

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

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August 6, 2023 – The Transfiguration of the Lord

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 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.

SIGN-UP FOR PARISH EMAIL

To receive up to date information regarding the Parish schedule and important announcements, please sign-up for Parish email via our website, *svsc.info* or email the Parish office, *parish@svsc.info*

TRANSFIGURATION

Today, August 6 is the Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord. As a Feast of the Lord, it supersedes what otherwise would have been the Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time and will be celebrated at the Saturday evening Masses as well as all Masses on Sunday. The Schola will sing a choral setting of the Ordinary at the 12 NOON Solemn Mass.

DIOCESAN COLLECTION FOR THE SOLIDARITY FUND FOR THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

This weekend, our Parish will take up a collection to support the Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. The solidarity fund supports pastoral projects to build the capacity of the Church and foster lasting peace and reconciliation in a continent often marked by division and tension. To learn more, visit **usceb.org/africa**.

CELEBRATIONS OF ST. DOMINIC

Our Holy Father Dominic, the founder of the Order of Preachers, died on August 6, 1221. To mark the 802nd Anniversary, the Parish will have several days worth of special celebrations.

Tuesday, August 8 is the Solemnity of St. Dominic according to the modern liturgical calendar. There will be a **Solemn Mass and Procession at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer** for which the Schola will sing *Missa Brevis in F Major*, K. 192 by Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart; *Benedictus Redemptor omnium, Sanctus Dominicum* by Adrian Willaert; *Salve Regina* by Mitthaeus Pipelare. The guest preacher will be Fr. Malachy Napier, C.F.R. (By ancient tradition, a Franciscan is invited to preach at a Dominican church on St. Dominic's Day and vice versa.)

From August 2–8, the Memorial of Bl. Jane Aza, the mother of St. Dominic to the Solemnity of St. Dominic, relics of St. Dominic will be displayed for veneration by the Rosary Altar at St. Vincent Ferrer.

St. Lawrence

Thursday, August 10 is the Feast of St. Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr. There will be a Sung Mass at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer.

MASS AND CONFESSIONS St. VINCENT FERRER

MASSES

Weekdays: 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

CONFESSIONS

Weekdays: 5:15-6 рм Wednesday: 7:15-8 рм Saturday: 5:15-6 рм

Sunday: 7:45–8 AM, 9:15–9:30 AM, 11:30 AM–12 NOON, 5:15–6 PM

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

LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYER ST. VINCENT FERRER

Weekdays:

7:25 am: Matins and Lauds 5:25 pm: Rosary and Vespers *Wednesday*:

6:30 pm: Eucharistic Adoration Saturday:

8:30 AM: MATINS AND LAUDS 5:25 PM: ROSARY AND VESPERS Sunday:

8:45 am: Matins and Lauds 5:25 pm: Rosary and Vespers

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Weekdays:

4:50 pm: Rosary

Thursday:

5:45 pm: Eucharistic Adoration

Sunday:

3 pm: Eucharistic Adoration (Suspended until September 17)

Parish Office

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St. Vincent Ferrer

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Summer Office Hours:

Monday-Thursday:

9 ам–1 рм *and* 2 рм–4 рм

Friday: 9 AM-1 PM

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Monday-Friday:

10 ам-3 рм

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FAMILY FELLOWSHIP AT ST. VINCENT FERRER

Next weekend, Sunday, August 13, the Parish welcomes families with young children to attend the 9:30 AM Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer. After the Mass, please come to the Friars' Chapel for a blessing from one of the friars; fellowship will follow. To stay updated, email *family @svsc.info*. We also welcome engaged couples, newlyweds, and any parishioner that would like to support the sacredness of human life and love, especially in marriage and family.

ASSUMPTION

Tuesday, August 15 is the Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a Holy Day of Obligation. There will be a Solemn Mass at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer for which the Schola Cantorum will sing *Missa Brevis in F Major*, Op. 117 and *Veni sponsa Christi*, Op. 58, No. 6 by Josef Rheinberger; *Ave Maria*, Op. 25 by Vinzenz Goller; and *Salve Reinga* by Alfred Desenclos.

In addition to the regular weekday Mass and Confession schedule, there will be a 1 PM Low Mass at St. Catherine of Siena.

The evening Masses on Monday, August 14 will be for the Vigil of the Solemnity and will satisfy the obligation.

