# 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

Downtown
931 Lebanon Drive,
St. Louis, MO 63104
Tel: (314) 621-0056
Website: straymond-mc.org
Facebook: www.facebook.com/groups/saintraymonds

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/

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



**ANNOUNCEMENT TO ZECHARIAH**
Liturgy p. 7
Genesis 17:15-22
Romans 4:13-25
Luke 1:1-25



**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**
Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31
Psalm 128
1 Thessalonians 5:1-6
Matthew 25:14-30

## Sunday, November 15th, 2026

## DIVINE LITURGY & MASS INTENTIONS DOWNTOWN:

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| **Sat. Nov. 14** | *St. Philip, Apostle* |
| **Sun. Nov. 15**<br>10:15 am | **ANNOUNCEMENT TO ZECHARIAH**<br>+John Wolff Sr, Betty Wolff, John Wolff Jr, By the Crenshaw and Wolff Families<br>+Steven Katich By Charlie & Theresa Miller and Family<br>+Thomas Kallial By Kathi and David Wahby and Family |
| **Mon. Nov. 16**<br>12:00 pm | *St. Matthew the Evangelist, Apostle*<br>Poor Souls in Purgatory |
| **Tue. Nov. 17** | *St. Gregory the Wonderworker, Confessor* |
| **Wed. Nov. 18**<br>11:30 am | *St. Romanos (Raymond), Martyr*<br>For Subdeacon George & Marilue Simon By Linda Hill<br>(in attendance: Nerinx hall HS students, and 6 couples from St Peter's church in Kirkwood) |
| **Thurs. Nov. 19** | *Pope St. Pontian (+235), Martyr* |
| **Fri. Nov. 20**<br>12:00 pm | *St. Gregory of the Decapolis, Confessor*<br>Poor Souls in Purgatory |
| **Sat. Nov. 21** | *Presentation of the Virgin Mary in the Temple* |
| **Sun. Nov. 22**<br>10:15 am | **ANNOUNCEMENT TO THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**<br>Living and Deceased Parishioners<br>+Sandy and Ralph Wahby By the Wahby Family |

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

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| **Sat. Nov. 14**<br>4:00 pm RC<br>5:15 pm MC | *Sunday Vigil; St. Nicholas of Tavelic and Companions*<br>Tommy Ortmann<br>Jack and Theresa Haddad By Cathi & Jodi Slinkard<br>(Healing prayers/ blessing after the Divine Liturgy) |
| **Sun. Nov. 15**<br>8:00 am RC<br>10:30 am RC | **THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** -St. Albert the Great<br>Giuseppe Gioeli by Steven Gilroy<br>Janina & Boleslaw Zmuda |
| **Mon. Nov. 16**<br>8:00 am RC | *St. Margaret of Scotland*<br>Neal, Pat & Aaron Alster |
| **Tue. Nov. 17**<br>8:00 am RC<br>6:00 pm MC | *St. Elizabeth of Hungary*<br>Tommy Ortmann<br>Mildred & Pasquale Gugliano By George & Elaine Simon |
| **Wed. Nov. 18**<br>8:00 am RC | *St. Rose Philippine Duchesne*<br>Poor Souls in Purgatory |
| **Thurs. Nov. 19**<br>8:00 am RC<br>6:00 pm MC | *St. Agnes of Assisi*<br>Kim Nye<br>Poor Souls in Purgatory By Brenda Winebright |
| **Fri. Nov. 20**<br>8:00 am | *St. Edmund the Martyr*<br>Alster Family |
| **Sat. Nov. 21**<br>4:00 pm RC<br>5:15 pm MC | *Sunday Vigil; St. Albert of Louvain*<br>Pro Populo- celebration of St. Elizabeth, our Patron Saint<br>Beth Drewett<br>Joseph and Mary Ojile By David & Kathy Mueckl |
| **Sun. Nov. 22**<br>8:00 am RC<br>10:30 am RC | **OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE** -St. Cecilia<br>Patti Duke<br>William "Bill" Sweeney |

