



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

July 7th, 2024 – Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time



"The Prophet Ezekiel," Giovanni Battista Tiepolo, 18th cent., fresco, Patriarchal Palace, Udine, Italy

St. Vincent Ferrer

MASS TIMES

Weekday	8 AM, 12:10 PM, 6 PM
Saturday	8 AM, 9:30 AM (Dominican Rite), 6 PM (Vigil)
Sunday	8 AM, 9:30 AM, 12 NOON (Solemn), 6 PM

CONFESSION TIMES

Monday– Saturday	5:15–6 PM (plus Wednesday at 7:15–7:55 PM)
Sunday	7:45–8 AM, 9:15–9:30 AM, 11:30 AM–12 NOON, 5:15–6 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Wednesday	6:30–8 PM
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St. Catherine of Siena

MASS TIMES

Weekday	7 AM, 5:15 PM
Saturday	9 AM, 4 PM (Vigil)
Sunday	10 AM, 5 PM

CONFESSION TIMES

Weekday	4:40–5:05 PM
Saturday	3–3:50 PM

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Sunday	3–4:30 PM (September 14 through Corpus Christi)
Thursday	5:45–7 PM

The Parish

Parish Information

GENERAL INFORMATION

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St. Vincent Ferrer

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LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYERS

Weekday 7:25 AM Matins and Lauds
5:25 PM Rosary and Vespers

Saturday 8:30 AM Matins and Lauds
5:25 PM Rosary and Vespers

Sunday 8:45 AM Matins and Lauds
5:25 AM Rosary and Vespers

St. Catherine of Siena

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Office Hours Mon-Fri, 10 AM-3 PM

LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYERS

Monday, Wednesday, and Friday 8 AM Lauds
4:45 PM Rosary
7 PM Vespers

Tuesday 8 AM Lauds
4:45 PM Rosary
6 PM Vespers

Saturday 8:40 AM Rosary
9 AM Lauds during Mass

Sunday 7 PM Vespers

Sacraments and Sacramentals

SACRAMENTAL RECORDS

To request a copy of your certificate of Baptism, Marriage, First Holy Communion, or Confirmation visit:

[svsc.info/sacramental-record-request](https://www.svsc.info/sacramental-record-request).

BAPTISM

To arrange for the baptism of a child at St. Vincent Ferrer or St. Catherine of Siena please visit our website, [svsc.info/baptism](https://www.svsc.info/baptism) and download the Baptism request form and email it to parish@svsc.info. A priest will be in touch with you to set up a meeting and to schedule the Baptism.

MARRIAGE

For information about the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony at either St. Vincent Ferrer or St. Catherine of Siena, visit:

[svsc.info/sacrament-of-holy-matrimony](https://www.svsc.info/sacrament-of-holy-matrimony). Please review the Wedding and Marriage Preparation Policy and note that it takes a minimum of six months preparation time before the wedding.

RCIA

For adults looking to become Catholic or receive Confirmation, email rcia@svsc.info to ask about our RCIA program.

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND CONFIRMATION

To learn more about having a child begin formal preparation for First Holy Communion or Confirmation, email Lisa Harrelson, Director of Religious Education at LHarrelson@svsc.info.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Please contact the Parish Office if you or a loved one would like to receive the Anointing of the Sick at the church or at home (for those who are homebound). Email parish@svsc.info or call **(212)-744-2080** to set up an appointment.

Parish Prayer Intentions

GENERAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

Elaine Arace; John Crosson; Annette Cunningham; Concepcion De La Cruz; Perpetua Ferrer; Robert Foran; Angie Guyott; Jeremy Kyser; Jay Mortimer; Elizabeth Rice Moore; Bill Rudd; Helen Skoratowicz; Victor E. Stewart; Denise Swantek; Emily, Johann, and Sebe Vetsch.

FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

Maria Caltaviano; Sophia d'Antoine; Alfred Gill; Fr. William Holt, O.P.; Erickson Johnstone; Frederick Martinez; Bro. Damian McCarthy, O.P.; Richard Mittel; Anthony Noralez; Emmanuel Orjugo; Eileen Powers; Michael Saperstein; Ernest Frederick Weiting; and the souls of all our recently deceased.

