



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

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February 16, 2020 – 6th Sunday in Ordinary

PRESIDENTS' DAY

In observance of Presidents' Day, the Parish offices will be closed on Monday, February 17. There will be regular Mass and confession schedules.

CHURCH OFFICES CLOSED

The Parish offices will be closed 2 – 5 PM Tuesday, February 18 – Friday, February 21 for staff in-service meetings.

PARISH STUDY

This Winter, Fr. Walter Wagner, O.P. will lead our Parish Study series. This semester he will continue his study on the Book of Genesis. Sessions will continue on Tuesday, February 18 and meet each Tuesday evening from 6:45 – 7:45 PM in the Lower Church of St. Vincent Ferrer.

VALENTINE DRIVE FOR OUR NEEDY NEIGHBORS AT THE NEW YORK COMMON PANTRY

The Social Concerns Committee has begun collecting requested items for our neighbors at the New York Common Pantry. Items include: non-perishable foods – shelf-stable milk, canned meats (chicken, tuna, ham), breakfast foods (hot, cold, low-sugar cereals), rice, and dry beans. Socks for men and women are also being collected. These items can be donated at each church through Thursday, February 20. Please donate and show love for our neighbors.

2019 TAX LETTERS

DP Murphy and WeShare will be distributing tax notices to parishioners for the 2019 tax year in the next week. Please contact the Parish Office if you have not received your notice by the end of the month or if corrections are needed. Thank you for your continued support.

ASH WEDNESDAY

Wednesday, February 26, is Ash Wednesday, the beginning of Lent and a day of fasting and abstinence. The Parish's Solemn Mass with the Schola Cantorum will be at 6 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer. Please see the Parish Calendar on Page 2 for the full Mass schedule. Ashes will be imposed at all Masses and before the 7:30 PM Holy Hour at St. Vincent Ferrer.

MASS AND CONFESSIONS

ST. VINCENT FERRER

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6:00 PM

SUNDAY: 8:00 AM, 9:30 AM,

12:00 NOON, 6:00 PM

WEEKDAYS: 8:00 AM, 12:10 PM,

6:00 PM

SATURDAY: 8:00 AM

Confessions

SATURDAY: 5:00–5:50 PM

WEEKDAYS: 5:20–5:50 PM

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SATURDAY VIGIL: 4:00 PM

SUNDAY: 10:00 AM, 5:00 PM

WEEKDAYS: 7:00 AM, 5:15 PM

SATURDAY: 9:00 AM

Confessions

SATURDAY: 3:00–3:50 PM

WEEKDAYS: 4:40–5:05 PM

LITURGY OF THE HOURS AND OTHER PRAYER

ST. VINCENT FERRER

SUNDAY:

8:50 AM (MORNING PRAYER)

5:30 PM (SUNG VESPERS)

MONDAY–FRIDAY:

7:25 AM (MORNING PRAYER)

5:30 PM (OFFICE OF READINGS
AND VESPERS)

WEDNESDAY:

7:30 PM (HOLY HOUR)

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY:

3:00 PM (EUCHARISTIC ADORATION)

MONDAY–FRIDAY:

5:00 PM (ROSARY)

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
PRAYER GROUP

WEDNESDAY: 5:45 PM

QUEEN OF PEACE PRAYER GROUP

SATURDAY: 9:30 AM

PARISH OFFICE

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9 AM–1 PM, 2–5 PM

St. Catherine of Siena
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Office Hours: Monday–Friday:
10 AM–3 PM

PARISH STAFF

Very Rev. Walter Wagner, O.P.
Pastor

Rev. Joseph Allen, O.P.
Vicar

Rev. Joseph Hagan, O.P.
Vicar for Formation

Bro. Damian McCarthy, O.P.
Sacristan

Bro. Hyacinth Grubb, O.P.
Deacon

Bro. Albert Dempsey, O.P.
Deacon

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PARISH INFORMATION

Welcome to the Parish of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of New York, served by the Dominican Friars of the Province of St. Joseph.

For general information about the Parish, its many organizations, an overview of the current year's schedule of events, and how to become more involved in our common life, please take a green Parish Handbook.

For information about the music program, please take a Music List, 'Music as Holy Preaching'. Both of these booklets are available in the narthex and online.

To register as a parishioner, please use the form found at the back of the Handbook or online. Follow us on facebook @StVincentAndStCatherine and sign-up for email alerts by notifying parish@svsc.info.

