



St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Maronite Catholic Church

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Rev. John Nahal, Rector

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Crestwood

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Crestwood, MO 63126

Tel: (314) 968-0760

Website: stelizabethhungary.org

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/
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



ANNOUCEMENT TO THE VIRGIN MARY

Liturgy p. 27

2 Sam 7:8-10, 11b-12, 13b-17

Gal 3:15-22

Lk 1:26-38



THE SOLEMNITY OF OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

2 Sam 5:1-3

Psalms 122

Col 1:12-20

Luke 23:35-43

Sunday, November 23rd, 2025

DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS DOWNTOWN:

Sat. Nov. 22	<i>Sts. Joachim & Anne, parents of Our Lady & Cecilia, martyr</i>
Sun. Nov. 23 10:15 am	ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY +Dr Jad Michel "Micky" Gennaoui- 40 Day Divine Liturgy By his wife Claude T Gennaoui & Family +Catherine Haman By The Haman Family +Archpriest George Kevorkian By Pam DiMercurio
Mon. Nov. 24 12:00 pm	<i>St. Catherine, virgin & martyr</i> No Divine Liturgy
Tue. Nov. 25	<i>St. Clement 1st, pope of Rome</i>
Wed. Nov. 26 12:00 pm	<i>St. Peter, Patriarch of Alexandria</i> No Divine Liturgy
Thurs. Nov. 27	<i>St. James the Intercissus</i>
Fri. Nov. 28 12:00 pm	<i>Steven the new martyr</i> No Divine Liturgy
Sat. Nov. 29	<i>Sts. Satorinos & Sisinius, martyr</i>
Sun. Nov. 30 10:15 am	THE VISITATION OF THE VIRGIN TO ELIZABETH +Terry Leong—40 Day Divine Liturgy By her family +Arthur Sander By Charlie & Theresa Miller
12pm noon	No Divine Liturgy

CRESTWOOD: (RC Roman Catholic, MC Maronite)

Sat. Nov. 22 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St. Cecilia</i> Arturo Balasila by the Justol Family Mike Matula (for his hands) By Beth Matula Anthony Gilroy by Steven Gilroy
Sun. Nov. 23 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	CHRIST THE KING—SOLEMNITY Jordan Lauber by Wyatt Lauber Patricia Augustyniak
Mon. Nov. 24 8:00 am RC	<i>Sts. Flora & Mary</i> Helen Murphy by Pat & Aaron Alster
Tue. Nov. 25 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St. Catherine of Alexandria</i> Neal Alster for Healing Thunsa & Husnie Simon By Linda Hill
Wed. Nov. 26 8:00 am RC	<i>St. Peter of Alexandria</i> Anthony Iorio by Steven Gilroy
Thurs. Nov. 27 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm	<i>St. Maximus, Happy Thanksgiving</i> Samuel Elking No Mass
Fri. Nov. 28 8:00am RC	<i>St. James of Marches</i> Vince & Gregory Simpher
Sat. Nov. 29 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St. Saturninus</i> Patricia Augustyniak Subdeacon George & Marilue Simon
Sun. Nov. 30 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT Amy Lauber by Luke Lauber Ula Zamarlo

WEEKLY FINANCES 11/16/2025 ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:

4:00pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	364 235
7:00pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	8 150
8:00am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	65 725
10:30am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	200 485
Candles	86
Pickleball	301
Revenue during the week	3,490
Second Collection	50
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds	765
Expenses	\$2,451.05

ST. RAYMOND:

5:15pm Saturday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	65 185
10:15am Sunday Loose cash Checks/Envelopes	288 2,040
Revenue during the week	12,620
Candles	92
Coffee Hour	492
2nd Collection	155
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds	2,527
Expenses	\$6,084.84

