



# St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Maronite Catholic Church

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Most Rev. Mitchell Rozanski, Archbishop of St. Louis  
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Facebook: St. Elizabeth of Hungary  
Catholic Church @sehcrestwood

### DIVINE LITURGY

Sunday: 10:15am  
Monday–Friday: 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



## THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST

Liturgy p. 425  
Gen 2:8-10,15-17  
1 Cor 3:1-11  
Lk 8:1-15



## TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Is 56:1,6-7  
Ps 67  
Rom 11:13-15,29-32  
Mt 15:21-28

*Sunday, Aug 20, 2023*

**DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS  
DOWNTOWN:**

<b>Sun, Aug 20</b> 10:15am	<b>THIRTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST</b> +Mark Crenshaw and James & Elizabeth Crenshaw By Karen, James, Maria Crenshaw +Waleed Hindi By Riyadh & Luma Hindi +Genevieve Maroun By Pamela DiMercurio +Patricia Webbe By Ralph & Sandy Wahby +Patricia Elking and Lydia Elking By Donna Shaheen +Elias Hawatmeh
<b>Mon, Aug 21</b> 12:00 pm	<i>Monday of the 13th week of Pentecost</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
<b>Tues, Aug 22</b>	<i>Tuesday of the 13th week of Pentecost</i>
<b>Wed, Aug 23</b> 12:00 pm	<i>St Isaac the Syrian</i> Husnie & Thunsa Simon By Linda Hill
<b>Thurs, Aug 24</b>	<i>Thursday of the 13th week of Pentecost</i>
<b>Fri, Aug 25</b>	<i>St Titus</i>
<b>Sun, Aug 27</b> 10:15am	<b>FOURTEENTH SUNDAY OF PENTECOST</b> +Lawrence Gazall, 1 year Ann, By the Gazall Family +Mark Crenshaw By the Families of Michael and Marie Crenshaw +Melissa Haman By Angel Boettigheimer and Family

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

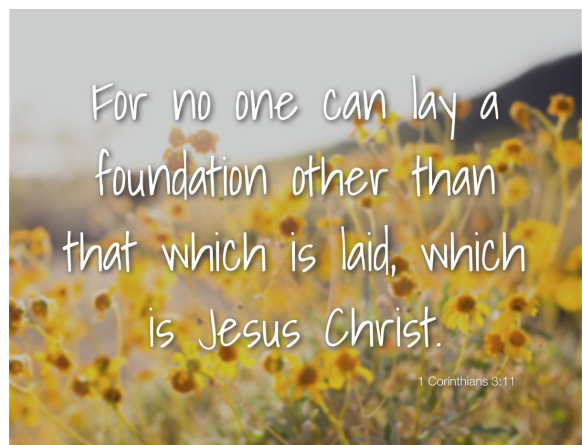
<b>Sat, Aug 19</b> 4:00pm RC 5:15pm M	<i>Sunday Vigil</i> Patricia Elking Norman Gibbs By LaDonna Rask
<b>Sun, Aug 20</b> 8:00am RC 10:30am RC	<b>TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Pro Populo Jordan Taylor
<b>Mon, Aug 21</b> 8:00am RC	<i>St Pius X</i> Maureen Meyers
<b>Tue, Aug 22</b> 8:00am RC 6:00pm M	<i>Tuesday of the 20th week in Ordinary Time</i> Andy McDonald Poor Souls in Purgatory By Brenda Winebright
<b>Wed, Aug 23</b> 8:00am RC	<i>St Rose of Lima</i> Dori Dowd Kelley by John Steuber Family
<b>Thurs, Aug 24</b> 8:00am RC 6:00pm M	<i>St Bartholomew</i> Dori Dowd Kelley by the John Steuber Family Theresa Haddad & Jack Haddad By Linda Hill
<b>Fri, Aug 25</b> 8:00am RC	<i>St Louis</i> Matt McDonald
<b>Sat, Aug 26</b> 4:00pm RC 5:15pm M	<i>Sunday Vigil</i> Gena McDonald John & Mary Louis
<b>Sun, Aug 27</b> 8:00am RC 10:30am RC	<b>TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</b> Pro Populo Kathleen Ann "Kathy" Bruce

**WEEKLY FINANCES 08/13/23  
ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:**

<b>4:00pm Saturday</b>	
Loose cash	378
Checks/Envelopes	680
<b>7:00pm Saturday</b>	
Loose cash	5
Checks/Envelopes	
<b>8:00am Sunday</b>	
Loose cash	74
Checks/Envelopes	288
<b>10:30am Sunday</b>	
Loose cash	234
Checks/Envelopes	220
Candles	99
Pickleball	327
Other income	31,860
Online Giving <a href="https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds">https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds</a>	210.30
Expenses	\$3,703.37

