



St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Maronite Catholic Church

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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



FIRST SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

Liturgy p. 606
Deuteronomy 17:14-20
2 Timothy 2:1-10
Mark 10:35-45



TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Isaiah 55:6-9
Psalm 145
Philippians 1:20c-24,27a
Matthew 20:1-16a

Sunday, September 20th, 2026

DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS DOWNTOWN:

Sat. Sep. 19	<i>St Gennaro (305) of Napoli</i>
Sun. Sep. 20 8:00 am	FIRST SUNDAY AFTER THE GLORIOUS CROSS Sbdeacon George & Marilue Simon By Patti Carnie All Lebanese Festival Volunteers/Workers/ Sponsors/Participants
10:15 am	Living and Deceased Parishioners
Mon. Sep. 21 12:00 pm	<i>St Kozratos & St Theodoros, martyr</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Tue. Sep. 22	<i>St Fawqa, martyr</i>
Wed. Sep. 23 12:00 pm	<i>Announcement to Prophet Jonah</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Thurs. Sep. 24	<i>St Taqla, first female martyr</i>
Fri. Sep. 25 12:00 pm	<i>St Pfnorios, confessor & Saint Frosina</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sat. Sep. 26	<i>St John the evangelist</i>
Sun. Sep. 27 10:15 am	SECOND SUNDAY AFTER THE GLORIOUS CROSS Adel Haikal- 40 Day Divine Liturgy Subdeacon George and Marilue Simon

CRESTWOOD: (RC Roman Catholic, MC Maronite)

Sat. Sept 19 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil; St Januarius, Bishop and Martyr</i> Casey Klipfel (Canceled)
Sun. Sept 20 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME The Alster Family Butch Christy- For Healing
Mon. Sept. 21 8:00 am RC	<i>St Matthew</i> Neal, Pat & Aaron Alster
Tue. Sept 22 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St Digna of Rome</i> Ricky Finke/Ray Finke Joseph and Mary Ojile By Linda Hill
Wed. Sept 23 8:00 am RC	<i>St Pius of Pietrelcina (Padre Pio)</i> Herbie Garcia by Araceli Robles
Thurs. Sept 24 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>Our Lady of Mercy; Beatification of Archbishop Sheen</i> Neal, Pat & Aaron Alster Vincent Stehlin By David and Kathy Mueckl
Fri. Sept 25 8:00 am	<i>Our Lady, Star of the Sea</i> Sister Margherita Iorio by Steven Gilroy
Sat. Sept 26 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil; St Cosmus and Damian</i> Beverly Klipfel Subdeacon George and Marilue Simon By Patricia Carnie and Family
Sun. Sept 27 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Carly Kadza by Janet Finke Lucille Green by the Olimpio Family

WEEKLY FINANCES 9/13/2026

ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:

4:00pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	424 220
7:00pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	23 150
8:00am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	186 132
10:30am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	195 170
Candles	66
Pickleball	90
Revenue during the week	2,130
Second Collection	60
Rentals	3,164.45
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds	777.29
Expenses	\$5,279.81

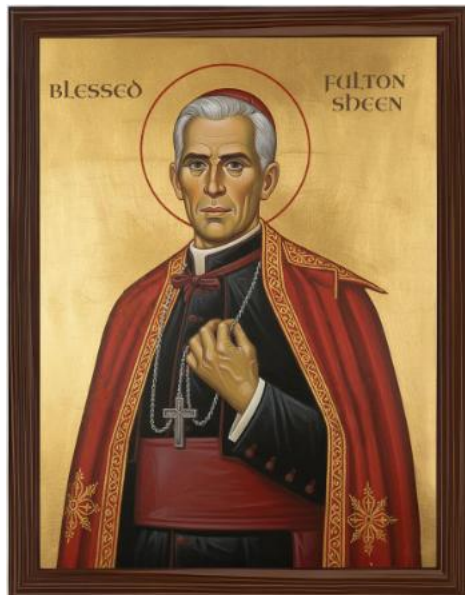
ST. RAYMOND:

5:15pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	71 85
10:15am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	204 926
Revenue during the week	390
Candles	111
Lebanese Festival	5,056
Coffee hour	281
Second Collection	568
Rentals	2,400
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds	4,402
Expenses	\$12,732.91