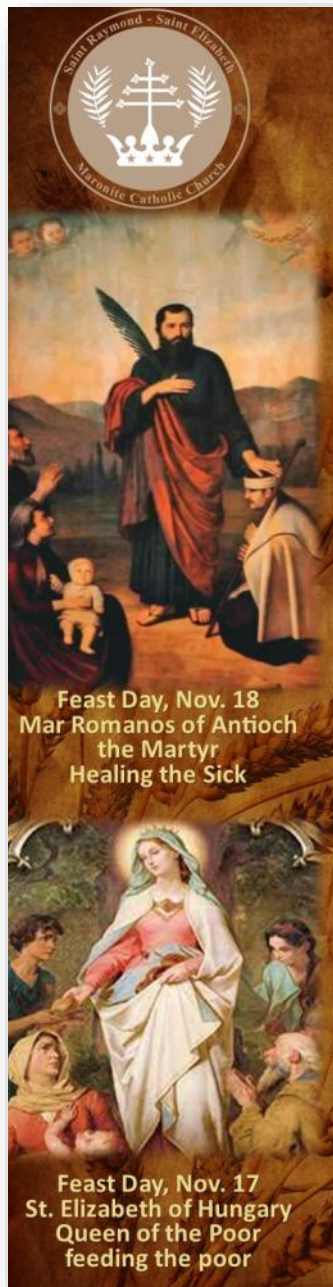
WEDNESDAY LUNCHEON 11/19/25

Income	7,199.87
Expenses	\$1,202.44





A note from the pastor



Feast Day, Nov. 18
Mar Romanos of Antioch
the Martyr
Healing the Sick

Feast Day, Nov. 17
St. Elizabeth of Hungary
Queen of the Poor
feeding the poor



St. Raymond & St. Elizabeth Feast Day Celebration and Reception

Celebration of:

✦ **St. Raymond Feast Day on Sun. Nov. 23, 2025,**
10:15 AM Divine Liturgy at
St. Raymond Cathedral, St. Louis, MO

St. Raymond and St. Elizabeth Feast Day Reception at
The Cedars, Sun. Nov. 23, at 11:30 AM
(939 Lebanon Dr, St. Louis, MO 63104)

Food Menu: Kafta bi sayniyye,
Kibbe bi Sayniyye, Spinach pies, Pasta for kids Humus,
Salad, Sweets, Beverage drinks, and more.

\$20 per adult
\$10 per youth/child
\$50 per family
Free for children (4 year old and under)

For table reservation, please contact:
The church offices at:

314 621 0056 Downtown, 314 968 0760 Crestwood
email: secretary@straymond-mc.org, or steeliz@straymond-mc.org

We accept Visa, Master Card, American Express, Checks, and Cash Payments
50% of the proceeds to our church and
50% to the activities of our Youth MYO



Happy Thanksgiving

Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his
love endures forever. Psalm 107:1

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Deadline: 8am Tuesdays
To submit: Email Felicity
steeliz@straymond-mc.org

ONLINE GIVING

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

MERCY MEAL

Kathleen Wahby 314 276 3062

MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

Donate or Borrow piece of medical
equipment, please call
Patty Renschen 314 517 7044

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LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

Sat, Nov. 22 4:00 pm	Sr. Rosalie
Sun, Nov. 23 8:00 am 10:30 am	Dan & Kathleen Austin Krueger
Sat, Nov. 29 4:00 pm	Janet Finke
Sun, Nov. 30 8:00 am 10:30 am	Glen Brookman Jean Minton

UP COMING EVENTS

- *Nov. 22: Blessing of the Memorial Wall
- *Nov. 23: St. Elizabeth & St. Romanos Feast
- *Nov. 25-Dec 6: Pilgrimage to Lebanon
- *Dec. 4: Men's & Ladies' Christmas dinner
- *Sun Dec. 7: Breakfast with Santa
- *Wed Dec 31: New Year's Eve Celebration
- *Youth National Retreat: Dayton Univ, OH
- *June 29-July 5: NAM Conv., San Diego, CA
- *Sep. 18,19,20: Lebanese Festival
- *Oct. 17: Autumn Harvest Festival
- *Nov. 14: Vendor Fair

