



St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Maronite Catholic Church

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Most Rev. Mitchell Rozanski, Archbishop of St. Louis

Rev. John Nahal, Rector

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sehcrestwood/](https://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



4TH SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

Liturgy p. 606
Gen 41:38-44
1 Thes 5:1-11
Mt 24:45-51



28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

2 Kings 5:14-17
Psalm 98
2 Timothy 2:8-13
Luke 17:11-19

Sunday, October 12th, 2025

DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS DOWNTOWN:

Sat. Oct. 11	<i>St. Philip the deacon & Memorial of the first Ni- cean ecumenical Council</i>
Sun. Oct. 12 10:15 am	4TH SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS +Budwe and Alma Wolff By the Crenshaw and Wolff Families +Sandy Wahby By Kathleen Rodgers and Family +Dr. John Bouhasin By Dr. Maged Haikal +Jeff Johnson By George & Elaine Simon +Leroy Wilson By David & Kathy Mueckl +Habib & Faride Nahal
Mon. Oct. 13 11:00 am	<i>Carbos & Babylos & their companions, martyrs</i> Funeral/ Divine Liturgy for Milad Abounader
Tue. Oct. 14	<i>St. Isaiah the monk</i>
Wed. Oct. 15 12:00 pm	<i>St. Therese of Avila</i> Mildred Colbert By Linda Hill
Thurs. Oct. 16	<i>St. Longinos, the centurion, martyr</i>
Fri. Oct. 17 12:00 pm	<i>Brother Saints Kozma and Damian</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sat. Oct. 18	<i>St. Luke the Evangelist</i>
Sun. Oct. 19 10:15 am	5TH SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS +John Haman By the Haman Family +George ElKhoury By the Makhoul Family +Anthony Gamma By Tim & Donna Gamma +Charles and Joan Powell By Linda Hill

CRESTWOOD: (RC Roman Catholic, MC Maronite)

Sat. Oct. 11 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St. Damien de Veuster</i> Raffaello Moran Jack & Mary Pudlowski By Linda Hill
Sun. Oct. 12 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Brian McKenna by Carol Morrow Neal & Aaron Alster by Pat Alster
Mon. Oct. 13 8:00 am RC	<i>St. Edward the Confessor</i> Eleanor Castillo
Tue. Oct. 14 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St. Callistus</i> Emma Okenfuss Special Intention
Wed. Oct. 15 8:00 am RC	<i>St. Teresa of Jesus</i> Frank Miles
Thurs. Oct. 16 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St. Margaret Mary Alacoque</i> Sophia Clementine Jamber Joseph Ojile by Linda Hill
Fri. Oct. 17 8:00am RC	<i>St. Ignatius of Antioch</i> Ruth & Charles Olimpio by Pam Olimpio
Sat. Oct. 18 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St. Luke</i> Beth Drewett by Janet Finke Subdeacon George & Marilue Simon
Sun. Oct. 19 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	29TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Archbishop Felice Pirozzi by Steven Gilroy Anne Skoft by Jim Stecher

WEEKLY FINANCES 10/5/2025 ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:

4:00pm Saturday	
Loose cash	568
Checks/Envelopes	1,735
7:00pm Saturday	
Loose cash	11
Checks/Envelopes	200
8:00am Sunday	
Loose cash	-
Checks/Envelopes	215
10:30am Sunday	
Loose cash	275
Checks/Envelopes	695
Candles	229
Pickleball	396
Revenue during the week	2,143.79
Second Collection	60
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/ stelizabethhungary/funds	933
Expenses	\$14,538.16

ST. RAYMOND:

5:15pm Saturday	
Loose cash	125
Checks/Envelopes	
10:15am Sunday	
Loose cash	74
Checks/Envelopes	785
8:00 am Sunday	
	265
Revenue during the week	315
Candles	274
Coffee Hour	117
2nd Collection	180
Men's Society contribution	3,000
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/straymond- mc/giving/funds	1,929
Expenses (Festival)	\$12,758.85

Wednesday Luncheon 10/8/25

Income	4,868.75
Expenses	\$1,905.45

*Rejoice always, pray without ceasing, give
thanks in all circumstances; for this is the
will of God in Christ Jesus for you.*

1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-17



Pope Leo XIV's first Apostolic Exhortation, "Dilexi te"

Pope Leo in 'Dilexi te': Faith cannot be separated from love for the poor

Taking up Pope Francis' desire "that all Christians come to appreciate the close connection between Christ's love and His summons to care for the poor," Pope Leo XIV issues his first Apostolic Exhortation, "Dilexi te," as a call to Christ's disciples "to recognize him in the poor and the suffering."

