



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

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Crestwood, MO 63126

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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



FIFTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Liturgy p. 425
Exodus 1:1-7
Phil. 3:7-14
Matthew 10:1-7



TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jeremiah 20:10-13
Psalm 69
Romans 5:12-15
Matthew 10:26-33

Sunday, June 21st, 2026

DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS DOWNTOWN:

Sat. June 20	<i>St Silvarius, martyr & St Sosimos, martyr</i>
Sun. June 21 10:15 am	FIFTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST: Call of the Apostles For all fathers in our Community +Jean Moubarak By Dennis & Roxanne Elking +Michel Maghamez By his Family +Leroy Wilson By David & Kathy Mueckl +Ralph Wahby By Jennifer O'Neal +Joseph & Mary Ojile By Linda Hill
Mon. June 22 12:00 pm	<i>St Eusebius or Mar Hawshab</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Tue. June 23	<i>St Agrebinia, martyr & Memorial of the Third Ecumenical Council, Ephesus</i>
Wed. June 24 12:00 pm	<i>Birth of Saint John the Baptizer</i> Marwan Sholy By Mary Denny
Thurs. June 25	<i>St Veronia, martyr</i>
Fri. June 26 12:00 pm	<i>St Josemaria Escrivá</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sat. June 27 11:00 am	<i>St Samson, the receiver of strangers</i> Debra Mahanna- Funeral/ Divine Liturgy
Sun. June 28 10:15 am	SIXTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST: Sending of the Apostles +Shaffiq Rahaman (20th Anniv) By Reema Rahaman and Family +Marwan Sholy By Dr Tony & Claudine Adem and Family +Ameal Nassif By Mary A Rodriguez +Donnie Behiter By Denny & Roxanne Elking

CRESTWOOD: (RC Roman Catholic, MC Maronite)

Sat. June 20 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil: Blessed Virgin Mary</i> Vittorio Moran, Nick Rogers, Alster Family Charlie & Marcia Hertz
Sun. June 21 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME The Morrow Sons Mary Ojile
Mon. June 22 8:00 am RC	<i>St John Fisher and St Thomas More</i> Mike McDonald
Tue. June 23 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St. Etheldreda</i> Neal Alster Antoine Hitti By Nazha Hitti and Family
Wed. June 24 8:00 am RC	<i>The Nativity of St John the Baptist</i> Joseph McDonald
Thurs. June 25 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St Febronia of Nisibis</i> John Lauber Jack & Mary Pudlowski By Linda Hill
Fri. June 26 8:00 am	<i>St Josemaria Escrivá</i> Aaron, Neal & Pat Alster
Sat. June 27 10:30 am RC 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St Cyril of Alexandria</i> Sr. Amanda Detry- Profession of Perpetual Vows Jean Brendel, Charles Drewett Archbishop Zayek By David & Kathy Mueckl
Sun. June 28 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME The Morrow Sons Amy Osborne by Judy Shipp

WEEKLY FINANCES 6/14/2026 ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:

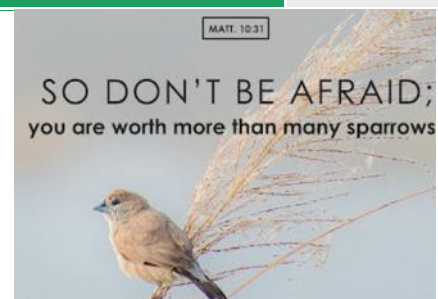
4:00pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	417 700
7:00pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	1 200
8:00am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	256 425
10:30am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	153 514
Candles	85
Pickleball	-
Revenue during the week	1,840
VBS	514
Second Collection	65
Rentals	9,161.10
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds	821.29
Expenses	\$1,864.67

ST. RAYMOND:

5:15pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	10 30
10:15am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	200 1,599
Revenue during the week	208
Candles	54
Second Collection	20
Coffee hour	250
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds	1,982
Expenses (Youth Conf. and Hall rem.)	\$23,803.79

