



## *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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Website: [straymond-mc.org](http://straymond-mc.org)

Facebook: St. Raymond's  
Maronite Cathedral group

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Crestwood, MO 63126

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Fax: (314) 968-8023

Website: [stelizabethhungary.org](http://stelizabethhungary.org)

Facebook: St. Elizabeth of Hungary  
Catholic Church @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 Fr. 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; Fr John's emergency contact is on the answering machine

**Intentions for Divine Liturgy:** call the rectory, mail, or email your intentions



### 11th SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Liturgy p. 425 or 492  
Ez 18:1a, 21-23, 27-28  
Eph 2:17-22  
Lk 19:1-10



### 17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIMES

2 Kgs 4:42-44  
Psalm 145  
Eph 4:1-6  
Jn 6:1-15

*Sunday, July 28, 2024*

## DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS DOWNTOWN:

Sun, July 28 10:15 am	11th SUNDAY OF PENTECOST +Barbara Oseguera By the Ablan Family +Roberto Mendoza By John & Mary Denny  (No noon Divine Liturgy)
Mon, July 29 12:00 pm	<i>Martha &amp; Prophet Ezekiel</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Tues, July 30	<i>Abdon and Sinin, martyrs</i>
Wed, July 31 12:00 pm	<i>The 350 martyrs, disciples of St Maron</i> Sandy Wahby By Nazha Hitti and Family
Thurs, August 1	<i>St Shmouni and her sons</i>
Fri, August 2 12:00 pm	<i>Memorial of the discovery of St Stephen's remains</i> No Divine Liturgy
Sun, August 4 10:15 am	12th SUNDAY OF PENTECOST +Jordan Taylor By his mother Janet Emerson and Family (One Year Anniversary) +Patricia Elking By Ed Elking and Family +Sandy Wahby By Elie Asfour and Family

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

Sat, July 27 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm M	<i>Sunday Vigil</i> Cris Tallent Subdeacon George Simon By Kevin & Patti Carnie
Sun, July 28 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	<i>17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Lillian Louise Cook Charles and Missy Wagner by Katherine Burns
Mon, July 29 8:00 am RC	<i>St Martha</i> Ruth and Jack Carnie By Linda Hill
Tue, July 30 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm M	<i>St Germanus</i> Ruth McDonald Elias Hitti By Nazha Hitti and Family
Wed, July 31 8:00 am RC	<i>St Ignatius of Loyola</i> Theresa Haddad By George & Elaine Simon
Thurs, August 1 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm M	<i>St Alphonsus Ligouri</i> Barbara Marchetto Shirley Milford By David & Kathy Mueckl
Fri, August 2 8:00 am RC 11am RC	<i>Peter Faber &amp; St Peter Julian Eymard</i> Chompunut Walbridge Funeral Mass for Larry Tuberty
Sat, August 3 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm M	<i>Sunday Vigil</i> Lillian Louise Cook Chompunut Walbridge
Sun, August 4 8:00 am M 10:30 am RC	<i>17th Sunday in Ordinary Time</i> Mary Jane Simon by Jim Simon Mike & Anne Brotherton By Linda Hill

## WEEKLY FINANCES 07/21/2024 ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:

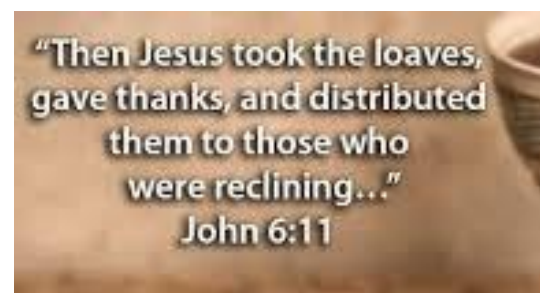
4:00pm Saturday	
Loose cash	508
Checks/Envelopes	665
7:00pm Saturday	
Loose cash	2
Checks/Envelopes	40
8:00am Sunday	
Loose cash	93
Checks/Envelopes	153
10:30am Sunday	
Loose cash	205
Checks/Envelopes	310
Candles	57
Pickleball	348
Revenue during the week	1,580
Second Collection	
Online Giving <a href="https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds">https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds</a>	295
Expenses	\$5,823.01