**ST. RAYMOND:**

<b>5:15pm Saturday</b>	
Loose cash	50
Checks/Envelopes	100
<b>10:15am Sunday</b>	
Loose cash	358
Checks/Envelopes	1,147
Revenue during the week	650
Candles	129
Coffee hour	209
Festival Pre Sale tickets	650
Second Collection	30
Online Giving <a href="http://straymond-mc.org/online-giving">straymond-mc.org/online-giving</a>	2,032
Expenses	\$13,353.45





# A note from the pastor

## St. Raymond Cathedral/St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church Religious Education Formation Program

### WHAT IS RELIGIOUS EDUCATION?

The terms used for the program that teaches young people in the parish about our Catholic faith. This includes preparation for the Mystery/ Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession), Eucharist (Holy Communion), and Confirmation. Religious Education classes are open to all young people in grades Pre-K through 12. The families of these young people MUST be registered members of St. Raymond Cathedral or St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Parish and practice STEWARDSHIP.



### GOALS OF ST. RAYMOND MARONITE CATHEDRAL AND ST. RAYMOND– ST. ELIZABETH CHURCH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

- To expose students to basic Catholic Doctrine, Prayer, and Scripture.
- To assist in spiritual growth.
- To encourage students to live their faith.
- To promote the Sacred Tradition, Scripture, and Doctrines of the Catholic Faith.
- To teach students the Sacraments.
- To prepare and encourage students to receive frequent Reconciliation (Confession) and Communion.
- To live a life dedicated in service of God, the Parish, and the Community.
- To help students to discern their vocation in life. (Priesthood, Religious Life, Marriage, Single Life)

### IS THERE A DIFFERENCE IN THE FAITH BETWEEN MARONITE CATHOLIC AND ROMAN CATHOLIC?

All Churches within the communion of Catholic Churches share the same: Dogmatic Faith; Seven Mysteries (Sacraments); Moral Teachings; Unity with the Pope of Rome

All Catholics believe the same truths of the faith yet worship differently. One could say they share the same essence of faith, but have a different expression of that faith. Each Church embraces its own culture and tradition to express Her faith in Jesus the Risen Lord.

Each of the Catholic Churches:

- Encompasses a unique liturgy, theology, spirituality and discipline;
- Is characterized by Her own cultural and linguistic tradition;
- Is guided by a Patriarch, Major Archbishop, Metropolitan or other Hierarchy, who along with their Synod of Bishops are in full communion with the Pope, the Successor of Saint Peter in Rome.

Our certified religious education teachers will teach the Faith, and the priests and deacons will teach the Liturgical, and different traditions of the Maronite and Roman Catholic Churches.

### CONTACT US:

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**BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS**  
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To submit: Email Fr. Patrick  
patrickkassab@outlook.com

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

**ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT- CRESTWOOD**  
Mondays 8:30am-5:00pm

**OUR LADY OF PERPETUAL HELP DEVOTIONS- CRESTWOOD**  
Tuesdays 8:30am  
(After morning Mass)

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



**LECTORS: CRESTWOOD**

<b>Sat, Aug 19</b> 4:00 pm	Sister Rosalie
<b>Sun, Aug 20</b> 8:00 am 10:30 am	Julie Hoijarvi Jean Minton
<b>Sat, Aug 26</b> 4:00 pm	Mr. & Mrs. Wuebker
<b>Sun, Aug 27</b> 8:00 am 10:30 am	Jake Garanzini Fabi Pineda

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH**

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



**LADIES' SODALITY DIVINE LITURGY & MEETING**

The Ladies' Sodality will resume their Divine Liturgies/prayers and meetings this coming Sun. Aug. 20, at 10:15am and right after meet.

**COFFEE HOUR**

Coffee hour this coming Sunday August 20 after Divine Liturgy at the Cedar's Hall, prepared by the Men's Society, sponsored by Riyadh & Luma Hindi in Memory of Waleed Hindi.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**

We will have Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. August 21.

**REL ED TEACHERS MEETING**

Meeting for all our Rel Ed program teachers this coming Mon. Aug 21, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth church, at 6pm.

**KITCHEN SCOOP**

The kitchen is open on Wednesday August 23. We will be rolling cabbage August 22 at 5pm. All are welcome. We encourage you to place your orders through Square (<http://st-raymond-cathedral.square.site/>). Dine in and Carry out are both available. Thank you! Denise and Gina

**THURS. MORNING CHRISTIAN DOC FILMS**

Thursday morning videos will start back in August 24 . We will resume with the showing of Loreto: The Mystery of the Holy House.