Pope Leo XIV's first Apostolic Exhortation sees the love of Christ incarnated in love for the poor, in caring for the sick, opposing slavery, defending women who experience exclusion and violence, making education available to all, accompanying migrants, charitable giving, working for equality and more

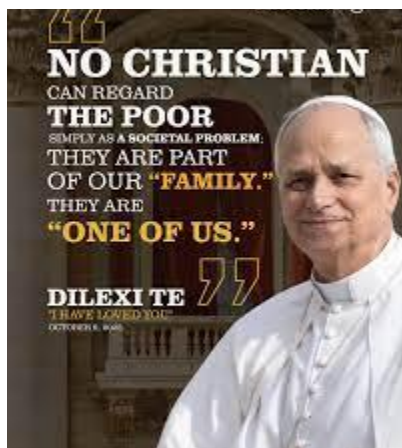
Dilexi te ("I have loved you", from Rev 3:9) unfolds in 121 numbered paragraphs spread throughout five chapters, and flows directly from the Gospel of the Son of God, Who in the very act of entering into our world through the Incarnation became poor for our sakes. At the same time, it repropose the Church's social teaching, especially that of the past 150 years, as "a veritable treasury of significant teachings" concerning the poor.

Following in the footsteps of his predecessors, with this document, signed on 4 October, the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi, Pope Leo situates himself firmly on the path laid out by his predecessors, including Saint John XXIII, with his appeal, in Mater et Magistra, to wealthier countries not to remain indifferent to nations oppressed by hunger and extreme poverty (83).

Saint Paul VI added his own voice with Populorum progressio and his appearance at the United Nations as an "advocate of the poor"; as did Saint John Paul II, who consolidated the doctrinal foundations of the Church's "preferential option for the poor".

More recently, Benedict XVI, in Caritas in veritate, offered a more markedly political take on the crises of the Third Millennium; while Francis made care for the poor and solidarity with the poor one of the key themes of his pontificate.

(<https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news>)



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Deadline: 8am Tuesdays
To submit: Email 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
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LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

Sat, Oct. 11 4:00 pm	Sr. Rosalie
Sun, Oct. 12 8:00 am 10:30 am	Dan & Kathleen Austin Krueger
Sat, Oct. 18 4:00 pm	Janet Finke
Sun, Oct. 19 8:00 am 10:30 am	Glenn Brookman Jean Minton

UP COMING EVENTS

- *Oct. 25: Autumn Harvest Festival, Crestwood
- *Nov. 8: Vendor Fair, Crestwood
- *Nov. 22: Blessing of the Memorial Wall
- *Nov. 22-23: St. Elizabeth & St. Romanos
- *Sun Dec. 7: Breakfast with Santa
- *Wed Dec 31: New Year's Eve Celebration

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH

Tom Hearst	Steve Baker
Victor Sciarino	Jana Smith
Rosalie Hubert	Janet Zhakaria
Mike McSorley Sr.	John Cleary
James Brumfield	Tom Morrow
Cathy Seemayer	Marie Kallial
Mary Lou Works	Eddie Bremehr
Chris Nelms	Rob Turner
Ted Arunski	Emil Salman
Dave Holdinghausen	Jennifer Van Luven
Michelle Bausworth	Milad Abounader
Tom Saucier	Janet Emerson
Rhoda Simpher	Susan Bickel
Patricia Beck	Burton Droste
Terry Leong	Dot Smith
Mary Ojile	Gabe Vollet
Gloria (Skip) Leisure	Barb Rohr
Don Ganim	Ameal Nassif
John Anton	Gerry Nassif
Jim Hoffman	Tim Gamma
Richard Baker Sr	Munir Matar
Patrick Carr	Pat Augustyniak

