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June 6, 2021 – Corpus Christi

PARISH COVID PROTOCOLS UPDATED

Based on the CDC and the Archdiocese of New York recommendations, we have adjusted our Covid guidelines. If you are fully vaccinated, masks are no longer required. If you are not fully vaccinated, please continue to wear a mask and practice social distancing. For additional information, please visit our website: svsc.info/parish-covid-19-protocols.

Overall, in this transition, we trust your patience and especially your Christian charity.

ALMSGIVING SUNDAY

This weekend a second collection will be taken-up to help offset our Parish's operating deficit. 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. Thank You for your generosity.

PARISH SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

Beginning Friday, May 28 through Labor Day weekend, the Parish office will be open Monday–Thursday: 9 AM – 1 PM and 2 – 4 PM. Fridays, the office will close at 2 PM.

FR. WALTER WAGNER'S FAREWELL MASS

On Tuesday, June 29, Father Walter Wagner, O.P. will celebrate his final Mass as Pastor of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena. Additional details will follow.

SACRED HEART NOVENA

From Thursday, June 3 (the traditional observance of Corpus Christi) through the Solemnity of the Sacred Heart, Friday, June 11, the Parish will offer a Novena of Prayer to the Sacred Heart. Holy cards will be available at both Churches.

CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

Sunday, June 6 is the Solemnity of Corpus Christi – the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ. After the 12 NOON Solemn Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer, there will be a Eucharistic Procession with brass quartet through the streets to St. Catherine of Siena where there will be Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

Eucharistic Adoration will then continue at St. Catherine of Siena until Benediction at 4:45 PM. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 3 PM and the Rosary recited at 4 PM.

NEW YORK PURGATORIAL SOCIETY MASS

On Monday, June 7 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.

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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SACRED HEART OF JESUS AND IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

Friday, June 11 is the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus. There will be a Solemn Mass at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer for which the Schola Cantorum will sing Thomas Tallis's *Mass for Four Voices* and Jacobus de Kerle's *Venite ad me omnes – Tollite jugum meum*.

Saturday, June 12 is the Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary. There will be a Sung Mass at 9 AM at St. Catherine of Siena

Closely linked with the Solemnity of Corpus Christi is the Solemnity of the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, celebrated on the Friday before the 3rd Sunday after Pentecost, and the Memorial of the Immaculate Heart of Mary, now celebrated on that Saturday. Another opportunity to contemplate Christ's unmitigated loving-kindness toward a troubled humanity, the origin of the devotion to the Sacred Heart in its modern form is derived from a French Roman Catholic nun, Marguerite Marie Alacoque, who said she learned the devotion from Jesus during a mystical revelation.

MUSIC NOTES

Next week, on the Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Schola will begin its summer term. The congregational Mass Ordinary will change to the English language *Roman Missal Mass*, which will be sung at the 12 NOON Solemn Mass as well. (The Schola does not sing a choral Ordinary for Sundays in Ordinary Time.)

Benedicam Dominum – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

Reminiscere miserationum tuarum, Domine – Andrea Rota (1553-1597)

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LOVE AND RESPONSIBILITY SERIES

The Office of Young Adult Outreach is excited to announce that Love and Responsibility is back at Immaculate Conception's Outdoor Garden (414 East 14th Street, New York, NY). Summer Tuesdays, from June 22–August 31, young adults will have the opportunity to hear from speakers on relationships and other topics relevant to modern men and women everywhere. This event is free!

RSVP is required at [LRNYC2021.Eventbrite.com](https://www.eventbrite.com/e/LRNYC2021)

PREGNANCY HELP, INC.

On Wednesday, June 9, Fr. Walter Wagner, O.P. will be honored by Pregnancy Help, Inc. at their Spring Gala Reception. The event will be held at 229 West 14th Street, New York City. Tickets start at \$200.

For further information, or to make a donation, please contact Keelyn Mulvey at 914-319-3798 or email: keelynmulvey1@gmail.com.

