

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

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September 3, 2023 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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.

LABOR DAY SCHEDULE

In observance of Labor Day, the Parish Offices will be closed on **Monday, September 4**. 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.

While St. Catherine of Siena will stay open through the afternoon, St. Vincent Ferrer will close following the Mass.

CATHOLIC MEDICAL ASSOCIATION MONTHLY MEETING

The Catholic Medical Association of New York City Guild regularly meets on the first Thursday of every month, following our Healthcare Holy Hour. The next meeting is on **Thursday, September 7**, at St. Catherine of Siena at 7 PM. All physicians, nurses, medical students, and allied health professionals are invited to attend.

NATIVITY OF MARY

Friday, September 8 is the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. There will be a Sung Mass at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer.

There are only three nativities observed in the Roman Catholic calendar: for Jesus, for Mary, and for St. John the Baptist.

VISITATION CIRCLE MONTHLY MEETING

Saturday, September 9 is the monthly meeting of the Visitation Circle. It will be held in St. Vincent Ferrer Church, starting with the recitation of the Rosary at 11:35 AM. Mass at 12 NOON will be offered in memory of VC member and friend, Keiko Reitz, recently deceased. A meeting with light refreshments will follow in the Church Priory. Please note that refreshments will be pre-ordered; cancellations are requested 24 hours in advance. A small, free-will donation to cover costs will be appreciated. This will be VC's first meeting of the 2023-2024 season, after a summer hiatus.

The Visitation Circle celebrates Catholic women living on their own in New York as widowed, divorced, single, or separated women. For additional information, and a reservation for Saturday's meeting, contact the Visitation Circle at catherine_o_rourke@hotmail.com or email the Parish Office at parish@svsc.info.

MASS AND CONFESSIONS

ST. VINCENT FERRER

MASSSES

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 PM

Wednesday: 7:15–8 PM

Saturday: 5:15–6 PM

Sunday: 7:45–8 AM, 9:15–9:30 AM,

11:30 AM–12 NOON, 5:15–6 PM

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

MASSSES

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)

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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.

ALMSGIVING SUNDAY

This 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 donation. Thank you for your generosity

FAMILY FELLOWSHIP AT ST. VINCENT FERRER

On **Sunday, September 10**, after the 9:30 AM Mass at St. Vincent's, we will have our monthly Family Fellowship. Families gather after Mass for a blessing in the Friars' Chapel and then have time for fellowship and food. We welcome all families to attend.

To stay updated, please 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.

REQUIEM MASS FOR 9/11

On **Monday, September 11**, a Solemn Requiem Mass in the Dominican Rite will be offered at 7 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer to commemorate the 21st anniversary of 9/11. The Schola Cantorum will sing *Requiem á 6* by Jean Richafort. This Mass is sponsored jointly by the Parish and the New York Purgatorial Society and will be offered for those who died on 9/11. All are most welcome.

The 7 AM Mass at St. Catherine of Siena and the 6 PM Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer will be offered in commemoration for the fallen as well.

YOUTH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION BEGINS SEPTEMBER 17

Religious Education registration for the 2023-2024 parish year is now open. We will offer Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) for children from 3 years old through 6th grade at St. Catherine of Siena. This year, we will also offer parent & child, infant & toddler CGS at St. Vincent Ferrer. We will offer Confirmation preparation for youth in 7th and 8th grades and for older teens who are not yet confirmed at St. Vincent Ferrer. Sessions begin the week of September 17. To learn more and register for the upcoming year, please visit svsc.info/youth-religious-formation/.

If you have any questions about CGS, please contact Lisa Harrelson, Director of Religious Education, at lharrelson@svsc.info. We look forward to welcoming your children in September!

MUSIC NOTES

Next week, for the Twenty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Schola will sing two motets from the Roman School. Luca Marenzio was an Italian composer and a contemporary of Palestrina. Most widely recognized for his madrigals, he closed out the genre's flourishing period with chromaticism the likes of which would not be seen again until the 20th century; and in this way his style and Palestrina's are markedly dissimilar. Marenzio worked in the service of several aristocratic Italian families, including the Gonzaga, Este, and Medici, and spent most of his career in Rome.

