



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



SECOND SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

Liturgy p. 606
Joel 2:1,10-13, 15-16a
1 Cor. 15:19-34
Matt 24:1-14



TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Ezekiel 18:25-28
Psalm 25
Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 21:28-32

Sunday, September 27th, 2026

DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS DOWNTOWN:

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
Mon. Sep. 28 12:00 pm	<i>St Dalmatos</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Tue. Sep. 29	<i>St Rohana, or Keryakos the hermit</i>
Wed. Sep. 30 12:00 pm	<i>Memorial of the engagement of the Virgin Mary to St Joseph</i> For Vivian who is fitting cancer By Maria Simon
Thurs. Oct. 1	<i>St Therese of the Child Jesus</i>
Fri. Oct. 2 12:00 pm	<i>St Cyprian and Justina the virgin, martyrs</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sat. Oct. 3	<i>St Deonisios the Areopague (from Athena)</i>
Sun. Oct. 4 10:15 am	THIRD SUNDAY AFTER THE GLORIOUS CROSS Lawrence Gazall By Pam Gazall DiMercurio and Family

CRESTWOOD: (RC Roman Catholic, MC Maronite)

Sat. Sep. 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. Sep. 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
Mon. Sep. 28 8:00 am RC	<i>St Wenceslaus, Martyr; Sts Lawrence Ruiz and Companions</i> The Alster Family
Tue. Sep. 29 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St Michael, St Gabriel and St Raphael, Archangels</i> Aaron and Neal Alster By Pat Alster Subdeacon George & Marilue Simon By Linda Hill
Wed. Sep. 30 8:00 am RC	<i>St Jerome, Priest and Doctor</i> John Lauber by Sam Lauber
Thurs. Oct. 1 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor</i> Aaron Alster by Patricia Alster Joseph and Mary Lee Mueckl By David & Kathy Mueckl
Fri. Oct. 2 8:00 am	<i>Guardian Angels</i> Jack Finke
Sat. Oct. 3 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil; Martyrs of Alexandria - 9 Saints</i> Joseph Gioeli by Steven Gilroy Elias Hitti By Ramona Milford
Sun. Oct. 4 8:00 am MC 10:30 am RC	TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Aaron Alster by Neal & Pat Alster Tom Milford Sr.

WEEKLY FINANCES 9/13/2026

ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:

4:00pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	327 850
7:00pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	5 150
8:00am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	21 135
10:30am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	187 190
Candles	112
Pickleball	256
Revenue during the week	4,065
Parish Improvement/ Upkeep	70
Rentals	-
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds	896.29
Expenses	\$7,293.05

ST. RAYMOND:

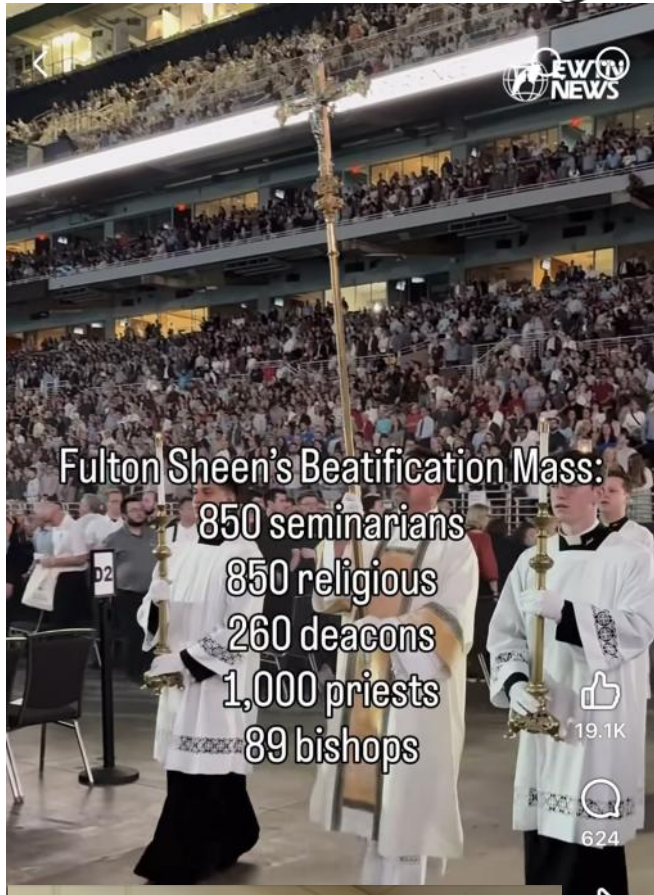
5:15pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	-
10:15am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	144 938
Revenue during the week	190
Candles	120
Lebanese Festival	
Coffee hour	
Second Collection	20
Rentals	
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds	3,038
Expenses	\$38,141.35

Humility

Philippians 2:1-30



A note from the pastor



Fulton Sheen's Beatification Mass:

850 seminarians

850 religious

260 deacons

1,000 priests

89 bishops

First American bishop
to be beatified,
Blessed Fulton Sheen,
Pray for us!



