass – St. Catherine

11:30 AM Blessing of Palms - St. Catherine
with Procession through the Streets and
12 NOON Solemn Mass - St. Vincent

with Lasso's Missa Creta fortiter, motets, and the chanting of St. Matthew's Passion

5 PM Sung Mass – St. Catherine 6 PM Sung Mass – St. Vincent

# **RECONCILIATION MONDAY – April 3**

Regular Weekday Mass Schedule Confessions from 2–5:05 PM, 6–9 PM – St. Catherine Confessions from 2–4 PM, 5:15–9 PM – St. Vincent

# TUESDAY AND WEDNESDAY OF HOLY WEEK – April 4 and 5

Regular Weekday Mass and Confession Schedule No Wednesday Holy Hour

# HOLY THURSDAY - April 6

8 AM at St. Catherine | 9 AM at St. Vincent - Office of Readings and Morning Prayer

5 PM Healthcare Ministry Low Mass of the Lord's Supper - St. Catherine

6:30 PM Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper – St. Vincent with Langlais's Messe Solennelle and motets of Duruflé and Villette

followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, concluding with 11:45 PM Compline - St. Vincent

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GOOD FRIDAY - April 7

8 AM at St. Catherine | 9 AM at St. Vincent - Office of Readings and Morning Prayer

11 AM Stations of the Cross - St. Catherine

12 NOON-1:30 PM Seven Last Words of Christ – St. Vincent with preaching by the Dominican Friars

**3 PM** Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion – St. Vincent with motets of Merulo and the chanting of St. John's Passion

5 PM Healthcare Ministry Simple Liturgy of the Lord's Passion - St. Catherine

7 PM Service of Mater Dolorosa and Solemn Compline - St. Vincent

# HOLY SATURDAY – April 8

8 AM at St. Catherine | 9 AM at St. Vincent – Office of Readings and Morning Prayer Both churches will close at 12 NOON and St. Vincent will reopen at 7 PM.

> 8 PM Great Vigil of Easter – St. Vincent with Vierne's Messe Solennelle and motets of Palestrina

# EASTER SUNDAY - April 9

8 AM Low Mass – St. Vincent 9 AM Morning Prayer – St. Vincent 9:30 AM Sung Mass – St. Vincent 10 AM Sung Mass – St. Catherine

12 NOON Solemn Mass – St. Vincent with Bruno Oscar Klein's Missa Paschalis, Op. 30 and motets

3:15 PM Solemn Vespers – St. Vincent with Morales's Magnificat Primi Toni

4 PM Sung Mass – St. Vincent

5 PM Sung Mass - St. Catherine

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