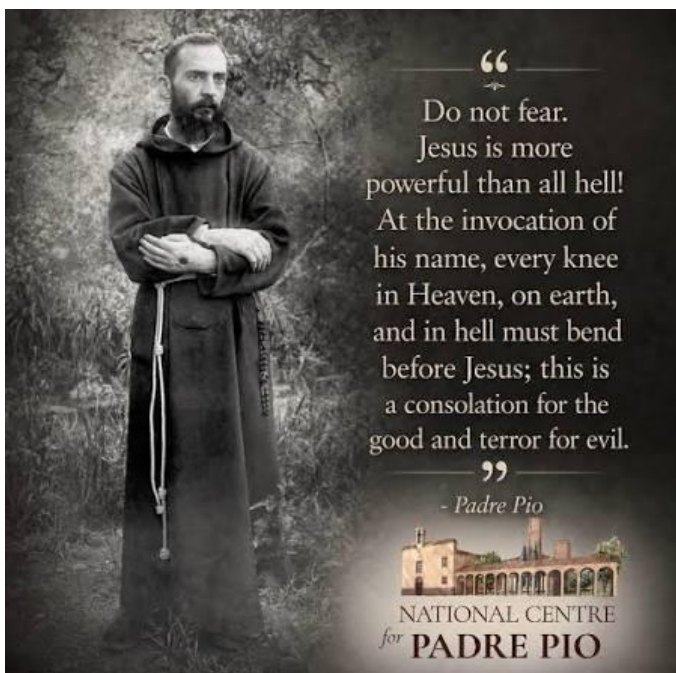




A note from the pastor



The beatification of Venerable Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen
will take place on
Thursday, September 24, 2026
at The Dome at America's Center in St. Louis, Missouri.
Cardinal Luis Antonio Tagle will preside over the Mass, which
is expected to draw tens of thousands of pilgrims.
Blessed (to be) Archbishop Fulton Sheen, Pray for Us!



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straymond-mc.org/online-giving

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Donate or Borrow piece of medical
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Margo Kassab

YOUNG ADULTS

Joseph Nesser



LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

Sat, Sept 19 4:00 pm	Ralph & Margie
Sun, Sept 20 8:00 am 10:30 am	Dan & Kathleen Austin Krueger
Sat, Sept 26 4:00 pm	Janet Finke
Sun, Sept 27 8:00 am 10:30 am	Glen Brookman Jean Minton

UP COMING EVENTS

- *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
- *Dec. 10: Ladies' 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
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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	Don Works
Steve Baker	Joyce Banovz

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. Sep. 21, 8:30am—5:00pm, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.

RELIGIOUS ED. PROGRAM- ICE CREAM SOCIAL

Rel. Ed. Mon. Sep. 21, at 5:45pm at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.

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>

THURSDAY CHRISTIAN DOCUMENTARY FILMS

Thursday morning videos, Thurs. Sep. 24 . All welcome! At Fr Edwards Hall following 8 am Mass.

KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen will be closed for Wed. lunches Sep. 2,9,16,23, 2026. We will resume Wed. Lunch after the Leb. Fest. Wed. Sep. 30. For more info log on to Square (<http://st-raymond-cathedral.square.site/>).

Thank you!

Denise and Gina

YOUTH MEETING AND ELECTION OF NEW OFFICERS

Our Youth will have their election of officers first Sunday of October.

AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL

Flyers and Sponsorship information were mailed to parishioners, and are in the foyer of our church. Please, support our Festival. St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Autumn Harvest Festival is on Saturday, October 17, 2026, from 12 noon till 9pm. For volunteering or any information contact Tim Kallial at 314 761 6017 <timkallial@gmail.com>

SCHOOL SUPPLIES DRIVE

School Supplies Drive: Over the next two weeks, The Ladies' Sodality will hold a School Supplies Drive to support St. Anthony's Food Pantry. Donation bins will be placed at the foyers at both St. Raymond Cathedral and St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.

