



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

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August 30, 2020 – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary

PARISH OUTREACH

As New York City and the Archdiocese of New York continue to reopen our parish has resumed in-person Masses following the regulations of the Archdiocese. The regulations allow us to have gatherings in church at 25% capacity. Since it is summer, and since many have left the city, we think we will be safe having our **regular schedule of Masses** with proper precautions observed. Likewise, **regular confessions** can now be heard as usual, provided we maintain social distance in the confession line.

For Masses we will need to observe the following:

- We need to wear a mask, or its equivalent, in church.
- We practice social distancing as indicated by the markers.
- We make frequent use of the hand sanitizer provided.
- The churches will be cleaned between masses.
- Please follow instructions for the distribution of Holy Communion that will be given at the Mass.

WEDNESDAY HOLY HOUR

We have begun a new schedule for our weekly Holy Hour on Wednesdays:
6:30 PM – Simple Exposition following Mass

7 PM – Preaching & Confession

8 PM – Compline & Benediction

Please join us to be with the Lord. Oh come, let us adore Him!

NATIVITY OF MARY

Tuesday, 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.

REQUIEM MASS ON 9/11

On Friday, September 11, a sung Requiem Mass in the Dominican Rite at 7 PM will be offered at St. Vincent Ferrer. The Schola Cantorum will sing Antonio Lotti's *Missa pro defunctis à 4*. This Mass, sponsored by the New York Purgatorial Society, will be offered in particular memory on the 19th anniversary for those who died in 2001.

EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

Monday, September 14 is the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross and Tuesday, September 15 is the Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows. There will be a Sung Mass at St. Catherine of Siena at 5:15 PM on both evenings.

There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament on Monday and Tuesday following the 7 AM Mass and concluding before the 5:15 PM Mass

One of two such periods of extended adoration offered annually in the Parish, this one is offered for the intentions for those suffering in the hospitals and for those who care for them. The other, at St. Vincent Ferrer, marks the beginning of the liturgical year on the first weekend of Advent.

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:

8:45 AM (READING AND LAUDS)

5:30 PM (ROSARY AND VESPERS)

MONDAY – FRIDAY:

7:25 AM (READING AND LAUDS)

5:30 PM (ROSARY AND VESPERS)

WEDNESDAY:

7:00 PM (HOLY HOUR AND
CONFESSIONS)

SATURDAY:

8:30 AM (READING AND LAUDS)

5:30 PM (ROSARY AND VESPERS)

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

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PARISH STAFF

Very Rev. Walter Wagner, O.P.

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Vicar for Formation

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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.

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 "Donate" or visit www.churchgiving.com/?pc=ztm3ks26 and click "Start Giving."

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

With our Masses resuming, our offices have reopened as well. The parish offices will be open 10 AM – 3 PM, Monday – Thursday, 10 AM – 2 PM, Friday.

PARISH LIVE STREAMING

During the months of pandemic the streaming apostolate did great work at keeping us connected and we think it has a role to play in our future. Our plan for July and August is to live stream parish Masses as follows:

Monday - Friday - 12:10 PM

Saturday - 9 AM

Sunday - 12 NOON

20 minutes before each of these masses we will live stream the Rosary.

You can access these wonderful opportunities for prayer and reflection on our website (<http://www.svsc.info/outreach/>), through our emails, and on our Facebook page (<https://www.facebook.com/StVincentAndStCatherine/>)

If you are not receiving our parish emails but would like to, please email us at parish@svsc.info.

Outreach

As we continue the process of reopening, our parish clergy and staff hope that we can help you and provide sources of comfort and guidance. For these resources visit www.svsc.info/outreach.

Here you can find:

- Materials used during our daily Masses
- Daily Greetings from the Friars
- Resources for Prayer

Our Religious Education page is available to help your children with:

- Prayer in the Home
- Praying with Children in a Pandemic
- CGS Podcasts

Fr. Joseph Hagan has been kind enough to share with all of us a series of talks (including a handout) on *Credo 22-23: Love of God and Neighbor*. This series has been put together for our catechumens and candidates who have been on a long journey to and through RCIA. This series seems particularly helpful while we learn a new way to live alone, together.

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* on Instagram.

MASS INTENTIONS**ST. VINCENT FERRER**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30
 6:00 PM (Vigil) Lydia Saldares (D)
 8:00 AM Sr. Rita Costello (D)
 9:30 AM Marie Jose Gibosse (D)
 12:00 PM Roseann Connolly
 6:00 PM Esperanza Rubio

MONDAY, AUGUST 31
 8:00 AM Mona George (D)
 12:10 PM Richard Nowak (D)
 6:00 PM Francis C. Moore (D)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
 8:00 AM For the Deceased of the
 Parish & the Order (D)
 12:10 PM Roseann Connolly
 6:00 PM Special Intention (D)