## ST. RAYMOND:

5:15pm Saturday	
Loose cash	40
Checks/Envelopes	100
10:15am Sunday	
Loose cash	51
Checks/Envelopes	1,045
Second Collection	170
Revenue during the week	2,785
Candles	100
Coffee hour	108
Online Giving <a href="http://straymond-mc.org/online-giving">straymond-mc.org/online-giving</a>	1,898
Expenses	\$12,378.2

## WED. LUNCH 07/24/24

Total Revenue Lunch	5,027.72
Expenses	\$3,023.57





### St. Charbel Makhlouf (1828-1898)

Saint Charbel was born Yousef on May 8 1828 in a small mountain village of Northern Lebanon. He entered the monastery at the age of 23 and lived a monastic life taking the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. He took the name 'Charbel' and was ordained a priest on July 23 1859. After 16 years on his first assignment at the Monastery of St. Maroun, he sought permission of his superiors to retire to the Hermitage of Saints Peter and Paul. He lived as a hermit for the next 23 years of his life until his death in this monastery.

He spent most of his day in the presence of the Blessed Sacrament. He is known to have taken hard penances by sleeping on a slab of stone with a half stump of wood as his pillow. He endured frequent hunger, poverty, physical fatigue and unbearable cold with the courage of a martyr. Through his prayer and penance he hoped to offer a sacrifice for the reconciliation of the whole world to God.

During his lifetime, there are several miracles that are attributed to him. But it was after his death that the most remarkable event occurred. He died on Christmas Eve in 1898 following a stroke. As was the monastic custom then, the body was not embalmed, was dressed in full habit of the Order and consigned to the grave without a coffin.

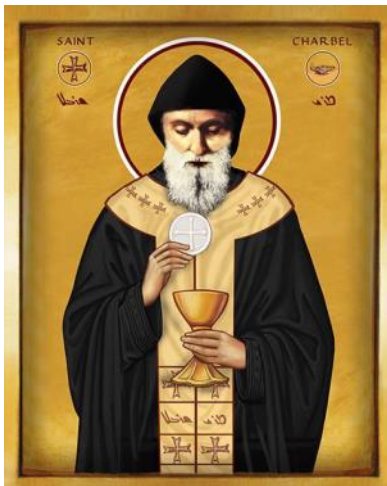
After he was buried, a great light started emanating from the grave. The mysterious light could be seen from a great distance and continued for 45 days after his death. When the grave was opened in the presence of the Superiors and other monks of the Order, it was found to be in perfect condition. Though the body was found floating in rain water that had entered the grave, it did not have any signs of deterioration. The body was cleaned, clothed in a fresh habit and placed in a wooden coffin in a corner of the private chapel of the monastery.

Soon it was observed that a liquid mixture of blood and water emanated from the pores of the body. The blood soaked clothes were changed often and small pieces were distributed as relics. There were several miracles reported of healing of pain and other sickness through these relics. Later the body was moved into a new coffin covered with zinc in 1927. The coffin was placed on two stones to prevent contact with the dampness of the soil and left undisturbed till 1950 when again a new phenomenon was observed by the pilgrims to the shrine. Reportedly on February 25 1950, pilgrims noticed a liquid seeping from a corner of the tomb and flowing onto the floor of the oratory. The tomb was opened and strangely the inside was found to be dry and the coffin intact except for the liquid seeping in from the casket. Again, in the presence of all ecclesiastical authorities the coffin was opened and the body was found to be incorrupt, flexible and lifelike!! The sweat of liquid and blood that exuded from the body had stained the garments though.

Pilgrims began flocking to the shrines and innumerable miracles were reported. The monastery began maintaining a record of these miracles from 1950.

More than 30 thousands of documented miracles have been reported at the Shrine as well as from people who took the relics and placed them on their bodies for healing. The body of Saint Charbel remained perfectly preserved for many more years. In 1965 by the time he was beatified by Pope Paul VI. He was canonized on October 9, 1977 by Pope Paul VI. His feast is celebrated on July 23rd, or 3rd Sunday of July, (Feast Day is July 24th in the Roman Catholic Church).