VENDOR FAIR

The Ladies Sodality is having a VENDOR FAIR on Saturday, November 14th from 9am-1pm at St. Raymond–St. Elizabeth Gym. If you know of any vendors or are interested in having a booth, please contact Karen Crenshaw <crenshawkfc@outlook.com> Also, we will need volunteers to set up on November 13th and take down afterwards on November 14th for the Vendor Fair. This involves tables so we are looking for some man power. Any help would be appreciated.



ST. RAYMOND FOOD PANTRY & ASSSTANCE 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 church office (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



Diamond Level

In Memory of Subdeacon George Simon & Marilue Simon, Tony and Husnee Simon

Platinum Level

Jay Wolfe Toyota of West County

by Johnnie Andrewos

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In Memory of Tony, Delia, Vince, Ralph, Eleanor and Sandy Wahby & Bernice Baker

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In Memory Samuel & Dominic Elking

by The Elking Family

In Memory of Patricia and Lydia Elking

by Ed Elking Jr.

In Memory of Gene Slay

by Gene and Joan Slay Charitable Foundation

Tim & Donna Gamma

In Memory of Joseph and Mary Djile and other Djile / Kilo /

Kweiter family members who have left us

In Memory of Rosemary Bizelli Mask & Martha Ablan

by Antler Trucking

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St. Raymond- St Elizabeth Men's Society

St. Raymond- St Elizabeth Ladies' Sodality

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In Memory Josephine El Khoury by Natalia Habibi

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In Memory of Terry Rask by LaDonna Rask

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Bonnie & Ed Sabin

All Festival Volunteers who work countless hours to make our Lebanese Festival a Blessing!

The righteous shall flourish like a palm tree. He shall grow like a Cedar in Lebanon.

PSALM 92:12



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

On the Menu:

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

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

Singer Said Abi Abi
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

You're Invited!

SAVE
the
DATE!

OPEN
TO THE
PUBLIC!

AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL

12 NOON to 9 PM

SATURDAY
**OCT
17**
2026

Savor
Lebanese &
American
Cuisine

LIVE
Music
BY
The
SappingTones

BAND PLAYS FROM
5 PM - 9 PM

St. Raymond - St. Elizabeth Church

1420 Sappington Road - Crestwood, MO. 63126

GRILL * WINGS * BAR * SNACKS * LEBANESE CUISINE



Eparchy of Our Lady of
Lebanon of Los Angeles

Pilgrimage to Lebanon at the Occasion of the Ordination of Archbishop-Elect sharbel Maroun with Bishop A. Elias Zaidan

REQUIREMENTS

- \$1,000 Deposit Required Per Person or registration/space cannot be guaranteed
- Departure from the U.S. on January 2, 2027 to arrive in Lebanon by January 3, 2027
- Full Pilgrimage amount due by November 30, 2026

TO RESERVE

Call: Ivette Jackson: 323-336-3168

Jamileh Koury: 818-294-2901

Email: info@eparchy.org

8 Days - 7 Nights
January 2 to 10, 2027

Package includes:

- Stay at 4 Star Hotels
- All Meals and Tips
- Visits to important sites
- English Speaking Guide
- Ordination Attendance
- All transportation (to/from from airport, hotel, & sites)
- Entrance Fees

\$1,500

FOR DOUBLE OCCUPANCY
PER PERSON

\$1,900

FOR SINGLE OCCUPANCY
PER PERSON

Flights to/from the United States to Lebanon
Round Trip need to be booked separately.



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Explore God's will for your life with monthly gatherings
for women, facilitated by the Daughters of St. Paul.

Join us for Saturday morning talks, small group discussion, prayer, and fellowship.
Open to single Catholic women ages 16-33.

SEPT

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**The Art of
Attention**

Noticing God at work

OCT

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**Interior
Freedom**

Becoming who
you are in Christ

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**Desire for
Certainty**

*Session held at
UMSL Newman Center

DEC

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**Tips for
Discerning
Religious Life**

Saturdays from 9:30-11:00 Central Time

Online via Zoom • Onsite at 9804 Watson Road, St. Louis
(onsite option includes 8:30 Mass and lunch)



Learn more and register

Email Sr. Amanda Marie at
stlouisvocations@paulinemedia.com