ORDER OF SAINT SHARBEL SUNDAY OCT 12

We ask all members of the Order of Saint Sharbel to come with their medals to St. Raymond Cathedral to be blessed and renew their commitment. More info, go to <https://www.orderstsharbel.org/>

COFFEE HOUR

We welcome all our parishioners and visitors for coffee hour after 10:15am Divine Liturgy at St. Raymond's hall, The Cedars. Thanks the Young Adults MYA for serving the Coffee hour.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. Oct. 13, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church, from 8:30am till 5pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Rel Ed classes Mon. Oct. 13, 5:45pm–7:00pm (fire drill), Sacramental Preparation, Youth Group, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Family Night, OCIA, Adult Formation. Please, contact Pam Olimpio, DRE at pcatherine@att.net or call church offices 314 968 0760

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR JAD

Fr. Jad will have the Bible study this coming Mon. Oct. 13, at 6pm, and Wed. Oct. 15 at 4pm, at Fr. Edwards hall at St. Raymon– St. Elizabeth Church. Bring your Bible and a friend.

AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL & MEETING

Meeting on Mon. Oct. 13, at 6:30pm, St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Cafeteria. Harvest Festival is on Saturday, October 25, 2025, from 12 noon till 9pm. For Volunteering/ Sponsoring and more information, please contact Tim Kallial at 314 761 6017 <timkallial@gmail.com>

PARISH PASTORAL AND FINANCE COUNCILS

The parish pastoral and finance councils will meet, Tue. Oct. 14, at 6:30pm, at the Cafeteria of St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.

KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen is open on Wed. Oct. 15, 2025. On Tuesday, Oct. 14, 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/> Thank you! Denise and Gina

THURSDAY CHRISTIAN DOCUMENTARY FILMS

We will have morning videos Thurs., Oct. 16, after 8am Mass. Join us for coffee and inspiration!

OCIA CLASS

If you like to know more about the Catholic/Maronite Faith, please join the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults OCIA, on Thurs. Oct. 16, at 6:30pm. For more info contact Jacob Garanzini <jacob.hart.g@gmail.com>

LADIES SODALITY MEETING

St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Ladies' Sodality will meet on Sun. Oct. 19, beginning with 10:15am Divine Liturgy at St. Raymond Cathedral, and then meeting at Lebanon room (small hall).



ST. RAYMOND FOOD PANTRY:

Please help! The supplies in St. Raymond's Food Pantry are getting very low. Currently needed are: canned or packaged soups/stews, peanut butter, rice/pasta, fruits, vegetables, beans, meats/fish, and cereal/oatmeal. No glass jars please! Thanks for helping those in need.

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

✠ Milad Abounader	10-6-2025
✠ Christopher Seemayer	9-5-2025
✠ Mary Susan Bickel	8-24-2025
✠ Barbara Marchetto	7-18-2025
✠ John D. Bouhasin	7-9-2025
✠ Eileen Bayer	6-18-2025
✠ Mary Ann Friehs	5-20-2025
✠ Elaine Snyder	3-30-2025
✠ John Michaels	3-29-2025
✠ Agnes Guhman	3-25-2025
✠ Marilue Simon	3-24-2025
✠ Thomas Bremehr	3-16-2025
✠ Brenda Wenner	3-12-2025
✠ Rose Franz	3-2-2025
✠ Judith A. Roderick	2-9-2025
✠ Henry Llewellyn	2-2-2025
✠ Jane Bell Wilcox	2-2-2025
✠ Georgette Kevorkian	1-5-2025
✠ Mary Rudolph	1-1-2025
✠ Chris Beck	12-3-2024
✠ Richard V. Wagner	11-28-2024
✠ Mary Ann Reiter	11-14-2024
✠ Patricia Cooseman	11-4-2024

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VENDOR FAIR

The Ladies Sodality is having a VENDOR FAIR on Saturday, November 8th 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>

RESPECT LIFE ACTIVITY IN OCTOBER

40 Days for Life Campaign is a nationwide opportunity for peaceful, silent prayer in front of abortion clinics. St. Raymond-St. Elizabeth Parish will pray at the **Fairview Heights Planned Parenthood** regional abortion facility on our two adopted days **Fri. Oct 10 from 7am-1pm and Fri. Oct 17 from 7am-1pm**. In the back of church you can sign up for one hour of silent prayer, or you can contact Bonnie Sabin at 314.842.7950 bonnie.sabin@gmail.com . See the website for further details. <https://stelizabethhungary.org/>

ADORERS NEEDED FOR MONDAY ADORATION

We have adoration Mondays 8:30-5pm and are in need of a second adorer especially for the 9:30-10:30am. The other hours in need of an adorer are 11:30-12:30pm....3:30-4:30pm, 4-5pm. If you are able to commit to one of the hours, please call the office at 314.968.0760 or email at steeliz@straymond-mc.org.

