

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

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May 1, 2022 - Third Sunday of Easter

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*.

ALMSGIVING SUNDAY

This week, and going forward, the orange Deficit Reduction envelope is replaced with a blue H.E.L.P. envelope, an acronym for Heat, Energy, Lighting and Property. Your monthly contribution in support of basic services such as heat, air conditioning, telephones, technology, lighting, property repairs and maintenance goes a long way in helping us to pay this very large monthly expense.

Donations will also be taken-up after Mass by members of the Social Concerns Committee to support the work of the New York Common Pantry.

You can also contribute to both collections on line via **WeShare.** Visit our parish website, *svsc.info/ways-to-give*, to make your donations. Thank you for your generosity.

SOLEMNITY OF ST. VINCENT FERRER

Thursday, May 5 is the Solemnity of St. Vincent Ferrer and the anniversary of Church's dedication. There will be a Solemn Mass 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*. A solemn Te Deum will be sung at the conclusion of the Mass.

The Church of St. Vincent Ferrer, dedicated on May 5, 1918, was built to the designs of renowned American architect Bertram Grosvenor Goodhue, who considered this his finest building. This National Historic Landmark is widely acclaimed as the foremost American example of French Gothic-style architecture and includes a complete set of Charles Connick stained glass windows, carvings by Lee Lawrie, and two instruments by the Schantz Organ Company.

Born in the province of Valencia, Spain, St. Vincent Ferrer (1350-1419) joined the Order of Preachers in 1367. Traveling widely across Europe, his preaching against the evils of the time encouraged repentance and promoted Church reform. A significant figure in ending the Western schism, he worked tirelessly for peace and unity within the Church. Vincent is often depicted holding a trumpet and the Book of Revelation with a quotation from it, reading: *Timete Deum et date illi honorem quia venit hora judicii ejus* (Fear God and give honor to him for the hour of judgment is coming). The flame above his head symbolizes the Holy Spirit's call to preach the Gospel.

St. Vincent Ferrer's feastday according to the liturgical calendar of the Dominican Order is May 5. In the general Roman Calendar, St. Vincent's feastday is April 5, the day on which he died.

MASS AND CONFESSIONS St. VINCENT FERRER

Masses

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 Sunday: 7:45–8 ам, 9:15–9:30 ам,

11:30 ам–12 noon, 5:30–6 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

*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

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May Crowning

Today, at the 9:30 AM Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer and at the 10 AM Mass at St. Catherine of Siena, there will be a May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

FEAST OF STS. PHILIP AND JAMES

Tuesday, May 3 is the Feast of Sts. Philip and James, Apostles. There will be a Sung Mass and Procession at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer.

MOTHER'S DAY

Next Sunday, May 8, the second Sunday of May, is Mother's Day. There will be a Remembrance Book for all deceased mothers at the Rosary Altar at both Churches.

PARISH STUDY: PREACHING ON THE GIFTS OF THE HOLY SPIRIT

Throughout the Easter Season at our Wednesday night Parish Holy Hours, we'll prepare for the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost with reflections on the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. Come join us for this beautiful way to prepare our hearts to receive the graces of the Holy Spirit this Pentecost.

6 рм – Mass followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

7 PM – Preaching on the Gifts of the Holy Spirit*

7:15–8 PM – Confessions

8 PM – Compline followed by Benediction

*Preaching themes

April 20 - Understanding

April 27 - Knowledge

May 4 - Fear of the Lord

May 11 - Wisdom

May 18 - Counsel

May 25 - Piety

June 1 - Fortitude

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MUSIC NOTES

Next Sunday, for the Fourth Sunday of Easter (Good Shepherd Sunday), the Schola will sing music of 19th and 20th century Austria, Germany, and France. Josef Friedrich Doppelbauer was taught organ and composition at the Salzburg Mozarteum from 1960-1988. Michael Haller was a German priest and church musician who served as *Domkapellmeister* at Regensburg Cathedral. Alexandre Guilmant, the best known of the three, was the organist of Paris's fashionable church, La Trinité, from 1871-1901, was a founding member of the Schola Cantorum, a music conservatory in Paris, and was Professor of Organ at the Conservatoire de Paris.