Thank You Ladies/Kitchen volunteers for hosting some of our bishops for lunch, visiting St. Raymond Cathedral while in town for the beatification.



We thank all participants at the Lebanese Festival for making it a successful one!

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submit to: Pam DiMercurio
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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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Margo Kassab

YOUNG ADULTS

Joseph Nesser



LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

Sat, Sep. 26 4:00 pm	Janet Finke
Sun, Sep. 27 8:00 am 10:30 am	Glen Brookman Jean Minton
Sat, Oct. 3 4:00 pm	Fabi Pineda
Sun, Oct. 4 8:00 am 10:30 am	Dan & Kathleen Jean Minton

UP COMING EVENTS

- *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
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	Don Works
Steve Baker	Joyce Banovz

COFFEE HOUR

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 Ladies' Sodality, thank you!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. Sep. 28, 8:30am—5:00pm, at St. Raymond— St. Elizabeth Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FORMATION

Rel. Ed. Mon. Sep. 28, at 5:45pm at St. Raymond— St. Elizabeth Church.

KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen will be open Wed. Sep. 30, 2026.

On Tuesday, Sep. 29, 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

Thursday morning videos, Thurs. Oct. 1. All welcome! At Fr Edwards Hall following 8 am Mass.

MEN'S SOCIETY MEETING

~~Thurs. Oct. 1, starting with 6pm Mass at St. Raymond— St Elizabeth church.~~

MEN OF ST JOSEPH

we will have our Saint Joseph's men's meeting October 3, 7:30 – 8:30 AM in Crestwood we are starting the book consecration to Saint Joseph

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>

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 <crensawkfc@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 & 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 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

59th Annual Lebanese Festival Raffle Winners

	Item	Name
1	Soccer Game October 14, 2026	Angelique Boettigheimer
2	\$1,500 Cash	Gennaoui
3	\$1,000 Cash	Reema Rahaman
4	\$500 Cash	Robbyn Wahby
5	Gold Cross & Chain	Mary Benoist
6	Diamond Earrings	Jabouri, John SR
7	Liquor Wagon	John Jabouri
8	Money Basket	Emili Layton
9	2 Nights Hotel Casino Queen	Winebright
10	1 Night Drury Inn	Joseph Kallial
11	\$100 Door Dash Car	Winebright
12	Arabic Classes	John Sabat
13	Tupperware	Wadad Zoghbi
14	Religious Jewelry	1) Sophia Slinkard
		2) Debbie Rask
		3) Denise Seifert
		4) Donald Leong
		5) ALINE TAN/OS
	Oil Change Midas	1) Denise Seifert
		2) Debbie Rask
		3) Alexis Bathani
		4) Reema Rahaman
		5) PAM GAZALL

Thanks for all Our Volunteers, Workers, Sponsors, Participants for the 59th Annual St. Louis Lebanese Festival.

Above Raffle winners

Sponsorship donation \$82,020

Sale of Food and others \$ 68,322

Expenses not all paid yet

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

PSALM 92:12



You're Invited!

SAVE the DATE!

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC!

AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL

SATURDAY OCT 17 2026

12 NOON to 9 PM

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

Great Music
Great Food
Great Drinks
Great Times

WHISKEY BAR

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

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If you are interested in becoming a Priest or Religious Sister, contact Vocations Director, Fr Christopher Nahra at 586-630-0002 (Ext. 102) or Email: vocations@eparchy.org.

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To apply for Membership in the Order of Saint Sharbel, please follow these directions:

1. Fill out this Application Form (print all information)
2. Circle appropriate Membership category
3. Make check payable to "Order of Saint Sharbel"
4. Mail check and application to: Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles
19300 Rinaldi Street Box 8509
Porter Ranch, CA 91327

Membership Category (Please circle one)

Type	Donation	
1) Perpetual	\$ 5,000 one time	OR Four payments of \$1,250 within one year
2) Annual	\$ 500 each year	OR Four payments of \$125 within one year

Member Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I.: _____

Home address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Home Phone: _____ Mobile Phone: _____

Email Address: _____ Occupation: _____

Member's Business Mailing Address

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Business Phone: _____

Spouse's Information

Last Name: _____ First Name: _____ M.I.: _____

Cell Phone: _____ Email: _____ Occupation: _____

Spouse's Business Mailing Address

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Parish/ Mission

Name, City, State: _____