Music Notes

Next Sunday, for the Ninteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Schola will sing two motets from the English Renaissance. The 400th Anniversary of the death of William Byrd was observed on July 4. The popularity of Byrd's music during his lifetime and his influence on subsequent English music cannot be overstated. Throughout the fall of 2023, the Schola will continue to feature his music in celebration of this milestone.

Ave verum corpus – Richard Deering (c. 1580-1630) Salve Regina á 5 – William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)

Parish Coffee Hour

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

RCIA BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 7

Interested in becoming Catholic? Or are you a Catholic adult who needs to be confirmed? Email *rcia@svsc.info* to ask about our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) program.

RCIA will meet on Thursdays from 6:45 PM to 8 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer in the lower church. This parish year, our regular meetings will start on September 7, 2023 and meet weekly through May of 2024.

Newcomers are always welcome! Our program is designed so that people can enter throughout the year.

ONLINE GIVING

Fulfill your stewardship with online giving through WeShare. You can make a donation at anytime based on your personal schedule. Donations can be made with a credit card, debit card, or e-check. To sign-up, please visit our website *svsc.info/ways-to-give*.

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

Mass Intentions St. Vincent Ferrer

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

6:00 рм (Vigil) Teresa Latawiec Zatorska (D)

8:00 AM John McGrath (D)
9:30 AM For the People of the
Parish

12 NOON Mazie Powers (D) 6:00 PM Pat Jennings (D)

Monday, August 7

8:00 AM Fr. William C. Cunningham, s.J. (D) 12:10 PM Dorothy & Jim Hill (D) 6:00 PM Romero Family

Tuesday, August 8

8:00 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 John Russo & Roseann Caputo (D)
6:00 PM Philip Matar & Lily Canaan Matar (D)

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

8:00 AM Angela Barry (D) 12:10 PM Josephine Isabel McWhorter (D) 6:00 PM Victoria Osejo Special Intention

Thursday, August 10

8:00 AM Peter Strife (D)
12:10 PM Catherine & Patrick
McGlade (D)
6:00 PM Martin Joseph Hagan (D)

Friday, August 11

8:00 am Odette Van Acker & Alexander Rossani (D) 12:10 pm Mitzi Drew (D) 6:00 pm Mary L. Pfeiffer (D)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 12

8:00 am Peter Strife (D) 6:00 pm Anthony Mortelliti (D)

Mass Intentions St. Catherine of Siena

SUNDAY, AUGUST 6

4:00 PM (Vigil) Patrick Kennedy (D) 10:00 AM Anne Marie Quackenbush (D) 5:00 PM Antonio Layuq (D)

Monday, August 7

7:00 AM For the Province of St. Joseph 5:15 PM Gianni Bisleti & Family (D)

Tuesday, August 8

7:00 AM Francis Rossnagle (D) 5:15 PM Living and Deceased Priests of the Parish

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 9

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

THURSDAY, AUGUST 10

7:00 AM Roger V. Allen (D) 5:15 PM Ann Kennedy (D)

Friday, August 11

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

Saturday, August 12

9:00 AM Christina Macia (D) 4:00 PM David Gale (D)

HOSPITAL MINISTRY 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.

PARISH PRAYER INTENTIONS

Elaine Arace, Michael Carty, Nimah Collins, John Crosson, Annette Cunningham, Pat Groh, Maggie Heath, Jeremy Kyser, Jay Mortimer, Robert J. Quackenbush, Bill Rudd, and Helen Skoratowicz

Please pray for the repose of the souls of:

August Arace, John F. Breedis, Carol Higgins Clark, Therese Martin Di Maio, Derek Harrelson, Donald Moglia, Margot Slater, Stan Sitarsky, and the souls of all the recently deceased.

CANDLE INTENTIONS ST. VINCENT FERRER

Sanctuary Lamps

Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez; Kevin Wilson (D); Margaret Williams (D); St. Dominic's Feast; People of the Parish; Intention of Donor; and Souls in Purgatory.

Sanctuary Madonna John F. Breedis (D)

Our Lady of Fatima Shrine
Peace in Ukraine

Our Lady of Guadalupe Shrine Jack Ryan Keegan

CANDLE INTENTIONS ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

Purgatorial Altar Candle

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

Blessed Mother Shrine, Sanctuary Lamp Priscilla Ventigan

St. Martin de Porres Candle Maria Marta Litrenta; Rose Ann Connolly (D); Bridget Heeran (D)

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

We have just spent the last eight weeks reflecting on receiving Holy Communion with a more receptive and well disposed heart. Yet, what is the whole point of this? What is the end that we are trying to achieve in these reflections? At first sight, it might seem that since this series has directly followed our tour through the history of active participation and that since the receiving of Holy Communion is the highest form of active participation, this whole thing has been about us trying to more completely and actively participate in the liturgy. That is true, but it is not the deepest reason. Even more important is the fact that this is all about union with God.

