



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

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April 18 – Third Sunday of Easter

PARISH COVID PROTOCOLS

We have resumed our regular Mass and confession schedule. The following guidelines should be observed while in church: masks are required throughout the Mass, practice social distancing as indicated by the markers, make frequent use of the hand sanitizer provided, and follow the instructions for the distribution of Holy Communion. The Churches are cleaned between Masses.

FR. WALTER WAGNER AND MISSION

Last weekend, Fr. Walter preached at all of the Masses about the mission of the Church, in the time of the apostolic and now. In a video greeting earlier this week, Father Walter announced the new mission that has been given to him: to become Pastor of St. Thomas Aquinas University Parish at the University of Virginia in Charlottesville.

The new Pastor of our Parish will be Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P., currently the Chaplain and Director of Campus Ministry of Providence College in Rhode Island. These new assignments will commence mid-summer. May these intervening months be a fruitful time of prayer and transition in our Parish.

For more details, please read Father Walter's letter in this week's Bulletin and view his video message on our website, svsc.info.

NEW YORK PURGATORIAL SOCIETY MASS

On Monday, April 19 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.

PARISH OCTAVE OF PATRONAGE

Thursday, April 29 is the Solemnity of St. Catherine of Siena. There will be a Solemn Mass at 5:15 PM at St. Catherine of Siena for which the Schola Cantorum will sing Philippe de Monte's *Missa Quomodo dilexi*; Nicolas Gombert's *Beati omnes à 5*; and Jacob Regnart's *Tollite jugum meum*.

Wednesday, May 5 is the Solemnity of St. Vincent Ferrer and the anniversary of Church's dedication. There will be a Solemn Mass with a *Te Deum* at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer for which the Schola will sing Orlando di Lasso's *Missa Bell' Amfitrit' altera*; *Deus meus in simplicitate cordis mei*; and *Ecce nunc benedicite Dominum*.

In the intervening days, the Parish will celebrate a Patronal Octave of Prayer, with special preaching and a prayer recited at all Masses.

PARISH EMAIL

To receive up to date and 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.

PARISH STUDY

Fr. Walter Wagner and Br. Frassati Davis have completed their Lenten study series. The seven episodes of the Lenten Series on the Theology of the Baptistry at St. Vincent Ferrer are available on our Parish YouTube channel. You can access the series via our parish website, svsc.info.

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 PM

Wednesday: 7:15–7:55

Saturday: 5–5:50 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 PM

Saturday: 3–3:50 PM

*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

LIVESTREAM ROSARY

Weekdays: 9 AM

Saturday: 8:30 AM

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SUMMER THEOLOGY COURSES AT ST. JOSEPH'S SEMINARY - DUNWOODIE

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MUSIC NOTES

Next week, for the Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday), the Schola will sing music of the Italian Renaissance.

On Easter Sunday, we heard music of two Bolognese composers: Andrea Rota and Ascanio Trombetti. Bartolomeo Spontone, another Bologna native, began his musical education at that city's Basilica of St. Petronio and continued his studies in Rome with Giaches de Ponte and Cristóbal de Morales. He was appointed *maestro del canto* of St. Petronio in 1577, and subsequently served at St. Maria Maggiore in Bergamo (1584-1586), at Verona Cathedral (1586-1588), and at Treviso Cathedral (1591-1592).

Giovanni Battista Mosto was born in Udine and studied with Claudio Merulo. He became *maestro di cappella* of Padua Cathedral in 1580. After serving for several months in mid-1589 as the *maestro* of the Venetian Church of St. Maria Gloriosa dei Frari, Mosto was hired to serve the court of Prince Zsigmond Báthory of Transylvania in Gyulafehérvár (now Alba Iulia). After the Turkish invasion of 1594, Báthory moved the court to Krakow and later to Cologne. Soon thereafter Mosto joined the court of Cologne's Elector Ernst von Wittelsbach, with whom he visited Bonn, Liège, and Brussels. Mosto returned to Padua's Cathedral as *maestro* in 1595.

Missa Ultimi miei sospiri – Bartolomeo Spontone (1530-1592)

Surrexit pastor bonus – Giovanni Battista Mosto (c. 1550-1596)

Haec dies á 6 – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

For the next six weeks—the remainder of Eastertide—the organ voluntaries at Mass will survey Johann Sebastian Bach's six *Trio Sonatas*, BWV 525-530. Compiled or composed in Leipzig between 1723 and 1733, these sonatas "have held a special place in the organ literature since they were written. Unique in their time, as chambers works for organ, and unsurpassed in beauty and performance demands, the sonatas have remained the ultimate challenge of an organist's interpretative and technical skills." (George B. Stauffer)

The style and the three-movement structure of the sonatas resemble the instrumental Italianate trio sonata. Thus we hear the organ in a delicate, transparent treatment, with an independent melodic line played by each hand and a bass line for the pedals.

