



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

September 8, 2024 – Twenty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



"Saint Anne," Demetra Sarras, Byzantine School Icon, XXI Century, Athens, Greece, via OramaWorld

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

Phone Number (212) 744-2080
Email parish@svsc.info

PARISH STAFF

Pastor Rev. Peter Martyr Yungwirth, O.P.
Parochial Vicar Rev. Joseph Allen, O.P.
Parochial Vicar Rev. Reginald Hoefler, O.P.
Parochial Vicar Rev. Francis Belanger, O.P.
Parochial Vicar Rev. Raymond La Grange, O.P.
Deacon Deacon John M. Powers
Business Manager Lee Ann Rubino
Director of Music and Organist James D. Wetzel
Director of Religious Education Lisa Harrelson

Administrative Assistant Karen Langer
Evangelization Coordinator Camila Salcedo-Espitia
Custodian SVF Tony Hicks
Custodian SVF Tracey Hicks
Custodian SCS Terrance Freeman

ST. VINCENT FERRER HIGH SCHOOL

Principal Sr. Martha Kunesh, O.P.
Phone (212) 535-4680

DOMINICAN HEALTHCARE MINISTRY

Contact Fr. Hyacinth Grubb, O.P.
Email director@healthcareministry.org
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St. Vincent Ferrer

GENERAL INFORMATION

Address 869 Lexington Avenue
 New York, NY 10065
Office Hours Mon-Fri, 9 AM-1 PM and 2-4 PM

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

GENERAL INFORMATION

Address 411 East 68th Street
 New York, NY 10065
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, Helen Attolini, Sarojini Bruschi, Bella Claravall, Annette Cunningham, Brando Cruz, Concepcion De La Cruz, Margaret Duffy, Warren & Renata Gosdin & Family, Christine Heller, Jeremy Kyser, Kathleen McDonough, Elizabeth Rice Moore, Helen Skoratowicz, John Williams.

FOR THE REPOSE OF THE SOULS OF

John Cullen; Sophia d'Antoine; John Donelan; Maryanne Dorsey Smith; Ligia Fermin; Ethel Garcia; Parker Gentry; Alfred Gill; Matthew Martinez; Br. Damian McCarthy, O.P.; John Williams; Richard Mittel, Eileen Powers; Victor E. Stewart; Brenda Wiltshire; Dawn Witty; 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.

[tinyurl.com/SVSC-FB](https://www.tinyurl.com/SVSC-FB)  [@SVSC.NYC](https://www.instagram.com/SVSC.NYC)



DONATE TO YOUR PARISH

You can fulfill your stewardship with an online service through WeShare. Donations can be made with a credit card, debit card, or e-check. To enroll in online giving, visit [svsc.info/ways-to-give](https://www.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.

Intentions

St. Vincent Ferrer Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

6 PM (Vigil) May Corso (D)
 8 AM Thomas Parsons (D)
 9:30 AM John Weisz (D)
 12 NOON AnnaRose Panebianco and
 Alphoso Piscano (D)
 6 PM Ellen Gorman Murphy and Thomas
 Gorman (D)

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

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 Fr. William Holt (D)
 6 PM Fr. William Holt, O.P. (Year Anniver-
 sary)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

8 AM Thomas Sullivan (D)
 12:10 PM Catherine & Patrick McGlade (D)
 6 PM Lucy & John P. McGrath (D)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

8 AM Diane Theresa Lipari (D)
 12:10 PM Victims and Families of the 9/11
 Attacks
 6 PM John Weisz (D)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

8 AM Nely Miranda (L)
 12:10 PM Marie & Jack Powers (D)
 6 PM Foncie McCullagh (D)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

8 AM Wayne Scambler (D)
 12:10 PM Aboracion Bienvenida (D)
 6 PM Mary Lee Kulzer (D)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

8 AM Lawrence Romero
 9:30 AM Special Intentions of PHI Circle of
 Life Members

St. Catherine of Siena Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

4 PM (Vigil) David Gale (D)
 10 AM For the People of the Parish
 5 PM Octave of Prayer Honoring the Holy
 Cross/ Seven Sorrows

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

7 AM Maria & Franz Supan (D)
 5:15 PM Octave of Prayer Honoring the
 Holy Cross/ Seven Sorrows

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10

7 AM For the Province of St. Joseph
 5:15 PM Octave of Prayer Honoring the
 Holy Cross/ Seven Sorrows

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

7 AM Victims and Families of the 9/11
 Attacks
 5:15 PM Octave of Prayer Honoring the
 Holy Cross/ Seven Sorrows

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

7 AM For the Patrons of the Shrine of St.
 Jude
 5:15 PM Octave of Prayer Honoring the
 Holy Cross/ Seven Sorrows

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13

7 AM For the Purgatorial Society of St.
 Catherine of Siena
 5:15 PM Octave of Prayer Honoring the
 Holy Cross/ Seven Sorrows

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 14

9 AM Raymond Martin Hicks III (D) &
 Marcelia Cruz Hicks

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.

