



St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Maronite Catholic Church

Most Rev. A. Elias Zaidan, Bishop of The Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon
Most Rev. Mitchell Rozanski, Archbishop of St. Louis
Rev. John Nahal, Rector

Downtown

931 Lebanon Drive
St. Louis, MO 63104

Tel: (314) 621-0056

Website: straymond-mc.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/saintraymonds

Crestwood

1420 S. Sappington Road
Crestwood, MO 63126

Tel: (314) 968-0760

Website: stelizabethhungary.org

Facebook: www.facebook.com/sehcrestwood/

DIVINE LITURGY

Sunday: 10:15am
Mon, Wed, Fri: 12 noon

RECONCILIATION:

Sunday: 9:15am
or by appointment

DIVINE LITURGY/HOLY MASS:

Saturday: 4:00pm- Roman
5:15pm— Maronite
Sunday: 8am and 10:30am—Roman
Monday-Friday: 8am
Tuesday & Thursday: 6pm

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday: 3:00pm; Sunday: 9:45am

MINISTERING THE SACRAMENTS/MYSTERIES

Sacrament of Baptism: call the rectory 1 month in advance to schedule an appointment and date with Msgr. John

Sacrament of Matrimony: call the rectory 6 months in advance (1 year in advance if there are canonical issues)

Visitation and Anointing of the Sick: call the rectory; Msgr. John's emergency contact is on the answering machine

Intentions for Divine Liturgy: call the rectory, mail, or email your intentions



HEALING OF THE PARALYTIC

Liturgy p. 237
Isaiah 35:1-6, 8, 9b-10
1 Timothy 5:24-6:5
Mark 2:1-12



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT: LAETARE

Samuel: 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a
Psalm 23
Ephesians 5:8-14
John 9:1-41

Sunday, March 15th, 2026

**DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS
DOWNTOWN:**

Sat. Mar 14	<i>St. Frouisia</i>
Sun. Mar 15 10:15 am	HEALING OF THE PARALYTIC +John Haman and the deceased members of the Haman Family By The Haman Family +Ameal Nassif +Bishop Richard Stika By David & Effie Westphal +Gloria "Skip" Leisure By Debbie Elking & Family
Mon. Mar 16 12:00 pm	<i>St. Babas, martyr</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Tue. Mar 17	<i>St. Alexius</i>
Wed. Mar 18 12:00 pm	<i>St. Cyril; St. Joseph of Arimathea</i> Husnie & Thunsa Simon By Linda Hill
Thurs. Mar 19	<i>St. Joseph, spouse of Our Lady the Virgin Mary</i>
Fri. Mar 20 12:00 pm	<i>St. Fotina of Samaria, St. Silwanos</i> Mass for retired nuns at Mason Pointe
Sat. Mar 21	<i>St. Sebastian</i>
Sun. Mar 22 10:15 am	HEALING OF THE BLIND MAN +Ameal Nassif By Effie & David Westphal +Tom & Theresa McDermott By Mary Benoist and Family +Mary Ojile By Ann Lehrer and Family +Nizar Mahfoud By Elie & Carine Azrak and Family

CRESTWOOD: (RC Roman Catholic, MC Maronite)

Sat. Mar 14 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St. Matilde</i> Ann Million +Terry Rask By LaDonna Rask Alster Family
Sun. Mar 15 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	4TH SUNDAY OF LENT Tanalee Storm Peggy McGuire by the McGuire Family
Mon. Mar 16 8:00 am RC	<i>St. Heribert</i> Ronald Lauber by Luke Lauber
Tue. Mar 17 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St. Patrick</i> Neal Alster by Pat Alster Joseph & Mary Ojile By David & Kathy Mueckl
Wed. Mar 18 8:00 am RC	<i>St. Cyril of Jerusalem</i> Elizabeth Lauber by Luke Lauber
Thurs. Mar 19 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St. Joseph</i> Samuel Lauber by Wyatt Lauber Jack and Connie McDermott By Linda Hill
Fri. Mar 20 8:00am RC 6:00 pm	<i>St. Joseph Bilczewski</i> Elizabeth Lauber by Luke Lauber Stations of the Cross and Maronite Lenten Prayers
Sat. Mar 21 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St. Euda</i> Rosaria Messina by Steven Gilroy Hope Grogan By LaDonna Rask
Sun. Mar 22 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	5TH SUNDAY OF LENT Ann Million Mary Ojile