**NOON DIVINE LITURGY IN ARABIC**

We will have our monthly Arabic Divine Liturgy on Sunday August 27 at Noon (with some English, especially the homily in order for our children, when they attend, to understand).

**ST LOUIS LEBANESE FESTIVAL**

The St. Louis Lebanese Festival is on Sep 15-17, 2023, at St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral, we are opening on Fri, Sep 15 in the evening with limited Food menu from 5pm till 9pm. 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 launched below the website for volunteers soon, and mailed letters to all our church distribution list.

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

New food items will be introduced for this year!

For volunteering please, log on to the Festival Volunteer sign up page: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0C4CA4AD2FA6F58-2023>

**FESTIVAL PRE SALE TICKETS**

If you would to buy in advance tickets for St. Louis Lebanese Festival, our volunteers will be after Divine Liturgies/Masses in the foyer of both our churches, and ready to give you 55 tickets for the price of \$50, 10% discount!



**FOOD PANTRY DONATIONS  
ITEMS MOST NEEDED:**

The St. Raymond Food Pantry currently needs: canned meat/fish, cereal, fruit, vegetables, soups/stews, pasta sauce and peanut butter. No glass jars, please. Monetary donations to the Food Pantry to assist with rent and utility needs can be made by cash or check payable to St. Raymond Maronite Cathedral and placed in the weekly collection or sent to the rectory. Please write "Food Pantry" on the outside of the envelope. Monetary donations to the Food Pantry can also be made through On-Line Giving.

**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](mailto:WilliamMeister@archstl.org)

**ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO  
THEM, O LORD**

- ✠ 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
- ✠ Angel Mamarbashi 6-16-2023
- ✠ David Wissler 6-9-2023
- ✠ Martha Ibrahim 6-1-2023
- ✠ George Anton 5-29-2023
- ✠ Bernard Elking Sr. 5-26-2023
- ✠ Patricia Webbe 5-15-2023
- ✠ Betty Tracy 5-13-2023
- ✠ Elias Hitti 5-6-2023
- ✠ George Alkhouri 4-22-2023
- ✠ Lynn Warfel 3-13-2023
- ✠ Sabiha Abdallah 3-2-2023
- ✠ Rafael Gomez 2-26-2023
- ✠ Robert Drexler 2-19-2023
- ✠ Lydia Elking 2-18-2023
- ✠ Robert Bosch 2-13-2023
- ✠ Salim Sayegh 2-1-2023
- ✠ Antoine Gazal 1-28-2023
- ✠ Ralph Salamie 1-26-2023

**PRAYING WITH THE SACRAMENTS**

Mondays (starting with PSR date) Learn about the Sacraments 6-7pm at St Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church, Crestwood. We will be reading and discussing Be Transformed: The Healing Power of the Sacraments by Bob Schuchts

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Enrollment is now open for all classes, from Kindergarten to High school, including Sacramental preparation. Classes will follow the new Faith of the Mountains curriculum. Every Monday, from 6:00pm to 7:15pm at St Raymond-St Elizabeth Church in Crestwood. Ice Cream social, Parents and children are invited for an ice cream social and meet the teachers meeting on Mon. Aug. 28 ,2023, at 6:00pm. For more info, Rel Ed Calendar in the back of the bulletin. Registration forms are available in the lobby of both locations. If you have any questions, contact Pam Olimpio: [pcatherine@att.net](mailto:pcatherine@att.net)

**RCIA CLASSES (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

Our Rel Ed Formation Program is beginning RCIA classes, if someone is not Catholic and would like to join the Catholic Church. The classes will be offered this coming school year on Mondays, partnered with our Rel Ed Formation program.

**UPCOMING EVENTS 2023**

- Lebanese Festival Sep 15-17
- Feast Day of St. Elizabeth and St. Raymond, Nov. 18-19
- Mission Sunday and Breakfast with Santa, Sun. Dec. 10
- Ordination of deacon Tony Simon, Sun. Dec. 17

**JOB OPPORTUNITIES (New one)**

A company is looking for young engineers for their logistics-focused Warehouse Management Systems implementation team. If you know of anyone who would be interested, please have them contact Wadih Assouad, Business Manager at [Wadih.Assouad@SNS-US.com](mailto:Wadih.Assouad@SNS-US.com) or 917-770-2986.

**RIP KATHLEEN ANN "KATHY" BRUCE**

Our parishioner at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church, Kathleen Ann Bruce passed on to eternal life on Friday August 11. Sincere condolences to her family and friends. May she rest in the Lord.