## WEEKLY FINANCES 11/8/2026
## ST. RAYMOND-ST.ELIZABETH:

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| **4:00pm Saturday** | |
| **Loose cash** | 501 |
| **Checks/Envelopes** | 1,025 |
| **7:00pm Saturday** | |
| **Loose cash** | 4 |
| **Checks/Envelopes** | 150 |
| **8:00am Sunday** | |
| **Loose cash** | 75 |
| **Checks/Envelopes** | 335 |
| **10:30am Sunday** | |
| **Loose cash** | 197 |
| **Checks/Envelopes** | 510 |
| **Candles** | 136 |
| **Pickleball** | 712 |
| **Revenue during the week** | 701 |
| **Second Collection** | 100 |
| **Rentals** | 800 |
| **Online Giving** https://osvhub.com/stelizabethhungary/funds | 847.29 |
| **Expenses** (AC, parking repairs) | *$60,706.02* |

## ST. RAYMOND:

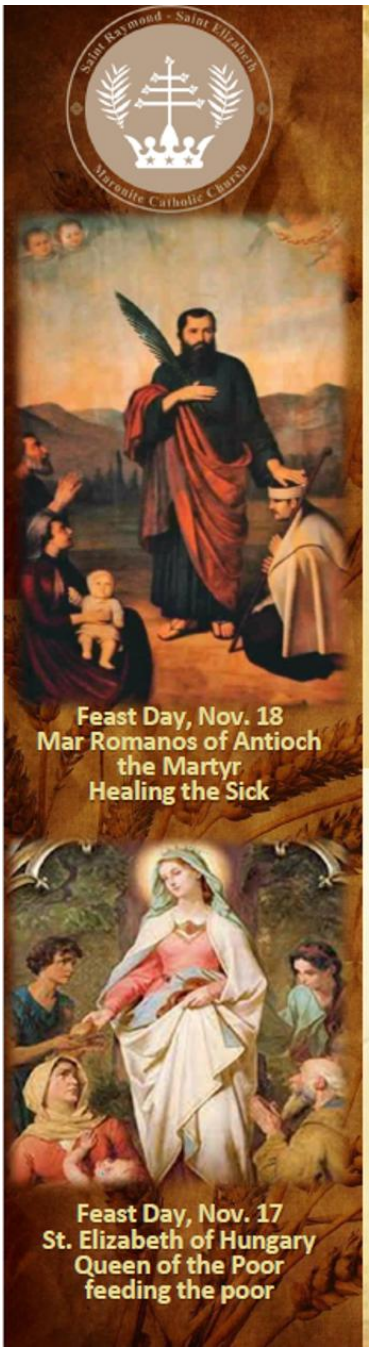
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| **5:15pm Saturday** | |
| **Loose cash** | 26 |
| **Checks/Envelopes** | 35 |
| **10:15am Sunday** | |
| **Loose cash** | 128 |
| **Checks/Envelopes** | 950 |
| **8am Sunday** | |
| **Revenue during the week** | 2,705 |
| **Candles** | 214 |
| **Coffee hour** | 73 |
| **Second Collection** | 170 |
| **Online Giving** https://osvhub.com/straymond-mc/giving/funds | 1,862 |
| **Expenses** | *$10,280.74* |

## WED LUNCH 11/11/2026

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| **Income** | 5,842.75 |
| **Expenses** | *$1,231.76* |



# A note from the pastor




St. Raymond
MARONITE CATHEDRAL

## St. Raymond & St. Elizabeth Feast Day Celebration and Reception

**Celebration of:**

✦ St. Elizabeth Feast Day on Sat. Nov. 21, 2026, 4:00 PM Mass at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church, Crestwood, MO

✦ St. Raymond Feast Day on Sun. Nov. 22, 2026, 10:15 AM Divine Liturgy at St. Raymond Cathedral, St. Louis, MO

St. Raymond and St. Elizabeth Feast Day Reception at The Cedars, Sun. Nov. 22, at 11:30 AM

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

**Food Menu: Chicken and Rice, Kibbe bi sayniyye, Mjadra (Rice & lentils) Pasta for kids, Humus, Salad, Sweets, and Beverage drinks**

$20 per adult
$10 per youth/child
$50 per family
Free for children (4 year old and under)

For table reservation, please contact:
The church offices at:
314 621 0056 Downtown, 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 MYO and MYA (Youth and Young Adults)
50% to the work of Caritas Lebanon, Families in need in Lebanon

O God by whose gift St. Raymond and St Elizabeth of Hungary recognized and revered Christ in the poor and the sick, grant through their intercessions that we may serve with unfailing charity the needy and those afflicted. Through Our Lord Jesus Christ your Son who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God for every and ever. Amen!