**WEEKLY FINANCES 3/8/2026
ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:**

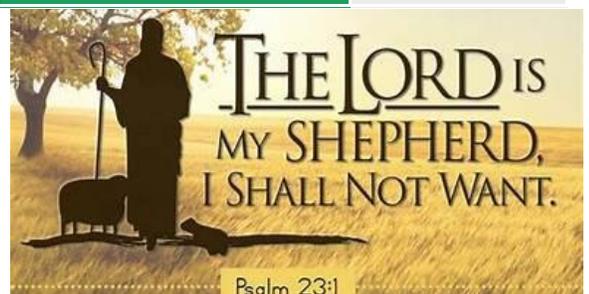
4:00pm Saturday	
Loose cash	497
Checks/Envelopes	1,155
7:00pm Saturday	
Loose cash	37
Checks/Envelopes	150
8:00am Sunday	
Loose cash	68
Checks/Envelopes	210
10:30am Sunday	
Loose cash	132
Checks/Envelopes	245
Candles	-
Pickleball	350
Revenue during the week	3,310
Parish Improvement	110
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds	826
Expenses	\$4,461.34

ST. RAYMOND:

5:15pm Saturday	
Loose cash	56
Checks/Envelopes	30
10:15am Sunday	
Loose cash	66
Checks/Envelopes	1,576
Revenue during the week	400
Candles	137
Coffee hour	59
Memorials	250
2nd Collection	41
Fish Fry	6,691
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds	2,397
Expenses	\$9,314.32

WEDNESDAY LUNCHEON 3/11/2026

Income	5,280.70
Expenses	\$3,077.87





A note from the pastor

Lent & Holy Week 2026

St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral
St. Raymond - St. Elizabeth Maronite Catholic Church



HOLY / PASSION WEEK

Saturday, March, March28	4:00 pm	Roman Catholic Mass, <i>Crestwood</i>
	5:15 pm	Maronite Divine Liturgy, <i>Crestwood</i>
Palm Sunday, March 29	8:00 am	Roman Catholic Mass, <i>Crestwood</i>
Hosanna Sunday M	10:30 am	Roman Catholic Mass, <i>Crestwood</i>
	10:15 am	Maronite Divine Liturgy, <i>Downtown</i>
Monday, March 30	8:00 am	Roman Catholic Liturgy, <i>Crestwood</i>
	7:00 pm	Coming to the Harbor, Maronite, <i>Crestwood</i>
Tuesday, March 31	8:00 am	Roman Catholic Liturgy, <i>Crestwood</i>
	7:00 pm	Coming to the Harbor, Maronite, <i>Crestwood</i>
Wednesday, April 1	8:00 am	Roman Catholic Liturgy, <i>Crestwood</i>
	7:00 pm	The Rite of the Lamp, Maronite, <i>Crestwood</i>
Maundy Thursday, April 2	7:00 pm	Roman Catholic Mass & Washing of the Feet, <i>Crestwood</i>
Thursday of the Mysteries M	7:00 pm	Maronite Divine Liturgy & Washing of the Feet, <i>Downtown</i>
Good Friday, April 3	9:00 am	Signing of the Chalice, Maronite, <i>Downtown</i>
Great Friday M	3:00 pm	Celebration of the Lord's Passion, Roman Catholic, <i>Crestwood</i>
	7:00 pm	Adoration of the Crucified, Maronite, <i>Downtown</i>
Holy Saturday, April 4	8:00 pm	Paschal Vigil, Roman Catholic, <i>Crestwood</i>
Saturday of the Light M	10:00 pm	Midnight Resurrection Divine Liturgy & Rite of Peace, <i>Downtown</i>
Resurrection Sun., April 5	8:00 am	<u>Roman</u> Catholic Mass, <i>Crestwood</i>
	10:30 am	<u>Roman</u> Catholic Mass, <i>Crestwood</i>
	10:15 am	<u>Maronite</u> Divine Liturgy, <i>Downtown</i>
Bright Monday, April 6	8:00 am	Roman Catholic Mass, <i>Crestwood</i>
	12:00 pm	Maronite Divine Liturgy, <i>Downtown</i>