Kleine Messe in F – Josef Friedrich Doppelbauer (1918-1989)

Surrexit pastor bonus – Michael Haller (1848-1915)

Ave verum corpus – Alexandre Guilmant (1837-1911)

Mass Intentions St. Vincent Ferrer

SUNDAY, MAY I
6:00 PM (Vigil) Deceased Members
of the Sharbel Family
8:00 AM Marie du Sacre Coeur
Smith, RSHM
9:30 AM Claudia Corradini (D)
12 NOON Families in Crisis to
Experience Christ's Strength,
Healing, and Hope
6:00 PM Richard H. Pinney (D)

Monday, May 2 8:00 am For the Deceased of the Parish and the Order 12:10 pm Dennis Hersch (D) 6:00 pm Personal Intention

TUESDAY, MAY 3 8:00 AM Peter J. Zacharilla (D) 12:10 PM Roseann Connolly 6:00 PM Alex & Rex Betita (D)

Wednesday, May 4 8:00 am Angeline Sabo (D) 12:10 pm Marie & Jack Powers (D) 6:00 pm Mira Jemse I. Flores

Thursday, May 5 8:00 am Bart & Bridget McGovern (D) 12:10 pm Sister Dorothy (D) 6:00 pm Thanksgiving Prayer to Shane Dinneen

FRIDAY, MAY 6 8:00 AM Aquila Zacharilla (D) 12:10 PM Monica Gorski (D) 6:00 PM Richard Petrocy (D)

Saturday, May 7 8:00 am Living Members of the Mullen Family 6:00 pm (Vigil) Jeanne Gorski (D)

MASS INTENTIONS St. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY, MAY I 4:00 PM (Vigil) David Gale (D) 10:00 AM Gavino P. Abaya, Jr. (D) 5:00 PM Novena of Our Patronage

Monday, May 2
7:00 am For the Province of
St. Joseph
5:15 pm Novena of Our Patronage

Tuesday, May 3
7:00 am For the People of the
Parish
5:15 pm Novena of Our Patronage

Wednesday, May 4
7:00 am For the Patrons of the
Shrine of St. Jude
5:15 pm Novena of Our Patronage

Thursday, May 5 7:00 ам John & Franziska Koestner (D) 5:15 рм Novena of Our Patronage

FRIDAY, MAY 6
7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena
5:15 PM Josephine Madamba (D)

Saturday, May 7 9:00 am In Thanksgiving for Helen Cox & Kids on the Block 4:00 pm David Gale (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, Eileen Dolan, Maggie Heath, Barbara Decker Lenihan, and Anthony Scorra.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

Simon Castillo, Shirley Jean Radcliffe Dolan, Patrick Sean Guerin, John Martinez, Carolyn Masters, Monica Meade, Michael Rizzo, Lenny Santos, Ruby Sebastian, David Tracy, and the souls of all the recently deceased.

CANDLE INTENTIONS

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Lamps Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez; Kevin Wilson (D); Sr. Marianne Morelle, O.P. (D); Intention of Donor; Souls in Purgatory; People of the Parish; Special Intention.

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

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)

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

The Dominican Charism - Why Preaching?

The light of dawn streamed in through the windows. The light of grace penetrated the heart.

The year was 1203, and St. Dominic was accompanying his bishop from Spain to the Danish Marches to negotiate a marriage between the son of the King of Castile and a Danish noble woman. Their journey led them through Toulouse in southern France, and there the two travelers stopped overnight at an inn. It quickly became obvious that their host had lapsed from the faith and embraced the Albigensian heresy. At once, St. Dominic and the innkeeper intensely began to debate religious truths. This conversation continued through the night with the light of candles enlightening the room and the Light of Truth enlightening the innkeeper's heart. By morning, he had been won back to the true faith. The rays of the sun revealed how the grace of the Son had transformed the man's life. He had traveled through the darkness of error and come back to the light of Christ.

What was it that led St. Dominic to engage in this nighttime *disputatio*? After he met the innkeeper, St. Dominic soon realized that the innkeeper was a man desirous to follow God but that some things were askew. He understood that God was the Creator but didn't get that He was the Creator of both heaven and earth. He recognized that Jesus was the Savior of the soul but not also of the body. In a sense, the man had the seeds of faith but needed to have the rest of the package filled out. More than anything else in that moment, St. Dominic desired to share what he had found: the whole Lord, the whole Gospel, the whole Truth. Ultimately, it was because St. Dominic so deeply loved the Lord, that he also loved His people. From this love overflowed a desire to share the Truth and the Love that he had come to know. So he stayed up through the night to share that with this man.

This is at the heart of the Dominican charism. The Dominican is called to come to know Christ and then to share Jesus Christ with others through preaching in word and deed. The *Fundamental Constitutions* of the Order of Preachers states.