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH

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

ST RAYMOND FEAST DAY CELEBRATION

We will celebrate the Feast Day of Mar Romanos on Sun. Nov. 23, beginning with 10:15am Divine Liturgy, (please St. Sharbel Order, Patriarch and Pontifical Medal Awardees wear your medals for the procession) and reception at the Cedars afterward. All invited to celebrate. For more, see flyer

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. Nov. 24, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church, from 8:30am till 5pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

No Rel Ed classes Mon. Nov. 24, Happy Thanksgiving!

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR JAD

Fr. Jad will have the Bible study this coming Mon. Nov. 24, at 6pm, he will not have it on Wed. Nov. 26 at 4pm, at Fr. Edwards hall at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.

YOUTH FRIENDSGIVING

All our youth are invited on Tue. Nov. 25, from 5pm to 7pm to a gathering to celebrate Thanksgiving, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth church rectory, see flyer in the back for more info.

KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen is closed for the rest of the year, we will resume our luncheons, God willing, on Wed. Jan. 7, 2026. For more information, log on to Square <http://st-raymond-cathedral.square.site/> Thanks! Denise and Gina

THURSDAY CHRISTIAN DOCUMENTARY FILMS

We will not have morning videos Thurs., Nov. 27, after 8am Mass. Happy Thanksgiving!

OCIA CLASS

No Class Nov. 27, 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>

THANKSGIVING MASS

We will have one Mass at 8am, Thurs. Nov. 27, in Crestwood
We will not have 12pm noon Divine Liturgy on Sun. Nov. 30, Downtown

LADIES' SODALITY NEW OFFICERS

Congratulations to the Ladies' Sodality new officers, Linda Hill, president; Renee Meier, vice president; Mary Ann Mueller, secretary; Rima Rahaman, treasurer

CHRISTMAS DINNER, THURS. DEC. 4

The Men's Society and Ladies' Sodality are having their annual Christmas Dinner at Sam's Steakhouse (10205 Gravois Rd, St. Louis, MO 63123), for more info contact Jason Oesterlei (joesterlei@bpp401k.com); or Linda Hill (lindahlhillcpa@gmail.com)

MISSION SUNDAY & BREAKFAST WITH SANTA

Our children are invited Sun. Dec. 7 to bring a gift to the church to be given to the fortunate children in our city. Breakfast with Santa event right after at the Cedars banquet hall, for more info see flyer in back!



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](mailto:deacon Bill@archstl.org)
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

✠ 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
✠ Carol Bilger	9-25-2025
✠ 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

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CHRISTMAS GIVING TREE

Our Youth installed Christmas Giving Tree, at our church in both locations, St. Raymond Cathedral, and St. Raymond— St. Elizabeth church in Crestwood. The gifts will benefit Our Lady's Inn for single mother. Please let support the less fortunate families in our city.



CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON, WED. DEC. 17

The Christmas luncheon for our Kitchen Volunteers is on Wed. Dec. 17, at 12 noon, at the Cedars, all our kitchen volunteers and workers are invited. Thanks for an amazing job!

FOOD DRIVE

Sincere thanks to those who have generously donated food to St. Raymond's Food Pantry.

If you or someone you know is in need of food assistance, please help yourself to the food in the Food Pantry bins in the back of church before or after Mass, or contact the church offices at (314) 621-0056 to schedule a time to pick up food. Thanks! Mary Ulett

BABY JESUS PARTY

Prepare for the birth of Jesus with the Daughter's of St. Paul! Join the sisters on St. Dec. 6th, 10am-3pm at Pauline Books & Media in Crestwood for picture-taking at the manger (costumes provided), refreshments, crafts, Christmas treats and a special Christmas program from 11-11:30am (Please note that picture-taking will pause during the Christmas Program). Activities designed for children 5-7. Information call 314-965-3512.