HOSPITAL PRAYER INTENTIONS

We continue to pray for the sick, the dying, and their families in Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center, New York-Presbyterian Hospital, Hospital for Special Surgery, Rockefeller University Hospital, Residents of the Mary Manning Walsh Home, and the Intentions of the Dominican Healthcare Ministry.

Join and Donate



COME JOIN THE PARISH

We welcome new parishioners who would like to join our Parish community. Visit [svsc.info/join-our-parish](https://www.svsc.info/join-our-parish), or stop by the Parish office to register. To receive up to date information, sign-up for Parish emails via our website or email parish@svsc.info.

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You can also give via text message: text keyword **SVSC** to **(800) 950-9952**. Click the link and complete your donation.

Intentions

St. Vincent Ferrer Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, JULY 7

6 PM (Vigil) Fred Wicklow (D)
8 AM Thomas Parsons (D)
9:30 AM Frances Cesarano (D)
12 NOON Robert McManus (D)
6 PM Patricia Sherwin (D) & Kyle Sherwin

MONDAY, JULY 8

8 AM For the deceased of the Parish, the deceased parents of members of the Order, and the deceased brothers, sisters, familiars, and benefactors of the Order
12:10 PM Dorothy & Jim Hill (D)
6 PM Stuart Parsons (D)

TUESDAY, JULY 9

8 AM Ximone Vestil
12:10 PM Catherine & Patrick McGlade (D)
6 PM Amalija Knavs (D)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

8 AM Norma Scambler (D)
12:10 PM Lucy & John P. McGrath (D)
6 PM Holiness in All Vocations

THURSDAY, JULY 11

8 AM John O'Brien (D)
12:10 PM Mazie D. Powers (D)
6 PM Frank Salerno (D)

FRIDAY, JULY 12

8 AM Jorge Girault (D)
12:10 PM Michael Saperstein (D)
6 PM Sheila Nolan (D)

SATURDAY, JULY 13

8 AM Joseph Dolan (D)
9:30 AM Special Intentions of PHI Circle of Life Members

St. Catherine of Siena Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, JULY 7

4 PM (Vigil) Leticia del Rosario (D)
10 AM For the People of the Parish
5 PM Maria Catherine Hicks Balacoch and Raymond Martin Hicks Jr. (D)

MONDAY, JULY 8

7 AM For the Province of St. Joseph
5:15 PM Romulo Gamusaran(D)

TUESDAY, JULY 9

7 AM Special Intention
5:15 PM David Johnson (D)

WEDNESDAY, JULY 10

7 AM Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude
5:15 PM Teodola and Miguel Lucido (D)

THURSDAY, JULY 11

7AM Bryan Rakestraw
5:15 PM John La Rosa (D)

FRIDAY, JULY 12

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

SATURDAY, JULY 13

9 AM Brian Richard Biscotti (D)

Candle Intentions

ST. VINCENT FERRER

Sanctuary Lamps

Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez; For the Living and Deceased Members of the Parsons & Romeo Families; Br. Ignatius Perkins, O.P.; For the People of the Parish; To St. Joseph for Religious Vocations; Souls in Purgatory; For Those Affected by War

Sanctuary Madonna

Jack Ryan Keegan

St. Joseph Candle

Br. Damian McCarthy, O.P.

St. Patrick's Candle

Mariano Ruiz (D)

St. Martin de Porres Candle

Juanita Perez-Ruiz (D)

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Purgatorial Candle

Renato S. Ventigan (D); Rosa J. Silan (D); Marie E. Litrenta (D); Olga Rose Litrenta (D); Pedro Litrenta, Sr. (D); Pedro Litrenta, Jr. (D)

Blessed Mother Shrine,

Sanctuary Lamp

Priscilla Ventigan

St. Martin de Porres Shrine

Maria Marta Litrenta

St. Thomas Chapel, St. Dominic, Sacred Heart of Jesus, St. Joseph, St. Margaret of Costello, Priory Chapel, and St. Jude Shrine

Maria Marta Litrenta

Rosary Altar

Maria Marta Litrenta; Letty Dolan

St. Lorenzo Ruiz,

Infant Jesus of Prague

Letty Dolan

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 Monday–Friday, 10 AM–3 PM.