St. Sharbel, Pray For Us!



### 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

#### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT- CRESTWOOD

Mondays 8:30am-5:00pm

#### MERCY MEAL

Kathleen Wahby 314 276 3062

#### MEDICAL EQUIPMENT

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

#### PICKLEBALL

David Miller  
davidcmiller60@gmail.com





## LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

<b>Sat, July 27</b> 4:00 pm	Ralph & Margie
<b>Sun, July 28</b> 8:00 am 10:30 am	Nancy Wall Fabi Pineda
<b>Sat, Aug 3</b> 4:00 pm	Sr Rosalie
<b>Sun, Aug 4</b> 8:00 am 10:30 am	Julie Hoijarvi Austin Krueger

## UP COMING EVENTS

- \*Fri. -Sun. Sep. 13-15, Lebanese Festival, St. Raymond Cathedral
- \*Sat. Oct. 12, Autumn Harvest/Vendor Fair, St. Raymond- St. Elizabeth Church
- \*Oct 15-24: Eparchial Pilgrimage to Italy/ Canonization of the Massabki brothers
- \*Nov. 16-17: St. Elizabeth & St. Romanos
- \*Sun Dec. 8: Breakfast with Santa
- \*Tue Dec 31: New Year's Eve Celebration

## PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH

Mark Beck	John Anton
Tom Hearst	Jim Hoffman
Victor Sciarrino	Gary Bieller
Rosalie Hubert	Richard Baker Sr
Mike McSorley Sr.	Patrick Carr
James Brumfield	Steve Baker
Christopher & Cathy Seemayer	Jana Smith
	Janet Zhakaria
Mary Lou Works	Bert Marchi
Chris Nelms	John Cleary
Ted Arunski	Tom Morrow
Dave Holdinghausen	Marie Kallial
Pat Cooseman	Mary L Simon
Mary Ann Reiter	Jim Benoist
Michelle Bausworth	Eddie Bremehr
Tom Saucier	Larry Tuberty
Rhoda Simpher	Judy Roderick
Patricia Beck	Rob Turner
Terry Leong	Dr. John Bouhasin
Mary Ojile	Emil Salman
Gloria (Skip) Leisure	Carol Alkobri
Don Ganim	Jennifer Van Luven

## COFFEE HOUR

Coffee hour Sunday, July 28, at the Cedars hall of St. Raymond Cathedral, prepared and served by the Ladies' Sodality, thanks.

## EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this Mon. July 29, from 8:30am till 5:00pm.

## KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen will be open Wed. July 31, 2024.

On Tuesday, July 30, at 8:30am we will be preparing kibbe aras and rolling grape/cabbage leaves and another shift at 5:00pm. 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

## YOUTH GATHERING

Our youth will meet Wednesday, July 31, at 7pm at their room in the lower level of the rectory at St. Raymond- St. Elizabeth church. Come have fun eat some pizza and meet some new friends!

## YOUTH LUNCHEON

Sunday, August 21, at the Cedars hall, after the 10:15am Divine Liturgy, our youth will have a fundraising luncheon to pay for their dabkeh outfits for the Lebanese Festival. Menu: Eggplant with ground beef, Hummus, Salad, Rice pilaf. Donation for plate \$15 adult, \$10 youth, \$5 child. Please, let us support our Youth!

## LEBANESE FESTIVAL MEETING

Meeting for Committee Chairpersons/ Coordinators of St. Louis Lebanese Festival Mon. Aug. 5th, at 6:30pm at Lebanon room of St. Raymond Cathedral. The St. Louis Lebanese Festival is on Sep 13-15, 2024, at St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral ground/ facilities.

In order for the Festival to be successful, we need the help of the entire community at St. Raymond Cathedral and St. Raymond- St. Elizabeth Church, from Volunteers, to Sponsors, and Workers. We will be launching the website for volunteers soon.

Raffle: If you would like to donate prizes for the festival raffle, please contact the church offices: 314 621 5600 [secretary@straymond-mc.org](mailto:secretary@straymond-mc.org) or [Steeliz@straymond-mc.org](mailto:Steeliz@straymond-mc.org) 314 968 0760.

