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May 16, 2021 – Seventh Sunday of Easter

PARISH COVID PROTOCOLS

We are following our regular Mass and confession schedule. Please adhere to these guidelines while in our churches: 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. Thank you for your continued cooperation.

NEW YORK PURGATORIAL SOCIETY MASS

On Monday, May 17 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.

MAY CROWNING

On Wednesday, May 19, following the 5:15 PM Mass at St. Catherine of Siena, there will be a May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

PENTECOST

On Saturday, May 22, there will be a Solemn Mass for the Vigil of Pentecost at 7:30 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer. This Vigil Mass, similar in form to the Easter Vigil (but much more brief, lasting only about 80 minutes), includes readings and prayers added by Pope Benedict XVI in 2008. The Schola will sing Manuel Cardoso's *Missa Regina Caeli*; Juan Esquivel's *Repleti sunt omnes*; and Tomás Luis de Victoria's *Veni Creator Spiritus*.

The other evening Masses at 4 and 6 PM on Saturday, May 22 will still be offered as well, but the 6 PM Mass will be a Low Mass.

The schedule for Pentecost Sunday, May 23 is as usual, with the Schola Cantorum singing for the 12 NOON Solemn Mass.

Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P., our new Pastor, will preach on Pentecost.

TRINITY SUNDAY – FRASSATI DAVIS'S MASSES OF THANKSGIVING

May 30, the first Sunday after Pentecost, is the Solemnity of the Most Holy Trinity. St. Rupert commented, "The time is well chosen, for, immediately after the descent of the Divine Spirit, began the preaching and belief and Baptism and confession in the name of the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit."

Frassati Davis, O.P. who has been serving as a deacon in the Parish for the past year, will be ordained to the holy priesthood in Washington, D.C. on Saturday, May 22. On Trinity Sunday, he will celebrate the 12 NOON Solemn Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer as a Mass of Thanksgiving.

While in New York, Br. Frassati has ministered to a number of Hispanic apostolates, so he will also offer a Mass of Thanksgiving in Spanish on Saturday, May 29 at 7:30 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer.

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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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FR. WALTER WAGNER'S NEW ASSIGNMENT

Father Walter has 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 early July. May these intervening months be a fruitful time of prayer and transition in our Parish.

To read Fr. Walter's letter and view his video announcement regarding his new assignment, please visit our website, svsc.info. In addition, you can also view Fr. Peter Martyr's video introducing himself to the Parish community.

MEMORIAL DAY SCHEDULE

In observance of Memorial Day, the Parish Offices will be closed on Monday, May 31. There will only be two Low Masses offered in the Parish: at 7 AM at St. Catherine of Siena and at 9 AM at St. Vincent Ferrer. No Confessions will be heard and both churches will close following the Masses.

LITURGICAL NOTES ON PENTECOST

Pentecost marks the fiftieth day of the Paschal celebration: seven weeks of seven days, thus a week of weeks. Seven is sacred in Judeo-Christian numerology, rooted in the six days of creation with a Sabbath day of rest. From this structure also comes the Jewish tradition wherein every fiftieth year – a 'Jubilee Year' – debts were forgiven and prisoners set free, and the sobriquet of the Lord's Day as the 'Eighth Day,' meaning that in Christ a breakthrough to a new reality was achieved.

Pentecost has its roots in the Jewish celebration of the Old Testament known variously as the 'Feast of Weeks', 'Feast of Harvest', and 'Day of First-Fruits'. Contemporary Judaism celebrates this festival, signifying the end of the grain harvest, as Shavu'ot (meaning "week"). *You shall count off seven weeks; begin to count the seven weeks from the day when the sickle is first put to the standing grain. You shall then keep the Feast of Weeks for the Lord, your God, and the measure of your own voluntary offering which you will give shall be in proportion to the blessing the Lord, your God, has given you.* (Deuteronomy 16:9-11)

Pentecost is also known as Whitsunday, a name derived either from the white garments that the neophytes would have worn for the last time (Pentecost marking the end of Eastertide), or from the wisdom (wit – formerly spelled 'wyt' or 'wytte') out-poured on the Apostles by the Holy Spirit. Red, considered an 'active' and 'caloric' color, is the liturgical color for this feast, as it is for Ritual Masses of Confirmation.