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
 8:00 AM Noel & Jessica Jennings
 12:10 PM George Odoi
 6:00 PM Alex Sanchez (D)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
 8:00 AM Fr. Stephen Stack (D)
 12:10 PM Peggy Wilde (D)
 6:00 PM Alex Sanchez (D)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
 8:00 AM Dante Rizzo (D)
 12:10 PM Alex Sanchez (D)
 6:00 PM Julia Monaco (D)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
 8:00 AM Anniversary of Deceased
 Friends & Benefactors of the Order
 6:00 PM (Vigil) C. G. De La Cruz

MASS INTENTIONS**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA**

SUNDAY, AUGUST 30
 4:00 PM (Vigil) Norberto
 Encarnacion (D)
 10:00 AM For the people of the
 Parish
 5:00 PM Giorgi Cichi (D)

MONDAY, AUGUST 31
 7:00 AM For the Province of
 St. Joseph
 5:15 PM Beverly Wagner (D)

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 1
 7:00 AM Dr. Lillian Nash
 5:15 PM Living and Deceased Parish
 Priests

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 2
 7:00 AM St. Jude
 5:15 PM David Gale (D)

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 3
 7:00 AM Mary Herman
 5:15 PM Beverly Wagner (D)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4
 7:00 AM For the Purgatorial Society
 of St. Catherine of Siena (D)
 5:15 PM Maria Cecelia L.
 Punzalan (D)

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 5
 9:00 AM Anniversary of Deceased
 Friends & Benefactors of the Order
 4:00 PM (Vigil) David Gale (D)

PARISH PRAYER**INTENTIONS**

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

Dr. Aborosi, Marie Barbutti, George
 Brooksbank, Roseann Connolly,
 Vincent Costello, John Crosson,
 Andrew Fraser, Maggie Heath,
 Christine Heller, Joseph Henao,
 Anne Hills, Dorie Klissas, Kathy
 Masserano, Barbara, McKinnon,
 Jared Miller, Jay Mortimer, George
 Odoi, David Olivier, Amy Rhee, Bill
 Rudd, Anchalee Sae-Lim, Adolfo
 Sardina, Blair Scribner, Barbara Tracy,
 & Abby Whisler.

Please pray for the repose of the souls
 of Stanley Nadel & Helen O'Hagan,
 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
 John Donoghue (D); Ramon &
 Fernando Gonzalez (L); Mary Wilson
 (D); Sr. Marianne Morelle, O.P.; The
 Souls in Purgatory; The People of the
 Parish; Intention of Donor.

St. Vincent – Sanctuary Madonna
 Jack Ryan Keegan (L)

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

St. Catherine – St. Joseph's Candle
 Priscilla Ventigan

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

THE NORTH TRANSEPT WINDOW

This window, above the handicapped entrance, is a testimonial to the Dominican Order, symbolizing its spirit of service in relation to the Province of Saint Joseph and to the parish of Saint Vincent Ferrer. The window was designed and made by Charles Connick. It was completed in August, 1948.

In the upper quatrefoil and crowning the entire window is the seal of the Dominican Province of Saint Joseph. The arms of the Province is a combination of the arms of the Dominican Order and the symbols of Saint Joseph. On this shield are the carpenter's T-square and the lilies, both symbols of Saint Joseph. In the lower petal of this quatrefoil and at the base of the shield, the motto of the Dominican Order "Veritas" (Truth) is inscribed. The other three petals of this quatrefoil contain the traditional lilies of Saint Joseph.

The central medallion of the left cinquefoil is devoted to Blessed Margaret of Castello, O.P. Her affiliation with the Dominican Order is indicated by the tertiary's veil which covers her head. The white band covering her eyes indicates the physical affliction of blindness which she suffered from birth but this physical handicap did not prevent her from teaching the neighbors children and in the foundling schools in the vicinity of her home. Her interest in teaching children is indicated by the two groups of children to her right and left.

In the central medallion of the right cinquefoil is represented one of the foremost Dominican Preachers, Pierre Jean Baptiste Lacordaire who did much to revise the Dominican Order in his native France. He wears the rochet over his Dominican habit as stipulated by his Superior. At his left are three Bishops and at his right are three members of the French Revolution Repartee, suggesting his efforts to bring the two groups together.

In the petals surrounding both central medallions, kneeling angels hold tablets inscribed with the numerals one to ten, indicating the Ten Commandments and also suggesting that teaching of Blessed Margaret and Pierre Lacaordaire were based on these Commandments. Below these cinquefoils other members of the angel choir hold symbols of the four Latin Doctors of the Church. From left to right: Saint Jerome, the Cross Potent, Fitchée; Saint Ambrose, the beehive and the scourge; Saint Augustine, the flaming heart and arrows; Saint Gregory, the Bishop's staff. The smaller racery members contain brilliant flames, signifying the flames of religious zeal that animated the subjects of this window.

The first lancet on the left is devoted to two Dominican Fathers who administered to the spiritual and temporal welfare of the parish. The upper medallion of this lancet depicts the Rev. James B. McGovern, O.P. who founded the Conference of Saint Vincent de Paul in the parish. The distribution of bread to the hungry children symbolizes the charitable aspect of that organization. The lower medallion of this lancet is dedicated to the Rev. Joseph H. Slinger, O.P. It was he who founded the Saint Vincent Ferrer's Cadets and is shown presenting the national colors to a member of the Cadets.