Deus O sacrum convivium – Luca Marenzio (c. 1533-1599)

Ego sum panis vivus á 4 – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. VINCENT FERRER

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

6:00 PM (Vigil) Frances (L) & Edmund Lukas (D)
8:00 AM John Kaiser (D)
9:30 AM Virginia Belanger
12 NOON For the People of the Parish
6:00 PM Nancy & Luke A. Foye Sr. (D)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

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 *No Mass Labor Day*
6:00 PM *No Mass Labor Day*

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

8:00 AM Anniversary of Deceased Friends & Benefactors of the Order
12:10 PM Dorothy & Jim Hill (D)
6:00 PM Alice Kelley (D)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

8:00 AM Adelia Gonzalves (D)
12:10 PM Dante Rizzo (D)
6:00 PM Holiness for all Vocations

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

8:00 AM Nimah Collins
12:10 PM Marie & Jack Powers (D)
6:00 PM Wonda Nowak (D)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

8:00 AM Fr. William C. Cunningham S.J. (D)
12:10 PM Victoria Osejo Special Intention
6:00 PM Anna & Philip Donohoe (D)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

8:00 AM Donna Hardiman (D)
6:00 PM May Corso (D)

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 3

4:00 PM (Vigil) David Gale (D)
10:00 AM Barbara Feducowitz (D)
5:00 PM Francisca Asuncion (D)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

7:00 AM For the Province of St. Joseph
5:15 PM *No Mass Labor Day*

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 5

7:00 AM Anniversary of Deceased Friends & Benefactors of the Order
5:15 PM Maria Cecilia Punzalan (D)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6

7:00 AM For the Patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude
5:15 PM For the Deceased Members of the Cox, Foster, Nadel, and Synan Families (D)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 7

7:00 AM Maria & Franz Supan (D)
5:15 PM Thanksgiving for God's Mercy and Love

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society of St. Catherine of Siena
5:15 PM Octave of Prayer Honoring the Triumph of the Holy Cross and Our Lady Of Sorrows

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

9:00 AM Octave of Prayer Honoring the Triumph of the Holy Cross and Our Lady Of Sorrows
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, Maureen Dorsey, 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:

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

CANDLE INTENTIONS
ST. VINCENT FERRER

Sanctuary Lamps

Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez; Michael Wilson, (D); Rose Donaghue (D); Intention of Donor; Special Intention; People of the Parish; and Souls in Purgatory.

Sanctuary Madonna

Jack Ryan Keegan

Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

Peace in Ukraine

St. Martin de Porres Shrine

Beatrice Behan Howley

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

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.

THE DOMINICAN SHRINE OF ST. JUDE

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

SEPTEMBER 8 – 15

Dear Parishioners,

On Thursday, September 14 we celebrate the feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. It is also known as the Triumph of the Holy Cross. The entrance antiphon proclaims, *"We should glory in the cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection; through whom we are saved and delivered."*

Here at the Shrine of St. Jude we will begin our annual Octave of Prayer honoring the Holy Cross on Friday, September 8, the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Within this Octave we will recall the Most Holy Name of Mary on Tuesday, September 12 and the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on Thursday, September 14. We will conclude on Friday, September 15 with the Feast of Our Lady of Sorrows.

This letter invites you to join the patrons of our Dominican Shrine and our two parish churches in these eight days of prayer.

The intention of this Octave of Prayer will be the patients and caregivers in the numerous hospitals that the Dominican Friars minister to within the Parish as well as the greater Archdiocese of New York. The Dominican Healthcare Ministry continues to spread far beyond the parish boundaries. This has been the principal ministry of the Dominican Friars residing here in the Priory of St. Catherine of Siena from its inception.

Are these days of our Octave of Prayer not the perfect opportunity for bringing some hope to these individuals and families who come here to pray? The Shrine of St. Jude, as well as the Shrine of the Holy Cross, are the gathering locations here in our church for these patrons desperate for an answer to their prayers. Certainly, the high point of our Octave will focus on the Exaltation of the Holy Cross. *"Because by your holy cross you have redeemed the world."* We will remain powerless if we do not appreciate the richness and the meaning of this cross and why Christ died for us.

During Lent and Holy Week, we focus on the sufferings of Christ crucified. In our celebration of the Triumph or Exaltation of the Holy Cross, our focus shifts to the glory and victory of the cross. We approach the cross not with sorrow, but with joy; not as a symbol of death, but of life; not as a sign of defeat, but of victory; and certainly not a cause of fear, but of hope.

The feast of the Holy Cross commemorates the events when St. Helena, the Empress and mother of the Roman Emperor Constantine, traveled to Jerusalem in search of the historical sites of Christ's life to preserve their relics. When she discovered the Holy Sepulcher, Constantine built a basilica on the site and another on Calvary, both of which were dedicated on September 14 in the year 335.

In concluding this Octave on September 15, we stand at the foot of the cross with Mary, the Mother of the Lord. This feast in the liturgical calendar reminds us of the suffering of Mary during the passion and death of her Son. She stands with St. John and becomes the mother of all the living. And since she is our mother, we can approach her with confidence that she will respond to our needs and prayers.

During the Octave of Prayer may I suggest that we unite our prayers with all those who we know on beds of suffering as well as caregivers at their side. The Octave Prayer will be said at all five daily Masses in the parish, as well as all eight of the Masses we celebrate on Sunday. In addition, beginning on the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary and concluding on Our Lady of Sorrows, we will be offering an Octave of Masses for these intentions.