The Paschal Candle, blessed at the Easter Vigil, has been burning for the entirety of these fifty days, showing Christ's enduring presence until the descent of the Holy Spirit, although historically in some places the Candle was extinguished on the Ascension (the fortieth day after Easter) to mark the time of the cenacle.

The festal character is further conveyed by joyful *Alleluias* which conclude all the Propers, as has been the case since Easter, as well as the appointment of a Sequence (*Veni Sancte Spiritus*, sung after the *Alleluia*) paralleling Easter's *Victimae paschali laudes*.

MUSIC NOTES

Next Saturday, May 22, for the 7:30 PM Solemn Vigil of Pentecost, the Schola will sing music of the Iberian Renaissance. (Listed above)

For the 12 NOON Solemn Mass of Pentecost Sunday, the Schola will sing:

Missa All'acqua sagra – Costanzo Antegnati (1549-1624)

Hodie complete sunt dies Pentecostes – Hans Leo Hassler (1564-1612)

Paracletus autem – Jan Pieterszoon Sweelinck (1562-1621)

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. VINCENT FERRER

SUNDAY, MAY 16
6:00 PM (Vigil) Celestine Padilla (D)
8:00 AM Jack Short (D)
9:30 AM Gilbert Hart Kinney (D)
12 NOON Mother's Day Novena
6:00 PM Monica Benha
Oliveira (D)

MONDAY, MAY 17
8:00 AM For the Deceased of the
Parish & the Order
12:10 PM Mother's Day Novena
6:00 PM Sylvia Irrizary (D)

TUESDAY, MAY 18
8:00 AM Josephine McGovern &
Kathleen Redmond (D)
12:10 PM Marie & Jack Powers (D)
6:00 PM Mary Noonan (D)

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19
8:00 AM Eugene Gaughan (D)
12:10 PM Lourdes Dancel Roy (D)
6:00 PM Patsy Kealy (D)

THURSDAY, MAY 20
8:00 AM Benefactors of the St. John
Paul II Society
12:10 PM Sue Crissy (D)
6:00 PM Deceased Members of the
Lay Fraternities of St. Dominic

FRIDAY, MAY 21
8:00 AM Carol Premone (D)
12:10 PM Edward C. Perry (D)
6:00 PM John Dolan (D)

SATURDAY, MAY 22
8:00 AM Dick Buckley (D)
6:00 PM Rev. Augustine Yurko,
OSB & Rev. William Yurko (D)

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY, MAY 16
4:00 PM (Vigil) David Johnson (D)
10:00 AM Rosa Maria Arechiga (D)
5:00 PM For the People of the
Parish

MONDAY, MAY 17
7:00 AM For the Province of
St. Joseph
5:15 PM Michelle Coloma (D)

TUESDAY, MAY 18
7:00 AM Eddie & Annie
Moloney (D)
5:15 PM Living & Deceased Priests
of the Parish

WEDNESDAY, MAY 19
7:00 AM Patrons of the Shrine of
St. Jude
5:15 PM Ferminia Spani &
Teresa Buonanomi (D)

THURSDAY, MAY 20
7:00 AM For the People of the
Parish
5:15 PM Stephanie Morrissey (D)

FRIDAY, MAY 21
7:00 AM Purgatorial Society of St.
Catherine of Siena
5:15 PM Anne Laspina (D)

SATURDAY, MAY 22
9:00 AM Julia & Anna Dunne (D)
4:00 PM David Gale (D)

