



St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Maronite Catholic Church

Most Rev. A. Elias Zaidan, Bishop of The Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon

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Downtown

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1420 S. Sappington Road
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



EIGHTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Liturgy p. 425

Isaiah 42:1-8

Romans 8:1-11

Matthew 12:14-21



FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 55:10-11

Psalms 65

Romans 8:18-23

Matthew 13:1-23

Sunday, July 12th, 2026

**DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS
DOWNTOWN:**

Sat. July 11	<i>St Benedict</i>
Sun. July 12 10:15 am	EIGHTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST +Dr. John Bouhasin By The Bouhasin & Adem Families +Brother Leo Slay +Gloria 'Skip' Leisure +Janet Wright +Gus Millati
Mon. July 13 12:00 pm	<i>Pope Inoshensios I & Prophet Joel</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Tue. July 14	<i>St Bonaventure, Church Doctor</i>
Wed. July 15 12:00 pm	<i>St Kyriakos and Yolita his mother, Martyrs</i> S
Thurs. July 16	<i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i>
Fri. July 17 12:00 pm	<i>St Marina the nun of Qannoubeen</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sat. July 18	<i>St Sanfrosia and her seven children, Martyrs</i>
Sun. July 19 10:15 am	NINTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST +Bery Foerster by his sister Sonja & John Jabouri and Family +Joan Fiok by her Bill Fiok +Shirley Milford By David & Kathy Mueckl Ruth & Jack Carnie By Linda Hill +Debbie Mahanna +Hanna Ghoussain

CRESTWOOD: (RC Roman Catholic, MC Maronite)

Sat. July 11 4:00 pm RC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St Benedict</i> The Flores Family by Bob & Pam Olimpio Betty Wolkey By Deborah Pudlowski
5:15 pm MC	Bishop Robert Shaheen By David & Kathy Mueckl Alster Family
Sun. July 12 8:00 am RC	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Dean Willenborg; Betty Wolkey By Deborah Pudlowski
10:30 am RC	Ula Zamarlo
Mon. July 13 8:00 am RC	<i>St Henry</i> Tom Wangler
Tue. July 14 8:00 am RC	<i>St Kateri Tekakwitha</i> Neal Alster
6:00 pm MC	Elias Hitti By Nazha Hitti and Family
Wed. July 15 8:00 am RC	<i>St Bonaventure</i> Healing mass for Inez Hawickhorst
Thurs. July 16 8:00 am RC	<i>Our Lady of Mount Carmel</i> Aaron, Pat and Neal Alster
6:00 pm MC	Joseph & Mary Ojile By Linda Hill
Fri. July 17 8:00 am	<i>St Alexius of Rome</i> Lawrence Schuberth
Sat. July 18 4:00 pm RC	<i>Sunday Vigil; St Camillus de Lellis</i> Betty Wolkey By Deborah Pudlowski
5:15 pm MC	Joseph & Nellie Rask
Sun. July 19 8:00 am RC	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Subdeacon George & Marilue Simon By Patti Carnie
10:30 am RC	David Brophy Brendan Moran

**WEEKLY FINANCES 7/05/2026
ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:**

4:00pm Saturday Loose cash	494
Checks/Envelopes	930
7:00pm Saturday Loose cash	-
Checks/Envelopes	-
8:00am Sunday Loose cash	-
Checks/Envelopes	-
10:30am Sunday Loose cash	205
Checks/Envelopes	285
Candles	118
Pickleball	818
Revenue during the week	625
Second Collection	95
Rentals	-
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds	1,319.29
Expenses	\$14,504.65

ST. RAYMOND:

5:15pm Saturday Loose cash	70
Checks/Envelopes	
8:00am Sunday Loose cash	126
Checks/Envelopes	500
10:15am Sunday Loose cash	133
Checks/Envelopes	1,141
Revenue during the week	955
Candles	305
Second Collection	25
Coffee hour	114
Festival Sponsorship	20,000
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds	2,694
Expenses	\$5,200.85

WED LUNCH 7/08/2026

Income	6,095.02
Expenses	\$1,331.53



A note from the pastor

Statement of the Missouri Catholic Conference on Pro-life Amendment 3

We, the Catholic Bishops of Missouri, are committed to protecting the sanctity and dignity of all human life, including the poor and needy, refugees and immigrants, prisoners on death row, and mothers and children.

In Missouri, this dignity is being threatened by the pro-abortion amendment passed in 2024. That amendment enshrined a sweeping right to abortion in the State Constitution and eliminated the legislature's ability to set common-sense safeguards for the abortion industry, including the requirement that only doctors perform abortions, the requirement that parents be notified and give consent before their minor child has an abortion, and the requirement that abortion clinics be licensed and inspected.

This year, Missourians will have the opportunity to restore those safeguards by voting for Amendment 3. The proposed constitutional amendment will protect women's health and safety and restore protections for the unborn.

