



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

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May 31, 2020 – Pentecost Sunday

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 reflections, Fr. Joseph has provided for us some refresher lessons that he has so wonderfully shared with our Candidates and Catechumens, and Br. Hyacinth has graciously been livestreaming a daily rosary and Mass 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.

NEW WEBSITE

We've taken this opportunity to complete a new and improved parish website. We invite you to visit www.svsc.info and find out more about the parish, religious education, music, and keep up to date with Father's daily messages, streaming services, and news. It may be difficult to come to the churches right now, you can now visit the shrines, statues, and altars of our churches in the virtual tours.

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

All Masses and Eucharistic Adoration are canceled in the Archdiocese of New York during this time.

While 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/>.

Thank You

We would like to thank our wonderful staff, Tony, Tracey, Brandon, and JR, who continue to come in each day to open, clean, and maintain both our churches. All of your work and devotion is deeply appreciated, especially at this time.

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

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PARISH STAFF

Very Rev. Walter Wagner, O.P.
Pastor

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Vicar

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Vicar for Formation

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Sacristan

Bro. Hyacinth Grubb, O.P.
Deacon

Bro. Albert Dempsey, O.P.
Deacon

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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.

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 "Donate" or visit www.churchgiving.com/?pc=ztm3ks26 and click "Start Giving."

MUSIC NOTES

Until the cessation of the 'essential personnel only' mandate, the Schola will not be able to sing. During this time, James Wetzel will chant the Ordinary and Propers for the webcast Masses on Sundays and Feastdays from St. Vincent Ferrer (at 10 AM on Sundays and 9 AM otherwise). Online leaflets for these Masses for the faithful at home to follow will be uploaded to our parish website: www.svsc.info/music.

During this time our Music Director, James Wetzel, has been creating an archival record of recordings of liturgies at St. Vincent Ferrer. These live recordings have not been equalized or treated in any way. That the quality is still high in spite of all of these qualifications is a testament to the skill of the singers we are blessed to have.

You can find some of James' favorite recordings onto a Soundcloud account, continuously being updated. All welcome to listen to and 'follow' the channel: <https://soundcloud.com/jamesdwetzel>. We hope that until public Mass resumes and the Schola is able to offer live music again, these tracks will buoy your spirits and serve as a reminder of the beauty of liturgical art and music for which our Parish is known.

Outreach

As we live through this difficult time, our parish clergy and staff hope that we can help you and provide sources of comfort and guidance. For these resources visit www.svsc.info/outreach.

Here you can find:

- Materials used during our daily Masses
- Daily Greetings from the Friars
- Resources for Prayer

Our Religious Education page is available to help your children with:

- Prayer in the Home
- Praying with Children in a Pandemic
- CGS Podcasts

Fr. Joseph Hagan has been kind enough to share with all of us a series of talks (including a handout) on *Credo 22-23: Love of God and Neighbor*. This series has been put together for our catechumens and candidates who have been on a long journey to and through RCIA. This series seems particularly helpful while we learn a new way to live alone, together.

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.

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. VINCENT FERRER

SUNDAY, MAY 31

6:00 PM (Vigil) Leona Wicklow (D)
8:00 AM Special Intention
9:30 AM Louie Dedvukaj
12:10 PM Special Intention
6:00 PM Special Intention

MONDAY, JUNE 1

8:00 AM For the Deceased of the
Parish & the Order (D)
12:10 PM Special Intention
6:00 PM Special Intention

TUESDAY, JUNE 2

8:00 AM Special Intention
12:10 PM Special Intention
6:00 PM Special Intention

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

8:00 AM Bart & Bridget
McGovern (D)
12:10 PM Special Intention
6:00 PM Special Intention

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

8:00 AM Louie Dedvukaj
12:10 PM Special Intention
6:00 PM Special Intention

FRIDAY, JUNE 5

8:00 AM Special Intention
12:10 PM Natalie Frankowski (D)
6:00 PM Special Intention

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

8:00 AM Fr. William C.
Cunningham, S.J. (D)
6:00 PM (Vigil) Declan Jennings (D)

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY, MAY 31

4:00 PM (Vigil) For the People of
the Parish
10:00 AM Jean Hilaire Jules (D)
5:00 PM Giorgio Cichi (D)

MONDAY, JUNE 1

7:00 AM For the Province of
St. Joseph
5:15 PM Michael Shane

TUESDAY, JUNE 2

7:00 AM Nazli Elsadek (D)
5:15 PM In Thanksgiving

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 3

7:00 AM For the Patrons of the
Shrine of St. Jude
5:15 PM Sabina Quiguyan (D)

THURSDAY, JUNE 4

7:00 AM Dr. Lillian Nash
5:15 PM William Brophy (D)

FRIDAY, JUNE 5

7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society
of St. Catherine of Siena (D)
5:15 PM John Matthews (D)

SATURDAY, JUNE 6

9:00 AM Bill Cascarella
4:00 PM (Vigil) David Gale (D)

PARISH PRAYER

INTENTIONS

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

Dr. Aborosi, Michael Aerts, Mike
Borland, George Brooksbank, Jan
Donovan, Jarrod Dubesko, William
Feeley, Maggie Heath, Christine
Heller, Joseph Henao, Douglas
Kozak, Jack Mangin, 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, & Abby Whisler.