WED LUNCH 6/17/2026

Income	5,210.57
Expenses	\$904.29



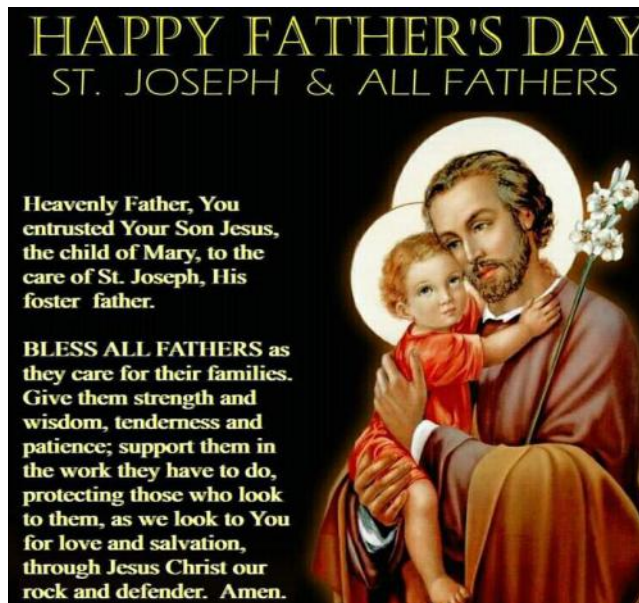


A note from the pastor

Happy Father's Day

Third Sunday of June

Fatherhood has its origins in God, who chose to reveal Himself to us as Our Father, sending his only Son for the sake of our salvation. Fathers therefore have a special role "in revealing and in reliving on earth the very fatherhood of God" (Familiaris consortio 25). Indeed, the role of the father "is of unique and irreplaceable importance" (FC 25). Although society increasingly tells fathers



that they have no say in the lives of their children before birth and fails to recognize the dynamic and critically important role of fatherhood, it is both a biological and spiritual reality. Pope Saint John Paul II said fathers are called to exhibit "generous responsibility for the life conceived under the heart of the mother" (FC 25). They are uniquely entrusted with the protection and defense of both mother and child and, in this way, in safeguarding the sanctity of human life. Yet research continues to show that the top reasons women seek abortions include lacking support from the child's father and financial challenges, which are only exacerbated by a father's absence.

As a Church community, we need to encourage and support men to follow the example of St. Joseph and embrace their various roles as father. Even if a man is not a parent, he is still called to spiritual fatherhood—a fatherhood that fosters others' relationship with God, protecting them from evil and providing an example of Christ's love.

St. Joseph, himself, was unexpectedly called to both practical and spiritual fatherhood, and amid very difficult circumstances. But despite all obstacles, Joseph was faithful. He welcomed life, offering care and protection to Mary and Jesus. We pray that each expectant father will find courage in the example of St. Joseph and offer loving, life-affirming support to the mother of his child.

[Respect Life Action Guide: Father's Day | USCCB](#)

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Deadline: 8am Tuesdays
submit to: Felicity
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ONLINE GIVING

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

MERCY MEAL

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MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Donate or Borrow piece of medical equipment, please call
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YOUNG ADULTS

Joseph Nesser



LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

Sat, June 20 4:00 pm	Sr. Rosalie
Sun, June 21 8:00 am 10:30 am	Nancy Wall Fabi Pineda
Sat, June 27 4:00 pm	Ralph & Margie
Sun, June 28 8:00 am 10:30 am	Dan & Kathleen Austin Krueger

UP COMING EVENTS

- *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

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| 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 | Lynn Kersting |
| Jim Hoffman | Mary Saucier |
| Richard Baker Sr | Paulette Risha |
| Patrick Carr | |
| Steve Baker | |

COFFEE HOUR Sun June 21

We welcome all our parishioners and visitors to the Cedars hall right after 10:15am Divine Liturgy for Coffee and donuts, prepared and served by our Youth, thank you!

YOUTH NATIONAL CONFERENCE June 23-28

15 total will be going to the National Youth Conference this year, 13 youth and 2 parent coordinators. Let us keep praying for and supporting our youth.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. June 22, 8:30am—5:00pm, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.

LEBANESE FESTIVAL MEETING

Mon. June 22, Lebanese Festival meeting for all coordinators and volunteers in charge of different booths and committees, at St. Raymond’s hall-Lebanon room, at 6:30pm.

KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen will be open Wed. June 24, 2026. On Tuesday, June 23, at 8:30am we will be preparing kibbe aras, and rolling grape/cabbage leaves and another shift at 2pm for April 28th. We encourage you to place your orders, Monday and Tuesday before the Wed. luncheon, through Square (<http://st-raymond-cathedral.square.site/>). Dine in and Carry out are both available. Thank you! Denise and Gina

THURSDAY CHRISTIAN DOCUMENTARY FILMS

Summer break until late August! Thank you!

OCIA CLASS

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>

WHITE HOUSE RETREAT

The men’s retreat weekend starts with Dinner on Thursday evening July 30th and departure is by 2:00 PM on Sunday August 2nd. To register call Jim Ebert at (314) 250-7540 or email jim.ebert45@gmail.com.

The women’s retreat weekend starts with Dinner on Thursday evening August 6th and departure is by 2:00 PM on Sunday August 9th. To register call Karen Lebeau at (314) 265-3462. You can visit the website at whitehouseretreat.org

BLESSED BAPTISM

✠Congratulations and Blessed Baptism to Elaina (St. Elizabeth Ann Seton) Maamari, daughter of Dr. Robi & Julie Maamari

✠Congratulations and Blessed Baptism to Skylar (Sophia) Smith, daughter of Madison Ann Nassif and Anthony Robert Smith.