RIP JANET WRIGHT

Janet F. Elias Wright, parishioner at St. Raymond Cathedral, passed on into Eternal Life. Our prayers and condolences to her children and their families, her son Louis C. (Kathy) Wright, Jr. and her daughter Denise Wooten. May God grant her Eternal Peace and Rest!

Joy to the World!

Annual Benefit Nativity Display

Bring the entire family to experience the real reason for the season!

Enjoy 150 unique nativity sets, a hands-on kids room, and free parking! In lieu of an entry fee, we will collect new kitchen & bath towels to be given to Welcome Neighbor STL. Cash donations are also accepted.



10am-4pm on Saturday & Sunday, Dec 6-7

Tau Center at 335 S Kirkwood Rd, St Louis

Behind PNC Bank bldg (next to KinderCare on S Clay).

Children under 12 must be accompanied by a responsible adult. Use East covered porch entry with stairs. Accessible parking/entry is on Southwest corner. Call from the lot.



Good tidings of comfort & joy

www.fsolph.org (314) 965-3700 info@fsolph.org

MARONITE YOUTH ORGANIZATION
ST. RAYMOND – ST. ELIZABETH
RECTORY BASEMENT ROOM
(1420 SAPPINGTON ROAD)

FRIENDSGIVING

Tuesday, Nov 25 from 5PM–7PM

First time attendees to Youth Group welcome too!

Bring a dish to share!



RSVP with names to Jacquelyn Olimpio
(Youth Minister) for Pizza Headcount
jacqolimpio@att.net



St. Raymond- St. Elizabeth

Breakfast with Santa

Sunday, December 7, 2025
Starting 10:15am with Mass
(and Gift Donation to the less fortunate children)
11:30am Breakfast at The Cedars of St. Raymond
Cathedral, 939 Lebanon Dr, St. Louis, MO 63104

- "Cripple Creek" Band, live music
- Photo with Santa
Gifts and Treats
With Santa's helpers,
Our Youth MYO
- Cookie Decorating
Arts & Crafts
- Carols, and Singing
with our Children
- Competitive Games

Brunch 11:30am—12:15pm
Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Potatoes,
Biscuits, Orange Juice, Milk
(prepared and served by the Men's Society)

\$20 per adult
(17 years and younger are free)
(reservation and payment by Sun. Nov. 30)

For tickets and reservation please contact
The church offices at:
314 621 0056 Downtown, 314 968 0760 Crestwood
email: secretary@straymond-mc.org, or steeliz@straymond-mc.org
or Chairperson Barbara Skitt 314 223 5923
We accept Visa, Master Card, American Express, Checks, and Cash Payments
Online payment at www.straymond-mc.org

Merry Christmas

PARENTS NIGHT OUT

HOLIDAY SHOPPING FOR YOU, FUNDRAISING FOR
OUR YOUTH!

DECEMBER 12, 6-8:30PM
ST. RAYMOND-ST. ELIZABETH
CAFETERIA

COST: \$20/CHILD, \$10/EACH ADD.
SIBLING

AGE: KINDERGARTEN-5TH GRADE
FUN ACTIVITIES AND PIZZA
PROVIDED!

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LEXROME01@SBCGLOBAL.NET
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George Lampe – Agent
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314-517-3264

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Glen & Jackie Brookman
(Liquor Wagon donation)

Pumpkin Bronz
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In Memory of Mary Ann Reiter & Linda Talley
by Dennis Talley
In Memory of Sharon Droege Sansone
by Robert Sansone

Donations
Westlake ACE Hardware - Weber Grill Raffle
by Matt Cochran GM
Kevin & Joan Curbow
Patricia Brophy
Andrew Cox
John Mebruer & "Fix Newton"

SPECIAL THANKS TO

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Deacon James Volansky & Family
Food Donation
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Shawarma Booth
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