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. VINCENT FERRER

SUNDAY, JUNE 6
6:00 PM (Vigil) For the People of
the Parish
8:00 AM William & Nora Stack (D)
9:30 AM Walter Molinelli (D)
12 NOON Juan de Jesus Piraquive (D)
6:00 PM Declan Jennings (D)

MONDAY, JUNE 7
9:00 AM For the Deceased of the
Parish & the Order
12:10 PM Jorge Miranda, Jr. (D)
6:00 PM Sally Patti (D)

TUESDAY, JUNE 8
8:00 AM Fr. Fred D. Hoesli, O.P.
& the Deceased Members of the
Hoesli Family (D)
12:10 PM Isidro Castromayor (D)
6:00 PM Charlotte P. Rudner (D)

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9
8:00 AM Fr. William C.
Cunningham, S.J. (D)
12:10 PM Catherine & Patrick
McGlade (D)
6:00 PM Stephanie Valle

THURSDAY, JUNE 10
8:00 AM Victorine Van Acker (D)
12:10 PM Roseann Connelly
6:00 PM Stephanie Morrissey (D)

FRIDAY, JUNE 11
8:00 AM Hugh Martin (D)
12:10 PM Jeanne Gorski (D)
6:00 PM Josephine Flynn (D)

SATURDAY, JUNE 12
8:00 AM Armondo Van Acker (D)
6:00 PM James Raniere (D)

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY, JUNE 6
4:00 PM (Vigil) David Gale (D)
10:00 AM James John
McGinness (D)
5:00 PM James John McGinness (D)

MONDAY, MAY 31
7:00 AM For the Province of
St. Joseph
5:15 PM Jane Philomena
Hickey (D)

TUESDAY, JUNE 8
7:00 AM Patrons of the Shrine of
St. Jude
5:15 PM Living & Deceased Priests
of the Parish

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 9
7:00 AM Mary & Robert Herman
5:15 PM Cecita & Caterina
Cichi (D)

THURSDAY, JUNE 10
7:00 AM Timothy Hutchinson
5:15 PM Enriqueta Leong (D)

FRIDAY, JUNE 11
7:00 AM Purgatorial Society of St.
Catherine of Siena
5:15 PM Sacred Heart Novena (D)

SATURDAY, JUNE 5
9:00 AM Rosa Maria Arechiga (D)
4:00 PM Sacred Heart Novena

PARISH PRAYER
INTENTIONS

August Arace, George Brooksbank,
Jamie Calabro, Roseann Connelly,
Peg Creagh, Jamie Dixon, Peter
Dixon, Carolina Dominguez, Maggie
Heath, Anne Hills, Mary Kane, Jewel
Lorio, Agnes McGrath, Jay Mortimer,
Danny Ramos, Jim Robothem,
Anchalee Sae-Lim, Adolfo Sardina,
Blair Scribner, M. Smith, James
Sterling, Irene Binos Villamor, Janice
A. Wilson, and Daniel Zwiren.

*Please pray for the repose of the souls
of Alexandra Vidal, Sr. Catherine
Murray, John Morace, John Moran,
Margaret Kane Schull, 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);
John Russell (D); Daniel
Donoghue (D); Special Intention;
Souls in Purgatory; The People of the
Parish; Intention of Donor

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Madonna
Jack Ryan Keegan (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.*

STEPPING BACK TO COME CLOSER

At Bulletin time, early again because of Memorial Day, I am trying to write a "State of the Parish" for everyone, and it is coming slowly. So I have gone to the archives for this piece I enjoyed writing in 2017 for this feast. Suddenly, with the resurgence of life in the city, it seems timely once more.

Here we are at the last big celebration of the Parish year. By convention we try to lay off at this point and take a programmatic siesta until Holy Cross Day (September 14) bestirs us back into vigorous common life. Parish life gains health from this hiatus. It is not just that we need a rest: we also need to absorb and integrate nine months of intensity. Such a remove makes for deeper living. I have learned this lesson from my experience and from my self. Standing at the cusp of summer allows me to explore the paradox of introversion that has shaped my life and ministry, for at this time we give people permission to uncage their inner partier, and also their inner hermit.

On Fridays in summer these two kinds of release become palpable to me. I love to walk Midtown at 1 or 2 PM and watch the laughing, luggage-bearing crowds empty office towers and fill cafes and Jitneys. It brings me such joy to observe their happy anticipation of a weekend at the beach: more satisfying yet is the knowledge that they are leaving, and I am not. By Friday evening another lively scene will have absorbed them at journey's end and I will have my city to myself. The sparkling crowd offers such delight, but its departure even more. Having observed them on Friday, I can think about them on Saturday, and by the time they are sitting in front of me on a Sunday I might have something helpful to offer them. To people-watch is to people-love. To go away and think about them is to love again. To come back to them with a homily offers yet a third love.