An intention book for this Octave will be placed on the altar of the Holy Cross at St. Catherine of Siena for your convenience. It is hoped that you will take advantage of this opportunity to share your intentions with all who are making this a special time of prayer. Jesus has said: "Where two or three are gathered together in prayer I am in their midst." There will be a book for intentions at St. Vincent Ferrer placed at the Rosary Altar for your convenience. Please take advantage of this for those whom we should add to this Octave of Prayer.

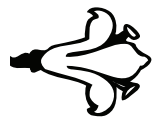
On the Feasts of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Thursday, September 14) and Our Lady of Sorrow (Friday, September 15) there will be Eucharistic Adoration at St. Catherine of Siena. The Blessed Sacrament will be exposed beginning at 12 NOON until Benediction at 4:30 PM. It is hoped that you might consider joining us for some period of prayer during these special days.

With prayerful best wishes, I remain,
Father Joseph P. Allen, O.P.
Shrine Director



OCTAVE PRAYER

*Virgin of all virgins,
look upon my need.
Let me share in your
compassion for all
who suffer, and let
me offer my sufferings
on their behalf.
Thus we may bear the
image of your Son's
crucified love.*



SIMEON said to Mary:

*"Behold, this child is destined
for the fall and rise of many in
Israel, and for a sign that will be
contradicted. And your own soul a
sword will pierce."*

LUKE 2: 34-35

REFLECTION

*On Calvary the sufferings of
Holy Mary reached their height.
Mary's presence at the foot of the
Cross constituted a most special
participation in the Redemptive
Death of her Son.*

SAINT POPE JOHN PAUL II



PILGRIMAGE



Join us for the first National Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage at the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, DC on September 30, 2023.

A group will be leaving from St. Vincent Ferrer Church at 5am and returning at 10:30pm. The cost is \$75 per pilgrim.

Sign up here:



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HOLY ROSARY



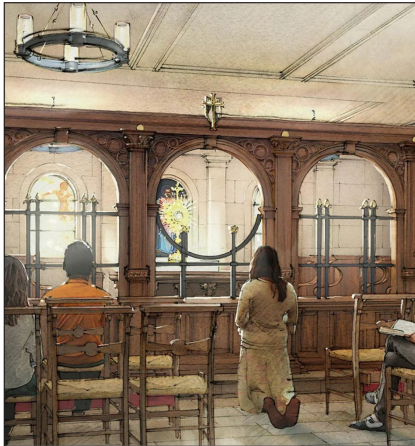
The Confraternity of the Most Holy Rosary exists "to praise and honor the Blessed Virgin Mary and to secure her patronage by the recitation of the Rosary for the mutual spiritual benefit of all the members throughout the world."

We will have a Solemn Enrollment at St. Vincent Ferrer Church on Saturday, October 7 at 10:30 am (in between the Dominican Rite Mass at 9:30 am and the Solemn Novus Ordo Mass at 11:00am). It is also possible to enroll privately.

If you are interested in enrolling, please email parish@svsc.info.



ADORATION



For the first time, there is now a Perpetual Adoration Chapel in New York City. The Divine Mercy Adoration Chapel at St. Joseph's Church in Greenwich Village is now open, and there is still need for adorers.

For more information, go to:

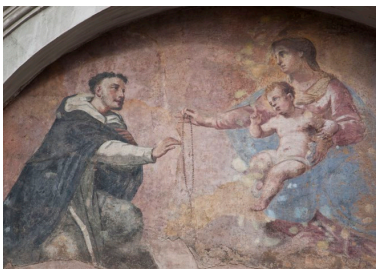
perpetualadoration.nyc

or call (212) 741-1274.

If you are interested in becoming an adorers, sign up here:



GROW IN PURITY



The Confraternity of the Angelic Warfare exists, under the patronage of St. Thomas Aquinas and Our Lady of the Rosary to promote purity among the faithful and share in the graces of the Dominican Order so that men and women can live with great purity of heart no matter what their vocation is.

We will have a Solemn Enrollment at St. Vincent Ferrer Church on Friday, September 29 after the Solemn Mass at 6pm. It is also possible to enroll privately.

If you are interested in enrolling, please email parish@svsc.info.

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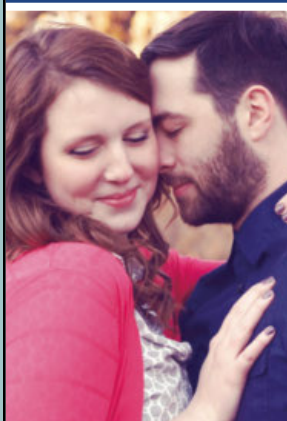
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