RECONCILIATION times during Holy Week in *Crestwood*

Monday - Wednesday 6:00 pm - 6:45 pm

Holy Saturday 7:00 pm-7:45 pm

Resurrection Sunday 9:30 am - 10:15 am

(EASTER EGG-HUNT for our children: Sat. March 28, at 10:30 am, 12:30 pm Pizza lunch, *Crestwood*

PALM SUNDAY Luncheon, March 29, from 11:30am- to 1:30pm, at the Cedars, *Downtown*

GOOD FRIDAY Dinner, April 3, at 7:45pm at the Cedars)



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BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Deadline: 8am Tuesdays
submit to: Felicity
steeliz@straymond-mc.org

ONLINE GIVING

Crestwood:
osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds
Downtown:
straymond-mc.org/online-giving

MERCY MEAL

Kathleen Wahby 314 276 3062

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Donate or Borrow piece of medical
equipment, please call
Patty Renschen 314 517 7044

PICKLEBALL

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ST RAYMOND'S BANQUET HALL

Cedarshall@straymond-mc.org

YOUTH MINISTER

Alex Khater

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

Carla Aouad
Margo Kassab

YOUNG ADULTS

Joseph Nesser



LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

Sat, Mar. 14 4:00 pm	Sr. Rosalie
Sun, Mar. 15 8:00 am 10:30 am	Nancy Wall Tom McGuire
Sat, Mar. 21 4:00 pm	Ralph & Margie
Sun, Mar. 22 8:00 am 10:30 am	Dan & Kathleen Austin Krueger

UP COMING EVENTS

- *Fish Fry: Feb 20,27, March 6,13,20,27, April 3 (Good Fri at St Raymond's)
- *March 28: Easter Egg Hunt
- *Sun March 29: Palm Sun Lunch/Bake Sale
- *April 25-26: Parish Ladies' Sodality Retreat
- *May 3: First Communion
- *May 5-13: Our Lady of Fatima Novena
- *May 10: Mother's Day
- *June 6: Golf Tournament
- *June 9-10: Synodality Conf. at the Cedars
- *June 23-28: Youth National Conference Univ. of Dayton OH
- *June 29-July 5: NAM Conv., San Diego, CA
- *Sep. 18,19,20: Lebanese Festival
- *Sep. 28- Oct. 9: Trip to Lebanon
- *Oct. 17: Autumn Harvest Festival
- *Nov. 14: Vendor Fair
- *Dec. 3: Men's Christmas Dinner
- *Sun Dec. 6: Breakfast with Santa

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH

Tom Hearst	Janet Zhakaria
Victor Sciarrino	John Cleary
Rosalie Hubert	Tom Morrow
Mike McSorley Sr.	Marie Kallial
James Brumfield	Rob Turner
Cathy Seemayer	Emil Salman
Mary Lou Works	Jennifer Van Luven
Chris Nelms	Janet Emerson
Ted Arunski	Burton Droste
Dave Holdinghausen	Gabe Vollet
Michelle Bausworth	Barb Rohr
Tom Saucier	Gerry Nassif
Rhoda Simpher	Tim Gamma
Patricia Beck	Munir Matar
Don Ganim	Rima Cabbabe
John Anton	Ralph Wahby
Jim Hoffman	Lynn Kersting
Richard Baker Sr	Mary Saucier
Patrick Carr	
Steve Baker	

SUNDAY MARCH 15 MEETINGS

Ladies' sodality and Children's Ministry meetings, Sun. March 15, our Youth will serve Coffee hour.

COFFEE HOUR SUN MARCH 15

Parishioners and visitor friends are invited to socialize at the Cedars hall after 10:15am Divine Liturgy. We thank our Youth and their parents for serving the Coffee hour. Have a Blessed Sunday!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. Mar. 16, 8:30am—5:00pm, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

No Rel Ed classes Mon. Mar. 16, at 5:45pm, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth church. Happy Spring Break!

BIBLE STUDY DURING LENT

Msgr. John will have a Bible Study during Lent, "Praying and Fasting with Jesus", at 6pm, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth church, on Mondays with the Rel. Ed. program, March 16, "Good Friends, praying and leading us to Jesus" Mark 2:1-12

KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen is open on Wed. March 18, 2026. On Tue., March 17, at 8:30am we will be preparing kibbe aras, and rolling grape/cabbage leaves. We encourage you to place your orders, Monday and Tuesday before the Wed. luncheon, through Square <http://st-raymond-cathedral.square.site/>
Thanks! Denise and Gina

THURSDAY CHRISTIAN DOCUMENTARY FILMS

Christian documentary movie on Thurs. March 19th, after 8am Mass.

