



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

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April 9, 2017 — Palm Sunday

Holy Week 2017

PALM SUNDAY

11 AM: Blessing of Palms at St. Catherine with
Procession through the streets *to* St. Vincent for **12 Noon** Solemn Mass

6 PM: Saturday (April 8) Sung Vigil Mass,

8 AM Low Mass, **12 NOON** Solemn Mass,
5:30 PM Solemn Vespers

6 PM Sung Mass - St. Vincent

4 PM: Saturday (April 8) Vigil Mass,

10 AM Low Mass, **5 PM** Mass - St. Catherine

HOLY THURSDAY, April 13

9 AM: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer - St. Vincent & St. Catherine

4 PM: Mass of the Lord's Supper - St. Catherine

6:30 PM: Solemn Mass of the Lord's Supper - St. Vincent

8:30 PM to Midnight: Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Repository
- St. Catherine

11 PM: Compline - St. Catherine

GOOD FRIDAY, April 14

9 AM: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer - St. Vincent & St. Catherine

12 NOON: Seven Last Words of Christ - St. Catherine

3 PM: Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion - St. Vincent

5:15 PM: Sung Liturgy of the Lord's Passion - St. Catherine

7 PM: Watch at the Sepulcher - St. Vincent

(Singing of the Lamentations & Compline)

HOLY SATURDAY, April 15

9 AM: Office of Readings & Morning Prayer - St. Vincent & St. Catherine

The Church will close from **12 NOON** until **7 PM**

9 PM: Solemn Vigil of Easter - St. Vincent

(This Liturgy lasts approximately 2 hours)

EASTER SUNDAY, April 16

8 AM: Low Mass - St. Vincent

10 AM: Sung Mass - St. Vincent & St. Catherine

12 NOON: Solemn Mass - St. Vincent

ON EASTER SUNDAY THERE WILL BE NO EVENING MASSES

MASS AND CONFESSIONS

ST. VINCENT FERRER

SATURDAY VIGIL: 6:00 PM

SUNDAY: 8:00 AM, 12:00 PM,
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

Parish Vespers

SUNDAY: 5:30 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 &

OTHER PRAYER

ST. VINCENT FERRER

MONDAY–FRIDAY:

7:40 AM (MORNING PRAYER)

5:30 PM (OFFICE OF READINGS
AND EVENING PRAYER)

WEDNESDAY:

6:30 PM (ROSARY)

7:30 PM (HOLY HOUR)

ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

MONDAY–FRIDAY:

5:00 PM (ROSARY)

OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP
PRAYER GROUP

WEDNESDAY: 6:30 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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Office Hours:
Monday – Friday: 10 am–3 pm

PARISH STAFF

Very Rev. Walter Wagner, OP
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PARISH INFORMATION

REGISTRATION

Please register as a member of our Parish if this is where you regularly attend Mass. Registration forms are available in the Parish Office, or online at www.svsc.info/register.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

To arrange for the baptism of a child, call the Parish Office. Baptisms are usually celebrated on Saturdays, but other arrangements may be made depending upon the circumstances. Please call the Parish Office to schedule a meeting with a priest.

SACRAMENTS OF FIRST HOLY COMMUNION AND FIRST RECONCILIATION

Youth participate in the sacramental preparation program coordinated by Lisa Harrelson (lharrelson@svsc.info).

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Youth participate in the sacramental preparation program coordinated by Lisa Harrelson (lharrelson@svsc.info). Adults who have not been confirmed should inquire with the Parish Office about preparing for confirmation.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

To begin making arrangements for a wedding at St. Vincent Ferrer or St. Catherine of Siena, contact the Parish Office to arrange a meeting with a priest. More information is available at www.svsc.info/weddings.

SACRAMENT OF 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 Parish, at a nearby hospital, or at home (for those who are homebound).

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)

RCIA is a class for adults interested in becoming Catholic. To learn more, contact Fr. Innocent Smith, OP, at the Parish Office.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

For information and/or registration for classes held at St. Vincent Ferrer or St. Catherine of Siena, contact Lisa Harrelson (lharrelson@svsc.info).