Titus 3:5: *"He saved us, not because of righteous things we had done, but because of his mercy. He saved us through the washing of rebirth and renewal by the Holy Spirit."*



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

✠ Debra Mahanna	5-30-2026
✠ Marwan Sholy	4-13-2026
✠ Jean Brendel	4-9-2026
✠ Bro Leo Slay	3-20-2026
✠ Ralph Wahby	3-13-2026
✠ 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

ST RAYMOND SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

We welcome 3 new members on the scholarship committee, Andrea Gutierrez, CPA, Dr. Elie Chahla, and Dr. Bob Ubriaco. St. Raymond Scholarship committee met on Thursday, June 11, at 6:30pm at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth church and awarded scholarships for 6 high school students (\$1,500 each). An independent committee will evaluate and award the college scholarships (2 candidates) at a later date.

REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION

Registrations are open for Religious Education classes for year 2026-2027. For more information, please contact Pam Olimpio, Director, at <pamela.olimpio@johnpaulprep.org>

REMODELING AND CONSTRUCTION

Our church in both campuses, needs some remodeling. Tuck pointing in both churches, Resurfacing and sealing of parking lots. Contract is being finalized. Kitchen hood and suppression system, new aluminum shelves, floor, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth church in Crestwood. At St. Raymond’s kitchen, downtown, we are installing new stainless steel wall panels, and gas connection to the outside, for frying and grilling. We already finish, from painting the hall, and installing new Fire Alarm electronic panel, changing all pull stations, and updating the fire sprinkler in the hall. We are having bids on a new church organ, and colored stained glass windows for St. Raymond’s.

PROTECTION OF GOD’S CHILDREN

Please, all volunteers and employees, including for Lebanese and Autumn Festivals of St. Raymond Cathedral and St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church have to do online training for the Protection of God’s Children and Safe Environment, at <https://eparchyofourladyoflebanon.cmgconnect.org/> For any questions, please contact Msgr. John

HELP TO CHRISTIAN FAMILIES IN LEBANON

We are praying for peace in Lebanon, the Middle East, and the world. Caritas Lebanon always is helping the families in need with food, medicine, and shelter. You may donate to help the families affected by the war.



- 1/ You can go to www.CaritasLebanon.org and donate
- 2/ or make a check to the order of Caritas Lebanon and mail to: St Raymond Cathedral, 931 Lebanon Dr, St Louis, MO 63104
- 3/ Stock donations, contact your financial advisor to donate stock to “St. Raymonds Church” account number 5887-3955 DTC# 0141 @ Wells Fargo.
- 4/ wire transfer to Bank of America (call 314 621 0056)

RIP DEBRA MAHANNA

Debbie Mahanna passed on into Eternal Life, our prayer and condolences to her husband Al, and her children, family, and friends. Divine Liturgy and funeral will be at St. Raymond Cathedral, Sat. June 27, at 11am. May the soul of Debbie and the souls of all faithful departed through the Mercy of God rest in Peace!

Most Sacred Heart of Jesus

June is known as the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus most simply because of the solemnity of the Sacred Heart is celebrated during this month. This year, the solemnity falls on June 27. The date changes each year because it is celebrated on the Friday after the Corpus Christi octave, or the Friday after the second Sunday after Pentecost.

However, other reasons exist as to why June is dedicated to the Sacred Heart. The feast dates back to 1673, when a French nun who belonged to the Order of the Visitation of Holy Mary (Visitandines) in eastern France began to receive visions of Jesus.

Jesus appeared to Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque and revealed ways to venerate his Sacred Heart and explained the immense love he has for humanity, appearing with his heart visible outside his chest, on fire, and surrounded by a crown of thorns.

These are the promises the Sacred Heart of Jesus made to St. Margaret Mary Alacoque: I will give them all the graces necessary for their state of life.

I will give peace in their families.

I will console them in all their troubles.

I will be their refuge in life and especially in death.

I will abundantly bless all their undertakings.

Sinners shall find in my heart the source and infinite ocean of mercy.

Tepid souls shall become fervent.

Fervent souls shall rise speedily to great perfection.

I will bless those places wherein the image of my Sacred Heart shall be exposed and venerated.

I will give to priests the power to touch the most hardened hearts.

Persons who propagate this devotion shall have their names eternally written in my heart.

In the excess of the mercy of my heart, I promise you that my all-powerful love will grant to all those who will receive Communion on the first Fridays, for nine consecutive months, the grace of final repentance: They will not die in my displeasure, nor without receiving the sacraments; and my heart will be their secure refuge in that last hour.