Praying in Specific Places

SACRED PLACES

The first time that I went to the site of the only approved Marian apparition site in the US, the Shrine of Our Lady of Champion in Wisconsin, I was struck. The location of the apparition is in a little chapel in the crypt of the church. There are just a few pews, a number of statues and relics, walls filled with blue and white devotion candles, and a statue of Our Lady, which marks the spot where she appeared. It was so striking, for in that little space it became clear that Our Lady had appeared. The whole space just seemed different, and the mark of God's grace permeated the room.

People say this all the time about certain shrines: Lourdes, Guadalupe, the Holy Land. Sometimes, the Lord's grace leaves a sort of mark on the space so that it's almost as if the graces can be felt. While we shouldn't base our faith on feelings, I think this sort of thing reveals something more important. Some spaces have truly been made sacred.

SACRED SPACES

St. Thomas draws out this idea. While acknowledging that the heart of prayer and adoration is the interior movement of the heart to enter into union with God, we are bodily creatures, and what we do in the body matters. This is so true when it comes to prayer, not just with bodily motions like we discussed last week but also with being in specific places. Yes, we can pray anywhere, and I do love to talk to God while out on a hike in the woods. Yet, praying in a church is different. Aquinas points out that this isn't for the sake of God but for our sake and this for three reasons: "First, because the place is consecrated, so that those who pray there conceive a greater devotion and are more likely to be heard, as may be seen in the prayer of Solomon (1 Kings 8). Secondly, on account of the sacred mysteries and other signs of holiness contained therein. Thirdly, on account of the concourse of many adorers, by reason of which their prayer is more likely to be heard, according to Matthew 18:20, 'Where there are two or three gathered together in My name, there am I in the midst of them'" (ST II-II, q. 84, a. 3, ad 2).

In other words, the spaces where we pray affect our prayer. Beautiful churches more easily lead the mind to see God, the One who is truly beautiful and perfect. Quiet places allow the mind to quiet itself so that it can engage in conversation with the Lord.



"Our Lady of Good Help," Shrine of Our Lady of Champion, Champion, WI

Space makes a difference since we are bodily creatures, and this is why the Church consecrates specific places to pray. Churches are made to house God and to help us come to Him.

To see a practical instantiation of this, this is why the Church asks Catholics to marry inside a Catholic church, a sacred space.* This helps the couple to turn toward God in seeking His grace in their marriage and family life. It disposes them to more devoutly pray for the grace of the sacrament when they enter into it. It also allows them to be with the Lord, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament, so that He can be present not just to the beginnings of their marriage but also through the whole of it as the sacramental graces unfold over the years.

In so many ways, the places where we pray matter, and the Lord desires that we come to Him so that with our whole person, body and soul, we may enter into a deep and abiding adoration.

In Christ and through St. Thomas's intercession,
Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P.

* If you or a Catholic you know was married without having a Catholic wedding without getting the proper dispensations beforehand, please reach out to a parish priest to help rectify the situation so that you or they can be restored to the practice of the sacraments, especially Communion and Confession.

Upcoming Events

Come Join Our Parish - All Are Welcome!

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 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 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.

SUNDAY, JULY 7, 1 PM

Parish Coffee Hour

Our weekly parish coffee hour is held at St. Vincent's Lower Church after the 12 NOON Mass. Take some time to connect with your fellow Parishioners and enjoy some light refreshments. All are most welcome!

Please note that from July 21 to August 4, we will not have the weekly St. Vincent's coffee hour. It will resume on August 11.

SUNDAY, JULY 7

Almsgiving Sunday

Next weekend, the Parish's monthly second collection will be taken-up for H.E.L.P. (Heating, Electricity, Lighting, and Property Management). You can also contribute online using WeShare via our website, svsc.info/ways-to-give, to make your donations. Thank you for your generosity.



MONDAY, JULY 8, 6:30 PM

Mass for Venerable Rose Hawthorne

Join the Dominican Healthcare Ministry in celebrating this special Mass at St. Catherine's in thanksgiving for Ven. Rose Hawthorne being declared Venerable. Ven. Rose Hawthorne and a friend were encouraged by a priest at St. Catherine's to become Third Order Dominicans while working as nurses in what is now Memorial Sloan Kettering Cancer Center. This same priest eventually helped them start the Dominican Sisters of Hawthorne, who consecrate their lives in service and relief of people with incurable cancer.