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR ADULTS

Parish Study is a program for adults interested in learning more about the Catholic faith. It meets on Tuesday evenings in the Fall and Spring. To learn more, contact the Parish Office or check our website at www.svsc.info.

YOUNG ADULTS

St. Vincent Ferrer often hosts events of the New York Frassati Fellowship. For more information, visit www.frassati.nyc.

MASS INTENTIONS
ST. VINCENT FERRER

SUNDAY, APRIL 9
6:00 pm (Vigil) Fortunato
Rubino (D)
8:00 am For the People of the Parish
12 pm Laura Bropson
6:00 pm Jack, Natalie, Marie, &
Francis Egan O'Brien (D)

MONDAY, APRIL 10
8:00 am Joseph McGovern &
Kathleen Redmond (D)
12:10 pm Mary L. Belknap (D)
6:00 pm Jack O'Brien (D)

TUESDAY, APRIL 11
8:00 am For the Deceased members
of the Parish & the Order (D)
12:10 pm Monica Gorski (D)
6:00 pm Rev. Frederick Saviano (D)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12
8:00 am Andrew Williams
12:10 pm Sr. Jogues Egan, RSHM (D)
6:00 pm Salvatore & Joan M.
Carvo (D)

THURSDAY, APRIL 13
HOLY THURSDAY
No Announced Masses

FRIDAY, APRIL 14
FRIDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD
(GOOD FRIDAY)
No Announced Masses

SATURDAY, APRIL 15
HOLY SATURDAY
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MASS INTENTIONS
ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA

SUNDAY, APRIL 9
4:00 pm (Vigil) Louise Troisi (D)
10:00 am For the patrons of the
Shrine of Saint Jude
5:00 pm Dolores Zorsh (D)

MONDAY, APRIL 10
7:00 am For the Province of
St. Joseph
5:15 pm Miguel & Teodola Lucido

TUESDAY, APRIL 11
7:00 am Julia Monaco (D)
5:15 pm Marino Spani-Molella (D)

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 12
7:00 am St. Catherine of Siena
Purgatorial Society (D)
5:15 pm Margaret Mintz

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PARISH PRAYER
INTENTIONS

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

Joseph Robert Cusimano, Rev. Chris
Johnson, O.P., Carolyn Kelly, John
Kelly, Marie-Louise Leschallas, Terry
Lorinio, & Aquila Zacharilla.

Please pray for the repose of the
souls of Andrew Chavez, Edith
Cucciniello, Elizabeth Fonduras,
Ethel Garcia, Shea Johnson, &
Ellorine Martinez, 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, and
Rockefeller University Hospital.

CANDLE INTENTIONS

The seven-day candles are available for
an offering of \$15 each.

St. Vincent - Sanctuary Lamps
Ramon & Fernando Gonzalez (I);
Mary McCarthy (d); Edward C.
Perry (d); Florence A. Schwede (d);
For the People of the Parish;
Intention of Donor; Special Intention

St. Vincent - Sanctuary Madonna
Jack Ryan Keegan

St. Vincent - Pieta Lamp
Well-being of Christians in the
Middle East

St. Catherine - Mary Candle
Priscilla Ventigan

Mass Intentions may be reserved in the Parish Office Monday through Friday, 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, and in the Church Office of St. Catherine of Siena Monday through Friday, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm.

BEHOLD THE MAN

The laws of mass-produced bulletins being what they are, I wrote these Holy Week lines way back on March 30.

I look forward to the holiest of times through a lens of bafflement. Information about events now comes so elaborately sauced with spin that I cannot figure out what meat lies on the plate. What am I to believe? With public affairs so obscured, the believability of Jesus startles me as I look forward to this Holy Week. In the long narrative of the Passion Jesus stands in a cloud of posturing as the real one. Pilate testified to this when he looked upon the scourged and mocked Jesus and said, "Behold the Man." (Ecce Homo) (John 19:5) The Prophet Isaiah gave word, centuries in advance, to the credibility of Jesus when he prophesied, "There was, in Him no stately bearing to make us look at Him, nor appearance that would attract us to Him." (Isaiah 53:2)

As Jesus carries His cross through these days He manifests in His person the startling truth of human beings. Behind our displays of muscularity; be they physical, technical, political, artistic, or financial, men and women walk this earth alone, vulnerable, and finite. Age, handicap, and illness do us the invaluable service of serving up the ungarished and unvarnished truth about humanity in general, and ours in particular. The message of Holy Week is that God loves this truth of us and builds upon it, as He grounds the resurrected life on the death of Jesus. What is most real about us, becomes the way to the reality of God.