PARISH PRAYER
INTENTIONS

August Arace, Jeanette Armentno,
Dr. M. Jwahir Brathwaite, Jack
Briggs, Jamie Calabro, Roseann
Connelly, Peg Creagh, Maggie Heath,
Richard Holiday, Daniel Mackay,
Agnes McGrath, John Morace,
Adolfo Sardina, Blair Scribner,
M. Smith, Anchalee Sae-Lim, Irene
Binos Villamor, and Janice A. Wilson.
Please pray for the repose of the souls of
Debra Ackerman, Alexandria Bidal,
Michael Buckley, Simon Castillo,
Sr. Catherine Murray, Richard
Cunningham, Eugene Gaughan,
Marvin Hagler, Walter Molinelli,
John Moran, Juan de Jesus Piraquive,
Margaret Kane Schull, Ruby
Sebastian, Aaron Stern, 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); Margaret Reardon (D); Jack
Ryan Keegan; Souls in Purgatory;
The People of the Parish; Special
Intention; Intention of Donor

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Madonna
John Moran (D)

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

*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.*

MEDITATION ON THE PRIESTHOOD

*The Lord Jesus Christ,
whom the Father anointed with the Holy Spirit and power,
guard and preserve you, that you may sanctify the Christian people
and offer sacrifice to God.*

Prayer of Anointing in Ordination of a Priest

As I continue to thank the Lord for all of the blessings in my life from this year at St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena, I cannot help but wonder how my time here could have been different. Since arriving in New York City in June with the lockdown still on the minds and hearts of the Upper East Side, it was evident that plunging into a normal parish life would take some time. The sidewalks of Manhattan were still ample enough for walking without crowding and people were still very cautious to come to church in-person. It has been a delight to witness the change of both of those things!

In just a few weeks, on May 22, I will be called back to Washington, D.C. on Pentecost weekend to receive the orders for which I have been discerning for ten years. I am preparing for what seems to be the terminus of my vocation: my ordination to the priesthood. But enough prayer and common sense validates that this is not the end of my journey, but rather the beginning.

The Church needs priests. No doubt about that. St. Thomas Aquinas defines the priest as the mediator between God and the people. So what would the priesthood be without the faithful boosting the Church by their power of prayer and sacrifice? What role would a priest play in the economy of the Church if it were not for Catholics coming home to the sacraments? For me, May 22 is not the finish line of ten years of prayer and study. Rather, it is the starting line, and currently I am waiting for the signal to start running. I am waiting with great joy for the moment Bishop Burbidge lays his hands on my head and anoints my hands with oil, praying that I may “offer sacrifice to God.”

This year in the Parish has been an incredible insight into how a sacrifice to God can be offered with great joy. I have been edified by the leadership of Fr. Walter Wagner, Fr. Joseph Hagan, and Fr. Joseph Allen. I have been enriched by the strong and faithful attendance at Mass by parishioners as they express their yearning to get more involved in the reopening process of the Parish. In my short time here, I have witnessed the joy of this sacrifice to God, even in the midst of a pandemic where uncertainty cloaks the backdrop of parish life.

Thank you all for your prayers throughout my deacon year. I have enjoyed my time at the Parish immensely and I know that you will continue to support me as I launch into priestly ministry after my ordination. I will be returning to New York right after my ordination to offer two Masses of Thanksgiving at St. Vincent Ferrer Church, one Mass in Spanish on Saturday, May 29 at 7:30 PM and another in English on Sunday, May 30 at 12 NOON. These Masses will give me the opportunity to celebrate the holy sacrifice with you, and to express my gratitude for your spiritual support throughout this year.

In Christ's peace,
Br. Frassati





IN GRATITUDE FOR THE GIFT OF HIS PRIESTHOOD

Fr. Frassati Davis, O.P.

WILL OFFER TWO MASSES OF THANKSGIVING

Sábado, 29 de mayo
7:30 de la noche
(En español)

Sunday, May 30
12noon Solemn Mass
(In English)

St. Vincent Ferrer
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El Padre Frassati ofrecerá bendiciones individuales inmediatamente después de la misa en el altar de Nuestra Señora del Rosario.



Fr. Frassati will offer individual First Blessings immediately following the noon mass at the Rosary Altar.

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