



St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Maronite Catholic Church

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Most Rev. Mitchell Rozanski, Archbishop of St. Louis

Rev. John Nahal, Rector

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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



2nd SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS

Liturgy p. 606
Joel 2:1, 10-13, 15-16a
1 Cor 15:19-34
Mk 24:1-14



26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Amos 6:1a, 4-7
Psalm 146
1 Timothy 6:11-16
Luke 16:19-31

Sunday, September 28th, 2025

DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS DOWNTOWN:

Sat. Sept. 27	<i>St. Leos I, pope & St. Caloppa the disciple</i>
Sun. Sept. 28 10:15 am	2ND SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS +Theresa Azar By Ramona Milford +Dr. John Bouhasin By the Oesterlei & Randazzo Families +Subdeacon George & Marilue Simon By George & Elaine Simon and Family +Pauline Norwood By David & Kathy Mueckl
12:00 pm noon	Poor Souls in Purgatory
Mon. Sept. 29 12:00 pm	<i>St. Rohana, or Keryakos the hermit</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Tue. Sept. 30	<i>Memorial of the engagement of the Virgin Mary to St. Joseph</i>
Wed. Oct. 1 12:00 pm	<i>St. Therese of the Child Jesus</i> Jack and Connie McDermott By Linda Hill
Thurs. Oct. 2	<i>St. Cyprian and Justina the virgin, martyrs</i>
Fri. Oct. 3 12:00 pm	<i>St. Deonisos the Areopague</i> Poor Souls in Purgatory
Sat. Oct. 4	<i>St. Francis of Assisi</i>
Sun. Oct. 5 10:15 am	3RD SUNDAY AFTER HOLY CROSS +Dr. John Bouhasin By Roxie Rask and Family +Anthony Gamma By the Gamma Family +Sharbel Sabat By George & Elaine Simon

WEEKLY FINANCES 9/21/2025 ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:

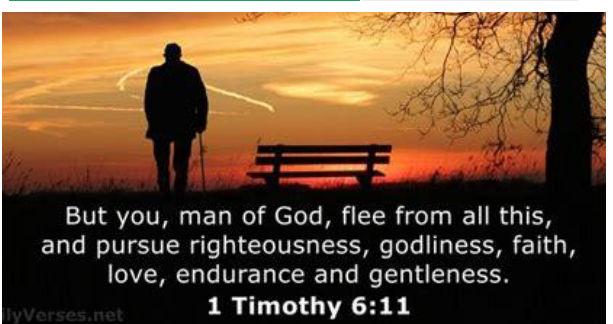
4:00pm Saturday	
Loose cash	422
Checks/Envelopes	420
7:00pm Saturday	
Loose cash	11
Checks/Envelopes	150
8:00am Sunday	
Loose cash	118
Checks/Envelopes	240
10:30am Sunday	
Loose cash	140
Checks/Envelopes	450
Rentals	3,860
Candles	91
Pickleball	353
Revenue during the week	1,100
Second Collection	6,505
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/stelizabethungary/funds	800
Expenses	\$3,681.10

ST. RAYMOND:

5:15pm Saturday	
Loose cash	25
Checks/Envelopes	5
10:15am Sunday	
Loose cash	186
Checks/Envelopes	695
Revenue during the week	480
Candles	261
Coffee Hour	585
2nd Collection	140
Online Giving https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds	1,448
Expenses (Festival)	\$15,003.29

Wednesday Luncheon 9/24/25

Income	6,348.76
Expenses	\$1,591.25



CRESTWOOD: (RC Roman Catholic, MC Maronite)

Sat. Sept. 27 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St. Vincent de Paul</i> Donna Grass by Sr. Rosalie Subdeacon George & Marilue Simon by Patricia Carnie
Sun. Sept. 28 8:00 am RC 10:30 am RC	26TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME The Morrow Sons Caroline Kazda by Janet Finke
Mon. Sept. 29 8:00 am RC	<i>St. Michael, St. Gabriel, and St. Raphael the Archangel</i> Elizabeth Bednar
Tue. Sept. 30 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>St. Jerome</i> Margaret Cassmeyer Mary Ann Reiter by Pam Olimpio
Wed. Oct. 1 8:00 am RC	<i>St. Therese of Lisieux</i> Jake Krussel
Thurs. Oct. 2 8:00 am RC 6:00 pm MC	<i>The Holy Guardian Angels</i> Aaron Alster Thomas Edward Jordan by Pam Olimpio
Fri. Oct. 3 8:00am RC	<i>St. Gerard of Brogne</i> Claire Minton
Sat. Oct. 4 4:00 pm RC 5:15 pm MC	<i>Sunday Vigil, St. Francis of Assisi</i> Vittorio Moran +Husnie & Thunsa Simon By Linda Hill +Linda Bromeier by Pam Olimpio
Sun. Oct. 5 8:00 am MC 10:30 am RC	27TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME +Pete Rask By David & Kathy Mueckl +Mary Powers Sue Suwalsky



