



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

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**October 22, 2017 — 29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

## **SECOND COLLECTION - THIS WEEKEND WORLD MISSION SUNDAY**

World Mission Month calls the missionary heart of all Christians to join in prayer, and in action to respond to the pressing needs of the world. Each year during the month of October, the entire Catholic Church celebrates the Pope's missions where priests, religious and lay leaders serve the poorest of the poor. Ongoing support of the Pope's Missions is vital to missionaries serving in 1,110 dioceses in Africa, Asia, the Pacific Islands, and parts of Latin America. Your gift makes it possible for these local priests, religious, and catechists to build up the Church by bringing the light of Christ to the world's most vulnerable communities.

## **PARISH STUDY: ARCHITECTURE**

Our Parish Study series will continue on Tuesday, October 24 at 6:45 PM in the Parish Hall at St. Vincent Ferrer with a session on Architecture. Fr. Walter Wagner, O.P. will lead the reflection on the importance of beautiful buildings in our lives as Catholics.

## **All Saints' Vigil**

On Tuesday, October 31<sup>st</sup> at 7 PM, the Parish will host an All Saints' Vigil at 7 PM at the Church of St. Vincent Ferrer. This will be a time of reflection and prayer on the lives of the saints, including the singing of the litany of the saints. The event is co-hosted with the New York Frassati Fellowship.

## **NOVENA TO ST. JUDE**

We will pray a Novena to St. Jude from October 20 – 28. The Novena prayers will be said at each of the Masses celebrated in our parish during these days. The preached Masses will be at 1 PM at St. Catherine's and at 6 PM at St. Vincent's. On Sunday the preached Mass will be at 10 AM at St. Catherine's and 6 PM at St. Vincent's. In conclusion of the Novena there will be a sung Mass on Saturday, October 28 at 1 PM at St. Catherine's. For those who are unable to attend these services and would like to participate on their own the Novena Prayer is printed below:

Most holy Apostle, St. Jude Thaddues, faithful servant and friend of Jesus, the name of the traitor, who delivered the beloved Master into the hands of His enemies has caused you to be forgotten by many, but the Church honors and invokes you universally as the patron of hopeless cases and things despaired. Pray for me! Make use, I implore you, of that particular privilege accorded to you to bring visible and speedy help where help is almost despaired. Come to my assistance in this great need that I may receive the consolation and support of heaven in all my necessities, evils, and sufferings: particularly (make your request); and that I may bless God with you and all the elect throughout eternity.

I promise you, O blessed Saint Jude, to be ever mindful of this great favor and I will never cease to honor you as my special and powerful patron and to do all in my power to encourage devotion to you. Amen.

St. Jude, Apostle of Hope: Pray for us!

## **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

### *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 AND OTHER PRAYER ST. VINCENT FERRER**

MONDAY–FRIDAY:

7:35 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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Rev. Joseph Allen, OP  
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*Vicar for Formation*  
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### ST. JUDE

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## PARISH CALENDAR

### OCTOBER – RESPECT LIFE MONTH

#### FRIDAY, OCTOBER 20 – SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28

*St. Jude Novena*

#### Friday, October 20 – Saturday, October 21

1 PM Novena Service at *St. Catherine of Siena*  
6 PM Novena Service at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

#### Sunday, October 22

10 AM Novena Service at *St. Catherine of Siena*  
6 PM Novena Service at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

#### Monday, October 23 – Friday, October 27

1 PM Novena Service at *St. Catherine of Siena*  
6 PM Novena Service at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

#### Saturday, October 28

1 PM Sung Mass and Conclusion of St. Jude Novena  
at *St. Catherine of Siena*

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22

*Mission Sunday Collection*

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24

6:45 PM Parish Study at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

#### THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26

7:30 PM Concert of the Brompton Oratory Schola at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

#### SUNDAY, OCTOBER 29

*Presentation by the Finance Council*

#### TUESDAY, OCTOBER 31

*Parish Study is Cancelled*

7 PM All Saints' Vigil, with the Litany of the Saints in Procession  
at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