TUESDAY, JULY 9 - TUESDAY, JULY 30, 6:45 PM

Death Be Not Proud: The Art of Dying in the Catholic Tradition

Join Br. Linus M. Martz, O.P., for a four-part series on the end of life and dying well. Each talk can stand alone, so continuity in attendance is not necessary. The talks are intended for **people from all backgrounds and stages in life**. Meetings will be as follow:

July 9: Faith, Hope, and a Happy Death

In our first session, we will begin our discussion of this challenging but spiritually fruitful topic. We will look first at non-Christian ideas about "dying well," before looking to Jesus Christ and the Resurrection. This study will be shaped by a distinctly Dominican and Thomistic emphasis on the goodness of bodily life and will also consider the important role mourning plays in a Christian response to death.

July 16: The Art of Dying

July 23: Last Rites

July 30: Eternal Life

For more information, see the flyers in the back of the church or visit our parish website at svsc.info. We encourage to invite your friends to join—**All are most welcome!**

FRIDAY, JULY 12, 6:15 PM**God and Cancer: Prayer and Support Group**

The Prayer and Support Group meets regularly on the 2nd and 4th Friday of every month at 6:15 PM in St. Joseph's Hall in St. Catherine's. Those who suffer cancer are invited to join a Catholic community of support in carrying this cross.

Please email Fr. Hyacinth at director@healthcareministry.org to RSVP and to join the group.

THE MONTH OF JULY

July is dedicated to the Precious Blood of Jesus.

SUMMER DEVOTIONS SCHEDULE

Sunday afternoon Eucharistic Adoration at St. Catherine's is suspended through the summer and will resume on September 15, the Sunday after the Feast of the Holy Cross. **All other weekly Holy Hours (in both churches) will continue as usual.**

JULY**Long-Time Partner Pregnancy Center in Manhattan In Need of Volunteers**

Are you able to spare 3 to 5 hours a week to help women in vulnerable situations and the pro-life movement? Pregnancy Help Inc. is in need of volunteer peer counselors (the center will train you) who are willing to walk with abortion bound women and help them say yes to life. The ability to speak Spanish is a HUGE plus. If interested, please send an email to **Nicole Moore** at nmoorephi@gmail.com or give her a call at **212 - 243 - 0970**. We hope to hear from you! God Bless!

SATURDAY, JULY 20, 7 PM**Monthly Salsa Dance**

Join our parish for our monthly salsa night! The evening will start with classes for all levels: 7:00 PM Bachata, 7:45 PM Salsa, and 8:30 PM social dancing. Attendance is free, but a small donation to help cover costs is appreciated. No experience necessary!

SATURDAY, JULY 27, 7 PM**Monthly Swing Dance**

Join our parish for our monthly swing dance night! The evening will start with a free class for all levels, followed by social dancing at 8 PM. No experience necessary! You are welcome to bring a snack or beverage to share. The event is free, but donations are welcome!

MUSIC NOTES**For This Sunday**

Ave verum corpus

– William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)

In manus tuas (I)

– John Sheppard (c. 1515-1558)

Salve Regina á 4

– William Byrd

John Sheppard was appointed a Gentleman (professional singer) of the Chapel Royal (the body of priests and singers attached to the English monarch) during the reign of Henry VIII. Sheppard had previously served as *Informator Choristarum* (Choirmaster) at Magdalen College, Oxford. Sheppard was a composer for the Chapel Royal as well, and was considered the one of the finest English church composer of his time, along with Thomas Tallis. (They were of the generation preceding the better-known William Byrd.) Sheppard was evidently a key figure in Mary Tudor's restoration of the elaborate Sarum Rite (the de facto national Rite of the Catholic Church originally emanating from the liturgical practices of Salisbury Cathedral) upon her ascension to the throne in 1553.

For Sunday, July 14, 12 NOON

Ad te levavi

– Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

Tollite jugum meum

– Andrae Gabrieli (c. 1532-1585)

Domine convertere

– Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina

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