"we have as our special function a prophetic task, which is to proclaim everywhere by word and example the Gospel of Jesus Christ, taking into account people's situations, the times, and the locations. The object of our preaching is either to cause the faith to be born or to allow it to penetrate people's entire lives more deeply, thus building the body of Christ which is brought to perfection by the sacraments of faith." (Fundamental Constitutions, V)

In other words, in all that a Dominican does, he or she should be a witness to the reality of Christ's life, death, and resurrection.

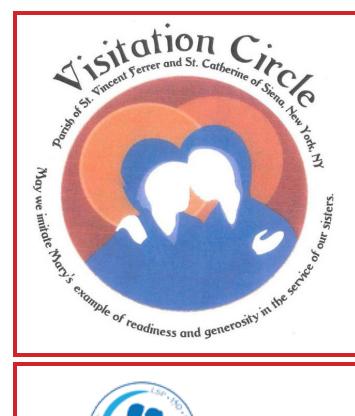
This is all because of the need for salvation. When you think about it, what is actually more important than spending eternity with God and the saints in heaven? As good as it is to have stable housing and income, as good as it is to build loving relationships with family and friends, as good as it is to make good and virtuous use of the created things of this world, all of that pales in comparison with the Supreme Good, God Himself, and spending eternity with Him in heaven. The most important thing in this life to prepare for eternal life with the Lord. That is what impelled St. Dominic to preach to the innkeeper. That is what impels Dominicans to preach the Gospel. It's all about the salvation of souls.

Likewise, this impetus to preach—to share the person and teachings of Jesus Christ with others—should guide a Dominican parish. While the Mass, the confessional, the Divine Office, the Rosary, the life of study, and the community are all beautiful aspects of a Dominican parish's life, they all have a purpose, which is to lead us to Christ. In a sense, they are all connected to the holy preaching that characterizes a Dominican's life.

Similarly, this should shape the life of the parishioners at a Dominican parish. In the next few weeks, we will unpack what this can look like. Hopefully, in that way, all of us can respond to the call of the Lord to "make disciples of all nations" (Mt. 28:19).

In Christ and through Holy Father Dominic,

Tr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, o.P.



VISITATION CIRCLE MEETING – MAY 7

Saturday, May 7, is the monthly meeting of the Visitation Circle. It will be held in St. Vincent Ferrer Church, starting with the recitation of the Rosary at 11:35 AM, followed by Mass at 12:00 NOON. Lunch will follow in the Church Priory; a small, free-will donation to cover costs will be appreciated. Please note that lunch will be pre-ordered; cancellations are requested 24 hours in advance.

This month, members will continue their conversation about networking and the importance of friendships in later years. Plans for the annual June dinner will be announced.

The Visitation Circle celebrates Catholic women living on their own in New York as widowed, divorced, single or separated women. For additional information, contact the Visitation Circle at *catherine_o_rourke@hotmail.com* or email the Parish Office at *parish@svsc.info*.



TO OUR PARISHIONERS FROM THE SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE DRIVE TO SUPPORT THE ELDERLY

Each spring we request donations for the elderly in the care of the Little Sisters of the Poor living at the Jeanne Jugan Residence in the Bronx. And each year you are marvelously generous.

We are asking for donations during the two weeks surrounding Mother's Day, Monday, May 2 through Sunday, May 15. Bins will be located in the vestibule of both churches to drop off your donations.

Perhaps this can be a donation in honor of your mother or an elderly person whom you love.

Here is a list of the items that are needed:

Body Wash Tea Bags - Regular and De-Caf

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Body LotionKleenex TissuesTooth PastePaper TowelsMouth WashToilet Paper

Please also join us in welcoming the Little Sisters of the Poor to our Parish next weekend. They will talk to us about their ministry at the Jeanne Jugan Residence in the Bronx where the Little Sisters offer hospitality and care for 100 needy elderly men and women. They depend greatly on charity to carry on their mission to the aged and infirm. Any assistance you can give will help them provide for the needs of the elderly entrusted to their care. You may also donate using WeShare through the Little Sisters Bronx website, *littlesistersofthepoorbronx.org*

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6 PM Mass followed by Exposition of the

Blessed Sacrament

7 PM Topical Preaching on the

Gifts of the Holy Spirit*

7:15-8 PM Confessions

8 PM Compline followed by Benediction

*TOPICAL PREACHING THEMES

APRIL 20 Understanding

APRIL 27 Knowledge

MAY 4 Fear of the Lord

MAY 11 Wisdom
MAY 18 Counsel
MAY 25 Piety

JUNE I Fortitude



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