### NOVEMBER

#### WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 1 – SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

##### Holy Day of Obligation

*Holy Hour is Cancelled*

7 AM Low Mass at *St. Catherine of Siena*

8 AM Low Mass at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

12:10 PM Sung Mass at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

1 PM Low Mass at *St. Catherine of Siena*

5:15 PM Low Mass at *St. Catherine of Siena*

**6 PM Solemn Mass with Litany in Procession at *St. Vincent Ferrer***

#### THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 2 – ALL SOULS DAY

7 AM Low Mass at *St. Catherine of Siena*

8 AM Low Mass at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

12:10 PM Sung Mass at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

1 PM Low Mass at *St. Catherine of Siena*

5:15 PM Mass at *St. Catherine of Siena* is Cancelled

6 PM Low Mass at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

**6:30 PM Solemn Requiem Mass with Procession to the Purgatorial Altar at *St. Catherine of Siena***

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 3 – ST. MARTIN DE PORRES

7:30 PM Concert by Ensemble Musica Humana at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

#### SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 4

5 PM Bingo Night at *St. Catherine of Siena*

#### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 7

6:45 PM Parish Study at *St. Vincent Ferrer*

#### FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 10 – VETERAN'S DAY

*Parish Offices Closed*

*Regular Mass and Confession Schedule*

## BROMPTON ORATORY

On Thursday, October 26<sup>th</sup>, our parish welcomes the Schola Cantorum of the Brompton Oratory to the Church of St. Vincent Ferrer where they will present a concert of sacred music at 7:30 PM. The boys of this choir attend the London Oratory School and are visiting the East Coast on a concert tour.

The London Oratory was founded in 1849 with the mission of converting and instructing the “educated classes” of London. Soon, however, the attractive charism of prayer and service enjoyed by the Oratorian Fathers drew men and women of all classes and walks of life to participate in the activities of the Church. The Oratory became (and remains) a vital center of liturgical and spiritual life in the midst of London.

The founder of the Brompton Oratory, Fr. Frederick Faber, is probably best known to us today as the author of a number of popular hymn texts, including *Faith of Our Fathers* and *Jesus, My Lord, My God, My All*. He also translated St. Louis de Montfort’s *True Devotion to Mary* into English. Fr. Faber possessed a wry sense of humor. Once criticized for his custom of wearing his religious garb in public, he playfully replied, “I walk down the street in my habit and I feel I dispel invincible ignorance wherever I go.” Fr. Faber’s humorous mode of evangelization was inherited from the founder of the Congregation of the Oratory, St. Philip Neri. An allegorical practical joker, St. Philip loved to find ways of instilling the joyful freedom in Christ that true Christianity involves. As the present Provost of the London Oratory, Fr. Julian Large, recounts: “Finding that the atmosphere in the refectory was becoming too earnest, St Philip once forced a Father to come into dinner shouldering a live monkey that brandished a gun and wore a biretta trimmed with purple taffeta.” Despite this playful side, St. Philip often struggled to make his way through private Masses, due to frequent bouts of ecstatic prayer; in one attempt to stay focused, Philip received permission to have a cat wander around the altar in order to distract him from his ecstasy. (It didn’t work).

The Oratorians and Dominicans have a firm friendship that dates back to the earliest days of St. Philip himself. Growing up in close contact with the Dominicans in Florence, Philip later testified to a Dominican friar that “All that I have of good I owe to your fathers of San Marco.” I hope that you will have the chance to join us at the Church of St. Vincent Ferrer on Thursday, October 26 at 7:30 PM to share in the joy of this long-lasting friendship!

