



## *St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Maronite Catholic Church*

**Most Rev. A. Elias Zaidan, Bishop of The Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon**

**Most Rev. Mitchell Rozanski, Archbishop of St. Louis**

**Rev. John Nahal, Rector**

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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



### 1ST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY

Liturgy p. 107  
Is 40:6-11  
2 Cor 10:1-11  
Jn 1:29-34



### THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7  
Psalm 29  
Acts 10:34-38  
Matthew 3:13-17

*Sunday, January 11th, 2026*

## DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS DOWNTOWN:

Sat. Jan 10	<i>St. Gregory, bishop of Nisis</i>
Sun. Jan 11 10:15 am	<b>1ST SUNDAY AFTER EPIPHANY</b> +Dr. John Bouhasin By The Bouhasin & Adem Families +Terry Leong By Dom & Shelly Vitale +Judge Paul & Mary Jane Simon By David & Kathy Mueckl
Mon. Jan 12 12:00 pm	<i>St. Tasiana, a martyr &amp; Memorial of the Holy Ecumenical Council of Trent</i> No Divine Liturgy
Tue. Jan 13	<i>St. Jacob, bishop of Nisibin</i>
Wed. Jan 14 12:00 pm	<i>St. Hilarius, bishop of Poitiers</i> No Divine Liturgy
Thurs. Jan. 15	<i>Our Lady of plants</i>
Fri. Jan 16 12:00 pm	<i>Memorial of the chains of St. Peter the Apostle</i> No Divine Liturgy
Sat. Jan 17	<i>St. Anthony the Great</i>
Sun. Jan 18 10:15 am	<b>2ND SUNDAY AFTER THE EPIPHANY</b> +Bob Risha By Monica Kunkel and Family +William Shaheen By the Shaheen Family +Janet Wright By the Fanetti/ Schmidt Family

## CRESTWOOD: (RC Roman Catholic, MC Maronite)

Sat. Jan. 10 4:00 pm RC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St. Leonie Aviat</i> Beth Drewett
5:15 pm MC	Lillian Brune By the Kallial Family Alster Family
Sun. Jan. 11 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	<b>BAPTISM OF OUR LORD</b> Pro Populo Charles and Joan Powell By Linda Hill
Mon. Jan. 12 8:00 am RC	<i>St. Marguerite Bougeoy</i> Neal Alster for Healing
Tue. Jan. 13 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St. Hilary of Poitiers</i> Kevin Roche No Divine Liturgy
Wed. Jan. 14 8:00am RC	<i>St. Felix Nola</i> Martina Bettlach for Healing
Thurs. Jan. 15 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St. Remigius</i> Ron & Ellen Lauber by Wyat Lauber No Divine Liturgy
Fri. Jan. 16 8:00am RC	<i>St. Marcellus</i> Helen Murphy by Pat & Aaron Alster
Sat. Jan. 17 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St. Anthony the Abbot</i> Patricia Augustyniak Bryan Mueckl By David & Kathy Mueckl Loretta & Anthony Simon By Linda Hill
Sun. Jan. 18 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	<b>SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Bob Anthony Subdeacon George & Marilue Simon by Patti Carnie

## WEEKLY FINANCES 1/4/2026 ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:

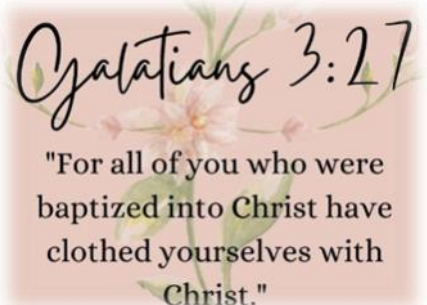
4:00pm Saturday Loose cash	596
Checks/Envelopes	1,800
7:00pm Saturday Loose cash	2
Checks/Envelopes	50
8:00am Sunday Loose cash	-
Checks/Envelopes	295
10:30am Sunday Loose cash	102
Checks/Envelopes	325
Candles	341
Pickleball	-
Revenue during the week	1,757
Initial Offering	80
Online Giving <a href="https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds">https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds</a>	2,353
Expenses	\$10,237.06

## ST. RAYMOND:

5:15pm Saturday Loose cash	20
Checks/Envelopes	30
10:15am Sunday Loose cash	215
Checks/Envelopes	950
8:00am Sunday	237
Revenue during the week	18,140
Candles	405
Coffee hour	159
2nd Collection	700
Online Giving <a href="https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds">https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds</a>	2,179
Expenses	\$8,000.35