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Deadline: 8am Tuesdays
submit to: Pam DiMercurio
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 equipment, please call
Patty Renschen 314 517 7044

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Carla Aouad <aouadcarla@gmail.com>
Margo Kassab

**YOUNG ADULTS**
Joseph Nesser



## LECTORS: CRESTWOOD

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| **Sat, Nov. 14** | |
| 4:00 pm | Fabi Pineda |
| **Sun, Nov. 15** | |
| 8:00 am | Glen Brookman |
| 10:30 am | Nancy Wall |
| **Sat, Nov. 21** | |
| 4:00 pm | Ralph & Margie |
| **Sun, Nov. 22** | |
| 8:00 am | Dan & Kathleen |
| 10:30 am | Jean Minton |

## 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
*Sun Dec. 6: Breakfast with Santa
*Dec. 10: Ladies' Christmas Dinner
*Sun. Dec. 13: Mission Sunday with our bishop
*Sun. March 7: Purse Bingo
*May 5-13: Our Lady of Fatima Mass/ Novena
*Sat. June 5: Golf Tournament
*Sep. 17,18,19: Lebanese Festival, Downtown
*Sat. Oct. 9: Autumn Festival, Crestwood

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

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

## 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.

## YOUTH MEETING

Sun. Nov. 15, all our youth are invited to attend 10:15am Divine Liturgy and meeting after at Lebanon room to have session about "Protection of God's Children".

## 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 the Youth of our parish. Thanks for your support.

## EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Eucharistic Adoration this coming Mon. Nov. 16 , 8:30am—5:00pm, at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & OCIA FORMATION

Rel. Ed. Mon. Nov. 16, at 5:45pm at St. Raymond– St. Elizabeth Church.
Religious Education Calendar 2026:
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

We will have Bible Study Mon. Nov. 16, at 6:00 pm, at Fr. Edwards hall with Msgr. John.

## KITCHEN SCOOP

The Kitchen will be open Wed. Nov. 18 , 2026.
On Tuesday, Nov. 17, 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

## THURSDAY CHRISTIAN DOCUMENTARY FILMS

Thursday morning videos, Thurs. Nov. 19 . All welcome! At Fr Edwards Hall following 8 am Mass.

## MEN'S SOCIETY OFFICERS

Congratulations to St Raymond- St Elizabeth Men's Society officers for year 2027, Jason Oesterlei, President; Jim Rizk, 1st Vice President; Matthew Sabat, 2nd Vice President; Don Leong, Secretary; Steven Renschen, Treasurer.

## 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

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| ✞ William Sweeney | 11-14-2026 |
| ✞ 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 |



## ST RAYMOND AND ST ELIZABETH FEAST DAYS

Our Bishop A. Elias Zaidan will celebrate with us the Feast of our patron saints. St. Elizabeth of Hungary on Sat. Nov. 21, at 4:00 pm Mass, and St Raymond on Sun. Nov. 22, at 10:15 am Divine Liturgy. We will have a reception and lunch right after the Divine Liturgy on Sun. Nov. 22 at our banquet hall, the Cedars to celebrate both of our patron saints. For more info please refer to the flyer under the Pastor's Note, and Tony & Mary Rose Hamad at <maryrosehamad@yahoo.com>

## 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

## CHRISTMAS GATHERINGS

At During the Christmas season our church and community will gather for different groups and committees. Dec. 3, at noon lunch for Pickleball, contact Cathy Roche at sfds70@yahoo.com; Dec. 3, Men's Society Christmas dinner, contact Rick Baker at <rbaker638@gmail.com>;Sun Dec. 6: Breakfast with Santa, contact Barbara Skitt at bskitt@yahoo.com; Dec. 10: Ladies' Sodality Christmas Dinner, contact Linda Hill at <lindalhillcpa@gmail.com>

