



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

Crestwood

1420 S. Sappington Road,

Crestwood, MO 63126

Tel: (314) 968-0760

Website: stelizabethhungary.org

Facebook: [www.facebook.com/
sehcrestwood/](https://www.facebook.com/sehcrestwood/)

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



CONSECRATION OF THE CHURCH

Liturgy p. 7

Is 54:1, 3, 5-8, 10

Hebrews 9:1-12

Matthew 16:13-20



SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

Psalms 24

1 John 3:1-3

Matthew 5:1-12a

Sunday, November 1st, 2026

DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS DOWNTOWN:

Sat. Oct. 31	<i>St Abimakos and St Gordians, Martyrs</i>
Sun. Nov. 1 10:15 am	CONSECRATION OF THE CHURCH +Paulette Risha By Effie & David Westphal +Terry Leong By Don Leong and Family For Vivian (healing from brain stem tumor) By Maria Simon
Mon. Nov. 2 12:00 pm	<i>Commemoration of the Faithful Departed</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Tue. Nov. 3	<i>St Akepsimas, St Joseph and St Aithalas, Martyrs</i>
Wed. Nov. 4 11:00 am	<i>St Vitalis and St Agricola, Martyrs</i> Ruth & Jack Carnie By Linda Hill
Thurs. Nov. 5	<i>St Asya the Righteous, Confessor</i>
Fri. Nov. 6 12:00 pm	<i>St Paul, Patriarch of Constantinople, Martyr</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sat. Nov. 7	<i>St Hieron and His Companions, Martyrs</i>
Sun. Nov. 8 10:15 am	RENEWAL OF THE CHURCH +Don Sabol By Gina Oesterlei and Family +Dr John Bouhasin By David & Kathy Mueckl +Paulette Risha +Habib Chahoud

CRESTWOOD: (RC Roman Catholic, MC Maronite)

Sat. Oct. 31 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil; Blessed Virgin Mary</i> Anne Skoff by James Stecher John & Mary Louis By David & Kathy Mueckl Neal & Aaron Alster by Pat Alster
Sun. Nov. 1 8:00 am MC 10:30 am RC	SOLEMNITY OF ALL SAINTS Joseph & Mary Ojile By George & Elaine Simon Maria & Jan Zamarlo
Mon. Nov. 2 8:00 am RC	<i>All Souls Day</i> Aaron Alster
Tue. Nov. 3 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St Martin de Porres, Religious</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory Donald Wayne Parker By Bonnie Parker Sabin
Wed. Nov. 4 8:00 am RC	<i>St Charles Borromeo, Bishop</i> Walter Eschbach; Pat Cooseman
Thurs. Nov. 5 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	St. Felix and Eusebius, Martyr Inez Hawickhorst Kathy Ritcher (for healing from spine tumor) By Marie Gilliam
Fri. Nov. 6 8:00 am	St. Edwen Neal & Aaron Alster
Sat. Nov. 7 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil; St. Ernest, Martyr</i> Sr. Regina Strassburber, OSF by Sr. Rosalie, OSF John and Anna Rask By LaDonna Rask
Sun. Nov. 8 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Joseph Messina by Steven Gilroy Ula Zamarlo

WEEKLY FINANCES 10/25/2026 ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:

4:00pm Saturday	
Loose cash	570
Checks/Envelopes	505
7:00pm Saturday	
Loose cash	200
Checks/Envelopes	
8:00am Sunday	
Loose cash	71
Checks/Envelopes	235
10:30am Sunday	
Loose cash	156
Checks/Envelopes	395
Candles	35
Pickleball	295
Revenue during the week	1,280
Second Collection	
Rentals	-
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds	1,146.29
Expenses	\$5,647.42

ST. RAYMOND:

5:15pm Saturday	
Loose cash	35
Checks/Envelopes	35
10:15am Sunday	
Loose cash	114
Checks/Envelopes	768
Revenue during the week	160
Candles	176
Coffee hour	109
Second Collection	40
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds	1,368
Expenses	\$10,639.52

WED LUNCH 10/28/2026

Income	6,243.90
Expenses	\$2,764.97





**U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB)
Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship**

The U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) guides Catholic voters through its core teaching document, Forming Consciences for Faithful Citizenship, emphasizing that voting is a moral obligation tied to human dignity and the common good.

Core Principles for Catholic Voters

Right and Responsibility: Participation in public life and voting is a fundamental civic duty for Catholics in a representative democracy.

Start With Faith: Voters are urged to let Catholic moral and social teaching shape their political views rather than adopting a political party's platform wholesale.



No Candidate Mandate: The USCCB does not endorse political parties or specific candidates; instead, it provides principles for individual conscience formation and prudential judgment.

Evaluating Candidates: Voters should judge candidates and elected officials by their actions—not just their promises—and how well they promote human life and the common good while rejecting rhetoric built on fear or division.