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. VINCENT FERRER

SUNDAY, APRIL 18
6:00 PM (Vigil) Christine Perry
Hogan (D)
8:00 AM For the People of the
Parish
9:30 AM Joseph & Angeline
Sabo (D)
12 NOON Andrew & Arthur
Williams (D)
6:00 PM John F. Incollingo (D)

MONDAY, APRIL 19
8:00 AM For the Deceased of the
Parish & the Order
12:10 PM Living & Deceased
Members of the Gorski Family
6:00 PM Veneracion Czobor

TUESDAY, APRIL 20
8:00 AM Claudia Joly
de Lotbiniere (D)
12:10 PM Vincenzo Nardone (D)
6:00 PM Kathleen Cunningham

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21
8:00 AM Monsignor Edwin V.
Hoover (D)
12:10 PM Dennis Forte (D)
6:00 PM Joan M. & Salvatore
Carvo (D)

THURSDAY, APRIL 22
8:00 AM Beverly Wagner (D)
12:10 PM Edward C. Perry (D)
6:00 PM Richard Lyons (D)

FRIDAY, APRIL 23
8:00 AM Benefactors of the St. John
Paul II Society
12:10 PM Yuen C. Kwong (D)
6:00 PM Bill Waters (D)

SATURDAY, APRIL 24
8:00 AM Sue Crissy (D)
6:00 PM Rene Concepcion (D)

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY, APRIL 18
4:00 PM (Vigil) David Johnson (D)
10:00 AM Perpetuo Silan, Sr. (D)
5:00 PM Jose Gomez Zapata (D)

MONDAY, APRIL 19
7:00 AM For the Province of
St. Joseph
5:15 PM Xandra & Rob Bernardo

TUESDAY, APRIL 20
7:00 AM Helen & Thomas
Fehey (D)
5:15 PM In Thanksgiving for God's
Mercy and Love

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 21
7:00 AM Patrons of the Shrine of
St. Jude
5:15 PM Petra Velasquez (D)

THURSDAY, APRIL 22
7:00 AM Noreen O'Sullivan (D)
5:15 PM Fr. Walter Wagner, O.P.

FRIDAY, APRIL 23
7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society
of St. Catherine of Siena
5:15 PM Guiseppe Cichi (D)

SATURDAY, APRIL 24
9:00 AM Moira Slattery (D)
4:00 PM David Gale (D)

PARISH PRAYER
INTENTIONS

August Arace, Jeanette Armentno,
Samantha Baring, Richard Bonsor,
Dr. M. Jwahir Brathwaite, Jack
Briggs, Roseann Connelly, Roland
Goslett, Robin Hambro, Maggie
Heath, Richard Holiday, Peter
Lord, Daniel Mackay, John Morace,
Michael Parker, Adolfo Sardina, Blair
Scribner, Anchalee Sae-Lim, Irene
Binos Villamor, Janice A. Wilson and
Kieran Wrynn.

Please pray for the repose of the souls
of Debra Ackerman, Michael Buckley,
Simon Castillo, Karen Cuddy,
Richard Cunningham, Eugene
Gaughan, Marvin Hagler, Maurice
A. Murphy, Walter Molinelli, Juan de
Jesus Piraquive, Virginia Rillo, Ruby
Sebastian, Stephen Webb, 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); Daniel Donoghue (D); Mary
Williams (D); Intention of Donor;
Souls in Purgatory; The People of the
Parish; Special Intention

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Madonna
Jack Ryan Keegan

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

*St. Catherine – St. Martin de Porres
Candle*

Maria Marta Litrenta

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and in the Church Office of St. Catherine of Siena Monday–Friday, 10 AM–3 PM.*

CHAPTERS OF LIFE

Over the course of this past week I faced the sad task of informing the Community of the Parish that I have received a new assignment, and the happy challenge of communicating, at the same time, how much this new assignment fulfills me as a Dominican Friar. For eleven years I have marveled over the towers of Manhattan and pinched myself to think they form the pillars of my home. But by mid-Summer I will look up at the Blue Ridge Mountains, and will find myself residing in the Commonwealth of Virginia. Home will be the Grounds of Mr. Jefferson's University. I have no doubt of new reasons for amazement as a new place envelops me. In this loss and gain you perceive the *itinerancy* of the Dominicans.