October is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary in the Catholic Church. This devotion was formalized by Pope Leo XIII in 1884 and has roots in the Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, which is celebrated on October 7 to commemorate a Christian victory in 1571 that was attributed to prayers of the Rosary.

The feast was instituted by Pope St. Pius V in 1571 to give thanks for a crucial Christian victory over the Ottoman Empire at the Battle of Lepanto. The victory was attributed to the widespread praying of the Rosary.

Pope Leo XIII officially dedicated the entire month of October to the Holy Rosary in 1884 to invoke Heaven's help during the Church's trials.

Catholics are encouraged to pray the Rosary, meditating on the mysteries of Jesus' life.

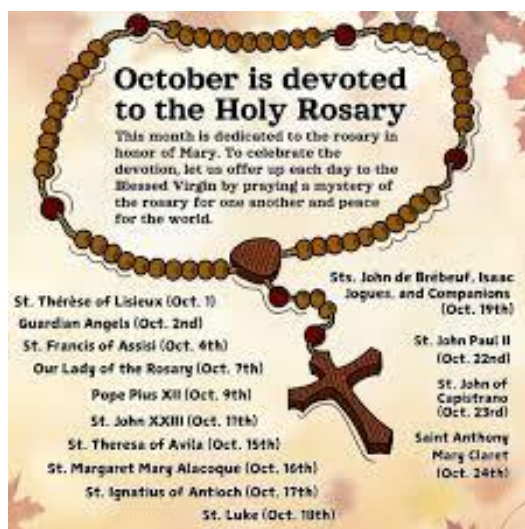
In addition, the Catholic Church celebrates several great saints known for their profound spirituality, reforms, and missionary work.

St. Thérèse of Lisieux (October 1): A French Carmelite nun who died at just 24, St. Thérèse of Lisieux is a Doctor of the Church and is known as "The Little Flower". She lived a cloistered life, but her "Little Way" of doing small things with great love has inspired millions. She was made the patron saint of missionaries because of her intense prayers for them. Her spiritual autobiography, *Story of a Soul*, is a classic of modern Catholic spirituality.

St. Francis of Assisi (October 4): Born into wealth in the 12th century, St. Francis chose a life of poverty and ministered to the poor and lepers. He is one of the most beloved saints in history for his deep love for all of creation. He founded the Franciscan order and is the patron saint of animals and the environment. It is a tradition in many churches to hold an animal blessing service near his feast day.

Pope St. John XXIII (October 11): Known as the "Good Pope," Angelo Roncalli served as pope from 1958 to 1963. Despite being elected at an advanced age, he dramatically changed the course of the Church during his short papacy. Against the advice of many, he convened the Second Vatican Council to renew and modernize the Church. His feast day is celebrated on the anniversary of Vatican II's opening in 1962, rather than the date of his death.

St. Teresa of Ávila (October 15): A 16th-century Spanish mystic and Carmelite nun, St. Teresa of Ávila was a spiritual writer and a tireless reformer of her order. She founded new monasteries dedicated to a stricter rule of contemplative prayer. She was one of the first women to be declared a Doctor of the Church. Her mystical writings, including *The Interior Castle*, are foundational texts of Christian spirituality.



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Deadline: 8am Tuesdays
To submit: Email Felicity
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ONLINE GIVING

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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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LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

Sat, Sept. 27 4:00 pm	Janet Finke
Sun, Sept. 28 8:00 am 10:30 am	Glen Brookman Jean Minton
Sat, Oct. 4 4:00 pm	Ralph & Margie
Sun, Oct. 5 8:00 am 10:30 am	Nancy Wall Fabi Pineda

UP COMING EVENTS

- *Mon. Sep. 29: Skeet Shooting Tournament (cancelled)
- *Oct. 25: Autumn Harvest Festival, Crestwood
- *Nov. 8: Vendor Fair, Crestwood
- *Nov. 22-23: St. Elizabeth & St. Romanos
- *Sun Dec. 7: Breakfast with Santa
- *Wed Dec 31: New Year's Eve Celebration

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK & HOMEBOUND OF OUR PARISH

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

COFFEE HOUR

We welcome all our parishioners and visitors for coffee hour after 10:15am Divine Liturgy at the Cedars. Thanks for the Ladies' Sodality for serving the Coffee hour.

