

Saint Naamtallah Hardini Catholic Church

The greatest is he that can save his soul



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September 13th, 2026



This Sunday:

Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross

The readings for this week:

Exodus 17:8-15

1 Corinthians 1:18-25

John 12:20-32

Mass Schedule

- Mass is every Sunday 10:30 AM
- Confession available before and after Mass
- **Mass Intentions:** Carole Youssef Khawand

Collection

- Last Sunday : \$315
- On line donation : \$350

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Reflection

Our reflection this week is on the Holy Cross.

This feast of the Holy Cross goes back to the fourth century. After the victory of Constantine the Great, his mother, Saint Helena, went to the Holy Land and discovered the Cross of Christ. The Cross was then lifted up and honored by the Church. But today, we are not celebrating only a historical event. We are invited to contemplate the One who died and rose for us on that Cross.

The Cross is where Jesus poured out His love for humanity. It is where He gave Himself completely for us. The Cross is both the altar and the sacrifice. Christ is the priest, the victim, and the Savior. He gave His life so that we might receive life.

The history of salvation can be understood in three stages.

First, there was the preparation. Throughout the Old Testament, God prepared His people for the coming of the Savior.

Second, there was the coming of Christ. The Son of God became man and dwelt among us. As the Gospel of John tells us, the Word became flesh and lived among us. God came into our world, walked among us, and entered into our human life.

Third, there is the fulfillment of God's Kingdom through the Cross and Resurrection. Through the Cross, Christ conquered sin and death and opened for us the way to eternal life.

This is why the Cross remains at the heart of the Church. The Church continues to proclaim the Word of God and celebrate the Holy Mysteries. Through the Word, we encounter Christ, the Word made flesh. Through the Sacraments, especially the Eucharist, the sacrifice of Christ becomes present to us, and the Holy Spirit continues to give life and renewal to the Church.

The Cross also reminds us that Christ entered into the deepest darkness of humanity in order to bring us into the light. He descended into death in order to raise us to life. He entered into the depths of our human condition so that He could lift us up and lead us toward the Kingdom of Life.

Reflection

The Cross has two important dimensions.

The first is historical. We remember the Cross on which Jesus was hung, suffered, and died because He loved us. But the second dimension is eternal. The One who was crucified is the risen and glorified Lord. His Cross leads us not only to suffering but also to glory. Christ continues to draw every person toward Himself.

“God so loved the world that he gave his only Son.” The Cross is the greatest proof of God's love. Jesus opened His arms on the Cross as if to embrace the whole world and say: “I love you.”

Therefore, we should not look at the Cross only as a sign of pain. We must see it as a sign of love, trust, obedience, and salvation. Humanity turned away from God through disobedience, but Christ answered our disobedience with perfect obedience and love.

May we always look to the Cross, not with fear, but with faith; not only with sorrow, but with hope; and above all, with the certainty that the Cross reveals the immeasurable love of Christ for each one of us.

To Christ crucified and risen, with the Father and the Holy Spirit, be glory now and forever.

Amen.

Mass & Event Schedule 2026

Saint Hardini - Maronite Mass Schedules

Sunday's Mass 10:30 AM

January 1st	11:00 AM	New Year
January 6th	7:00 PM	Epiphany
January 22nd	7:00 pm	St. Sharbel
February 6th	12:00pm	First Friday
February 9th	7:00 PM	St. Maron
February 16th	7:00pm	Ash Monday
February 20th	7:00 pm	Station of the Cross
February 27th	7:00 PM	Station of the Cross
March 6th	12:00 PM	First Friday
March 6th	7:00 PM	Station of the Cross
March 13th	7:00 PM	Station of the Cross
March 20th	7:00 PM	Station of the Cross
March 27th	7:00 PM	Station of the Cross
March 30th	7:00 PM	Holy Week
March 31st	7:00 PM	Holy Week
April 1st	7:00 PM	Holy Week
April 2nd	7:00 PM	Holy Thursday
April 3rd	7:00 PM	Great Friday
April 4th	6:00 PM	Easter Vigil Mass
April 22nd	7:00 PM	St. Sharbel
May 1st	12:00pm	First Friday
May 14th	7:00 PM	The Ascension
May 22nd	7:00PM	St. Sharbel
June 5th	12:00 PM	First Friday
June 22nd	7:00 PM	St. Sharbel
July 3rd	12:00 PM	First Friday
July 23rd	7:00pm	St. Sharbel
August 7th	12:00 PM	First Friday
September 4th	12:00 PM	First Friday
September 22nd	7:00 PM	St. Sharbel
October 3rd	12:00 PM	First Friday
October 22nd	7:00 PM	St. Sharbel
November 6th	12:00 PM	First Friday
December 4th	12:00 PM	First Friday
December 8th	7:00 PM	The Immaculate Conception
December 14th	7:00 PM	St. Naamtallah
December 24th	4:00 PM	Vigil of the Glorious Birth
December 25th	10:30 AM	Christmas