The whole goal of our reception of Holy Communion is about union with God. It is about being transformed by His grace and being conformed to Him so that in all things it is Christ acting within us. In a certain sense, our reception of Holy Communion is about our own sort of transfiguration. For when we receive Holy Communion worthily and devoutly, the Lord transforms us from the inside. He reorients the desires of our hearts so that they can be purified and become "white as light" (Matthew 17:2), and He enlightens our minds so that we can have a greater share in His truth as if our minds were enlightened by the sun (cf. Matthew 17:2). Little by little, He changes us so that we are more and more conformed to His truth and His love. That way, when all comes to an end, we can join Him atop the true Mount Tabor as, God-willing, we ascend the final mountain in this journey of life and arrive safely in heaven.

This also means that our reception of Communion should lead to a conscious desire in our lives to seek the Truth and to be shaped by the Lord's love. This should be a regular aspect of our lives as we seek to grow closer to the Lord. It should inform our life at home, at work, or in school. It should guide our interactions with family, with friends, and even with strangers. For in all those ways and in all that we do, we should cooperate with what the Lord is trying to do in our lives rather than get in His way.

With this in mind, I want to mention one more practical thing about the reception of Holy Communion in our two churches. It seems to me that the Parish made certain

adaptations during COVID to facilitate those who wanted to receive Communion either on the tongue and or on the hand. I think that this strategy works in many ways, but as our numbers increase we need to smooth things out a little. With that in mind, I think the following will help.

At St. Catherine of Siena:

For those who would like to receive on the hand, please continue to come up at the front of the line. For those who would like to receive on the tongue, please continue to come up at the end of the line. For all receiving Communion or a blessing, please make sure to fill out the whole Communion rail as that is the most efficient way to distribute Communion and offer blessings.

At St. Vincent Ferrer:

We will continue distributing Communion at the rails for those who would like to receive on the tongue and in the center aisles for those who would like to receive on the hand. If we have four ministers of Holy Communion, we will use both rails as well as have two ministers in the center aisle. When it comes to moving to your preferred Communion line, I ask that you be charitable and let others pass by to their preferred lines as well. If you are sitting on the left side of the church and want to receive on the tongue at the rail by the Friars' Chapel, please go down the left aisle and walk around the back rather than cutting through the center aisle and the pews. Similarly, if you are sitting on the far right side of the church and want to receive on the hand, please go down the right aisle and walk around the back to get into the center aisle. There is no rush to receive Communion, and we will continue to distribute Communion until the lines are finished.

Hopefully this will help us to be peaceable and charitable as we go up to and come back from receiving the Sacrament of Charity so that we truly can be transfigured by the Lord.

In Christ,

Fr. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, o.P.

ST. DOMINIC'S DAYS



AUGUST 2-8

Relics of St. Dominic reposed in the Sepulcher Niche by the Rosary Altar

AUGUST 2

Regular Mass Schedule with Masses of Bl. Jane, Mother of St. Dominic (at both churches)

AUGUST 4

7 рм - Solemn Dominican Rite Mass of St. Dominic

AUGUST 8

6 РМ - Solemn Mass of St. Dominic (Reception to follow Mass) 8:30 РМ - Compline





These events are at the Church of St. Vincent Ferrer



"Geneology of St. Dominic," part of "El Santoral Dominico," 1837-1841, workshop of the Cabrera brothers, Museo Historico Dominico, Santiago, Chile

Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Tuesday, August 15

a Holy Day of Obligation

MASS SCHEDULE:

ST. VINCENT FERRER

AUGUST 14 – 6 PM (VIGIL) AUGUST 15 – 8 AM, 12:10 PM, 6 PM

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

AUGUST 14 – 5:15 PM (VIGIL) AUGUST 15 – 7 AM, 1 PM, 5:15 PM

Photo: "Assumption of the Virgin", Bartolomé Esteban Murillo, 1670, Hermitage Museum, St. Petersburg, Russia



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2023-2024 Youth Faith Formation



Registration is now open for 2023-2024.

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