PARISH CALENDAR

FEBRUARY

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16 – SIXTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17 – PRESIDENTS' DAY

Parish Offices Closed – Regular Mass and Confession Schedule

FEBRUARY 18 – 21

Parish Offices Close at 2 PM

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18

6:45 PM Parish Study at St. Vincent Ferrer

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 23 – SEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 24

7 PM New York Purgatorial Society Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 25

6:45 PM Parish Study at St. Vincent Ferrer

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 26 – ASH WEDNESDAY

Regular Mass and Confession Schedule with

10 AM Sung Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer

12:10 PM Sung Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer

1 PM Low Mass at St. Catherine of Siena

3 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet Service

at St. Vincent Ferrer & St. Catherine of Siena

6 PM Solemn Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Stations of the Cross following the evening Mass
at St. Vincent Ferrer & St. Catherine of Siena

MARCH

SUNDAY, MARCH 1 – FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

12 NOON Solemn Mass with Litany of Saints in Procession
at St. Vincent Ferrer

TUESDAY, MARCH 3

6:45 PM Parish Study at St. Vincent Ferrer

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

Stations of the Cross following the evening Mass
at St. Vincent Ferrer & St. Catherine of Siena

SUNDAY, MARCH 8 – SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

MONDAY, MARCH 9

7 PM New York Purgatorial Society Mass at St. Vincent Ferrer

TUESDAY, MARCH 10

6:45 PM Parish Study at St. Vincent Ferrer

MARCH 11 – 19 – NOVENA OF ST. JOSEPH

FRIDAY, MARCH 13

Stations of the Cross following the evening Mass
at St. Vincent Ferrer & St. Catherine of Siena

MASS INTENTIONS**ST. VINCENT FERRER**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16
 6:00 PM (Vigil) Geraldine Young (D)
 8:00 AM Carol Premone (D)
 9:30 AM Katherine S. Meehan (D)
 12 NOON For the People of the Parish
 6:00 PM Mark Flesher (D)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17
 8:00 AM For the Deceased Members
 of the Parish & the Order (D)
 12:10 PM Martin Burns (D)
 6:00 PM Nancy & Luke A.
 Foye, Sr. (D)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18
 8:00 AM Joseph McGovern &
 Kathleen Redmond (D)
 12:10 PM For the Poor Souls in
 Purgatory (D)
 6:00 PM Kathy Cunningham

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19
 8:00 AM Bart & Bridget
 McGovern (D)
 12:10 PM For the Poor Souls in
 Purgatory (D)
 6:00 PM Salvatore &
 Joan M. Carvo (D)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20
 8:00 AM For the Poor Souls in
 Purgatory (D)
 12:10 PM Elva Brusca (D)
 6:00 PM For the Deceased Members
 of the Lay Fraternities of
 St. Dominic (D)

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21
 8:00 AM Mary Meade (D)
 12:10 PM Edward C. Perry (D)
 6:00 PM Elizabeth Reidy

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22
 8:00 AM Sr. Judith Savard, RSHM &
 the Deceased Members of the RSHM
 Community (D)
 6:00 PM (Vigil) Livia Andreotti (D)

MASS INTENTIONS**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA**

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 16
 4:00 PM (Vigil) David Gale (D)
 10:00 AM Mary Miyochika (D)
 5:00 PM Codie Healy (D)

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17
 7:00 AM For the Province of
 St. Joseph
 5:15 PM Miguel & Teodola
 Lucido (D)

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 18
 7:00 AM Elizabeth Fekete (D)
 5:15 PM Eleonore Nobiletti

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 19
 7:00 AM For the Patrons of the
 Shrine of St. Jude
 5:15 PM Joy Capo (D)

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20
 7:00 AM For those in the Annual
 Enrollment for the Living
 5:15 PM Martha O'Leary

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 21
 7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society
 of St. Catherine of Siena (D)
 5:15 PM For the Deceased Members
 and Friends of the Galvin
 Family (D)

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 22
 9:00 AM Annamma John (D)
 4:00 PM (Vigil) Margaret Brennan &
 Dorothy Brennan

PARISH PRAYER**INTENTIONS**

*Contact the Parish Office to add
 a name to this list.*

Dr. Aborosi, Mike Borland,
 Bernadette Carty, Jan Donovan,
 Jarrod Dubesko, William Feeley,
 Emily Garnett, Maggie Heath,
 Christine Heller, Joseph Henao,
 Douglas Kozak, Jared Miller, Maurice
 Murphy, David Olivier, David Reid,
 Isabelle Rivera, Lorna Shepherd,
 Anchalee Sae-Lim, Adolfo Sardina,
 Lisa Selby, William Selby, Prechry
 Thongtha, & Barbara Tracy.