Nonpartisan Church Role: Parishes and Catholic institutions must remain strictly nonpartisan, avoiding candidate endorsements or partisan activities.

Key Priorities and Moral Issues

Preeminent Priority: The USCCB explicitly notes that the threat of abortion remains a preeminent moral priority.

Other Major Concerns: Catholic social teaching instructs voters to also weigh issues such as poverty, migration, religious freedom, racism, healthcare, war, and environmental stewardship.

Civil Discourse and Peace

Civilize It Initiative: The USCCB promotes the Civilize It: A Better Kind of Politics campaign to encourage charity, respect, and dialogue that avoids personal attacks or partisan hostility.

Preventing Violence: Parishes and Catholic institutions are encouraged to foster peaceful, smooth elections and reject political violence.

“Therefore I exhort first of all that supplications, prayers, intercessions, and giving of thanks be made for all men, for kings and all who are in authority, that we may lead a quiet and peaceable life in all godliness and reverence.”

1 Timothy 2:1-2

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ONLINE GIVING

Crestwood:

osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds

Downtown:

straymond-mc.org/online-giving

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Donate or Borrow piece of medical equipment, please call

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YOUNG ADULTS

Joseph Nesser



LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

Sat, Oct. 31
4:00 pm

Sr. Rosalie

Sun, Nov. 1
8:00 am
10:30 am

Nancy Wall
Glen Brookman

Sat, Nov. 7
4:00 pm

Janet Finke

Sun, Nov. 8
8:00 am
10:30 am

Dan & Kathleen
Austin Krueger

UP COMING EVENTS

- *Nov. 14: Vendor Fair
- *Nov. 21: St Elizabeth Feast Day, 4pm Mass
- *Nov. 22: St Romanos Feast Day
- *Dec. 3: Men's Christmas Dinner
- *Dec. 10: Ladies' Christmas Dinner
- *Sun Dec. 6: Breakfast with Santa
- *Sun. Dec. 13: Mission Sunday with our bishop

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH

Tom Hearst	Rob Turner
Victor Sciarrino	Emil Salman
Rosalie Hubert	Jennifer Van Luven
Mike McSorley Sr.	Janet Emerson
James Brumfield	Burton Droste
Cathy Seemayer	Gabe Vollet
Mary Lou Works	Barb Rohr
Chris Nelms	Gerry Nassif
Ted Arunski	Tim Gamma
Dave Holdinghausen	Munir Matar
Michelle Bausworth	Rima Cabbabe
Tom Saucier	Lynn Kersting
Rhoda Simpher	Mary Saucier
Patricia Beck	Don Works
Don Ganim	Joyce Banovz
John Anton	
Jim Hoffman	
Richard Baker Sr	
Patrick Carr	
Steve Baker	
Janet Zhakaria	
John Cleary	
Tom Morrow	
Marie Kallial	

YOUTH MEETING

Sun. Nov. 1, all our youth are invited to attend 10:15am Divine Liturgy and meeting after at Lebanon room.

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 Mary, Pam, Elie, thank you!

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. Nov. 2 , 8:30am—5:00pm, at St. Raymond— St. Elizabeth Church.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & OCIA FORMATION

Rel. Ed. Mon. Nov. 2, at 5:45pm at St. Raymond— St. Elizabeth Church.

Religious Education Calendar 2026:

Monday Nov. 2, 2026, Class, All Souls' Day, Rosary & pizza reward night
Monday, Nov. 9 , 2026, Class, Parent meeting, 1st Confession `
Monday, Nov. 16, 2026, Class, St Raymond & St Elizabeth
Monday, Nov. 23, 2026, No class, Thanksgiving week
Monday, Nov. 30, 2026, Class, 1st Week of Advent/Visitation of the B. Mary
Monday, Dec. 7 , 2026, Class, 1st Confession Vigil of the Imm. Conception
Monday, Dec. 14, 2026, Class, Advent/ Charity/Christmas Pageant
Monday, Dec. 21, 2026, No class, Merry Christmas, Jesus Christ is Born!
Monday, Dec. 28, 2026, No class, Christmas

BIBLE STUDY

Come join the Bible Study group, Mon. Nov. 2, at 6:00 pm, at Fr. Edwards hall with Msgr. John, interesting passages from the Bible will be presented and discussed.

KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen will be open Wed. Nov. 4 , 2026.

On Tuesday, Nov. 3, 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

THANK YOU/ EVALUATION MEETING FOR BOTH FESTIVALS

We will meet for a reception and evaluation meeting for both our Festivals on Wed. Nov. 4, at 6:30pm, at St Raymond- St Elizabeth church cafeteria. All coordinators and chairpersons are invited. Thank You!

THURSDAY CHRISTIAN DOCUMENTARY FILMS

Thursday morning videos, Thurs. Nov. 5 . All welcome! At Fr Edwards Hall following 8 am Mass.