Sponsorship cover letter, application form, and flyer were mailed to parishioners and friends of the Festival, for more information see our website and Facebook page.



## AUTUMN HARVEST/ VENDOR FAIR MEETING

St. Raymond- St. Elizabeth Autumn Harvest/ Vendor Fair is on Saturday, October 12, 2024, from 12 noon till 10pm.

All chair and committee members are invited to a meeting, Mon. Aug. 12, at 6:30 pm, at the cafeteria of St. Ray- St. E church.

For Volunteering or any information contact co-chair Tim Kallial, or Janet Baker at [<secretary@straymond-mc.org>](mailto:secretary@straymond-mc.org)





### ST. RAYMOND FOOD PANTRY:

Current Food Pantry needs: Canned or packaged fruits, vegetables, beans, cereal, soups/stews, pasta/rice. No glass jars, please. Thanks for your generosity in 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

### ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

✠ Larry Tuberty	7-23-2024
✠ Robert Deutschmann	7-18-2024
✠ Robert Reask	7-10-2024
✠ Albertha Marchi	6-27-2024
✠ Robert Kelly	6-23-2024
✠ Roberto Mendoza	6-3-2024
✠ James Hamm	4-27-2024
✠ Gerald Peters	4-25-2024
✠ Teresa Syron	4-20-2024
✠ Sandra Wahby	4-16-2024
✠ William Appelbaum	4-3-2024
✠ Charles Nesser	3-23-2024
✠ Hisham Altwal	3-18-2024
✠ Phyllis Sullivan	2-23-2024
✠ Robert Schwarz	2-16-2024
✠ Marilyn Flores	2-14-2024
✠ Virginia Morrow	2-10-2024
✠ Charles LaMartina	1-26-2024
✠ Arline Deutschmann	1-21-2024
✠ Adel Altwal	1-11-2024
✠ Catherine Leisure	12-29-2023
✠ Raymond Gazall	12-9-2023
✠ Ruth Werkmeister	10-25-2023
✠ John Steuber	10-18-2023
✠ John Putzel	10-4-2023
✠ William Busekrus	9-12-2023
✠ Michel Maghamez	8-14-2023
✠ Kathleen Ann Bruce	8-11-2023
✠ Patricia Elking	8-6-2023
✠ Wafica Issa	8-5-2023
✠ Jordan Taylor	8-1-2023
✠ Elias Hawatmeh	7-26-2023
✠ John William Cary	7-8-2023
✠ Rigo Berto Oseguera	6-18-2023

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### REGISTRATION FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Registrations are open for Religious Education classes for year 2024 -2025. For more information, please contact Pam Olimpio, Director, at <pamela.olimpio@johnpaulprep.org> or see the registration forms in the foyer of St. Raymond— St. Elizabeth church in Crestwood.

### LECTORS NEEDED

We are in need of at least two lectors for the 8am Sunday Masses at St. Raymond—St. Elizabeth parish. To volunteer or if you have any questions please email the office at steeliz@straymond-mc.org or call 314-968-0760.

### VENDOR FAIR

The Ladies Sodality is having a VENDOR FAIR alongside the Autumn Harvest Festival on October 12th at St Raymond-St Elizabeth. If you know any vendors or are interested in having a booth, please contact Karen Crenshaw at crenshawkfc@outlook.com.

There are flyers in the vestibules with further details.

Also, we will need volunteers to set up and take down for the Vendor Fair. This involves tables so we are looking for some man power. Any help would be appreciated. You can contact Stephanie Baker at steffer57@yahoo.com or call 314-412-4450.

### BACK TO SCHOOL

It's that time of year to get ready to send children back to school. Each year we choose a school who can use our help. We are supporting St. Frances Cabrini. Suggested school supplies: Expo dry erase markers, spiral notebooks (wide ruled), reams of copy paper, 2 pocket folders, pens (red/black/blue), highlighters (yellow/pink/green), crayola crayons 24 count box, pink erasers, clipboards (wooden or plastic). They will accept any type of donation. We will have a box set up in both vestibules for donations. School starts August 12th, we would like to have donations by August 3rd. This will give us time to get to St. Frances Cabrini. Thank you!