Please pray for the repose of the
 souls of Robert Calise, Judy Cosme,
 Edward Crescenzo, Fransisca, Lloyd,
 Maurice Garcia, Lawrence Marquez,
 Matthew Martinez, & Lucille Witty,
 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
 Sr. Raymunda Brooks, o.p. (L);
 Elizabeth Donnelly (D); Ramon
 & Fernando Gonzalez (L); Jack
 Ryan Keegan (L); For the Souls in
 Purgatory; For the People of the
 Parish; Intention of Donor;

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Madonna
 Richard Porter (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

*Mass Intentions and Candles may be reserved in the Parish Office Monday – Friday, 9:00 AM–5:00 PM,
 and in the Church Office of St. Catherine of Siena Monday – Friday, 10:00 AM–3:00 PM.*

WE HAVE ALREADY BEEN TOGETHER

Tina Lillig

First of all, I would like to acknowledge how good it is to be here. And also how good it is to be speaking with you on the subject of ecumenism. We are here together in Assisi at the very site where all the major religions met in October of 1986 to pray for peace. We are also in the presence of competent experts who have worked with great care in the ecumenical and interfaith dialogues: in particular Bishop Griswold, Maria Vingiani and, of course, Sofia Cavalletti. I feel very privileged and grateful to be in this company.

Usually before I begin to speak, I find myself saying the same prayer that I say silently before I give a presentation to the children. The prayer is very simple, a verse from Psalm 51: "Lord, open my lips. And my mouth will proclaim your praise."

This prayer is very fitting for me today because I'd like to tell you a story, a story about the Good Shepherd's work in Chicago which, since 1984, has had a very beautiful ecumenical quality, a story that allows me to proclaim God's praise.

In 1983 when Sofia's book, *The Religious Potential of the Child*, was first published in English, I had been a catechist in an atrium for about six years. At that time, our Roman Catholic community had the only atrium in the Chicago area. I didn't yet know Judy Schmidt, an Episcopalian in the Chicago area. But Judy was also reading *The Religious Potential of the Child*. When I met her at the national course in 1984, she asked me if I would consider going to St. Barnabas Episcopal Church to speak to some of the parishioners there about our children's experience in the atrium.

So on a Saturday in November, I put the Good Shepherd material and the Eucharistic Presence of the Good Shepherd material in my car and set out to look for this church in the Chicago suburbs. I had never been in an Episcopal church. When I arrived, the woman who greeted me invited me to step into the sanctuary for a minute. How beautiful and simple it was—with the altar in the center and pews circling around it, just like the material for the Eucharistic Presence of the Good Shepherd! I remember very clearly my feeling, which I have had many times since, when I enter an Episcopal church or when I attend an Episcopal service. The feeling is twofold:

We have already been together. But something has happened. I look around and I know that we have already been together. And yet it is just different enough that I know something has happened. In the long moment when I stood in St. Barnabas Episcopal Church that day, about to go downstairs and meet this church family, I said silently, "Lord, open my lips."

Three hours went by quickly. We were a very small group – only 5 or 6 people. And one in particular was a young mother with a 6-month-old baby in her arms. Her name was Carol Nyberg, who later came to the national course in 1985 and began an atrium at St. Barnabas that same year. After the course, she and I talked on the telephone every week so happy to share the same joys and the same practical questions, and to share our many stories about the children.

We received the gift of friendship that so many of us know in this work. That course, in 1985, took place in St. Paul, Minnesota, and Sofia was there, as well as Maria Christlieb; also, Carol Dittberner, Catherine Maresca, Betty Hissong and Sister Sheila Sentiff. Some, but not all of the first Episcopalians in the work were there: Judy Schmidt and Carol Nyberg, Red and Martha Fisher and Ruth Scheef. Presbyterians, one Methodist and a member of a Reform Church also attended that training. Two participants were drawn to the course because of their acquaintance with Jerome Berryman.

Three years later, because of many inquiries from Chicago Episcopal churches, Carol Nyberg and I gave our first Level I course. A year later, 15 Episcopal churches and one Roman Catholic church opened atriums. Two more courses followed and we have over 30 atriums in the Chicago area today only five are Roman Catholic, though that fact is changing. We are in the midst of three more courses now in Chicago, with five more scheduled to begin in the future, and all of them are ecumenical.