NOON DIVINE LITURGY, Sun. Oct. 28

We will have an additional Divine Liturgy at the last Sunday of every month (mostly in Arabic language).

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. Sep 29, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church, from 8:30am till 5pm.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Rel Ed classes Mon. Sep 29, 5:45pm–7:00pm, Sacramental Preparation, Youth Group, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Family Night, OCIA, Adult Formation. Please, contact Pam Olimpio, DRE at pcatherine@att.net or call church offices 314 968 0760

BIBLE STUDY WITH FR JAD

Fr. Jad will have the Bible study this coming Mon. Sep. 29, at 6pm, and Wed. Oct. 1, at 4pm, at Fr. Edwards hall at St. Raymon– St. Elizabeth Church. Bring your Bible and a friend.

KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen is open on Wed. Oct. 1, 2025. On Tuesday, Sep. 30, 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/>
Thank you! Denise and Gina

THURSDAY CHRISTIAN DOCUMENTARY FILMS

We will have morning videos Thurs., Oct. 2, after 8am Mass. Join us for coffee and inspiration!

MEN'S SOCIETY MASS & MEETING

The Men's Society will have their monthly meeting, Thurs. Oct. 2, starting with 6pm Divine Liturgy and meeting after at the Cafeteria of St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.

No OCIA CLASS Thurs. Oct. 2, at 6:30pm

AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL

Harvest Festival is on Saturday, October 25, 2025, from 12 noon till 9pm. For Volunteering/ Sponsoring and more information, please contact Tim Kallial at 314 761 6017 <timkallial@gmail.com>

VENDOR FAIR

The Ladies Sodality is having a VENDOR FAIR on Saturday, November 8th 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 <crenshawkfc@outlook.com>
Also, we will need volunteers to set up on November 7th and take down afterwards on November 8th for the Vendor Fair. This involves tables so we are looking for some man power. Any help would be appreciated.



ST. RAYMOND FOOD PANTRY:

Please help! The supplies in St. Raymond's Food Pantry are getting very low. Currently needed are: canned or packaged soups/stews, peanut butter, rice/pasta, fruits, vegetables, beans, meats/fish, and cereal/oatmeal. No glass jars please! Thanks for 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

PARISH DEVOTIONS

Monday

Adoration 8:30-5pm

Tuesday

Our Lady of Perpetual Help after 8am Mass

Prolife Rosary at 5:15pm

1st Friday

Sacred Heart Litany

4th Saturday of the Month

Rosary at noon for country, family, Church and world peace.

ETERNAL REST GRANT UNTO THEM, O LORD

✠ 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
✠ Brenda Wenner	3-12-2025
✠ Rose Franz	3-2-2025
✠ Judith A. Roderick	2-9-2025
✠ Henry Llewellyn	2-2-2025
✠ Jane Bell Wilcox	2-2-2025
✠ Georgette Kevorkian	1-5-2025
✠ Mary Rudolph	1-1-2025
✠ Chris Beck	12-3-2024
✠ Richard V. Wagner	11-28-2024
✠ Mary Ann Reiter	11-14-2024
✠ Patricia Cooseman	11-4-2024
✠ Carolyn Smith	10-26-2024

YOUTH OFFICERS AND MEETING

Congratulations to the new Youth MYO officers for 2025-2026 school year:

President: Laith Abualzulof

Vice presidents: Joseph Hamad and all Junior students (appointed by the pastor)

Secretary: Georgie Bouhasin

Treasurer: Anthony Parra

Sergeant at Arms: Gabriel Kevorkian

The next meeting will be on Sunday, October 5, after 10:15am Divine Liturgy. We will have too the Youth Council, to include Pastor, Youth Minister, youth officers (president, and vice presidents), parent representatives.

