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"Introduction to the Maronite Rite"
-February 19: 7pm at St. E's

Joint Easter Evening of Reflection
-April 30: 6:30pm at St. E's

Online Resources

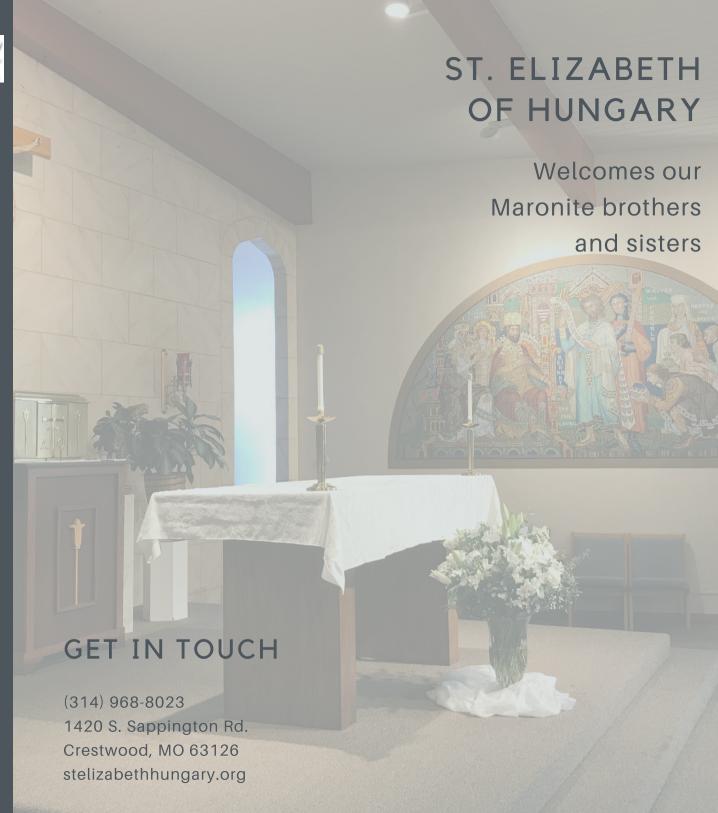
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Did you know?

There are 24 autonomous churches of the Catholic faith: one Latin Church and twenty-three Eastern Catholic Churches, a distinction which is today considered more historical than geographical.

The term "sui iuris" means "self-governing." Although all of the particular churches espouse the same beliefs and faith, their distinctions lie in their varied expression of that faith through their traditions, disciplines and canon law. All are in communion with the Holy See.

To describe a distinctive church of this nature, the 1983 Code of Canon Law uses the unambiguous phrase "autonomous ritual Church" (Latin: Ecclesia ritualis sui iuris). The 1990 Code of Canons of the Eastern Churches, which is concerned principally with what the Second Vatican Council called "particular Churches or rites," shortened this to "autonomous Church" ((Latin: Ecclesia sui iuris).



A NEW PARTNERSHIP

Beginning July 1, 2020, the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of St. Louis will partner with the Maronite Catholic Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon- Los Angeles in the parish St. Elizabeth of Hungary in Crestwood, Missouri.

This Catholic parish will serve both the current Latin Church (Roman) community as well as the Maronite Church community, under the leadership of priests of the Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles.

PROPOSED MASS TIMES

St. Elizabeth of Hungary:

Daily Mass- 8:00am Maronite/Roman Catholic (M-F, except Wed, 12pm at St. Raymond's)

Saturday Vigil 4:00pm Roman Catholic 5:15pm Maronite Catholic

Sunday 8:00am Roman Catholic

St. Raymond Cathedral:

Wednesday- 12:00pm Maronite Catholic Sunday 10:30am Maronite Catholic



"The Catholic Church holds in high esteem the institutions, liturgical rites, ecclesiastical traditions and the established standards of the Christian life of the Eastern Churches, for in them, distinguished as they are for their venerable antiquity, there remains conspicuous the tradition that has been handed down from the Apostles through the Fathers..." -Vatican II

Q & A

Is My Church Closing?

No! This will be a new partnership between two Catholic communities in St. Louis, MO. Both Churches will remain open.

Can I Receive My Sacraments Here?

Catholics may participate in liturgies and receive Sacraments in any rite; priests can validly celebrate different rites. The liturgical language of the Maronite Church is "Syriac" (a form of Christian Aramaic), but most of our services are in English.

Mass, Reconciliation, weddings, funerals, and Baptisms will continue to be held at both sites.

Has a Partnership Like This Existed Before?

Yes. Our Lady of Mount Lebanon- St. Peter in Los Angeles, CA is also a partnership parish between a Roman Catholic diocese and Maronite Catholic Eparchy.

What is Happening with Fr. Fallon and Fr. Nahal?

Fr. Fallon will receive a new parish assignment and will continue to serve in his leadership role in the Vocation Office of the Archdiocese, and Fr. Nahal will serve as priest of both communities at St. Elizabeth.