## WEDNESDAY LUNCHEON 1/7/2026

Income	4,860.68
Expenses	\$1,366





*A note  
from the pastor*

#### CONTACT US:

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##### BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS

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  
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#### St. Maron 350-410 AD Feast Day, Feb. 9 Priest and Hermit Patron and Father of the Maronite Church

Saint Maron was a mystic who started this new ascetic-spiritual life that attracted many people in Syria and Lebanon to become his disciples. Accompanying his deeply spiritual and ascetic life, he was a zealous missionary with a passion to spread the message of Christ by preaching it to all he met. He sought not only to cure the physical ailments that people suffered, but had a great quest for nurturing and healing the "lost souls" of both non-Christians and Christians of his time. This missionary work came to fruition when in the mountains of Syria, Saint Maron was able to convert a temple into a Christian church in Kafr Nabu. This was to be the beginning of the conversion to Christianity in Syria which would then influence and spread to Lebanon. After his death in the year 410 in Kalota, his spirit and teachings lived on through his disciples. The Maronite movement reached Lebanon when Saint Maron's first disciple, Abraham of Cyrhus, who was called the Apostle of Lebanon, realized that there were many non-Christians in Lebanon and so he set out to convert them to Christianity by introducing them to the way of Saint Maron. Maronites have always remained in full communion with the Holy See / Chair of St. Peter.



### St. Maron's Feast Day Celebration and Reception

**St. Maron's Feast Day on Sun. Feb. 1, 2026,**

**10:15 AM Divine Liturgy, Presided by**

**Bishop A. Elias Zaidan**

**at St. Raymond Cathedral, St. Louis, MO**

Installation of Officers/Members of all Church Organizations/Committees

St. Maron's Feast Day Reception at The Cedars,

Sun. Feb. 1, at 12:00 PM noon

(939 Lebanon Dr, St. Louis, MO 63104)

- ✦ Bishop's Eparchial Awards
- ✦ Silver Massabki Medal Awards
- ✦ Faith of Mountain Award

**Food Menu:** Main food plate TBA, Kibbe bi Sayniyye (ground beef and cracked wheat), Humus, Salad, Sweets, and Beverage drinks

**\$20 per adult, (Family at \$50)**

**\$10 per youth (13-17 yo)**

**\$5 per child (5-12 yo)**

**Free for children (4 year old and under)**

For table reservation, please contact:

The church offices at:

314 621 0056 Downtown, or 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, 25% to our Youth, 25% to Caritas Lebanon



## LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

<b>Sat, Jan. 10</b> 4:00 pm	Sr. Rosalie
<b>Sun, Jan. 11</b> 8:00 am 10:30 am	Nancy Wall Fabi Pineda
<b>Sat, Jan. 17</b> 4:00 pm	Ralph & Margie
<b>Sun, Jan. 18</b> 8:00 am 10:30 am	Dan & Kathleen Austin Krueger

## UP COMING EVENTS

- \*Sun Feb. 1: St. Maron's Feast Day
- \*Sun March 8: Purse Bingo
- \*Fish Fry: Feb 20,27, March 6,13,20,27,  
April 3 (Good Fri at St Raymond's)
- \*May 3: First Communion
- \*May 10: Mother's Day
- \*June 6: Golf Tournament
- \*June 23-28: Youth National Conference  
Univ. of Dayton OH
- \*June 29-July 5: NAM Conv., San Diego, CA
- \*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
- \*Sun Dec. 6, 2026: 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	Dot Smith
Michelle Bausworth	Gabe Vollet
Tom Saucier	Barb Rohr
Rhoda Simpher	Ameal Nassif
Patricia Beck	Gerry Nassif
Mary Ojile	Tim Gamma
Gloria (Skip) Leisure	Munir Matar
Don Ganim	Susan Dugan
John Anton	Rima Cabbabe
Jim Hoffman	Ralph Wahby
Richard Baker Sr	
Patrick Carr	
Steve Baker	

## Fr. JAD NEW ASSIGNMENT

We thank Fr. Jad for all his ministry at St. Raymond Cathedral and St. Raymond- St. Elizabeth church, bishop Zaidan assigned Fr. Jad to be the pastor of Our Lady of Lebanon Maronite church in Chicago, IL. We pray for Fr. Jad on his new assignment to be successful. We will bid him farewell at the coffee hour this coming Sat/Sun, Jan 10/11 after Masses at St. Raymond- St. Elizabeth church in Crestwood, and Sunday, Jan. 18, a farewell reception at St. Raymond Cathedral, downtown.