**RIP MICHEL RAYMOND MAGHAMEZ**

Michel Raymond Maghamez, parishioner at St. Raymond Cathedral, passed on into eternal life last week. Sincere condolences to his family and friends. May he rest in the Lord.

**RIP MAURICE LAHHAM**

Maurice Lahham, suddenly passed away on August 13, in New Jersey, he is the brother of Farideh Salman, parishioner of St. Raymond Cathedral with her entire family. We ask God to rest the soul of Maurice Lahham in Eternal Peace, and may the Holy Spirit give Farideh Salman and the family Peace and Comfort!



*St Raymond - St Elizabeth's Parish School of Religion Calendar 2023 2024*

**1st Semester**

<b>Monday, Aug. 21, 2023</b>	<b>Teacher's Meeting &amp; Safety Night</b>
<b>Monday, Aug. 28, 2023</b>	<b>Ice Cream Social, Meet the Teachers, Informational night</b>
<b>Monday, Sept. 4, 2023</b>	<b>No class Labor Day</b>
<b>Monday, Sept. 11, 2023</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Sept. 18, 2023</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Sept. 25, 2023</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Oct. 2, 2023</b>	<b>Class Rosary - closing prayer</b>
<b>Mon. Oct. 9, 2023</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Oct. 16, 2023</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Oct. 23, 2023</b>	<b>Class fire drill</b>
<b>Mon. Oct. 30, 2023</b>	<b>Class Dress like a Saint &amp; treat night</b>
<b>Mon. Nov. 6, 2023</b>	<b>Class First Reconciliation parent meeting</b>
<b>Mon. Nov. 13, 2023</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Nov. 20, 2023</b>	<b>Class No Class Happy Thanksgiving</b>
<b>Mon. Nov. 28, 2023</b>	<b>Class Advent begins - Report cards</b>
<b>Mon. Dec. 5, 2023</b>	<b>Class Advent St Nicholas visits</b>
<b>Mon. Dec. 11, 2023</b>	<b>Class First Confession &amp; All School Confessions</b>
<b>Mon. Dec. 18, 2023</b>	<b>Class Advent Family Night</b>
<b>Mon. Dec. 25, 2023</b>	<b>No School Merry Christmas</b>

**2nd Semester**

<b>Mon. Jan. 1, 2024</b>	<b>No School Solemnity of Mary Mother of God</b>
<b>Mon. Jan. 8, 2024</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Jan. 15, 2024</b>	<b>No School Martin Luther King</b>
<b>Mon. Jan. 22, 2024</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Jan. 29, 2024</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Feb. 5, 2024</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Feb. 12, 2024</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. Feb. 19, 2024</b>	<b>No School Presidents Day</b>
<b>Mon. Feb. 26, 2024</b>	<b>Class Teachers Meeting</b>
<b>Mon. March 4, 2024</b>	<b>Class All School Confessions Divine Liturgy</b>
<b>Mon. March 11, 2024</b>	<b>Class First Communion Meeting for Parents</b>
<b>Mon. March 18, 2024</b>	<b>Class Spring Break</b>
<b>Mon. March 25, 2024</b>	<b>Class Confirmation Meeting for Parents and Sponsors</b>
<b>Mon. April 1, 2024</b>	<b>No Class Easter Break</b>
<b>Mon. April 8, 2024</b>	<b>Class</b>
<b>Mon. April 15, 2024</b>	<b>Class May Crowning Practice 6:55</b>
<b>Mon. April 22, 2024</b>	<b>Class Carmelite Sisters Visit</b>
<b>Mon. April 29, 2024</b>	<b>Class Family Faith Trivia Night</b>

**Sacraments**

<b>Sat., May 4, 2024</b>	<b>First Communion practice St Raymond Cathedral 10:30-11:30am</b>
<b>Sun. May 5, 2024</b>	<b>First Holy Communion at 10:15am Mass St Raymond Cathedral</b>
<b>Sat. May 11, 2024</b>	<b>May Crowning of the Blessed Virgin Mary at the 4:00pm St Raymond - St Elizabeth Church arrival time 3:30pm</b>
<b>Monday, May 13, 2024</b>	<b>Confirmation practice @ 6pm</b>
<b>Sunday, May 19, 2024</b>	<b>Confirmation Divine Liturgy @10:30am St Raymond-St Elizabeth</b>
<b><u>June 10-13, 2024 Vacation Bible School in honour of The Sacred Heart of Jesus 9am-12pm</u></b>	

**\*Snow Days will reflect the decisions of the Lindbergh & Surrounding Catholic Schools**