MEN'S SOCIETY MEETING

St Raymond- St Elizabeth Men's Society will meeting on Thurs. Nov. 5, at 6:30pm at the Cafeteria of St Raymond- St Elizabeth church, beginning with 6pm Divine Liturgy at the church.

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

✠ Tommy Ortmann	10-12-2026
✠ Paulette Risha	10-10-2026
✠ Bernard Bopp	9-22-2026
✠ 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
✠ 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



LADIES' SODALITY MEETING

St Raymond- St Elizabeth Ladies' Sodality will meet on Sunday, November 8, beginning with 10:15 am Divine Liturgy at St Raymond Cathedral.

PARISH AND FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING

The parish pastoral and finance councils will meet on Thurs. Nov. 12, at 6:30pm at St. Raymond- St Elizabeth church cafeteria.

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 <StRStEVendorFair@gmail.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.

LEGACY SUNDAY

Our focus is the Catholic parishes, schools and ministries in the Archdiocese of St. Louis. We work with donors and leaders to sustain these local faith organizations now and long into the future. More info, flyer is in the back and see our ambassadors, Bob and Teddy.

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

REMODELING AND REPAIR

At St Raymond- St Elizabeth church, we finish installing 2 commercial metal exit doors, tankless water heater. The work on installing the baptismal font will start this coming week.

St Raymond Cathedral, we have snow plow for the church truck, cut the tree (thanks Tim Gamma) that was pushing on the main water pipes for the fire sprinkler system. Ready to have bids for the church floors. Thanks for all your support to keep our church beautiful from inside and outside!

BLESSED MARRIAGE

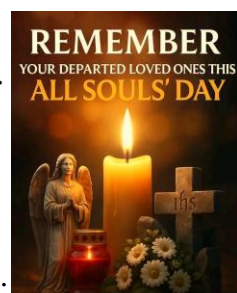
Congratulations and blessed marriage to Clark Wolfsberger & Sophia Hibbard. May God you abundantly and keep you in His Love!

NOVEMBER 2ND, ALL SOULS' DAY

Let us pray. Lord, welcome into your presence your children whom you have called from this life. Release them from all their sins, bless them with eternal light and peace, raise them up to live forever with all your saints in the glory of the resurrection. We ask this through Christ our Lord. R. Amen.

V. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.

R. And may perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. R. Amen.



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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 StRS1EVendorFair@gmail.com

Faith Across Generations




LEGACY SUNDAY

FAITH ACROSS GENERATIONS
— ROMAN CATHOLIC FOUNDATION —

Scan the code to hear this legacy story.
Or, visit <https://bit.ly/legacysundayc>



Maronite Liturgical Calendar

<p>Sundays of the Church The Church, our Family in Christ</p>  <p><i>We gather, we pray, we grow in faith</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Consecration of the Church • Renewal of the Church 	<p>Season of the Birth of Jesus The Promise Fulfilled in a Child</p>  <p><i>God became man</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Announcement of Zachariah • Announcement to Mary • Visitation to Elizabeth • Birth of John the Baptist • Revelation to Joseph • Genealogy of Jesus • Glorious Birth of Jesus • Finding of the Lord in the Temple • Circumcision of Jesus 	<p>Season of the Glorious Epiphany Christ reveals himself to the World</p>  <p><i>The Father's voice proclaimed: 'This is my beloved Son'</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Glorious Epiphany of the Lord • Sundays of the Epiphany 	<p>Three Weeks of Commemorations Remembering the Faithful in Christ</p>  <p><i>They live in God's love, forever.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Commemoration of the Priests • Commemoration of the Righteous and the Just • Commemoration of the Faithful Departed 	<p>Season of the Great Lent A time of Prayer, Fasting, and Renewal</p>  <p><i>Turn to the Lord with a humble heart</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wedding at Cana • Healing of the Leper • Healing of the Hemorrhaging Woman • Parable of the Prodigal Son • Healing of the Paralytic • Healing of the Blind Man • Hosanna Sunday
<p>Passion Week The Journey of Love and Sacrifice</p>  <p><i>He suffered for us, that we might live.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Coming to the Harbor • Wednesday of the Lamp • Thursday of the Mysteries • Great Friday • Saturday of the Light 	<p>Season of the Glorious Resurrection Christ is Risen! He is Truly Risen!</p>  <p><i>Death is not the end, but the beginning</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sunday of the Glorious Resurrection • New Sunday • Sundays of Resurrection • Ascension of the Lord 	<p>Season of the Glorious Pentecost The Holy Spirit builds the Church</p>  <p><i>One Spirit, One Church, One Mission</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Pentecost Sunday • Sunday of the Most Holy Trinity • Pentecost Sundays • Feast of the Holy Apostles Peter & Paul • Feast of the Twelve Apostles • Feast of the Transfiguration of the Lord • Feast of the Assumption of the Virgin 	<p>Season of the Glorious Cross The Cross Brings Life</p>  <p><i>Through the Cross comes Salvation, through the Cross comes new life.</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross 	