On those Fridays, as the river of happiness flows past me down Park Avenue toward Grand Central, I gain a fresh perception of my love of people and, at the same time, my need to have some periodic distance from them. Without significant conflict these two stances have been neighbors in my heart since childhood, as they are in many other introverted hearts. Articulating their relationship has provided the real challenge. When I was about 10 or 11 my mother said to me, "Why do you keep your door closed so much? You shut out the people who love you." I do not remember having any good answer to that question: now I realize that time apart is what gives me the wherewithal to express love. Indeed, I have come to see how introversion offers gifts to those who possess it and to others. One of the mottoes of our Order captures the evangelical fruitfulness of my temperament: "To contemplate, and to share with others, the fruits of one's contemplation."

If we unpack this phrase we get the insight that stepping back can be as loving a posture as drawing near. The practice of "cloister" teaches this wisdom. For religious, authentic withdrawal neither stems from fear, nor seeks an escape. Rather, it claims a vantage point for loving. I am a preacher who also goes home to a cloister and so it is imperative for me to understand how profoundly loving and withdrawal complement each other.

In a homily the other day I made an observation about a particular practice of generosity, and one of the hearers responded, "Well, yes, I do this, but I never think about it." I answered that this was my job. I am the one who stands back, beholds the beauty of your life, and helps you to see it.

Here lies the beautiful relation of love and rumination. I love you enough to go off to my room and think about you. In summer, Central Park will suffice for that room, or Riverside Drive, or perhaps Park Avenue in the evening. Such urban cloisters help the ministry of preaching, but they also can help lots of other people. In an age of instant response, don't we need to recover the space for reflecting before communicating? Perhaps the silence of summer will call more eloquently this year. We have more to ponder than usual, and our times need loving response, even if they have never noticed it.

Summer Peace!



Fr. Walter

THIS WEEK OF GRACE

June 6 – 12, 2021

The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for June of 2021

- Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian Community: may they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness, and patience.

June 6

Corpus Christi

- Pray for the Eucharistic faith of the whole Church, that we may recognize more and more the gift that has been entrusted to us.
- Come to know the “fruits of Holy Communion,” and ask for their increase.
- Holy Communion:
 - Deepens our union with Christ.
 - Separates us from sin and strengthens our charity.
 - Intensifies the “unity of the Mystical Body,” that is, the Eucharist makes the spiritual reality of the Church.
 - Commits us to the poor.
 - Makes us long for the unity of Christians.
 - See the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*, nos. 1391-1399.

June 11

The Sacred Heart of Jesus

- Perhaps we will understand this feast if we focus on the spiritual significance of the term “heart.” Consider these passages from the *Catechism of the Catholic Church*:
 - 2562 Where does prayer come from? Whether prayer is expressed in words or gestures, it is the whole man who prays. But in naming the source of prayer, Scripture speaks sometimes of the soul or the spirit, but most often of the heart (more than a thousand times). According to Scripture, it is the heart that prays. If our heart is far from God, the words of prayer are in vain.
 - 2563 The heart is the dwelling-place where I am, where I live; according to the Semitic or Biblical expression, the heart is the place “to which I withdraw.” The heart is our hidden center, beyond the grasp of our reason and of others; only the Spirit of God can fathom the human heart and know it fully. The heart is the place of decision, deeper than our psychic drives. It is the place of truth, where we choose life or death. It is the place of encounter, because as image of God we live in relation: it is the place of covenant.
- So on this feast we celebrate our realization that in the deepest place of Jesus’ humanity there is unqualified love for the Father and for us.
- This Feast also serves as the World Day of Prayer for the Consecration of Priests, so we pray for the thriving of their inner life.

June 12

The Immaculate Heart of Mary

- This Feast recognizes the deepest place of Mary, her heart, to be undivided in love for God and neighbor.
- We could see this as a beautiful amplification of the Immaculate Conception.

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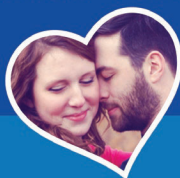


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