Fr. Innocent Smith, OP

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Great art is often described as sublime. While modern English defines it as ‘elevating to a high degree of moral or spiritual purity or excellence,’ its origin is from the Latin *limen*, meaning ‘lintel’ or ‘threshold’. With that wonderful linguistic connection in mind, Mother Church has always recognized that the artistically sublime things of this world can be effective tools of preparing people for the greater beauty of the world to come. This semester’s Parish Study, entitled ‘The Arts as Paths to God’, has focused on this very idea. As an ecclesiastical embodiment of this path, I can think of no place in modern Christendom that better exemplifies a spiritual *Gesamtkunstwerk*, a ‘synthesis’ or ‘total work of art’, more than the Brompton Oratory, properly, the Church of the Immaculate Heart of Mary.

The magnificent Italian Baroque church, designed by Herbert Gribble as the largest Catholic building in London until the completion of Westminster Cathedral in 1903, was consecrated in 1884, less than 40 years after Bl. John Henry Newman was received into the Catholic Church, established the first English Oratory in Birmingham, and sent Fr. Faber (a fellow Anglican convert) to become superior of the London congregation. During a service, one is awed by the richness of its vestments, the precision of its liturgy, the charism of its preaching, and, of course, for our purposes here, the splendor of its music. Simply put, it is Catholic. The Oratorians have spent generations using these art forms, these outward signs, as the means through which the faithful come to know inner Reality. Of course, many of the Oratory’s laudable attributes (buildings, preaching, music, etc.) can be claimed by our parish as well.

As society’s familiarity with the Church declines, it puts her liturgical arts at a terrible disadvantage, for they cannot evangelize those who never sense them by crossing our threshold. So when I was hired as music director, one of the tasks with which I was charged was give and host (more) concerts. We are not simply offering a beautiful venue for the artist or an entertaining evening out for our congregation. Rather, artistic outreach provides an opportunity to extend an invitation and to welcome into our house someone who otherwise would walk past our door. Whether it is an exhibit of statuary designed by a Dominican Friar, an evening discovering the beautiful truth and goodness of architecture (Tuesday, October 24), or a concert such as those immediately on the horizon, may it create that crucial first point of contact by which art (sacred or secular) ultimately serves as an introduction to the Artist of all things.

As Fr. Faber preached to the wary Victorians simply by walking through his environs in a cassock, we offer our churches and ourselves as a home to our neighbors, no matter their faith – witnessing to faith in a way some will not recognize until they well down the path themselves.

In the simplest of terms, *please come to our concert...and bring your friends!*

Cheers,  
James

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**ST. VINCENT FERRER**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22  
6:00 pm (Vigil) For the People of the Parish  
8:00 am Diane Astuto (D)  
9:30 am Reuben Tupas (D)  
12 pm Miriam & Frank Curran (D)  
6:00 pm Edward C. Perry (D)

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23  
8:00 am For the Deceased members of the Parish & the Order (D)  
12:10 pm Christopher A. Poth (D)  
6:00 pm Bayard G. Schaeffer (D)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24  
8:00 am For the Christians in the Middle East  
12:10 pm Rene Concepcion (D)  
6:00 pm Ita O'Connell (D)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25  
8:00 am Frances & Richard Reynolds (D)  
12:10 pm Henrietta Flynn (D)  
6:00 pm Sr. Mary William Yurko, OSU (D)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26  
8:00 am Fr. Fred D. Hoesli, O.P. (D)  
12:10 pm For the Deceased members of the William J. Luby Family (D)  
6:00 pm For the Deceased members of the Armstrong, Gorman, Donohoe, & Murphy Families (D)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27  
8:00 am Joseph McGovern & Kathleen Redmond (D)  
12:10 pm Peter Strife (D)  
6:00 pm Horacio Rojas (D)

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28  
8:00 am Catherine McGarvey (D)

**MASS INTENTIONS**  
**ST. CATHERINE OF SIENA**

SUNDAY, OCTOBER 22  
4:00 pm (Vigil) St. Jude Novena  
10:00 am For the patrons of the Shrine of Saint Jude  
5:00 pm St. Jude Novena

MONDAY, OCTOBER 23  
7:00 am For the Province of St. Joseph  
1:00 pm St. Jude Novena  
5:15 pm Gloria M. Lovece (D)