How do the children and catechists in Chicago experience this journey? How have we experienced our unity and division? What I know best is what has happened in my own church, St. Giles Community. For eight years our Roman Catholic community has rented atrium space in an Episcopal church. Grace Episcopal Church uses the atriums on Sunday mornings and St. Giles uses them Monday through Saturday. Our children have shared atriums, materials, retreats and celebrations, all of which brings us very close together. Our catechists have had ecumenical formation both in the courses and in the regular monthly catechist meetings. The congregations from our two churches have celebrated a joint Ash Wednesday service for the past three years.

Many years ago, when I first began to invite catechists from other churches to the St. Giles catechist meetings, a few of our catechists expressed some longing for the time "when it was just us." But over the years we have come to love and delight in each other, to know each other's ministers, to pray together, matching our "amens" and "ahmens," to rejoice when a favorite hymn from the Episcopal hymnal is also in a Roman Catholic missalette. Someone is always there to help us find our way in the Book of Common Prayer.

I used to wonder why we enjoy so much the church of the other. I think it is because we can sense that we have already been together. And as we grow in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd we see this shared history very clearly in the materials of the atrium. They tell us the stories of our origins: the Fettuccia, the Unity Strip, the History of the Gifts, the Plan of God. We have a shared vision of salvation history and a shared theology of worship. The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd gives us a place to meet that is a very deep place. A place where we have already been together.

We also know that something has happened, though. In Chicago we experience the pain of knowing there will not be a eucharist at the close of our courses, and there will not be a eucharist when the St. Giles and Grace churches celebrate together. We feel an urgency and an enthusiasm for sacramental unity. It is not a dull question for us. Usually, when Christians speak about ecumenism, sacramental unity is the last thing they want to talk about. But this fact is not true for the catechists.

Our experience in Chicago is only a small part of a larger movement of the Holy Spirit in the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd. Other amazing ecumenical stories exist in our work in Minnesota; Atlanta, Georgia; Kerrville, Texas; Australia; Feldafin, Germany; Toronto, Ontario; and many other places. All of us, in all these places, have questions about the historical roots of the division, about the disciplines of the several churches, like the discipline regarding intercommunion; even theological questions-scriptural, liturgical, ecclesial, doctrinal.

At a Level III formation course for catechists working with 9 to 12-year-olds, I heard questions like this:

- Why can't we receive communion?
- How can we help the bishops see that we are one in the Vine?
- What do we say to the children?
- The questions continue. But as we ask them, and as we continue to study and learn from each other, we also proclaim God's praise for so many gifts:
- The gift of the knowledge that our unity is in what is essential.
- The gift that the children guide us all as we work.
- The gift of ecumenical perspective that informs our formation courses.
- The gift of growing in esteem and respect for our diverse traditions.
- The gift of our continued attempts, despite sometimes failing in the past, to eliminate any words, judgments, or actions that could make our mutual relations difficult.
- The gift of morning prayer and evening prayer.
- And finally, the gift of our different traditions, which, rather than being an obstacle, have made the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd even more comely, more attractive.

Ours is a simple work and a somewhat hidden work with children. But it could be a greater work than we realize.

In the nineteenth century, the very hidden work of missionaries gave birth to the modern ecumenical movement. Missionaries realized that the division of the Christian churches undermined the credibility of the gospel.

In the twentieth century, the hidden work at the desks of scripture scholars led to the historical-critical methods of scripture study and much collaboration across denominational lines.

In the twenty-first century, our hidden work with children, begun by Sofia and Gianna, may prove to be another of God's instruments designed to bring new life and new energy to the ecumenical movement.

We will wait and see and continue to work all together.

**The Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 2002 Journal*

MUSIC NOTES

Next week, for the 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Schola will sing two motets by Italian contemporaries of the High Renaissance. Claudio Merulo spent the early part of his career at St. Mark's Basilica in Venice, as a student, assistant, and eventually principal organist. By 1586, he was serving as organist to the Duke of Parma, Alexander Farnese, and the next year was also appointed organist of Parma Cathedral, obtaining an additional post at the Church of St. Maria della Steccata in 1591.

Giovanni Croce also studied at St. Mark's before taking holy orders in 1585. While possibly serving the Church of St. Maria Formosa, he continuing to sing at St. Mark's. After the death of his teacher Gioseffo Zarlino, he became assistant *maestro di cappella* of the Basilica under Baldassare Donato, and when Donato died in 1603, Croce took over as principal musician, serving until his own death the following year.

