

Dear Parishioners and Friends,

We are sending this letter hoping everyone is in good health and staying safe. We are looking forward to our St. Louis Lebanese Festival September 19-20, 2020 even though the festival looks different this year. Our goal is to take this opportunity to fundraise for our church. Due to the pandemic, we are doing curbside pick only and will not be accepting orders on September 19th and September 20th. This letter will give all the details on how to order, what will be available to purchase and how to sign up to volunteer.

Pre-Orders

The festival will only be accepting pre-orders through our Square link or by phone. All food, raffles and cultural items will be bought online or by phone. Due to COVID protocols, we cannot accept any orders the days of pick up. Please see menu included with this letter of food and gift shop items that will be sold.

How to order

Square link: Starting Thursday September 10th-Friday September 18th.

<https://st-raymond-cathedral.square.site> The deadline to order is September 18th at 5pm.

Phone: Want to call in an order? No problem. Please call 314-421-9151 starting Monday September 14th-Friday September 18th from 9am-2pm.

Raffles

It's not our festival without raffles. The prizes for the raffles this year include:

1. Money Basket
2. Liquor Wagon
3. Main Raffle: Jewelry donated by Diamonds and Gold, LLC, T.V. donated by the Men's and Ladies' Societies, a Tupperware set donated by Dolores Nordman and a handmade quilt donated by Brian and Robbyn Wahby.

All raffle tickets will be \$5. They can be purchased over the phone until Friday September 18th or online through Square. The deadline to purchase raffle tickets online is Sunday September 20th at 1pm. Fr. John will announce the winner through Facebook Live at 2pm.

Gift Shop

Please see menu of cultural items included with this letter. The gift shop will be open until Friday September 18th online and by phone. If you place an order it will be ready for pick up the date you choose to pick up your food.

How to Pick Up

While ordering through Square or by phone you are able to choose your pickup time that is available. Pick up times are Saturday September 19th noon-6pm and Sunday September 20th 11am-3pm. A car will enter the main gates of St. Raymond and proceed to 10th street where volunteers will be directing what spot to pull in to. A runner will bring your order to your car. You will exit from 10th Street.

Volunteering

Sign up to volunteer through Sign-up Genius. The week of September 14th the kitchen will be working every day in preparing for orders. There is also a need for volunteers on September 19-20th to run orders to cars.

Please sign up through this link: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0c4ca4ad2fa6f58-2020>

Sponsorship

We are thankful to all our Sponsors in keeping our Lebanese Festival and the beautiful traditions that we inherited from our ancestors. Please, if you would like to be a Sponsor, with great appreciation you may donate to St. Raymond Cathedral.

Let us make this a successful event. Grab some food and celebrate the festival at home with family and friends.

With God's Blessings,

Fr. John and St. Louis Lebanese Festival Chairpersons, Coordinators, Volunteers