So as we pass through these days take note of who in the story wants to demonstrate power to us; Pilate, Herod, the High Priest, and the crowd. As we entertain their claims we realize they all act in God's drama.

By contrast, we contemplate how Jesus, knowing His God, has the security to be real for Himself and for all of us.

On Palm Sunday we ponder the way in which Jesus permits Himself to be misunderstood by the crowd, as we are misperceived by those close to us.

On Holy Thursday we marvel as He washes feet, addressing Himself in love to the the part of us that bears the dirt and smell of the road we have walked, and recognize how much of our life is shaped by our mileage.

We see how He promises to be with us through time under the forms of the most basic food and drink, and recognize the many hungers and thirsts of your own life.

We hear how He names His loneliness in the face of betrayal, and denial and we recall the isolating record of our disappointments.

On Good Friday our ears perk up as Jesus says to the High Priest, "I have spoken publicly to the world. I have always taught in a synagogue or in the Temple area where all the Jews gather, and in secret I have said nothing." (John 18:20) In Jesus there is no muscularity of secretiveness or elitism.

On Easter we recognize the otherworldly paradox that we are impressed by the un-impressiveness of Jesus, and therein lies the power to look beyond the unimpressive things that used to impress us. We share in divine life through His very human death and so we do not shy away from any part of human life. We present ourselves to the world without spin because we now carry in ourselves the news that may be believed.

Peace!



Fr. Walter

RECONCILIATION MONDAY

Monday, April 10, confessions will be available from 3 PM - 9 PM at St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena for those who would like to receive the great gift of God's mercy.

REFLECTION ON THE TRIDUUM

On Tuesday, April 11, following the 5:15 Mass in St. Dominic Hall at St. Catherine of Siena the Parish will host a simple soup supper and reflection on the liturgies of the Triduum. Please contact the Parish Office at (212) 744-2080 so that we can plan properly.

ST. VINCENT FERRER HOLY HOUR

There will be no Holy Hour at St. Vincent Ferrer on Wednesday, April 12. Holy Hour will resume on Wednesday, April 19.

OFFICES CLOSED

The Parish Offices will be closed on Good Friday, April 14, and Monday, April 17. The offices will open again on Tuesday, April 18.

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Each year on Good Friday, as we contemplate the passion and death of Our Lord in Jerusalem, our Holy Father asks all of the parishes throughout the world to take up a special collection to assist the Holy Land Mission.

Specifically, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection enables the Franciscan Fathers, who have been entrusted with the care of the holiest sites of our faith, to continue their splendid maintenance of and service to these sacred shrines.

Please be as generous as possible in assisting the Franciscan Fathers in their important work for the Lord and His Church.

SECOND COLLECTION ON EASTER SUNDAY

The second collection taken up on Easter Sunday will be to help meet the expenses of the special music program and flowers for Easter. Envelopes for this collection are available at the entrances of each church.

CONFESSIONS

Confessions will be heard on Saturday, April 15 at 10 AM at St. Vincent Ferrer and at 11 AM at St. Catherine of Siena.

PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE

The Parish has recently launched a new Facebook page to help spread the word about special liturgies, talks, and social events at the Parish. To find the page, search @StVincentAndStCatherine within Facebook.