Candle Intentions

ST. VINCENT FERRER

Sanctuary Lamps

Ramon Javier & Fernando Jose Gonzalez;
 Donna Landau Hardiman (D); Br. Damian
 McCarthy, O.P. (D), and Intentions; Souls
 In Purgatory; For the People of the Parish;
 Special Intention; For the Conversion of
 Gladys Pedraza-Hernandez

Sanctuary Madonna

Jack Ryan Keegan

Our Lady of Fatima Shrine

Lucia Chong Kim

Our Lady of Guadalupe Candle

Violeta Palacios (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); and Pedro
 Litrenta, Jr. (D)

Blessed Mother Shrine,

Sanctuary Lamp

Priscilla Ventigan

St. Martin de Porres Shrine,

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

Shrine of St. Jude – Octave of Prayer

We begin our annual Octave of Prayer today, Sunday, September 8, on the day in which we traditionally remember the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. We would like to invite you to join the patrons of the Dominican Shrine of St. Jude on the celebration of this octave, which will conclude next Sunday, September 15. Ordinarily, we celebrate Our Lady of Sorrows on that day; however, since both celebrations fall on Sundays this year, they will not be observed. Our Octave of Prayer will also include the celebration of the Most Holy Name of Mary on September 12 and the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross on September 14.

Saint Pope John Paul II has a beautiful reflection fitting for our octave celebration: "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."

With this reflection in mind, 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 and the greater Archdiocese. 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 Saint Catherine of Siena since its inception.

Certainly, the high point of our Octave will be 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 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 as a cause of fear but a cause of hope.

Are not these days of our Octave of Prayer the perfect opportunity to bring some hope to individuals who are suffering from sickness, and their families?

The Feast of the Holy Cross, was established on September 14 to commemorate the events when St. Helena, 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



"Crucifixion," Nicolas Tournier, 1635, Louvre Museum

the site and another on Calvary, both of which were dedicated on September 14 in 335 AD.

During the Octave of Prayer may I suggest that we unite our prayers with those of all whom we know who are on beds of suffering, as well as the caregivers at their side. The Octave Prayer will be said at all five daily Masses in the parish and at all eight Masses we celebrate on Sunday. In addition, beginning on Sunday, September 8, and concluding on Sunday, September 15, we will offer an Octave of Masses for your intentions.

I invite you to list your petitions in the designated intention books in each of our churches. Also, we continue to celebrate Masses every Wednesday for the intentions of our patrons of the Shrine of St. Jude. In addition, we perpetually light 175 candles at the Shrine of St. Jude for your intentions.

May the few remaining weeks of summer bless you and your loved ones. You remain in my thoughts and prayers always.

With prayerful best wishes, I remain,

Father Joseph P. Allen, O.P.
Shrine Director

Upcoming Events

EVERY SUNDAY

Parish Coffee Hour

Our weekly parish coffee hour is held at St. Vincent's after the 12 NOON Mass. Come and connect with your fellow Parishioners!

To keep our weekly coffee hour going, we need new volunteers. Consider signing up to help once a month (or more often!) at TinyUrl.com/CoffeeHourVolunteers or email Camila Salcedo, this year's coordinator for the weekly Parish coffee hour, at evangelization@svsc.info.

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8

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). 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.

SEPTEMBER 8-15

Octave of Prayer

From the Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary on Sunday, September 8, through the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows on Thursday, September 15, the Parish will offer an Octave of Prayer. In these days, we recognize Jesus' Passion and the Blessed Mother's compassion, and thus, we pray for those undergoing their own passions of illness, injury, and age and for their caregivers. Holy cards and petition slips will be found at the Pieta at St. Vincent's and at the foot of the great Cross at St. Catherine's near the Book of the Sick. Because both September 8 and 15 fall on Sundays, neither of these feasts will be observed liturgically this year.



SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 9:30 AM Family Fellowship

Next Sunday, 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 who would like to support the sacredness of human life and love, especially in marriage and family.

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9

United Nations Prayer Service

Our Parish's Schola Cantorum will sing for the Opening Prayer Service of the 79th Session of the U.N. General Assembly on **Monday, September 9 at 6 PM**, with prelude music **beginning at 5:45 PM**, at the Church of the Holy Family (315 East 47th Street).

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11

9/11 Solemn Requiem Mass

There will be a **Solemn Requiem Mass at 6 PM at St. Vincent's** to commemorate the victims of 9/11. The Schola will sing *Missa de Requiem* by Pierre de Manchicourt. The Wednesday evening Holy Hour at St. Vincent's will be offered as usual.