TUESDAY, OCTOBER 24  
7:00 am Rodolfo Belardo (D)  
1:00 pm St. Jude Novena  
5:15 pm Camille Mauro (D)

WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 25  
7:00 am Marguerite Occhiogrosso (D)  
1:00 pm St. Jude Novena  
5:15 pm Loretta Butkus (D)

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 26  
7:00 am D.J. Carey (D)  
1:00 pm St. Jude Novena  
5:15 pm Catherine Dare-Mead (D)

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 27  
7:00 am St. Catherine of Siena Purgatorial Society (D)  
1:00 pm St. Jude Novena  
5:15 pm St. Jude Shrine Intention

SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28  
9:00 am Thomas J. Kiernan (D)

**PARISH PRAYER**  
**INTENTIONS**

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

Carole Cusa, Joseph Robert Cusimano, Mary Grace, William Heath, Adeline Heurteau, Marie-Therese Johnston, Carolyn Kelly, John Langelier, Felicity Loudon, Shirley Miller, Stanley Nadel, Mariel O'Donnell, & Sue Sangster.

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Edda Maartens, Matthew Martinez, Earl Pettelio, Isabela Pettelio, & Emma Ver Reyes, 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*  
Tom Chestaro; Ramon & Fernando Gonzalez (l); Anthony Mortelliti; Edward C. Perry (d); Anna Schwede (d); For the People of Puerto Rico; The People of the Parish

*St. Vincent – Sanctuary Madonna*  
Jack Ryan Keegan

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

*St. Catherine – Sanctuary Lamp*  
Priscila Ventigan

*St. Catherine – Mary Candle*  
Priscila Ventigan

*St. Catherine – Purgatorial Candle*  
Renato S. Ventigan (d); Rosa J. Silan(d)

*St. Catherine – Rosary Altar Candle*  
Maria Marta Litrenta; The intention of the donor

*Mass Intentions 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.*

### CATECHESIS OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD NOTES

For your consideration, below are the next four points of the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd 32 Points of Reflection.

9. In harmony with the universal church, the life in the atrium follows the liturgical year; therefore, moments which are particularly intense are those of Christmas/Epiphany and Easter/Pentecost.

10. Eucharist is central to the life of the atrium at every level, according to the various denominations of the Christian church in which the atrium is located.

11. At the annual announcement of the celebration of first communion, the children respond according to the desire for the sacrament and their personal maturity, which is discerned with the help of the family, the catechists and the priest.

12. The celebration of first communion is preceded by an intense period of preparation consisting of special weekly gatherings other than the regular atrium sessions.

### RCIA UPDATE

In RCIA we have now covered the way in which Christ's message is conveyed in Scripture and Tradition. The candidates have been reading and discussing the Scriptures in the spirit of the exhortation of St. Paul to Timothy: "Until I arrive, devote yourself to the reading of Scripture, to preaching and teaching. Do not neglect the gift you received when, as a result of prophecy, the presbyters laid their hands on you. Attend to your duties; let them absorb you, so that everyone may see your progress. Watch yourself and watch your teaching. Persevere at both tasks. By doing so you will bring to salvation yourself and all who hear you."

### MUSIC NOTES

Next Sunday, the Schola offers two motets from the English Renaissance. These two works demonstrate the divergent paths taken by composers in the tumultuous wake of Henry VIII's break from Rome. Amner's motet is in English and is in a newly-developed style particular to the Anglican Church, while Mundy's two-part work is in Latin and retains many of the traits employed by English Catholic composers prior to the Reformation.