HOLY WEEK MUSIC

The Schola Cantorum will sing at the following services:

Palm Sunday, April 9

11 AM: Blessing of Palms - St. Catherine
Hosanna filio David – Thomas Weelkes (1576-1623)

12 Noon: Solemn Mass - St. Vincent
Mass, Op. 84 – Vincent Persichetti (1915-1987)
Improperium expectavit
– Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)
O Domine Jesu Christe
– Tomás Luis de Victoria (c. 1548-1611)

Holy Thursday, April 13

6:30 PM: Solemn Mass - St. Vincent
Messe in G Major – Francis Poulenc (1899-1963)
Ubi Caritas (No. 1 from QUATRE MOTETS, OP. 10)
– Maurice Duruflé (1908-1986)
Jesu, dulcis memoria, Op. 78, No. 2
– Pierre Villette (1926-1998)
O salutaris hostias, Op. 21 – Pierre Villette

Good Friday, April 14

12 Noon: Seven Last Words of Christ - St. Catherine
Choral music of Howells, Lasso, Stainer, Sweelinck, Tallis, and White

3 PM: Solemn Liturgy of the Lord's Passion - St. Vincent
Passion according to the Dominican Order
Adoramus te – Claudio Monteverdi (1567-1643)
Inspice vulnera – *Haec quanta sint*
– Melchior Franck (1580-1639)

Holy Saturday, April 15

9 PM: Solemn Mass - St. Vincent
Missa Brevis in G Major, K. 140
– Wolfgang Amadeus Mozart (1756-1791)
Sicut cervus desiderat – *Sitivit anima mea*
– Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina (1525-1594)
Dextera Domini – Giovanni Pierluigi da Palestrina
Maria Magdalene – *Et introeuntes*
– Francisco Guerrero (1528-1599)

Easter Sunday, April 16

12 Noon: Solemn Mass - St. Vincent
Missa Euge bone – Christopher Tye (c. 1500-1573)
Haec dies – William Byrd (c. 1540-1623)
Dum transisset Sabbatum (I)
– John Taverner (c. 1490-1545)

DIVINE MERCY PILGRIMAGE

The Queen of Peace Prayer Group of St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena Parish is sponsoring a pilgrimage to the Divine Mercy Shrine in Stockbridge, Massachusetts on Saturday, April 22.

The pilgrimage costs \$50. The bus will leave from in front of Citibank at 68th Street and 1st Avenue at 7:30 AM sharp! Participants should dress warmly and bring an umbrella and food.

To register or receive more information please contact Arlene at (917) 533-6531 or the St. Catherine Office at (212) 988-8300. Jesus, I trust in you!

LAY FRATERNITY OF ST. DOMINIC

Our Lady of the Assumption Chapter of the LFSO meets on the third Thursday of each month for approximately two hours, directly after attending the 6 PM parish Mass in St. Vincent Ferrer Church (meeting in the Parish Center, at street level, to the left of the Priory stairs). Dominican Laity share deeply the spiritual charisms of the Dominican Order while remaining in the lay state. More information is available at <http://www.laydominicans.com>.

SAVE THE DATE

This year is the 100th Anniversary of the apparitions of Our Lady in Fatima Portugal. On May 13, 2017, the feast of Our Lady of Fatima, there will be a special Mass, Holy Hour, and Eucharistic Procession at St. Patrick's Cathedral. Please save the date! For more information visit: <https://archny.org/events/100th-anniversary-of-our-lady-of-fatima>.

PURGATORIAL CANDLES

St. Catherine's remembers our deceased with a weekly Mass celebrated at 7 AM on Friday for those who have been enrolled in the Purgatorial Society. In conjunction with these remembrances, we have restored 6 Requiem candlesticks, which allows the burning of memorial candles for our beloved dead. These candles are now available for \$10 each, and can be arranged through the parish office.

SIGN UP NOW!

ONLINE FAITH FORMATION COURSES

The Archdiocese of New York and Fordham University have partnered to offer new online courses for those in parish ministry and those who simply wish to learn more about their faith. Courses which are: **Relevant** to contemporary people, **Convenient** for busy schedules, and **Faithful** to the Church.

For a limited time, these courses are being offered for FREE! To learn more and sign up visit www.nycatholicfaith.org/learn.

LOOKING FOR A MEANINGFUL VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY?

The Ladies of Charity are a diverse group of Catholic women who volunteer to meet the critical needs of those in challenging situations through:

- Engaging in Ministries with flexible time commitments in parishes, nursing homes, child care agencies, and other institutions that care for the marginalized
- The creation and donation of handmade items for those we serve
- Providing spiritual and social support for our volunteers

For more information, or to become a lady of Charity, please contact us.