## COFFEE HOUR

We welcome all our parishioners and friend visitors to socialize and for coffee hour after 10:15am Divine Liturgy at St. Raymond Cathedral. We thank our Young Adults MYA for serving the Coffee hour. Please, let us enjoy each other, and celebrate the Day of Lord!

## CLERGY RETREAT

Msgr. Hanneke will celebrate 8am Masses Jan 12-16, and we will not have 6pm Maronite Divine Liturgies Jan. 13, 15. Fr. Tony, Fr. Jad, Fr. Ron, Fr. John will be participating at the annual priest retreat in Scottsdale, AZ on Jan. 12- 16, please keep our bishop and all our priests in your prayers.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. Jan. 12th, at St. Raymond- St. Elizabeth Church, from 8:30am till 5pm.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Rel Ed classes Mon. Jan. 12th, at 5:45pm

## KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen is open on Wed. Jan. 14th, 2026. On Tue., Jan. 13th, 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/>  
Thanks!

Denise and Gina

## THURSDAY CHRISTIAN DOCUMENTARY FILMS

Christian documentary movie on Thurs. Jan. 15th, after 8am Mass.

## OCIA CLASS

Class on Thurs. Jan. 15th, at 6pm. 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>

## LADIES' SODALITY MEETING- SUN. JAN. 18

Congratulations to new officers, Linda Hill, president; Renee Meier, vice president; Mary Ann Mueller, secretary; Reema Rahaman, treasurer. The Ladies' Sodality will meet on Sun. Jan. 18, at St. Raymond Cathedral, beginning will 10:15am Divine Liturgy (3rd Sunday of the month).



## 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 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

† 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
† 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

## YOUTH ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS

All our youth are invited to participate in the meetings/events/activities of the church, to benefit first our church, have community service hours, and participate in the national youth conference. Our youth this school year raised \$5K, and they need another \$5K to cover the fees of their events. Thanks for supporting our Youth!

## ST. MARON'S FEAST DAY

We will celebrate with bishop Zaidan the feast of our patron saint Maron on Sunday, February 1st, at St. Raymond Cathedral.

## DESIGNER PURSE BINGO

Save the date! Sunday March 8th, 2026

The Cedars Hall, St. Raymond Cathedral - Downtown.

For more info, contact Mary Denny <marypdenny@sbcglobal.net>

## MEN'S AND LADIES' SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

Membership form will be mailed to the men and women of our parish. Please, consider joining those two organizations.

## 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.

## 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

## CONTRIBUTION STATEMENT FOR 2025

All registered families at our church, at both locations, will receive a contribution statement before the end of January for the year 2025. Thanks for your love and support to our church.

## P & L FOR 2025

In addition a P&L report will be posted on the church website, as a non-profit 501 c3 should do once a year.

## SECURITY CAMERAS AND PATROL CAR

St. Raymond Cathedral will be installing more security cameras and purchasing a car to patrol the parking lots downtown. Some of the proceeds of the church events that we will have this coming year will go to offset the security fees, please let us support our church.

## BLESSED BAPTISM

Blessed baptism to Nadia Wells the daughter of Meghan Sholy-Wells and Avery Wells.

"I baptize you with water for repentance. But after me comes one who is more powerful than I, whose sandals I am not worthy to carry. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and fire." Matt 3:11



## 2026 National MYO Conference



### SAVE THE DATE!

Registration will be open beginning February 1, 2026.

Feb 1 - March 31, 2026	April 1 - May 15, 2026	May 16 - June
Regular Registration	Late Registration	Registration
\$559	\$609	N/A

### Prayer for the Year 2026

Dear Lord, as we enter the new year, bless us with peace, keep us healthy, and guide our steps in love. May we serve You and one another with faithful hearts. In Your name we pray, Amen.



#### COST:

**\$200 PER TABLE OF 8 (INCLUDES BEER AND SODA)**

**\$320 FOR VIP TABLES (INCLUDES SNACKS, 3 BOTTLES OF WINE, & TABLE SERVICE)**

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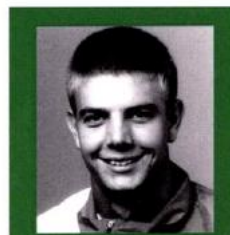
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## CASEY'S KICKERS TRIVIA NIGHT 2026



**SATURDAY  
FEB. 21ST  
7PM**

**DOORS OPEN  
AT 6PM**

**RAFFLES!  
AUCTIONS!  
50/50!**