Choral music at next Sunday's Solemn Mass:  
*Sing, O heav'ns* – John Amner (1579-1641)  
*Adolescentulus sum ego – Tribulatio et angustia*  
– William Mundy (c. 1539-1591)

### BROMPTON ORATORY CHOIR AT ST. VINCENT FERRER

On Thursday, October 26 at 7:30 PM, the London Oratory Schola Cantorum Boys Choir, under the direction of Charles Cole, will offer a choral concert with works of Byrd, Tallis, Victoria, Monteverdi, and Bruckner. One of the most prominent Catholic ensembles in the world, the Schola is comprised of boys who study at London's Oratory School and sing every weekend in term at the famous Brompton Oratory. The choir can be heard on the *Lord of the Rings* and *Harry Potter* soundtracks and recently recorded *Sacred Treasures of England*, a CD of Tudor music on the Sony Classical label. Touring frequently, the Schola sang at High Mass in St. Peter's Basilica in Rome and was the first visiting choir in history to sing at Vespers there in 2013. A free-will offering will be received. For more information, visit: [londonoratoryschola.com](http://londonoratoryschola.com).

### ENSEMBLE MUSICA HUMANA CONCERT

On Friday, November 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 PM, Ensemble Musica Humana, hailed for their "authenticity" (The Times Argus), brings their "gorgeous lines of plainchant" (Early Music America) to St. Vincent Ferrer. Told in Hildegard von Bingen's own words, the continuous and imaginative hour-long program entitled *Sybil of the Rhine* simultaneously explores the soundscape in which the celebrated Abbess lived, and the theology that she embraced. Dramatic readings from her "Scivias" with improvised instrumental accompaniment are interspersed with her own compositions as a means of interpreting her visions musically. For more information, visit: [www.ensemblemusicahumana.com](http://www.ensemblemusicahumana.com). Tickets at the door are \$20 for general seating and \$10 for students and seniors.

### RESPECT LIFE MONTH MOMS AND BABIES GIFT DRIVE

During the month of October, the Church invites the faithful to become engaged with supporting the dignity of the human person, the gift of every person's life. As part of our parish's commemoration of Respect Life Month, new items will be collected for the moms and babies served by the Sisters of Life. These gifts will be distributed to moms and their children at an annual Christmas Party held by the Sisters. A playpen with tags will be set up in the vestibules of both churches during the month of October. Parishioners are invited to take one or more tags from the playpen, purchase the specified gift, and return the new, wrapped gift with the tag attached to the playpen. Thank you for your generosity in helping to make this Christmas a little brighter for these moms and babies!

## COLLECTIONS

OCTOBER 8, 2017

Regular Offertory: \$15,327  
Deficit Reduction: \$5,024  
Food Sunday: \$990  
Attendance: 1192

October 15, 2017

Regular Offertory: \$17,388  
Attendance: 1148



# USA TOUR 2017

## The Schola Cantorum of The London Oratory School

Director, Charles Cole



**ST VINCENT FERRER,  
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NEW YORK, NY**

**THURSDAY  
26 OCTOBER  
2017**

**7:30PM**

**CONCERT**

**FREE-WILL OFFERING**



*more information at*

[www.londonoratoryschola.com](http://www.londonoratoryschola.com)

**INTO THE LIGHT**  
**A WORKSHOP DESIGNED TO ILLUMINATE YOUR APPROACH**  
**TOWARD LAST THINGS**

Are you entering your twilight years?  
Are you interested in planning ahead to prevent unwanted surprises?  
Do you have aging parents?

If you answered 'yes' to any of these questions, this presentation is for you. Join Fr. Thomas More Garrett, O.P. and his guests as they guide an informational workshop designed to shed light on end-of-life planning from a theological, but practical, point of view. The presentation will discuss topics such as funeral planning, advance care directives, senior care and asset management, etc. The talk will aim to highlight the Church's guidance in end-of-life care and offer some practical steps toward preparing for the passage from this life to the next.