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FORMED: ONLINE CATHOLIC LEARNING RESOURCES

The Archdiocese of New York has partnered with the online Catholic learning resource website FORMED to provide free access to the website for parishes across the Archdiocese. The website has videos, audio recordings, and books available for streaming and/or download on a variety of topics, including the Bible, the Sacraments, and the Saints. To register, visit www.formed.org and input the St. Vincent Ferrer and St. Catherine of Siena Parish Code: 2ZFMH7.



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SUFFERING with JESUS who SUFFERED for US

By Fr. Jonah Pollock, O.P., S.T.L., Associate Director, Dominican Friars Health Care Ministry of New York

Throughout our lives, and most especially in the season of Lent, the Church invites us to reflect upon and more fully share in the sufferings of Jesus. The practice of praying the Stations of the Cross is a characteristic of this Christian reflection. As we pray the Stations of the Cross, we walk station by station with Jesus as makes his *via dolorosa* to Calvary. As we go through life, and especially as we pass through Lent, we walk day by day with Jesus on that same journey. In our fasting, our almsgiving and our prayer, we seek to share more and more fully in the passion and death of our Lord, so that we might share more and more fully in his resurrection.

We share in Jesus' suffering by identifying ourselves with him, seeking to enter into Jesus' suffering so that our suffering can share in its redemptive meaning as his. But sharing in Jesus' suffering is not primarily about what we do. It's about what Jesus has done and what Jesus makes possible for us. Our sharing in Jesus' suffering is only possible because Jesus has shared in our suffering.

Jesus shares in our suffering firstly by his incarnation, when he made our human nature his own. In Jesus, the Son of God has become fully human, and he has done so precisely in order to share in our suffering. Consider these passages from the Letter to the Hebrews:

He had to become like his brothers in every way, that he might be a merciful and faithful high priest before God to expiate the sins of the people. Because he himself was tested through what he suffered, he is able to help those who are being tested. (Heb 2:17-18)

We do not have a high priest who is unable to sympathize with our weakness, but one who has similarly been tested in every way, yet without sin. So let us confidently approach the throne of grace to receive mercy and to find grace for timely help. (Heb 4:15-16)

Jesus is human like us in every way. He was tempted like us (though without sin); he got hungry and thirsty like us; he felt sorrow and wept like us; he bled and died like us. Jesus knows through experience the full extent of human suffering. And because he is the all-knowing God, he also knows every detail of our personal suffering. Therefore, he

is able to *sympathize* with us, which means he is able to *suffer with* us.

Jesus also shares our suffering by inviting us to unload the burdens onto him. This invitation comes to us from a gospel passage that I often read when administering the sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick to patients in the health care centers served by Dominican Friars Health Care Ministry of New York:

Come to me, all you who labor and are burdened, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble of heart; and you will find rest for yourselves. For my yoke is easy, and my burden light. (Matt 11:28-30)

Jesus invites us to come to him with our heavy burdens so that he can bear them with us. Jesus doesn't promise to take our suffering away, but rather to take it on himself and to bear it with us. Yoked to Jesus, we will find that our heavy burdens have become light.

Finally, Jesus shares our suffering in his passion and death. John the Baptist calls Jesus "the lamb of God who takes away the sin of the world" (John 1:29). In his passion, Jesus took upon himself the sins of the whole world – the sins that are at the heart of the world's suffering – much like the sins of Israel were placed upon the "scapegoat" on the Day of Atonement. Like the scapegoat took into the desert the sins of Israel, Jesus took away the sins of the world by his death (see Lev 16:20-22). As Saint Paul writes, "Obliterating the bond against us . . . he removed it from our midst, nailing it to the cross" (Col 2:14).

In all these ways and more, Jesus shares in our suffering. By sharing our suffering, Jesus enables us to share his suffering. Jesus has yoked us to himself through our baptism, making us members of the Church, which is his body. Jesus has united himself with us so that we can be united with him. He is with us when we suffer so that we can be with him, and so that our sufferings can share in the meaning and the value of his own.