### FLOORING FOR ST RAYMOND- ST ELIZABETH

We contracted Flooring Rehab Company to do the flooring at the church of St. Raymond- St. Elizabeth church.

They will start Mon. Aug. 5th, at 7:30am and finish Fri. Aug. 16th.

We will set up Fr. Edwards Hall as a chapel weekday Masses and Sat/ Sun Aug 10/11 we can have Mass at the church (the flooring company will prepare the church for Mass).

We will not have any events/Funerals on those dates. God bless!

### RIP ROBERT 'BUCKY' REASK

We pray for the repose of the soul of Bucky Reask. May the Holy Spirit give peace and comfort to his family. Funeral Fri. Aug. 16

### RIP ROBERT DEUTSCHMANN

We pray for the repose of the soul of Robert Deutschmann. May the Holy Spirit give peace and comfort to his family. Funeral Fri. July 26

### RIP LARRY TUBERTY

We pray for the repose of the soul of Larry Tuberty. May the Holy Spirit give peace and comfort to his family. Funeral Fri. Aug. 2






# Pilgrimage

for the Canonization of the  
Massabki Brothers  
October 15-24, 2024

**SPACE IS VERY LIMITED**

**PRICE:**  
**\$3,300 (DOUBLE OCCUPANCY)**  
**PRICE PER PERSON**

**ADDITIONAL \$900 SUPPLEMENT FOR SINGLE OCCUPANCY PER PERSON (TOTAL \$4,200)**

Flights will need to be booked separately.

\$1,200 Deposit Required at Registration or space cannot be guaranteed

Full Pilgrimage amount due by August 30, 2024

TO RESERVE YOUR SPOT CONTACT:

Ivette Jackson: 323-336-3168  
Jamileh Koury: 818-626-9193  
Email: [info@eparchy.org](mailto:info@eparchy.org)

Limited Spots Available!

## The 57th Annual St. Louis Lebanese Festival

**FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 13, 2024, 6:00 PM — 9:00 PM**  
(Friday: drink specials including imported Almaza Lebanese beer/ limited Food menu/ Music)  
**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 14, 2024, 12:00 Noon — 10:00 PM**  
**SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2024, 11:00 AM — 5:00 PM**  
at St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral  
931 Lebanon Dr., St. Louis, MO 63104

Authentic Lebanese Cuisine  
Beer, Wine, and Refreshing Drinks  
Traditional Dance/Dabkeh Performances  
Live Music, Singer, Band, and Dancing

Games  
Raffle and Prizes  
Free Admission and Parking

On the Menu:  
Tabouli, Hummus, Kibbee, Beef/Chicken Shawarma, Kafta, Falafel, Lebanese Sweets, and other Delicious Food

Singer Said Abi Abd and Band

Hosted by St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral  
[www.StRaymond-MC.org](http://www.StRaymond-MC.org)

Pre-Order of Festival Tickets and Raffle:  
+ Online Sep 1- Sep 12  
<https://st-raymond-cathedral.square.site>  
+ Call-In, Sep 9- Sep 12, 9am-12pm,  
Tel: 314 621 0056

## Looking for VENDORS

AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL  
OCTOBER 12, 2024  
1420 S. SAPPINGTON ROAD CRESTWOOD,  
MO 63126

<p>Inside gymnasium \$60 Includes: • 3x8 table &amp; 2 chairs Hours noon-6pm Contact Karen Crenshaw <a href="mailto:crenshawkfc@outlook.com">crenshawkfc@outlook.com</a></p>	<p>Outside fairground \$100 Includes: • 10x10 space Hours Noon-10pm Contact Kathie Vogt 314-478-0956</p>
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# AUTUMN FESTIVAL

ST. RAYMOND/  
ST. ELIZABETHS  
CRESTWOOD

**SAVE THE DATE**  
PUMPKIN PATCH | KIDS CORNER | CRAFT  
VENDORS | LIVE MUSIC | FOOD | WHISKEY  
& MARGARITA BAR | AND MUCH MORE

OCTOBER 12  
2024  
NOON-10PM