AUGUST-SEPTEMBER

RCIA Just Started!

Are you considering becoming Catholic? Do you know someone who is? Are you a Catholic who has not yet received the Sacraments of First Holy Communion and/or Confirmation? Join our widely-acclaimed RCIA program at our parish, which just started on September 5! **Latecomers are most welcome.** We will meet on most Thursdays from 6:45 – 8:15 pm and four Saturday sessions from 9:30 am – 4:30 pm.

RCIA at SVSC is a great opportunity for formation and further discernment. Class does not require a commitment for the first few weeks. All are most welcome!

If you'd like to learn more, please reach out to **Fr. Raymond La Grange, O.P.**, our new director of RCIA, at rcia@svsc.info.

SEPTEMBER

Young Adult (YA) Core Team Applications

The Young Adult (YA) Community is looking for volunteers to join as members of the **Core Team** for September 2024 – June 2025. Opportunities for Core Team members include Club Dominicana, Retreats/Special Events, and Communications. Other volunteer opportunities include day-of event support.

For more information, or if you are interested in getting involved, please contact youngadults@svsc.info.

REGULAR PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Summer Friday office hours in the have now concluded. The Parish's office hours at St. Vincent Ferrer are now: Monday – Friday: 9 AM – 1 PM, 2 PM – 4 PM.

SEPTEMBER

Religious Education Registration

Religious Education registration for the 2024-2025 parish year is now open.

Sessions begin the week of September 15.

To learn more and register for the upcoming year, please visit

svsc.info/youth-religious-formation/

If you have any questions about CGS or Confirmation Preparation, please contact **Lisa Harrelson**, Director of Religious Education, at lhharrelson@svsc.info. We look forward to welcoming your children next month!

SEPTEMBER 15

Living Waters Application Deadline

Living Waters is a 20-session, confidential, Christ-centered prayer and support group for men and women who want to explore as a community what it means to go deeper in yielding their lives to the Lord, seeking healing and freedom to become better gifts.

Whether single, married, clergy, or religious, we are all called to make a sincere gift of ourselves to the other. John Paul II's Theology of the Body provides deep insights into the hearts of men and women and the secret to human happiness, which lies in the "gifting" of the self to the other. Do you sometimes struggle to live this teaching, whether due to fear or insecurity, old wounds or struggles with sexual or relational sin or temptation? No matter the struggle, Jesus reigns. Jesus heals. And we are all invited to grow into "being the gift."

For more information or to request an application to join the group, please email Anne at livingwatersnycinfo@gmail.com. Applications are due **September 15**.



OCTOBER - APRIL

Evening Women's Bible Study

In addition to the Daytime Women's Bible Study, we also wanted to have an evening option. So please join us on **Tuesdays from 7:00 PM – 8:30 PM** in St. Joseph's Hall at St. Catherine's for an Evening Women's Bible Study. **This year, beginning on October 8**, we will cover *Opening Your Heart: The Starting Point*.

This Bible study will take you on an exciting journey closer to the heart of God, help you form a personal relationship with Christ, and help you find answers to life's biggest questions through the context of the Catholic faith. *Opening Your Heart* is an incredibly effective guide to a deep, lasting transformation of the heart, and we encourage all participants new to Walking with Purpose to begin here, regardless of previous experience with Bible study.

We hope you will be able to join us for this study! To register, please email lhharrelson@svsc.info. **Registration ends September 10**. The cost is \$50, which includes the study guide.

SEPTEMBER 28, 2024

Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage

The annual Dominican Rosary Pilgrimage to Washington, D.C., will be on September 28, 2024. See the schedule on our Parish website at svsc.info.

The parish will facilitate transportation by bus to and from the parish. The bus will depart at **5:00 AM at 869 Lexington Avenue** and will depart from Washington at 9:30 PM after the Hillbilly Thomists concert. The cost will be \$80 per person. You can sign up at tinyurl.com/DRP-SVSC-2024. We hope to see you there!

En este peregrinaje también habrán **conferencias en Español** y se ofrecerán confesiones en Español. Ve el horario en nuestra página web: svsc.info.

MUSIC NOTES

For This Sunday

- Oravi ad Dominum Deum meum*
- Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)
- Beata viscera*
- Claudio Merulo (1533-1604)
- Hodie nata est beata virgo Maria*
- Pietro Vinci (1540-1584)

Music as Holy Preaching, the Parish's music brochure, is now available in the narthex and online. This booklet contains a list of the choral repertoire for all Solemn Masses this season as well as information about the St. Cecilia Guild, our Friends of Music program that financially supports music in the Parish.

For Sunday, September 15, 12 NOON

- Sanctificavit Moyses*
- Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)
- Laetatus sum* – Francisco Valls (1665-1747)