Monks and Nuns attach themselves to a place by a vow of stability, but St. Dominic located the permanence of his Brothers in the Brotherhood itself. Grounded in relationship, we move from place to place as the needs of the preaching demand. But geographical change doesn't tell the whole story because in these movements the Friar enters and leaves multiple worlds over the course of a lifetime. Each new assignment becomes grist for the study required of every Dominican and it provides wherewithal for contemplation.

When I moved from the Boston area to Cincinnati in 2000, I relished discovering the Ohio Valley and the city's German Catholic heritage. (Of course this study offered a subjective excitement for I was uncovering my own roots as a native of nearby Louisville.) But when the taxi brought me over the Triborough Bridge in 2010 I set to work once again and immersed myself in the streets and buildings, history and people of this city, so that it became my own. The experience is that study leads to understanding, and understanding leads to love. When I would savor brats and beer at the St. Gertrude Parish festival I felt *part of*, but when I dined outdoors in a Lexington Avenue lean-to this winter I felt no less *part of*. In such belonging lies the satisfaction of contributing something to the well-being of a place and people, and the awareness that they have somehow completed me.

Contemplation takes over at this point, because when I sit back and take in the series of my assignments, in my case four different ministries in four different worlds, I see God at work not only in each one, but in the succession of them. Truly I have been amazed at how each assignment has prepared me for the next in ways I could never have imagined. My first posting after ordination was to teach at Providence College where I served in an interdisciplinary program called the Development of Western Civilization. Never did I dream that this experience would help me structure my program as Novice Master. Continuities such as this surprise the one who serves and the ones who are served. One time I referred to my novitiate experience in a retreat at St. Vincent Ferrer. In response I heard one parishioner ask another, "What is a novitiate?" She responded, "I don't know, but I think we are in it."

From these experiences I derive the confidence that God does organize life for me and for those I love. Clearly, to my eyes there will be in Charlottesville, something for me to learn, a measure for me to grow, and a service for me to give.

My trust in the plan for me, gives me confidence in the plan for you.

If a Friar's life proceeds as a series of assignments, then the life of a parish unfolds in serial chapters shaped by the movements of people in time, and each stage of growth makes possible another. God's providence enables a group of people to grow organically by supplying the leadership needed at each time. A group like our parish grows through having a variety of pastors who bring to their service varying gifts and talents, struggles and insights. The succession of them enables the development of a parish culture wider and deeper than any one of them.

So, on a foundation of this confidence I grieve my losses, for I am losing a world, and at the same time I prepare to welcome my Brother, Peter Martyr Yungwirth, to take my place in this world. I hope he will enroll as a student of New York and a student of you, and that he will discover in the learning, something of the great happiness I have known here. Meanwhile, having surrendered my seniority I will find myself this Fall a 59 year old Freshman on campus. I am just glad I already belong to a Fraternity.

So much more to say!



Fr. Walter

THIS WEEK OF GRACE

April 18 – 24, 2021

Prayer to the Holy Spirit at a Time of Change

- Our parish has been given the mission of carrying out a change in leadership.
- Ask the Holy Spirit to guide all involved, so that a time of change may also be a time of growth.

O God, who have taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that in the same Spirit we may be truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for ever and ever.

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for April 2021

- We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting for fundamental rights under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes, and even in democracies in crisis.

April 18

The Third Sunday of Easter

- On the Third Sunday of Easter we recognize our encounter with the Risen Lord in the mystery of the Holy Eucharist.
- Pray that we may all come to a deeper Eucharistic faith, that we may recognize the Lord's accompaniment of us, for He is the Way, the Truth, and the Life.

April 20

St. Agnes of Montepulciano, O.P.

- St. Agnes was a cloistered Dominican Nun of the Thirteenth Century. The women who embrace this hidden life make the Lord's Passion and Resurrection the organizing principle of everything they do.
- Pray for them, as they surely pray for you.

April 21

St. Anselm

- St. Anselm (1034-1109) was a Benedictine Monk. He lived a reformed monastic life, pioneered scholastic theology, and then became Archbishop of Canterbury. He drew on his spiritual depth and theological acumen to defend the independence of the Church.
- Pray for all who pursue the theological life within the Church, and for all who work for the integrity of the Church's life.

April 22

Earth Day

- On this Earth Day we pray for all those who work as stewards of our environment, and seek the grace to embrace this task in our own lives.
- This will also be a day for giving thanks for the amazing intricacy, beauty, and resilience of God's creation.

April 23

St. George

- His legendary battle with the dragon has made St. George a saint of valor.
- In that light we pray for all who risk life and well being for the sake of the Gospel; in particular we pray for all who see their military and law enforcement service in this light.

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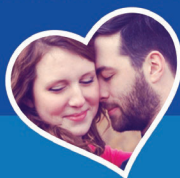


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