Please pray for the repose of the
souls of Jerzy Glowczewski, John
Narkiewicz, Mary Noonan, Juan
de Jesus Piraquive, Patricia Kathryn
Reed, Joseph Michael Thomas, &
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
William Eltery (D); Ramon
& Fernando Gonzalez (L); Fr.
Raymond Halligan, O.P (D); Robert
Hill (D); For the Souls in Purgatory;
For the People of the Parish;
Intention of Donor

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

This week we reprint the beautiful Litany of Supplication devised for the Holy Father's Urbi et Orbi blessing in time of pandemic. It will be apt for this day in this year.

We adore you, O Lord

True God and true man, truly present in this holy Sacrament.

We adore you, O Lord

Our Savior, God with us, faithful and rich in mercy

King and Lord of creation and of history

Conqueror of sin and death

Friend of humankind, the Risen One, the

Living One who sits at the right hand of the Father.

We believe in you, O Lord

Only begotten Son of the Father, descended from heaven for our salvation

We believe in you, O Lord

Heavenly physician, who bows down over our misery

Lamb who was slain, who offer yourself to rescue us from evil

Good Shepherd, who give your life for the flock which you love

Living bread and medicine for immortality, who give us eternal life

Deliver us, O Lord

From the power of Satan and the seductions of the world

Deliver us, O Lord

From the pride and presumption of being able to do anything without you

From the deceptions of fear and anxiety

From unbelief and desperation

From hardness of heart and the incapacity to love

Save us, O Lord

From every evil that afflicts humanity

Save us, O Lord

From hunger, from famine and from egoism
From illnesses, epidemics and the fear of our brothers and sisters

From devastating madness, from ruthless interests and from violence

From being deceived, from false information and the manipulation of consciences

Comfort us, O Lord

Protect your Church which crosses the desert
Comfort us, O Lord

Protect humanity terrified by fear and anguish
Comfort us, O Lord

Protect the sick and the dying, oppressed by loneliness

Protect doctors and healthcare providers exhausted by the difficulties they are facing

Protect politicians and decision makers who bear the weight of having to make decisions

Grant us your Spirit, O Lord

In the hour of trial and from confusion

Grant us your Spirit, O Lord

In temptation and in our fragility

In the battle against evil and sin

In the search for what is truly good and true joy

In the decision to remain in you and in your friendship

Open us to hope, O Lord

Should sin oppress us

Open us to hope, O Lord

Should hatred close our hearts

Should sorrow visit us

Should indifference cause us anguish

Should death overwhelm us

LIKE THE WIND

The wind blows where it wills, and you hear the sound of it, but you do not know where it comes from or where it goes; so it is with every one who is born of the spirit. John 3:8

The Holy Spirit moves where he wills, and like the wind he cannot be seen but only known by the sound of his presence. And like the wind, there is nothing that can restrain the action of the Spirit. The love of the Holy Spirit, which descends upon us anew today on Pentecost, is alive and well in our parish community. It cannot always be seen, and yet it cannot be stopped. And it is this unstoppable love of the Holy Spirit which unites us even as we are apart, and fills us with supernatural hope and confidence when our lives are in turmoil and out of our own control.

I felt this love of the Holy Spirit very strongly last Saturday, when I knelt before Bishop Edmund Whelan and received the gift of priestly ordination. The church was empty, apart from the Dominican community and my parents; even the Dominican Sisters of St. Vincent Ferrer were only able to watch from afar, out of their convent balcony. The absence of the parish community – your absence – was strongly felt. And yet, the Spirit moves where he wills, and unites us like the wind: unseen but unstoppable. And I have hope and confidence in the love of the Spirit.

It is almost exactly a year since I came to the parish of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena. I first preached in this parish on the Feast of Pentecost 2019. And while it is a great sorrow to me that so many of you were unable to attend my ordination, I am filled with gratitude for the gift of being a priest. And the gift of priesthood is a gift given to me that I hold in trust, as a steward of the graces that come from Jesus Christ and belong to you, the People of God. Know of my prayers for you at the Altar of the Eucharist, and have confidence that the one sacrifice of the true high priest, Jesus Christ, reaches out through the Holy Spirit to inflame your heart with his love. This is always true, even when we are unable to gather and worship together at the Altar.

You may not see much of me in the months ahead, even as the city begins to reopen. This past week I moved to St. Catherine of Siena, to return to the hospital chaplaincy as a priest. This requires me to semi-isolate with the other Dominican Friars who serve the hospitals in our parish. Keep us in your prayers, as we bring the mercy of the Crucified and Risen Lord to those who are ill and dying, and know that we serve the city in this way with great joy.

Know of my prayers for you, and be filled with confidence in the Love of God. For that *love is strong as death, jealousy as hard as hell, the lamps thereof are fire and flames* (Song of Songs, 8:6).

Sincerely,
Fr. Hyacinth Grubb, O.P.