OCIA CLASS

Class on Thurs. March 19th, at 6pm. If you like to know more about the Catholic/Maronite Faith, please join the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults OCIA. For more info Jacob Garanzini <jacob.hart.g@gmail.com>

FISH FRY EVERY FRIDAY OF LENT 2026

St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth church cafeteria will have a Fish Fry, Fri. Feb. 27, 4pm– 7pm. At 6:00pm we will have at the church, the Stations of the Cross and Maronite Adoration of the Cross Prayers. The different church organizations and committees will help in the Fish Fry. Pre-orders, Menu, Carry-out, Dine-in will be posted on our church Square page <http://st-raymond-cathedral.square.site/>

Fish Fry Dinner help turn will be as follow: Feb. 27, Men's Society; March 6, Ladies' Sodality; March 13, Pickleball; March 20, Pro Life, Rel Ed; March 27, Parish, Finance Council, Choir; April 3, (Good Fri at St Raymond's) MYO and MYA

Organizations are to bring dessert on the assigned Friday and help serving. **FISH FRY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.** All activities take place at Crestwood campus. Sign-up sheets are in the vestibules and by clicking here. Food Line Prep— starting at 12 noon. Dessert Prep and Service 3:00 - 8 p.m. Food service 3:00 - 8:pm. Clean up 8-9 p.m.

FISH FRY 2026

All net proceeds from the Fish Fry in the Lent season will go to remodel and update the kitchen at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth church cafeteria.



ST. RAYMOND FOOD PANTRY & ASSISTANCE FUND:

Please consider making a monetary donation to the St. Raymond Food Pantry Assistance Fund to help with rent, utilities, and medical expenses for those in our parish who are in need. You may contribute through on-line giving or by personal check payable to St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral. If paying by personal check, please write "Food Pantry Assistance Fund" in the note section of your donation in the weekly collection or mail it to St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral, 931 Lebanon Drive, St. Louis, MO 63104. Thank you for your generosity.

COMMUNION CALLS & HOME VISITS

If you are sick or homebound and would like a Communion minister to come to your home, please let us know! Contact the office to get in touch: (314) 968-0760 or email deacon Bill WilliamMeister@archstl.org

PARISH DEVOTIONS Monday

Adoration 8:30-5pm

Tuesday

Our Lady of Perpetual Help after 8am Mass
Patriotic Rosary at 5:15pm

1st Friday

Sacred Heart Litany

4th Saturday of the Month

Rosary at noon for Intentions at Fatima.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

- ✠ Dorothy Smith 2-25-2026
- ✠ Patricia Warfel 2-27-2026
- ✠ Ameal Nassif 2-24-2026
- ✠ Steven Vidra 2-2-2026
- ✠ Mary Ojile 1-30-2026
- ✠ Gloria 'Skip' Leisure 1-13-2026
- ✠ Christine Van Doren 11-30-2025
- ✠ Janet Wright 11-14-2025
- ✠ Gus Millati 11-13-2025
- ✠ Patricia Augustyniak 11-1-2025
- ✠ Terry Leong 10-31-2025
- ✠ Jad Michel Gennaoui 10-17-2025
- ✠ Milad Abounader 10-6-2025
- ✠ Carol Bilger 9-25-2025
- ✠ Christopher Seemayer 9-5-2025
- ✠ Mary Susan Bickel 8-24-2025
- ✠ Barbara Marchetto 7-18-2025
- ✠ John D. Bouhasin 7-9-2025

MEN OF ST JOSEPH: FAITHFUL, NOT PERFECT

All men are invited: young and old, single, married, divorced, widowed, practicing or returning-to join Men of St. Joseph: Faithful, Not Perfect. Guided by Saint Joseph, rooted in prayer and trust in God's mercy, we gather as imperfect men striving to live faithfully, encouraging one another walk in God's will and begin again when we fall. Meeting at St. Raymond-St. Elizabeth on the first Saturday each month for prayer and fellowship in a welcoming, judgment-free setting. No commitment or experience is required—just a desire to grow closer to God alongside other men on the same journey.

Next Meeting, Sat. April 4, 7:30am– 8:30am

All men are welcome. Come as you are.