## ST. RAYMOND FOOD PANTRY- FOOD DONATIONS NEEDED

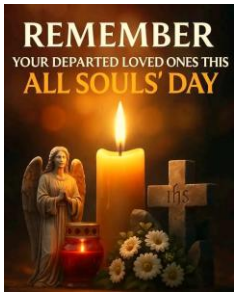
Please help us restock the St. Raymond Food Pantry (Downtown). All the following canned or packaged foods are needed: Meat/fish, fruits, vegetables, beans, cereal/oatmeal, cereal bars, soups/stews, rice, pasta/pasta sauce, and peanut butter. No glass jars, please.
Thank you for your generosity in helping those in need,
Mary Ulett and Committee

## FESTIVAL FINANCES

Thanks to all our Volunteers, Worker, Participants, and Sponsors!
Lebanese Festival Sep. 18-20, 2026
Income: $155,822 Expenses:$55,763.32
Autumn Festival Oct. 17, 2026
Income: $27,062.00 Expenses: $8,259.72

## RIP

May God rest the soul in peace of William "Bill" Sweeney, and may the Holy Spirit give comfort and peace to his family.
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.



Saint Raymond-Saint Elizabeth
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 StRStEVendorFair@gmail.com

# St. Raymond HOLIDAY ORDERS

*Delicious Traditions • Sharing Joy • Supporting Our Community*

**ORDER DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 30TH**



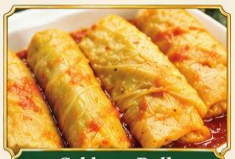
Mini Meat Pies
12 for $25



Kibbe Bisayniye
(includes pine nuts)
Half Pan $40



Grape Leaves
50 for $55



Cabbage Rolls
30 for $35

**Order Online or Scan Below**

SCAN TO ORDER

Or submit an order form to St. Raymond Rectory.

*All items will be frozen and include cooking instructions.*

**PAYMENT OPTIONS**
Cash • Check • Credit Card

**PICK-UP INFORMATION**
Cedars Hall
Wednesday, December 9th
10:00 AM – Noon
OR
Sunday, December 13th
11:30 AM – 12:30 PM

*Good Food Brings People Together*

## *Christmas Favorites for Your Holiday Table!*

*Thank you for supporting the St. Raymond Kitchen Ministry!*

St. Raymond – St. Elizabeth

# Breakfast with Santa



## Sunday, December 6, 2026

**Starting 10:15 AM with Mass**
*(and Gift Donation for Less Fortunate Children)*

- Photo with Santa
- Gifts and Treats (Our Youth MYO, Santa's Helpers)
- Cookie Decorating
- Arts & Crafts
- Christmas Caroling with the Children
- Games

**11:45 AM Breakfast**
**The Cedars**
939 Lebanon Dr, St. Louis, MO 63104

**Brunch**
Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Potatoes, Biscuits, Orange Juice, Milk, and More...
*(Prepared and served by the Men's Society)*

**Adults $20**
(17 years and younger free)
*Reservation and payment by Sunday, November 29*

For Tickets and Reservations, Please Contact the Church Offices:
314-621-0056 (Downtown) | 314-968-0760 (Crestwood)
Email: secretary@straymond-mc.org or steeliz@straymond-mc.org
or Chairperson Barbara Skitt: **314-223-5923**

We accept Visa, Mastercard, American Express, Checks, and Cash Payments
Online payment at www.straymond-mc.org

# WE SEE HIS GLORY

A CHRISTMAS CONCERT BY THE DAUGHTERS OF ST. PAUL

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2026 • 6:00 PM

CHAMINADE COLLEGE PREPARATORY SCHOOL
SKIP VIRAGH CENTER FOR THE ARTS
425 S. LINDBERGH BLVD, ST. LOUIS, MO 63131



GENERAL ADMISSION: $35 CHILDREN 12 AND UNDER: $20
CALL 314-965-3512 • PAULINE.ORG/CONCERT