ST. NAAMTALLAH HARDINI EVENT CALENDAR

14-21 SAT-SAT Maamoul Orders
MARCH

29 SUN Palm Sunday Breakfast / Egg Hunt
MARCH

12 SUN First Holy Communion
APRIL

9 SAT Mother's Day Banquet
MAY

21 SUN Father's Day Picnic
JUNE

30 SUN Summer Food Festival
AUGUST

12 SAT St. Hardini Feast Day Party
DECEMBER

20 SUN Breakfast with Santa
DECEMBER

Saint Naamtallah Prayer



Saint Naamtallah, man of God, monk, priest, teacher, worker, servant, and Prior who lived heroically according to the evangelical counsels of obedience, chastity, and poverty. You made the mystery of the Eucharist the center of your daily life and taught your disciples and brothers the theological virtues of faith, hope, and charity. You managed with responsibility and humility the ministries entrusted to you by the Church, and you worked silently and diligently. You served people and souls with joy and selflessness.

We implore you to intercede for us with the Holy Trinity, that He may grant us to be guided by your example, to follow in your footsteps, and to strive as you did, and to attain the same holiness and union with our Lord Jesus Christ. May we listen, like you, to the inspirations of the Holy Spirit, and love, as you did, the Virgin Mary, the Mother of God and our Mother, and glorify with you God the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit forever. Amen.

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ANNUAL PARTY

 **SEPTEMBER 26, 2026**
START TIME: 6:30 PM PST

Entertainment Provided by:

NASEEM BAND

SURPRISE SINGERS

TABEL BY
HALEEM ABOU HAIDAR

 FULL DINNER,
BEER AND WINE BAR

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Dinner provided by:

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With Gratitude to Almighty God
and to our Blessed Mother, Mary,
The Eparchy of Our Lady of Lebanon of Los Angeles
and the Zogbi and Karam Families
are honored to invite you to
the Ordinations of

Subdeacon Gibran Zogbi
and Subdeacon Claude Karam

to the order of Deacon
By His Excellency

The Most Reverend Bishop A. Elias Zaidan, D.D., M.L.M

Saturday, September 26, 2026

At 11:00 am on the Feast of St. John the Evangelist
Lunch Reception to immediately follow in the church hall



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Upcoming Events

St Naamtallah Cedars Catechesis Tentative Calendar

Thurs 9/10/26 Teams with parents only 6:30 pm, students at 7pm
What is Morality?

Sun 9/13/26 In person student meeting 12:15-1:15
*8 Church Approved True Moral Principles;
6 False Moral Ideas*

Thurs 10/22/26 Teams student meeting at 7-8 pm *Life is Always a Gift*

Sun 11/22 *Living Witness: TBA*

Wednesday 12/2 Teams student meeting - *Abortion*

Blessed Christmas and Happy New Year

Thurs 1/7 Teams parent meeting 6:30 followed by student meeting at 7-8 pm *Modesty/
Purity*

Sun 1/24 In person student meeting, Morality 12:15-1:15 *Making Sense of
Suffering and Euthanasia*

Thurs 2/11 Teams student meeting 7-8pm *Contraception*

Sun 2/21 In person student meeting 12:30-2:00 Morality: *Homosexuality and
Same Sex Marriage*

Sun 3/14 In person student meeting 12:15-1:15 *The Gifts of Femininity and
Masculinity/Furries*

Thurs 4/1
Teams student meeting at 7 pm *Living Witnesses: Juliann and Thad Rask*

Sun 4/11 In person student meeting 12:15-1:15 *Loneliness/Depression*

Thurs 5/6 Teams student meeting at 7-8 pm Morality: *Reproductive
Technology*

Sun 5/16 End of year party and open forum 12:15-1:15

MYA 2026-2027 Schedule

9/13

October Meeting is on Zoom only on 10/23 with the Portland MYA

11/22

12/13 MYA meeting, but no Cedars youth meeting scheduled yet. We may schedule one if there is a desire for the kids to meet.

1/24

2/21

3/14

4/11

5/16

God bless your summer +

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