FOOD DRIVE

Sincere thanks to those who have generously donated food to St. Raymond's Food Pantry. If you or someone you know is in need of food assistance, please help yourself to the food in the Food Pantry bins in the back of church before or after Mass, or contact the church offices at (314) 621-0056 to schedule a time to pick up food.

MEN'S AND LADIES' SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

Membership form was mailed to the men and women of our parish. Please, consider joining those two organizations.

EASTER EGG HUNT FOR OUR CHILDREN

Our Youth are organizing Easter Egg Hunt, March 28th, at 10:30am, at our church, St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth church in Crestwood. For more information and reservation, please contact Maryrose Hamad

maryrosehamad@yahoo.com

LOOKING FOR LECTORS FOR WEEKDAY MASSES

We are looking for more volunteers to lector for the 8am weekday Masses. If you are interested and able, please email the parish office at steeliz@straymond-mc.org

ST RAYMOND SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM

High School and College student scholarship applications are at St. Raymond Cathedral and St Raymond– St Elizabeth Church foyers

and websites St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral: Scholarships

For NAM Scholarship information and application visit www.namaronites.org, e-mail scholarship@namaronites.vorg or call NAM at 440-821-6303

REMODELING

The Cedars hall is painted in addition to the hall way to Lebanon room and doors, 200 chairs have new cushions. Rectory in Crestwood is being remodeled too with a new roof. Thanks for all your support to our church, Downtown and Crestwood!

RIP DOROTHY 'DOT' SMITH

Dorothy 'Dot' Smith passed on into Eternal Life. We offer our prayers and condolences to Family of Dorothy Smith and pray that the Holy Spirit will give them comfort and Peace. May God grant Dorothy Eternal Rest!

JOIN OUR MYO FOR
AN
Easter Egg Hunt

Join us for a fun Easter Egg Hunt with face painting, music and dancing, and pictures with the Easter Bunny.

Cost: \$10 per child or \$20 per family (Includes lunch and the egg hunt)

Reserve your spot:
☎ 636-628-5529
✉ rosesmary2025@yahoo.com

March 28th
10:30 a.m.
1420 Sappington Rd, St. Louis, MO 63126

FISH Fry

KID'S MEALS AVAILABLE

Baked Cod & Shrimp Also Available

ST. RAYMOND - ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH

Every Friday AT 4 PM - 7 PM
February 20th thru March 27th
1420 S. Sappington Road - Crestwood

☎ 314-968-0760 🌐 stelizabethhungary.org



Thank You for Giving



Knights of Columbus

Kirkwood Council 2117

A special thank you to Council 2117 for their ongoing commitment to life.

Our Lady's Inn received \$6,000 to help mothers and their children through this effort.

40 Days for Life

The **40 Days for Life Campaign** is a nationwide opportunity for peaceful, silent prayer in front of abortion clinics. St. Raymond-St. Elizabeth Parish will join St. Catherine Laboure Parish to pray at the **Fairview Heights Planned Parenthood** regional abortion facility on our "adopted day" of **Fri. March 27 from 7:00 am – 5:00 pm. In the back of church you can sign up** for one hour of silent prayer, or you can contact Bonnie Sabin at 314-471-4333 or bonnie.sabin@gmail.com. We hope to form carpools as needed. Fairview Heights is a 30-minute drive from St. Elizabeth's via I-255. Coalition Life, next door to Planned Parenthood, provides parking, restrooms, and a chapel. In the event of bad weather, you can pray in the chapel. If you cannot make it on March 27, you can go on any of the 40 days that continue throughout Lent. Other parishes will be there and will be delighted to see you. Your peaceful, prayerful presence makes a difference for babies and their parents!

St. Raymond Cathedral Youth MYO

FAMILY NIGHT

KIDS ZONE

MAY 02, 2026 · 5 TO 10 PM

ADULTS \$60 12&UNDER \$20

THE CEDARS BANQUET HALL
939 Lebanon Dr., St. Louis, MO 63104

It's a seated dinner so please be prompt.
Doors open at 5:00 pm with appetizers and salads.
Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm.
Security and police will be present for the entire time.

For tickets and seat reservation contact
Carla 314-660-9031, Elssy 636-219-2125
All reservations are due by March, 31st.
NO TICKETS AT THE DOOR!

DJ

All proceeds will benefit St. Raymond youth activities.