WHEN: Thursday, November 2, 2017 at 7:30 PM  
(following the 6:30 PM All Souls' Day Mass)

WHERE: St. Dominic Hall  
St. Catherine of Siena Church  
411 E 68<sup>th</sup> Street  
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**160<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF THE APPARITION OF LOURDES**

Fr. Joseph Allen, O.P., invites you to join him on a pilgrimage to Paris, Nevers, Lisieux, and Lourdes, February 5–13, 2018. Pilgrims will visit the Miraculous Medal Shrine, Notre Dame and other sites in Paris, as well as the convent where St. Bernadette lived in Nevers, where her incorrupt body rests. They will also visit Lisieux, and the places associated with the life of St. Therese, "The Little Flower," before continuing to Lourdes to join in the celebrations for the Feast and the 160<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the Apparitions. Contact Catholic Travel Office at 1-877-276-7279 or [catholictraveloffice@comcast.net](mailto:catholictraveloffice@comcast.net), or Fr. Allen at [joseph.allen@opeast.org](mailto:joseph.allen@opeast.org).

**DFHCMNY – REFLECTION ON ETHICS, FAITH & HEALTH CARE**

This week an article by Fr. Jonah Pollock of the Dominican Friars Health Care Ministry (DFHCMNY) can be found in the back of our churches and online at [www.susc.info/viaticum-the-last-sacrament-of-the-christian-dfhcmny/](http://www.susc.info/viaticum-the-last-sacrament-of-the-christian-dfhcmny/). He writes on *Viaticum: the Last Sacrament of the Christian*, on the Eucharist as "The last sacrament of the Christian".

**NIGHTFEVER NYC IS COMING BACK TO ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL ON SATURDAY NOVEMBER 18, 2017**

On this night, Nightfever NYC will be hosting this night of praise, worship and reconciliation at St. Patrick's Cathedral (50<sup>th</sup> Street and 5<sup>th</sup> Avenue). We will have the opportunity to pray before the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament, as well as light candles to honor Our Lord. The evening of music and prayer will take place 7 PM – 9 PM. Confessions will be heard throughout the night. Come and be a part of this night, the Cathedral doors will be open to all New Yorkers to can come, pray, and love the Lord. For more information, email us at [nightfevernyc@gmail.com](mailto:nightfevernyc@gmail.com).

**XAVIER HIGH SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

Xavier High School will hold an Open House on Saturday, October 21<sup>st</sup>, from 11:30 AM - 4:00 PM, at 30 West 16<sup>th</sup> Street, New York, NY. Students will receive a student-led school tour, as well as be able to speak with our teachers, coaches, moderators, and administrators about life at Xavier. Families can access our application through our website, [www.xavierhs.org/apply](http://www.xavierhs.org/apply). The application for admission and the application for need-based tuition assistance are both due on December 1.

**IONA PREPARATORY SCHOOL OPEN HOUSE**

Iona Preparatory Upper School (grades 9 - 12) invites prospective students and their families to attend an Open House on Sunday, October 22, from 12:00 - 3:00 PM or Wednesday, October 25, from 6:00 - 8:00 PM at 255 Wilmot Road, New Rochelle, NY 10804. For more information and to pre-register, please visit [www.ionaprep.org](http://www.ionaprep.org) or contact Barbara Robertson, Director of Admissions, at (914) 600-6154 or [brobertson@ionaprep.org](mailto:brobertson@ionaprep.org).

**PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL**

For our Holy Father, bishops, priests, and deacons, that the Church may guide the faithful who are made in the image and likeness of God to give glory and honor to the one Lord who has called each of us by name.

For our nation, that all citizens will be active in carrying out their civic responsibilities, defending religious liberty and freedom of conscience in order that we might live the deeper freedom that is discipleship in Jesus Christ.

For all those who have never heard the Gospel, that on this World Mission Sunday, through the tireless work of those who preach and teach the faith, all people may come to hear and believe the Good News.

For a greater respect for life, that as we continue to celebrate Respect Life Month, the Holy Spirit may open all to a deeper recognition of the beauty and mystery of life in all its stages.

For all workers, that they may receive respect and protection of their rights, and for the unemployed, that they may receive the opportunity to contribute to the common good. (*Holy Father's Prayer Intention*)

For the Church founded upon the faith of the Apostles, that through the intercession of Saints Simon and Jude, she may be renewed in missionary zeal and, ever more faithfully, carry the Face of Christ to those who long for healing and hope. (*Feast Day – October 28*)