We ask the faithful and all people of good will to join us in prayer and fasting for the success of Amendment 3 and to support each human person from conception to natural death.

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Approved March 25, 2026

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BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

Deadline: 8am Tuesdays
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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
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YOUNG ADULTS

Joseph Nesser



LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

Sat, July 11 4:00 pm	Janet Finke
Sun, July 12 8:00 am 10:30 am	Nancy Walls Fabi Pineda
Sat, July 18 4:00 pm	Ralph & Margie
Sun, July 19 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

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
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Don Ganim	Rima Cabbabe
John Anton	Lynn Kersting
Jim Hoffman	Mary Saucier
Richard Baker Sr	Paulette Risha
Patrick Carr	
Steve Baker	

MEN OF ST JOSEPH- MEETING JULY 11

Men of St Joseph Meeting is moved to July 11, at 7:30 am the month of July. Happy Independence Day!

COLLECTION FOR VENZUELLA, Sun July 12

Over the past few weeks, we have witnessed the utter devastation in Venezuela after the destructive earthquakes left many dead, injured, and without food or homes.

To support those in need, the Eparchy is asking all parishes and missions to hold a special second collection for Venezuela Disaster Relief on Sunday, July 12. Thanks for your prayers and support.

COFFEE HOUR Sun July 12

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 the Young Adults, thank you!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. July 13, 8:30am—5:00pm, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.

KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen will be open Wed. July 15, 2026.

On Tuesday, July 14, at 8:30am we will be preparing kibbe aras, and rolling grape/cabbage leaves at 2pm. 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

MARRIAGE BANNS

We announce the Banns of Marriage between:

- ✦ Jordan West & Audrie Khoury
- ✦ RJ Hunt & Kaitlyn Pounders
- ✦ Sophie Hibbard & Clark Wolfsberger
- ✦ Henry Etzel & Tram-anh Vo

If any of you know cause or just impediment why these persons should not be joined together in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, you are to let the pastor know. We ask our community to pray for these couples as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.



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

LEBANESE FESTIVAL MEETING

Mon. July 13, 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.

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 Tuesday, July 14, 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 REL ED 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>

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)

CONGRATULATIONS AND BLESSED MARRIAGE

Blessed Marriage to Marianne Maghamez & Michel Najjar. May God shower his blessings upon you and your new family, Ecclesia Domestica.

Genesis 1:27-28

So God created mankind in his own image,
in the image of God he created them;
male and female he created them.

28 God blessed them and said to them, "Be fruitful and increase in number; fill the earth and subdue it. Rule over the fish in the sea and the birds in the sky and over every living creature that moves on the ground."

RIP

We offer our prayers and condolences, on the passing of Bernd A Foerster, to his sister Sonja & John Jabouri and Family. May God grant Berny Foerster Eternal Rest in His Kingdom!

1843 | البطريرك الياس الحويك
1931 | Patriarch Elias Howayek

إعلان التطويب | السبت 25 تموز 2026
الصرح البطريركي - الذيمان

بدأ استقبال الوفود لإحتفال التطويب عند الساعة 1:30 ب.ظ.
بينما يبدأ الإحتفال في تمام الساعة 5 مساءً.

**Beatification of
Maronite Patriarch
Elias Howayek,
Saturday, July 25, 2026
Bkerke, Lebanon**

Saint Raymond-Saint Elizabeth
1420 Sappington Rd.
St. Louis, MO 63126

Looking for Vendors
Join our Annual Vendor Fair

Saturday
November 14, 2026
9:00am-1:00pm

Space rental includes a 3'x8' table and 2 chairs.
\$60 per space (limit 2).
Space rental will be limited to one representative
per Vendor and will be on a
"first-come first-served" basis.

For registration form email StRStEVendorFair@gmail.com

St. Sharbel Feast Day

Saturday July 18 and Sunday July 19, 2026

**SAINT SHARBEL
MARONITE CATHOLIC CHURCH
PEORIA, IL**

<p>Saturday July 18</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Divine Liturgy at 5:00 pm Procession after Divine Liturgy Evening of fun, food, and live music until 10:00 pm Souvenirs available for sale Veneration of First Class Relic 	<p>Sunday, July 19</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Divine Liturgies at 8:00 & 10:00 am Procession after Divine Liturgy Afternoon of fun, food, and live music until 3:00 pm Souvenirs available for sale Veneration of First Class Relic
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Directions to St. Sharbel Church
From the Southeast:
Take I-74 West to Exit 88 (Sterling Ave.). Turn right at stoplight and go 2 stoplights to Scenic Dr. Turn left & go to the end of Scenic street. Entrance on left side. Turn right on drive to Church.
From the Northwest:
Take I-74 East to Exit 88 (Sterling Ave.). Turn left at stoplight and follow same directions above.

2920 W. Scenic Dr. | Peoria, IL 61615 | 309.370.4939

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

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

Games
Raffle and Prizes
Free Admission and Parking

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

Singer Said Abi Abd and Band

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