Cantate Domino – Claudio Merulo (1533-1604)

Laudate Dominum – Giovanni Croce (c. 1557-1609)

For information about the music program, please take this season's Music List, 'Music as Holy Preaching', available in the narthex and online.

ONLINE GIVING

Fulfill your stewardship with an online service. Liturgical Publications (WeShare) allows you to make donations to the Parish of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena anytime, based on your personal schedule. Donations can be made with a credit card, debit card, or e-check. To enroll, visit www.svsc.info and go to "Sign up for Online Giving," or visit www.churchgiving.com/?pc=ztm3ks26 and click "Start Giving."

PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA

The Parish has Facebook and Instagram pages to help spread the word about special liturgies, lectures, and social events at the Parish. Find us and 'like' us by searching @StVincentAndStCatherine within Facebook or [svsc_nyc](https://www.instagram.com/svsc_nyc) on Instagram.

MINISTRY APPEAL

Young adult males, single or married, as well as boys in fourth grade or higher are invited to consider joining our parish guild of Altar Servers, those who assist the priest at the altar during the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. All training will be provided and scheduling is flexible. If you have an interest in volunteering or would like more information, please contact our parish coordinator of servers, Steve Quatela, through parish@svsc.info or (212) 744-2080.

We are also in need of Ushers (Collection Offering) and Greeters at both churches. If you are interested, please contact the parish office at (212) 744-2080. You may also leave your name and contact information with the guard in the narthex of St. Vincent Ferrer at any time.

HEALTH CARE EMERGENCIES

For Health Care emergencies please call (212) 988-8303. The Dominican Friars Health Care Ministry of New York provides pastoral and sacramental care of Dominican Friars at Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, New York-Presbyterian/Weill Cornell Medical Center, and Hospital for Special Surgery.

NYCAGO CONFERENCE

The New York City Chapter of the American Guild of Organists presents a yearly conference on Presidents' Day, Monday, February 17. This year's gathering will visit Temple Emanu-El, the landmark Reform synagogue on Fifth Avenue at 65th Street.

The conference, from 10 AM until 5 PM, will feature Wanamaker Grand Court Organist Peter Richard Conte accompanying a silent film. Additionally, Temple musicians Jack Coen, Dr. Andrew Henderson, and Daniel Beckwith will offer an organ recital, highlighting the Temple's extensive musical legacy; the renowned Temple Choir will participate in a concert-lecture with Cantor Emerita Lori Corrsin; organ builder Sebastian Glück will give a presentation on the musical history of Jewish worship; and a tour of the historic building will be offered.

The general public is most welcome and tickets may be purchased the day-of for \$40. Registration begins at 9 AM. Please visit www.nycago.org for more information or contact nycago Sub-Dean James Wetzel at jwetzel@svsc.info.

DOMINICAN THIRD ORDER

Are you a layperson who believes that you are called to a more profound interior life through the charisms of the Dominican Order? You may want to visit the Dominican Third Order (Lay Fraternity) Chapter that meets in the Parish Center of St. Vincent Ferrer on the third Thursday of each month from 6 – 8 PM. All are welcome. To learn more visit <http://laydominicans.org/>, or visit our blog at <http://olotac.blogspot.com/>.

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary welcomes memberships into the council that meets at St. Catherine of Siena on Thursday afternoons at 1:30 PM. Legion meetings consist of prayers, review of work projects, and assignments for the coming week. Our ministry is visiting the sick at Mary Manning Walsh and bringing Communion to catholic residents. If you are interested please contact the spiritual moderator, Fr. Joseph Allen, O.P. or president Lettie Dolan at (917) 775-4930 or (212) 288-6384.

COLLECTIONS

FEBRUARY 9, 2020

Regular Offertory: \$17,360

Peter's Pence: \$5,389

Attendance: 1325

HELP US HELP THE POOR

The Social Concerns Committee is accepting monetary donations in the "poor box" on the left side of St. Vincent Ferrer as you enter from Lexington Avenue. We will use this money for our celebrations for the women living at the shelter and other events that do come up during the upcoming year. Please be as generous as you can. Any contribution will be greatly appreciated.

VOLUNTEERING IN OUR PARISH

To inquire about volunteering in our Parish, please use the form found on our website, www.svsc.info or <http://www.svsc.info/volunteers/>.