OCTOBER: RESPECT LIFE MONTH

Since 1973, October has been honored by the Church as Respect Life Month. The Archdiocese of St. Louis will begin Respect Life Month with the Annual Respect Life Conference, "Hope in the Gospel of Life" Sat, Oct. 4 at the Cardinal Rigali Center in Shrewsbury. Starts at 9:00 am, includes Holy Mass and Rosary, lunch. \$25 for adults, \$10 for teens, free for priests & religious. Contact prolife@archstl.org or 314-792-7555.

For more information, log on to our church website with the info on Respect life Month. <https://stelizabethhungary.org/>

ST RAYMOND CATHEDRAL FACILITY MANAGER

We are looking for a Facility Manager at St. Raymond Cathedral, Downtown. If you are interested full time or part time, please contact Msgr. John Nahal rector@straymond-mc.org

ADORERS NEEDED FOR MONDAY ADORATION

We have adoration Mondays 8:30-5pm and are in need of a second adorer especially for the 9:30-10:30am. The other hours in need of an adorer are 11:30-12:30pm....3:30-4:30pm, 4-5pm. If you are able to commit to one of the hours, please call the office at 314.968.0760 or email at steeliz@straymond-mc.org.

ROSARY DRIVE

Knights of Columbus Council 2117 is collecting new or gently used rosaries to help St. Louis Lambert Airport Chaplains evangelize among the employees and travelers they serve each day. Their supply is completely gone after giving away hundreds of rosaries. Please drop off rosaries in the vestibule of the Church in a basket marked Rosaries for Airport Chaplains by September 30th. Thank you!

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

GRILL - WINGS - BAR - SNACKS - LEBANESE CUISINE

AUTUMN HARVEST FESTIVAL

SATURDAY OCT 25 2025

12NOON to 9PM



Fix Newton and Rosewood

ROSEWOOD
TAKING THE
STAGE AT 12NOON
AND FIX NEWTON
AT 5 PM

BOOTH OR TREAT
KIDS UNDER 15 CAN
"TRICK OR TREAT"
AT PARISH BOOTH
STARTING AT 6:30PM
COSTUMES ENCOURAGED



GAMES
• HUMAN SLOTS
• OVER-N-UNDER
• CHUCK-A-LUCK
AND MUCH MORE....


KIDS CORNER
KIDS GAMES AND ACTIVITIES
OPEN FROM
12NOON TO 6:30PM



St. Raymond - St. Elizabeth Church
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GRILL - WINGS - BAR - SNACKS - LEBANESE CUISINE

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION
REGISTER NOW!
Contact: Pam Olimpio
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314-968-0760




ST. RAYMOND - ST. ELIZABETH CATHOLIC CHURCH

YOUTH GROUP

PIZZA NIGHT!

MONDAYS 5:45 - 7:00 PM
JOIN US FOR FAITH AND FOOD!
ALL HIGH SCHOOL AGES
WELCOME! (8TH GRADE
WHO HAVE GRADUATED
CONFIRMATION CLASS
WELCOME TOO).



YOUTH MINISTER: JACQUELYN OLIMPIO
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(314) 952 - 5439

OUR LADY OF LEBANON
MYA
2025 EPARCHIAL
CONFERENCE

HOUSTON, TX

JUBILEE 2025

PILGRIMS OF HOPE

WHEN:
OCTOBER 24-26, 2025

COSTS:
CONFERENCE: \$175
HOTEL: \$99/NIGHT

HOTEL INFORMATION:
HYATT PLACE
HOUSTON SUGARLAND
16730 CREEKBEND DRIVE
SUGARLAND, TX 77478

HOST PARISH:
OUR LADY OF THE CEDARS
HOUSTON, TEXAS

@OLOMYA

Saint Raymond-Saint Elizabeth
1420 Sappington Rd.
St. Louis, MO 63126

Looking for Vendors

Join our Annual Vendor Fair

Saturday
November 8, 2025
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 crenshawkfc@outlook.com

WHAT DO YOU SEEK?

(JN 1:38)

THE MARONITE SEMINARY PRESENTS

A Weekend Of Discernment

AN OPPORTUNITY TO DISCERN GOD'S CALL
IN YOUR LIFE

WONDERING IF THE LORD IS CALLING YOU
TO THE PRIESTHOOD IN
THE MARONITE CHURCH?

MEN AGED 18-40
ARE INVITED FOR A WEEKEND
OF FELLOWSHIP, PRAYER, DISCUSSION
& DISCERNMENT.

OCT 31
NOV 1-2
2025



7164 Alaska Ave, Washington, DC 20012

Overnight accommodations provided.
Scan the QR code to register!