THE DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL INVITE YOU
TO THE JOYFUL OCCASION OF THE
PERPETUAL PROFESSION OF RELIGIOUS VOWS OF

SR. AMANDA MARIE DETRY, FSP

SATURDAY, JUNE 27, 2026
10:30 AM

PRINCIPAL CELEBRANT
MOST REVEREND MITCHELL T. ROZANSKI
ARCHBISHOP OF ST. LOUIS

ST. RAYMOND - ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH
1420 S. SAPPINGTON ROAD • ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

RECEPTION TO FOLLOW

KINDLY RSVP BY FRIDAY, JUNE 12
CONNECT.PAULINE.ORG/PERPETUALPROFESSION
or email STLOUIS@PAULINEMEDIA.COM

61st Annual Maronite Convention

SAN DIEGO, CA | July 2-5, 2026

Sponsored by the National Apostolate of Maronites

Hosted by

St. Ephrem Maronite Catholic Church



Marriott Marquis San Diego Marina
333 West Harbor Drive
San Diego, CA 92101

Hotel Rate

Starting at \$295 + tax per night
For reservations call 1-800-228-9290
Code: NAM2026/Annual Convention
Or Visit

<https://book.passkey.com/gu/NAMAnnualConvention2026>

Rate valid until Thursday, June 4, 2026
Self parking \$25 per day in and out of city

REGISTER TODAY

<https://namaronites.regfox.com/2026-nam-convention>
610-442-1272

ENTERTAINMENT

Thursday Night
Concert



Maya Malek
& Band

Friday Night
Halt!



Nidal Nasr
& Band

Saturday Night
Grand Banquet



Fidel Fayad
& Band

Friday Night



DJ
Tony

Saturday Night



DJ
Danny

WORKSHOPS

Thursday, July 2

We've Already Died Once
What's the Big Deal?

Michael Mouawad
AVP and Lead Architect



Born and raised in Lebanon and formed by the Maronite Church tradition, Michael is a longtime Catholic Bible teacher who has led parish Scripture studies for over 20 years. He lives in San Diego and continues to inspire adults toward a deeper, joyful faith.

Thursday, July 2

What to expect Spiritually
from the NAM Convention

Sr. Rose Therese Tannous
Sisters of the Holy Family



Has over 20 years of pastoral ministry & serves in the US as Director of the Holy Family Prayer House, supporting youth, couples, & families. Formed in theology, counseling, and pastoral work in Lebanon, France, & Australia, she leads retreats, formation programs, and pastoral initiatives.

Friday, July 3

How to be Godly
in a Godless World

Trent Horn
Catholic Answers Apologist



After converting to the Catholic faith, Trent Horn earned master's degrees in theology, philosophy, and bioethics. He is a staff apologist at Catholic Answers, host of The Council of Trent, and author of numerous books, including *The Case for Catholicism* and *Why We're Catholic*.

Saturday, July 4

Human-Centered Technology:
Innovation that Matters

From Akkii
Joun Technologies



President and Co-founder of Joun Technologies with over 40 years in technology, including leadership roles at IBM, Qualcomm, and Siemens. He holds degrees from Clarkson University and the University of Vermont, is an IoT patent holder, and serves as an adjunct instructor.

Saturday, July 4

Finding a Spouse &
Caring for a Family

Timmerie Geogea
Catholic Radio Host



Specializing in theology & cultural issues including sexuality, feminism, & gender ideology. She hosts *Trending with Timmerie* & previously served as Director of Education & Outreach at Life Choices in San Diego. She holds a Master's in Biblical Theology & a Communications degree.

The 59th Annual

St. Louis Lebanese Festival

FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 18, 2026, 6:00 PM — 9:00 PM

(Friday: drink specials including imported Almaza Lebanese beer/ limited Food menu/ Music)
SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 19, 2026, 12:00 Noon — 10:00 PM

SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 20, 2026, 11:00 AM — 5:00 PM

at St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral
931 Lebanon Dr., St. Louis, MO 63104

Games
Raffle and Prizes
Free Admission and Parking



Authentic Lebanese Cuisine
Beer, Wine, and Refreshing Drinks
Traditional Dance/Dabkeh Performances
Live Music, Singer, Band, and Dancing



Singer Said Ali Abd
and Band

On the Menu:

Tabouli, Hummus, Kibbee, Beef/Chicken Shawarma, Kafta, Falafel,
Lebanese Sweets, and other Delicious Food



Hosted by St. Raymond
Maronite Cathedral
www.StRaymond-MC.org



Pre-Order of Festival Tickets and Raffle:
+ Online Sep 13- Sep 17
<https://st-raymond-cathedral.square.site>
+ Call-in, Sep 4- Sep 17, 9am-12pm,
Tel: 314 621 0056