ROSARY DRIVE

Knights of Columbus Council 2117 thanks everyone at St. Raymond—St. Elizabeth for the rosary donations for the Airport Chaplains. Thank you and may God make your generosity bear much fruit!

ST RAYMOND CATHEDRAL FACILITY MANAGER

We are looking for a Facility Manager at St. Raymond Cathedral, Downtown. If you are interested full time or part time, please contact Msgr. John Nahal rector@straymond-mc.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

CHILDREN'S MINISTRY

We will have Children's Ministry at our church, please if you like to participate contact Carla Aouad <aouadcarla@gmail.com> or Margo Kassab. All children under 12 years old are invited to be in the ministry of learning about our Faith/ Jesus Christ in a family environment and very enjoyable way.

RIP MILAD ABOUNADER

Our prayer are offered for the repose of the soul of Milad Abounader who passed on into Eternal Life Mon. Oct. 6. 2025. We ask God the Holy Spirit to give peace and comfort to his family.

"It is therefore a holy and wholesome thought to pray for the dead, that they may be loosed from sins." 2 Maccabees 12:46

GRILL - WINGS - BAR - SNACKS - LEBANESE CUISINE

AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL

SATURDAY OCT 25 2025
12NOON to 9PM



ROSEWOOD TAKING THE STAGE AT 12NOON AND FIX NEWTON AT 5 PM

BOOTH OR TREAT
KIDS UNDER 15 CAN "TRICK OR TREAT" AT PARISH BOOTH STARTING AT 6:30PM COSTUMES ENCOURAGED



GAMES

- HUMAN SLOTS
- OVER-N-UNDER
- CHUCK-A-LUCK
- AND MUCH MORE....



KIDS CORNER
KIDS GAMES AND ACTIVITIES OPEN FROM 12NOON TO 6:30PM


St. Raymond - St. Elizabeth Church

1420 Sappington Road - Crestwood, MO. 63126

GRILL - WINGS - BAR - SNACKS - LEBANESE CUISINE

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
REGISTER NOW!

Contact: Pam Olimpio
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Daughters of St. Paul


Rosary at the Grotto

WITH THE SISTERS

WEEKDAYS IN MAY at 5:30 PM

PAULINE BOOKS & MEDIA
9804 WATSON ROAD
CRESTWOOD, MO

All are welcome!
Please feel free to bring your own lawn chairs or picnic blankets.



OUR LADY OF THE CEDARS MYA 2025 EPARCHIAL CONFERENCE

WHEN: OCTOBER 24-26, 2025

COSTS:
CONFERENCE: \$175
HOTEL: \$80/NIGHT

HOTEL INFORMATION:
HYATT PLACE
HOUSTON SUGARLAND
2800 CRENSHAW BLVD
SUGARLAND, TX 77478

HOST PARISH:
OUR LADY OF THE CEDARS
HOUSTON, TEXAS

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

Looking for Vendors

Join our Annual Vendor Fair

Saturday
November 8, 2025
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 crenshawkfc@outlook.com



WHAT DO YOU SEEK?

THE MARONITE SEMINARY OF THE UNITED STATES

A Weekend Of Discernment

AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCERN GOD'S CALL IN YOUR LIFE

WONDERING IF THE LORD IS CALLING YOU TO THE PRIESTHOOD IN THE MARONITE CHURCH?

MEN AGED 18-40 ARE INVITED FOR A WEEKEND OF FELLOWSHIP, PRAYER, DISCUSSION & DISCERNMENT.

OCT 31 - NOV 1 2025

7164 Adams Ave., Washington, DC 20012

Overnight accommodations provided.
Scan the QR code to register!