YOUNG ADULT MASS WITH CARDINAL DOLAN

You are invited to join the Office of Young Adult Outreach on Wednesday, March 4 at St. Patrick's Cathedral (460 Madison Avenue) for Mass with His Eminence, Timothy Cardinal Dolan. Adoration and Confessions will be available from 6:30 – 7:30 PM. Mass begins at 7:30 PM. Music by Danielle Rose. There will be a social after the Mass. For more information, visit [Facebook.com/catholicnyc](https://www.facebook.com/catholicnyc), follow us on Instagram @CatholicNYC, or our website, CatholicNYC.com.

MAGNIFICAT PILGRIMAGE TO FRANCE

Guided by Dominican priest Fr. Thomas More Garrett, O.P., Magnificat magazine is leading a 9-day pilgrimage to France from June 27 – July 5, 2020. The trip will include stays in Lourdes, Paris, and Versailles. In addition to the shrine at Lourdes, pilgrims will visit the Shrine of the Miraculous Medal, the family home of St. Therese of Lisieux, Omaha Beach, and world heritage site Mont-Saint-Michel. For more information visit <https://www.petersway.com/9674.html> or call (800) 225-7662. Interested parishioners should also feel free to contact Fr. Thomas More directly at thomas.more.garrett@opeast.org.

ONLINE SUPPORT GROUP FOR INDIVIDUALS & FAMILIES AFFECTED BY DIVORCE/SEPARATION

For anyone struggling due to a divorce/separation in their family, there is a free on-line "Webinar-like" support/sharing group. Sponsored by the St. Raymond Nonnatus Foundation for Freedom, Family, and Faith, this group meets every first Tuesday from 8 – 9 P.M. and is on-going. Prayer, reflection, guidance by Church teachings, and attended by a Mercedarian friar from the Order of Mercy and the Organization's Director, the group allows for listening and optional sharing guided by an experienced facilitator.

To learn more, visit www.nonnatus.org or "Philly Nonnatus" on social media. Call, text, or email the Director of the Foundation at (215) 870-9913 or director.srnf@gmail.com (type SUPPORT in the title to receive direct link).

CATHOLIC ARTISTS SOCIETY LECTURE

Dr. James Matthew Wilson will give a lecture entitled, 'In the Areopagus: The Catholic Artist in a Pagan Age' for the Catholic Artists Society on Tuesday, February 18 at 7 PM at the Catholic Center at New York University (238 Thompson Street, south of Washington Square Park). A reception will precede the lecture at 6 PM. Admission is free. Please visit www.catholicartistsociety.org.

Dr. Wilson is the author of nine books, including, most recently, *The River of the Immaculate Conception*. Recipient of the 2017 Hiett Prize from the Dallas Institute of Humanities and Culture, he serves as poetry editor of *Modern Age* magazine, director of the Colosseum Institute, and editor of Colosseum Books. He is associate professor of Humanities and Augustinian Traditions at Villanova University.

TAI-CHI CLASSES

Health Advocates for Older People will be sponsoring Tai-Chi classes, the ancient movements and balance exercises to strengthen legs, ankles, knees, and hips. Classes will take place on Mondays, 1:30 – 2:30 PM in St. Dominic Hall at St. Catherine's. All are welcome.

FRANCISCAN SPIRIT TOURS: REFRESH YOUR SPIRIT, RENEW YOUR SOUL

Franciscan friars Fr. Michael Seigny, OFM Cap. and Fr. Jim Sauer, OFM will be leading several upcoming pilgrimages to Holy sites around the world. Proceeds benefit the work of the Franciscans. For more information, or to arrange a private, custom pilgrimage please contact Franciscan Spirit Tours toll free at (646) 736-7964 or at info@FranciscanSpiritTours.com. You may also see the full itineraries online at www.FranciscanSpiritTours.com. Mention you were referred by the bulletin and the parish will receive a contribution.

Our upcoming pilgrimages include:

- Italy/Greece
- Shrines, Wines, & Castles (Portugal)
- The Camino
- Oberammergau/Prague (Passion Play)

Plus our regularly scheduled pilgrimages:

- "Franciscan Italy" "Great Women of Faith" (Paris/Lourdes/Lisieux)
- "Holy Land – The Living Rosary"
- "Footsteps of St. John Paul II" (Poland/Prague)
- "Our Lady in the New World" (Guadalupe/Mexico)
- "Catholic Spain" "Fatima" "Journey to Peace" (Medjugorje)
- "Footsteps of Pope Francis" (Argentina/Uruguay)
- "Catholic Ireland" "Church of John and Paul" (Greece/Turkey)