The dominant figure in the second lancet is Sister Mary Magdalen Gallen who was the first superior of Saint Vincent Ferrer's School. The lower medallion shows her in the classroom instructing the children.

In the third lancet, the dominant figure is the Very Rev. Thomas N. Burke, O.P., S.T.M., the eloquent Irish orator who visited this country from the Fall of 1871 until early 1873. His preaching and lectures in the United States are an unforgettable chapter in our Church's history. In the upper medallion, Father Burke is shown holding the book of his celebrated work, "The Case of Ireland Stated". In the lower medallion, he is shown in the pulpit of the old Saint Vincent Ferrer Church where he frequently preached.

The fourth lancet on the right, is devoted to two more Dominican Fathers who labored in the parish. In the upper medallion, the Very Rev. Patrick Hartigan, O.P. who founded the League of the Sacred Heart is depicted. He is shown distributing Holy Communion to the members of the League. In the lower medallion, the Very Rev. Jeremiah P. Turner, O.P., P.G. who established the Rosary Altar Society, holds the banner of the Society while members of the Society kneel at his feet reciting the Rosary.

Interwoven with these larger medallions and outlined by the growing foliated forms enriching the field, are eight smaller medallions in which Dominican figures hold symbols of the seven ancient liberal arts and philosophy. Across the base of the lancets are: Rhetoric, the trumpet; Geometry, the globe and the compass; Arithmetic, the abacus; and Geometry, the telescope. Between the outer medallions, on the left, the serpent symbolizes Dialectic and on the right, the harp symbolizes Music. In the top of the lancets, on the left, the whip symbolizes Grammar, and on the right, the ladder and book symbolize Philosophy.

The two great Dominican activities of preaching and teaching, which is the general theme of this window, is epitomized by the significant texts inscribed at the bases of the lancets. On the left: "Of them thou shalt learn wisdom and understanding." (Ecclesiasticus 8:10) and on the right, "How beautiful are the feet of them that preach the Gospel of Peace." (Romans 10:15)

MUSIC FOR THE COMING SEASON

Dear Friends,

Fr. Walter has given me this opportunity to outline the plan that he and I have developed regarding the music program for this season. Firstly, I hope that the music we were able to provide via webcast during quarantine and what we now have on offer in this post-lockdown summer has been a source of enrichment. A small subset of the Schola has been singing at the 12 Noon Solemn Mass since public worship recommenced. Each week at the Offertory, we have been presenting a different motet by Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina, taken from his collection *Offertoria totius anni* published in 1593 that contains 68 five-voice settings of the Offertory Antiphons for all Sundays and major feasts of the year. These Offertoria, perfectly timed for their place within the liturgical action, were Palestrina's last substantive work and are exemplars of Renaissance counterpoint.

In this Covidtide, we have made some modifications to our Sung Mass model that were enumerated in previous bulletins. As has been our practice for years, the cantor sings the Antiphons at the Entrance, Offertory, and Communion. Now, before the Epistle the cantor chants the Responsorium (also known as the Gradual) instead of the Responsorial Psalm, and before the Gospel the cantor now chants the Alleluia instead of the Acclamation. These two chants are much more florid – the musical term is “melismatic” – and utilize shorter texts than the Antiphon genres, inviting contemplation. I have translated these five Latin chants, collectively known as the “Propers” of the Mass, into English adaptations that we use at Sung Masses.

Parishioners consulting Magnificat or some other hand Missal may notice the texts therein and those sung by the cantor often differ, even beyond translational variants. For example, the Responsorial Psalm for this 22nd Sunday is “Lord, I love your commands” (Psalm 119) but the Responsorium is “The nations shall fear your name, O Lord” (Psalm 101). That is because the Responsorial Psalm is drawn from the Lectionary while the Responsorium is drawn from the Dominican Graduale, the liturgical book of chants for the Order.

The new “Parish Year” begins on the Feast of the Holy Cross on September 14. Music will resume at the 9:30 AM Mass on the following Sunday, September 20, using our Sung Mass model. Due to financial constraints and Covid distancing parameters, the Schola will continue on a reduced roster of five to eight singers through the fall. Budgetary realities also compelled us to eliminate the position of Assistant Organist, so we bid farewell to Dorothy VanDine and thank her for her excellent work. This means that the 10 AM Mass will be without an organist from September 20. On the brighter side, we are now offering more weekday Sung Masses, continuing a practice we started during lockdown, with one in the evening of any day ranked as a feast or higher. With the shorter Responsorium and the omission of the Post-Communion Hymn, the addition of music at these Masses does not lengthen it.

In these days when so much of our regular life has been radically altered, we are doing everything we can to ensure that the musical excellence for which the parish is known continues to draw people into these doors and ultimately closer to the God whom we serve.

Sincerely yours in the same Lord, Jesus Christ,

James Wetzel.

Director of Music and Organist.

MUSIC NOTES

Next week, for the 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, the Schola will sing two motets from the Italian Renaissance's Prince of Music.

Oravi Deum meum (Offertory Antiphon)
Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)

Confirma hoc, Deus
– Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina